

Congratulations graduates Avon Park High School Sebring High School



PHIL ATTINGER/STAFF

Avon Park High School graduates celebrate at the end of Friday's commencement ceremony in the Wildstein Performing Arts Center at South Florida State College.



MARC VALERO/STAFF

Some of the Sebring High School Class of 2018 Honor Graduates prepare to receive their diplomas.

Class of 2018 fondly remembers old times

By PHIL ATTINGER
STAFF WRITER

AVON PARK — Avon Park High School graduates have learned a few things over the years, according to Bryce Evan Langston, class president.

He said Friday night that, as elementary school students, they didn't know what to do, other than have fun with their friends.

That included Kaelyn Riffle riding on the back of Kelli Sullivan's scooter-chair during recess at Avon Elementary School.

"Dalton Whitman and Destanie Carpenter started a secret handshake that they added a move to every year," Langston remembered.

Things were still simple and fun back then, Langston said, but in middle school it got more awkward.

"It seemed as if we knew what we were supposed to be doing, but we didn't know what we were doing," Langston said.

He fondly remembered

how Lane Franza didn't know what he was doing when he balled up two ketchup packets inside a sandwich wrapper and slammed his fist on them to see what would happen.

"I'm pretty sure that

ketchup stain is still on the cafeteria wall," Langston said.

They learned a lot of things, like not to throw backpacks down the stairwell because, like

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Shereba Sunya Rich accepts a 2017 Kia from Alan Jay Wildstein, left, as part of his 'Wheels for As' program. Don Elwell, right, marketing director for Alan Jay Automotive Group, drew Rich's winning ticket from 92 members of the Avon Park High School 2018 graduating class who turned in 'A' grades to qualify for a free car.

About 350 school seniors graduate

By MARC VALERO
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — The students from the Sebring High School Class of 2018 were recognized at their

graduation ceremony Saturday morning for their hard work in reaching a significant milestone in their education.

The Highlands News-Sun Center's bleachers

were filled with proud parents and family members as about 350 seniors took the walk to accept their diploma and become graduates.

It was a memorable year, Principal Kim Ervin said, with Hurricane Irma at the start of the school year, prompting many students into action to help those in need in the storm's aftermath.

Ervin noted that she and the Class of 2018 began their journey together at Sebring High School in the fall of 2014.

While being new at the school, she wasn't very helpful in directing students to the right classroom on the first day, Ervin said, "The important thing is we figured out high school together and you all have certainly come a long way."

"Today is about celebrating all that you have done, all of your victories and accomplishments," she said. "It's a day to

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Honor Graduate Sarah Lethbridge delivers the student address.

Construction causes new epidemic on Miami streets

By LINDA ROBERTSON
MIAMI HERALD

MIAMI (AP) — Driving around the sprawling, spiteful, eternal construction site that is Miami can be hazardous to your tires.

Just ask Manuel Molina, manager of the Midas repair shop at 2175 NE Second Ave. He keeps two glass jars on his front counter that are full of nails, screws, bolts and other assorted sharp objects that he and his mechanics have yanked out of customers' tires. It's the same type of ghastly collection a forensic scientist might

display of pickled body parts in formaldehyde.

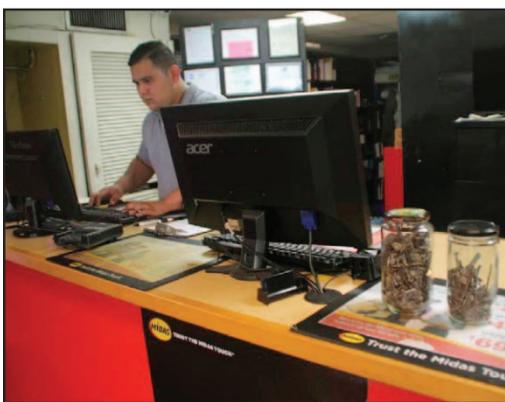
"What's in those jars is just a small percentage of what we find," Molina said. "It's gotten ridiculous. I'll see the same customers four or five times a month."

Miami is plagued by a flat-tire epidemic.

Construction debris litters our roadways and parking lots. We're paying the price to repair and replace punctured tires.

"Look at this — it blew a hole in the rim," said David Gonzalez, Molina's service adviser, twisting a six-inch nail between his

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LINDA ROBERTSON/MIAMI HERALD VIA AP

In this undated photo Midas Service Advisor David Gonzalez works near jars holding nails and debris taken from flat tires at the Midas shop in Miami. Miami is plagued by a flat-tire epidemic as construction debris litters the roadways and parking lots.

Ables' house was site of several calls Alleged shooter had burglary, battery, unfounded reports

By PHIL ATTINGER
STAFF WRITER

LAKE PLACID — Joseph Edward Ables, accused of murder in the shooting of Highlands County deputy sheriff William J. Gentry Jr., had frequent contact with law enforcement.



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It was during one of those situations, when a neighbor and 69-year-old Ables had a dispute May 6, that Ables reportedly shot Gentry with a small-caliber revolver. The wound was fatal and Gentry died May 7 at Lee Memorial Hospital.

The dispute at that time involved allegations that Ables had shot and killed

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SFSC's Camp Adventure focuses on STEM

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Camp activities teach middle schoolers about the world through supervised activities, and include swimming in the afternoons.

This summer camp will run in two weekly sessions, June 11-22, at the SFSC Highlands Campus in Avon Park. Campers may attend one or both weeks.

The cost to attend a weekly session, Monday through Friday, is \$157 and includes breakfast and lunch. Camp sessions run 8 a.m.-5 p.m. each day, with early drop-off beginning at



7:30 a.m. and pick-ups continuing through 5:30 p.m.

Campers are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. For further information and an application, call 863-784-7388 or visit southflorida.edu/campadventure.

During the first week, June 11-15, "Summer Cyber Camp," young explorers will learn about STEM careers while focusing on cybersecurity.

Through hands-on instruction and fun activities in the computer classroom, students learn cyber defense skills



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that protect their personal devices. The curriculum was developed by the U.S. government and prominent industry leaders.

During Week 2, June

18-22, "Mr. Roboto," campers are introduced to the basic principles of robotics and applications in the robotics industry. Through an extensive hands-on practice,

students become familiar with the section of a robotic system, learn how to manipulate robotics movements, and simulate industrial processes.

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5. Average drum sets have five pieces — bass drum, snare drum, two toms, and floor tom. Several cymbals are also used (crash, hi-hat and ride).

Source: <http://www.historyofdrums.net/drum-facts/facts-about-drums/>



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AARP Smart Driver Class

SEBRING - AARP will offer its Smart Driver Program from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 24, at Heacock Insurance, 1105 U.S. 27 N. in Sebring. Class is six hours long and is completed in one day. No driving or written test. To register, call Alfred Nolton at 863-385-4813.

Italian night dinner

AVON PARK - Forty & Eight (40&8) Voiture 899 will sponsor an Italian

night dinner from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on Friday, May 25, at VFW Post 9853, 75 N. Olivia Drive in Avon Park. Dinner is \$8 and includes lasagna, garlic bread, salad wedge and Boston cream pie. It is open to the public; smoke-free environment. Dinner benefits 40&8 programs.

Dirty Dozen canoe race

SEBRING - The Elks Club of Sebring will host a Dirty Dozen Canoe

Race on Lake Jackson on Saturday, May 26, at the Elks Club of Sebring on Lakeview Drive. Gates open at 8:30 a.m. and canoes launch at 10 a.m. Cost is \$45 per paddler ages 13 and up. Canoes are three-person teams. Kids 8-12 ages pay \$35. Proceeds to benefit Folds of Honor Foundation. For more information, call 863-202-1919 or email crossfitsebring@yahoo.com.

from 4:30-7 p.m. and entertainment is by Jay and Patty from 5-8 p.m. Flag ceremony is set for Monday, May 28 at 2 p.m. For information, call 863-465-0975.

Memorial Day ceremony

LAKE PLACID - The Lake Placid Elks No. 2661 will host a Memorial Day ceremony at 11 a.m. on Monday, May 28, at Elks Post 2661, 200 C.R. 621 in Lake Placid. Guest speakers include Mack Payne and Police Chief James Fansler. Free hot dogs and chips to follow.

Memorial Day wreath ceremony

SEBRING - American

Legion Post No. 74 of Sebring will hold a brief ceremony at 11 a.m. at Sebring Circle to honor those individuals who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country. Veterans and the public are welcome to attend.

VPK registration now open

SEBRING - Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) registration is now open for 2018. Visit the school board website at highlands.k12.fl.us to get started. Classes begin Tuesday, May 29 and no transportation is provided. VPK is free for qualified students. For more information, contact Tracy Mays at 863-471-5569.

SFSC BRIEFS

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SFSC closed for Memorial Day holiday

AVON PARK — In observation of Memorial Day, South Florida State College and its campuses in DeSoto, Hardee, and Highlands counties, will be closed Monday, May 28. The college will reopen Tuesday, May 29.

Applications for Basic Corrections Academy

AVON PARK — The South Florida State College Criminal Justice Academy (CJA) is accepting applications for its next Basic Corrections Academy course. This course is required to become a State of Florida certified corrections officer.

Basic Corrections Academy classes will be held Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., beginning Monday, Aug.

6, for those who wish to become a certified correctional officer in Florida.

By successfully completing 420 contact hours of training, students earn occupational certificates and are eligible to take the state certification examination. Applications must be completed online at southflorida.edu/publicsafety.

The CJA is located on SFSC's Highlands Campus. For more information, contact the CJA at 863-784-7282.

'What's Eating Your Landscape' workshop

AVON PARK — South Florida State College's Corporate and Community Education Department announces a new summer workshop called "What's Eating Your Landscape."

This workshop will teach participants how to identify and control pests. Participants learn eradication, control,

and prevention of weeds and pests in lawns and gardens. The safety precautions included in the workshop are the importance of reading labels on chemicals and personal protection equipment.

This class is offered on Tuesday, June 12, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$21 and the course number (CRN) is 30816.

Those interested in teaching a personal enrichment course or have ideas for classes that they would like to see offered, should submit a course proposal to communityeducation@southflorida.edu.

Register for classes in Building B at the Highlands Campus or any SFSC campus or center. You can also register and pay over the phone by calling 863-784-7405. For more information on this or any other community education classes, contact the Corporate and Community Education Department at 863-784-7388 or email communityeducation@southflorida.edu.

Memorial Day celebration

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OUR VIEW

Safety first when sharing our roadways

OUR POSITION: Florida's pedestrian-safety figures are awful. Let that be a warning.

A. The average weight of a car is 4,079 pounds

B. The average weight of an American man is 191.

C. A female, 166.

Put a moving A in a collision course with a B or C — or both B and C together, for that matter — and it adds up to tragedy.

No contest.

As recent Page 1 stories in the Sun noted, Florida leads the nation in pedestrian-automobile accidents. Of the worst 12 metro areas in the country, Florida has nine that are ranked the "least safest places to walk." Cape Coral-Fort Myers is the worst, by a long shot, with a "danger index" of 283. North Port-Sarasota-Bradenton ranks 10th with a 149 score.

In addition, Florida has had 228 pedestrian fatalities as of May 9, and 48 bicycle fatalities.

Heed the warning numbers. This is a big state with a large population, and an older population whose drivers may be less nimble (or, perhaps, more careful) than the national norm. The weather is good year-round, so people are outside walking and biking more than they may be in northern states. And, or course, vehicular traffic is heavy, especially in the winter tourist/snowbird season.

Something is way off, though. Which means, if nothing else, that pedestrians, cyclists and motorists must be more aware of one another and pay attention to the rules of the road.

Infrastructure is critical, and governments road projects must now include bike lanes and sidewalks. But older roads often lack sidewalks and wide shoulders, and sidewalks are expensive to build.

Sarasota County now imposes developer "mobility" fees, rather than road fees, which can be used to fund sidewalks and bike lanes in urban areas where road-widening isn't feasible. Sarasota also has the non-motorized 12.5-mile Legacy Trail, which runs from Venice to the Palmer Ranch area. County voters will decide in November whether to fund an extension of the trail to downtown Sarasota and upgrade an off-road trail in North Port. It's a good start.

The city of Venice also has a 10-mile-long biking-hiking trail on both sides of the Intracoastal Waterway. Venice has also undertaken a strong effort in recent years to mark bike lanes on the island, increasingly setting itself aside as a Bicycle-Friendly Community.

Punta Gorda has traveled in the bike-friendly direction, too, with a bike-loaner program and other initiatives. Unfortunately, as a story by Sun staffer Rusty Pray noted, an effort by Team Punta Gorda and city government to elevate the city to Bicycle-Friendly Community status suffered from what one city official termed "bike-lash," push-back from residents either worried about cost or unaware of the safety and recreational benefits. Misguided, we believe.

One thing all agree on is the need for education and individual awareness of the rules of the road. Like these:

Motorists must eliminate distractions. It's easy to drift into the shoulder/bike lane. Most important: Don't text while driving!

Pedestrians should walk with the flow of traffic, cyclists against.

Bicycles have a right to a portion of the roadway. Cyclists should stay right as much as practicable, but cars are legally required to give cyclists three feet of clearance.

Cyclists must follow rules of the road, including stop signs. The law forbids earplugs for cyclists and motorists. Cyclists may use sidewalks, but pedestrians have the right of way.

The situation should improve as Florida's road network improves. Still, follow the rules and proceed as safely as possible. Be alert. Look at our shared paths through the other guy's eyes. Walk-cycle-drive accordingly.

Sun Newspapers



The President's vision for the future of America

The President's speech was powerful and moving. I realize many of our readers might not be familiar with much of the text so I've excerpted parts of his speech here for your reading pleasure.

"I want to talk to you right now about a fundamental threat to American democracy. It is a crisis that strikes at the very heart and soul and spirit of our national will. We can see this crisis in the growing doubt about the meaning of our own lives and in the loss of a unity of purpose for our nation.

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INK IN MY VEINS

David Dunn-Rankin

history of our country a majority of our people believe that the next five years will be worse than the past five years. Two-thirds of our people do not even vote. The productivity of American workers is actually dropping, and the willingness of Americans to save for the future has fallen below that of all other people in the Western world.

As you know, there is a growing disrespect for government and for churches and for schools, the news media, and other institutions. This is not a message of happiness or reassurance, but it is the truth and it is a warning.

Looking for a way out of this crisis, our people have turned to the Federal Government and found it isolated from the mainstream of our nation's life. Washington, D.C., has become an island. The gap between our citizens and our government has never been so wide. The people are looking for honest answers, not easy answers; clear leadership, not false claims and evasiveness and politics as usual.

What you see too often in Washington and elsewhere around the country is a system of government that seems incapable of action. You see a Congress twisted and pulled in every direction by hundreds of well-financed and powerful special interests.

You see every extreme position defended to the last vote, almost to the last breath by one unyielding group or another. You often see a balanced and a fair approach that demands sacrifice, a little sacrifice from everyone, abandoned like an orphan without support and without friends.

We can spend until we empty our treasuries, and we may summon all the wonders of science. But we can succeed only if we tap our greatest resources -- America's people, America's values, and America's confidence."

Regardless of your politics, this speech is a powerful call to action and a return to what made America great. Thank you, Mr. President.

Sounds a lot like the current President, except it was President Jimmy Carter who made these remarks in 1979. Two different outsider Presidents brought in to drain the swamp, both hindered by the powerful status quo.

The alligators don't want their swamp drained. Will this President be more successful in breaking through?

Share your thoughts.

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YOUR VIEW

Citizenship should not be given lightly

When I was in the second grade, Sister Palladia said, "Jerry, you are a very good reader but you do not comprehend (grasp mentally; understand well), and should spend additional time working on that." Well, apparently I was not alone as indicated by a recent reader's comments in the Highland News-Sun op-ed (Immigrants have assimilated) when he stated that I bashed immigrants, although these are his thoughts and not facts. He did not say exactly what I penned that bashed them. He then went on to comment that immigrants take the jobs that unemployed Americans won't, so I'm thinking that perhaps welfare and unemployment regulations should be addressed instead of just allowing more illegal immigrants into our country to pick the produce, fruit and repair the roofs after hurricanes, but another option could increase the number

of H-2A visas, which allows a foreign national entry into the U.S. for temporary or seasonal agricultural work as needed.

For your information, DACA immigrants are still illegal even though they were brought here by their parents, and yet that phenomenal (all rise please) President Donald J. Trump was going to help them towards achieving citizenship, but then withdrew his help saying, "They had a great chance. The Democrats blew it" after failing to pass funding for that big beautiful wall along the southern border!

Perhaps the author should re-read my article as it quoted Thomas Jefferson who was convinced that citizenship was a privilege that should be earned, not given lightly. It was necessary in the late 1800s/early 1900s to stock the country with many low skilled legal immigrants to satisfy the low paying workforce demands, but we no longer need the tired, the poor and huddled masses to breathe free as Emma Lazarus

claimed.

Jerry Wright
Avon Park

Russian collusion delusion

If these players at the top of the FBI had put as much effort on some of those cowardly, psycho shooters as they did Russia collusion delusion and Stormy (man, I loved that song by the Classics IV), maybe they could have been prevented. Well, they were warned about the Parkland shooting, which could not be any more direct than that, and the FBI was hooked up with the Pulse Nightclub shooter's father. He was an informant for them.

It's hard to stay ahead of the news. Since I wrote this last week, I heard it's Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein who was apparently the one that signed off on the Uranium One deal between Hillary, her friends and Russia. Apparently, the U.S. lacks uranium and I'm sure there

is a logical explanation why they sold 20 percent of our supply and mining rights, of course, to Russia. Somebody trace that money trail!

Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein, in his position, now thinks he has authority over everyone including the president and refuses to answer to anyone. Mueller does all of Rosenstein's dirty work. Comey has done his share of dirty work and has lost his mind. Meanwhile, AG Jeff Sessions has been cowering in the corner ever since Rosenstein stepped in. Members of Congress have been trying to get documents from the DOJ and FBI for over a year. When they do get a fraction of these documents, a huge percentage (75 percent) is redacted so it's an ongoing battle. The best thing that can happen to this country is for us to get rid of these dirty players and honest ones put in their place that can run this country the way we deserve it to be run.

Robert Gilbert
Sebring

JOIN THE CONVERSATION

Letters are welcome on virtually any subject, but we do have some rules. We will not accept any Letters to the Editor that mention a business in a negative tone, as they have no means to defend themselves. Please keep Letters to the Editor to less than 250 words. Letters will be edited to length as well as for grammar and spelling. All letters must be signed with full name -- not initials. An address and telephone number must be included. The phone number and address are not for publication, but must be provided. In the case of letters that are emailed, the same rules apply.

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OBITUARIES

John Marion Adair



John Marion Adair was born Sept. 22, 1928, and passed away on May 17, 2018 at the

age of 89. His parents were James Wade Adair and Ethel Bocock Adair. He was the baby of 10 children and grew up on a farm in Indiana after his family migrated to Indiana when John was a young boy. John joined the Army in 1945. Upon completing basic training, he was stationed at Ft. Richardson Army Base in Anchorage, Alaska. He was placed in the motor pool and drove the Lieutenant Colonel around in a 1941 Packard, an assignment he truly enjoyed. Once he was discharged from the Army he returned home to Lebanon, Indiana. John's first wife was Edna Farris of Lebanon, Indiana and they had two girls. They were divorced.

He later married Vernita Moore on April 16, 1954 and they had two sons. John spent his adult years as an auto mechanic. His children and grandchildren know him best for his wood-working, brain teasers and gadget puzzles, his joking sense of humor, his funny car horn, his homemade ice cream and his love for cats.

John is preceded in death by his parents, James W. and Roberta Ethel (Bocock) Adair; his wife, Vernita; and his daughter, Kathy Jean Adair Dixon Dufour and nine siblings. He is survived by his daughter Linda Adair Durr (Larry); his sons Gregory Alan (Elizabeth) and Gary Lee (Cathy) Adair; his grandchildren Jennifer Jo Durr Goodrich (Stephen), Julie An Dixon Cook (Andrew Nappi), David Marc Dixon, Dominic Polveri Dufour, Olivia Katharine Dufour, Gregory Alan Adair, Jr. (Melissa), Angela Nicole Adair Porter (Ross), Joshua Paul McGee (Adriana), Megan Lyndall McGee Grimes (Rusty), Caleb Hunt McGee (Jessica), Carrie Ann Adair Brogden (Troy), Ryan John Thomas Adair, John "Rusty" McDaniel (Heather); and 20 great grandchildren.

John was a man of faith, integrity and had a passion for his family. He took great pride in the character and accomplishments of his children, their spouses and of course his grandchildren. Above and beyond anything John accomplished during his life.....and there were extraordinary personal accomplishments relating to military service, being quite possibly the best automobile mechanic who ever turned a wrench, raising a family in a comfortable and nurturing lifestyle, being a loving and faithful husband, being a great friend to so many, being an animal lover, to having a wicked sense of humor to living his life as a true Christian and being a mentor to us all...above all of that, John or Daddy or Papaw was an inspirational teacher of humanity, humility and life skills to his family.

He didn't preach, he didn't scold, and he didn't demand...John simply lead and taught by example. All of his

children and grandchildren have an advantage when sorting out life challenges...Are you having trouble determining right from wrong, having trouble managing money, having trouble reconciling your faith with everyday issues and temptations, well just think about the example and teaching that John provided us all and the correct and proper answer will always materialize. While living in Lebanon, he was a member of the Otterbein United Methodist Church. Upon moving to Florida he joined the First United Methodist Church of Sebring. Family services were held on Saturday. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in John's name to the Palms of Sebring or to Compassionate Care Hospice of Sebring. morrisfuneralchapel.com.

Fred M. Ethridge



Fred M Ethridge, 86, of Lake Placid, Florida went home to be with his Lord

on Tuesday morning May 15, 2018 at home, surrounded by loving family.

He was the son of Mary (Russell) and Richard Ethridge, and was born on Dec. 28, 1931 in Dell AR. Fred enlisted in the U S Army at the age of 20 years old, and served his time fighting in the Korean War. After his service to his country, Fred started his own company, Ethridge Paint and Body Shop in Kennett, Missouri where he worked until retirement.

Fred was a member of The First United Pentecost Church in Kennett for many years and made many friends. He loved meeting the guys at Hardees every morning for coffee. Fred has been a resident of Lake Placid for the past four years. He enjoyed working in the yard, playing his guitars, spending time with family and going to church at The Apostolic Lighthouse Church of Lake Placid.

Fred is survived by his loving daughter, Kathy Franks; two grandchildren, Nick (Sharee) Tidwell and Nicole Harmon; two great granddaughters, Whytni and Natali Adams, and a very special niece, Beverly Wallace, who went above and beyond by helping take care of him, all of Florida.

He is also survived by three brothers, Ray (Bessie) Ethridge of Florida, Harold Ethridge, Charles (Virginia) Ethridge and one sister, Pauline Baugus, all of Michigan, and many, many, special nieces and nephews.

He is predeceased by both parents and one sister, Rosie Anglin.

Services will be at Sarasota National Cemetery at a later date. Should friends desire, contributions may be sent to Alzheimer's Research Foundation, phone 813-920-2922, or on web alzheimersresearchfoundation.com/make-a-donation.

Words of comfort to the family can be made by visiting scottfuneralservices.com. Arrangements entrusted with the Scott Funeral Home, 504 W. Interlake

Blvd., Lake Placid. 863-465-4134.

Gina Ann Favors



Gina Ann Favors, 84, of Sebring, Florida passed away Friday, May 11, 2018. She was born June 15, 1933 in Italy to Florindo and Anna (Graciani) Alfonsi. She worked as a Secretary for the Air Force, Protestant Faith, loved to read, sew, paint, and bowling. She played the piano and accordion and was an avid bingo and card player. Gina has been a resident of Highlands County, Florida for 48 years, coming from Hollywood, Florida.

She is survived by her children, Chareese Peters (Michael) of Sarasota, Florida, Randy Cobb (Cathy) of Hollywood, Florida, Darrell Cobb of Avon Park, Florida; sister, Pearina Buono of Michigan; grandchildren, Kathy, Angela, Memory, Jarrett, Chelsey and Janelle. She is preceded in death by sons, Ronald Cobb and Derek Cobb.

Graveside services will be 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at Bougainvillea Cemetery, Avon Park, Florida. Arrangements entrusted to Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, 4001 Sebring Parkway, Sebring, Florida 33870. Online condolences may be left at stephensonnelsonfh.com.

Candee Kay Ford



Candee Kay Ford, 59, of Sebring, passed away peacefully at home

May 9, 2018 surrounded by her family. She was born on June 28, 1958, in Oswego, New York to Gordon S. Rose and Shirley Houghtaling Rose and moved to Sebring with her family in 1961. She was a graduate of Sebring High School Class of 1976, she enjoyed having fun with her many friends helping organize their reunions. Many knew Candee in her profession as a Claim Service Representative, having spent 23 years at State Farm bossing Jack Rhine around. She loved to spur laughter, make sure you were well fed and enjoy the beautiful scenery of the Smokey Mountains and the beaches of Marco Island and Daytona.

Candee leaves behind her loving and devoted husband, Donald; son, Sam; daughter, Crystal; granddaughters, Hannah and Ruby; dogs, Odie and Boo; her parents, Gordon and Shirley Rose; mother-in-law, Hazel Ford; siblings, Pam (Brad) Beumel, Brian (Cathie) Rose, Greg (Laura) Rose, Joy Rose; Aunt Mary; in-laws, Sandra (Ira), Larry (Barbara), Cheryl, Frank (Robin); a host of nieces and nephews who will miss their special aunt dearly, and her best friend Cathi Conway Wall.

Candee's friends and family are invited to a Celebration of Life on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at the home of Larry and Barbara Ford at 655 Vaughn Road in Sebring at noon. morrisfuneralchapel.com.

Nancy Evans Gillenwater

Nancy Gillenwater of Sebring, Florida passed

away peacefully on Sunday, May 13, 2018 to join our almighty God. She was 80. She was born in Mendon, Illinois on Dec. 18, 1937 to Harry and Fannie Mae Evans. She was the youngest of eight children. She attended Western Illinois and Indiana University, selflessly taught in public schools for the next 30 years in Bloomfield, Indiana, helping to fulfill the need for good teachers.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Bill, of 58 years; four terrific boys, Mark (Nancy), Todd (Brandy), Bradley (Christy) and Scott (Denean). Her sons bestowed on her 11 loving grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters, Delores Duncan of Illinois and Lucille Tallcott of New Mexico.

There will be a memorial service for Nancy early this summer in Bloomington, Indiana to celebrate her wonderful life.

Arrangements entrusted to Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, 4001 Sebring Parkway, Sebring, Florida 33870. Online condolences may be left at stephensonnelsonfh.com.

Peggy M. Gilbreath Peck

Peggy M. Gilbreath Peck, 85, of Sebring died May 16, 2018 at her residence. She was born in Crossville, Alabama, a longtime Sebring resident, she was a member of First Baptist Church of Sebring, a homemaker and Real Estate Agent.

She is survived by her daughter, Susan Peck (Carlos) Rodriguez; brother, Jimmy Gilbreath; sisters, Frances McGee, June Smith, Judy Holloway and Jeri Lynn Mayhew; grandchildren, Adriana (Cedrick) Rodriguez, Elena Rodriguez, and Jonathon Rodriguez; great grandchildren, Tatiana Caldwell and Mya Caldwell.

There will be a Celebration of Life service at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at First Baptist Church of Sebring, the family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Online condolences may be expressed at morrisfuneralchapel.com. Arrangements entrusted to Morris Funeral Chapel, Sebring.

William Franklin "Pops" Goble



William Franklin "Pops" Goble, 84, of Sebring, passed away Friday, May 18, 2018 with his family by his side.

He was born April 27, 1934 in Leavenworth, Kansas to William Franklin and Ellen Irene (Musgrave) Goble. Bill was a Navy veteran, having served during the Korean War. He worked at the ELS Language Center in Washington, D.C. for 33 years as the Director of Admissions. Because of his passion for dogs, he was inspired to write a log book for dog training purposes. He traveled the country in the "pup tent" with his dogs, competing in straight and lure course races. Bill was an avid reader and a fierce chess player. He dearly loved his family, friends and beach week.

He was preceded in death by his mother and posthumously by his father, and his sisters, Betty

Goble, Jean Baran, and Patricia Abbott. Survivors include his children, Sandra Newell (Richard), Glenda Ashkin (Joe), and William Goble, Jr. (Tamara); grandchildren, Dennis Mitchell, Paula Mitchell, Griffin Ashkin, Joey Ashkin, Jase Ashkin, and Trevor Goble; and great-grandchildren, Anne and Jack Mitchell. He is also survived by his sister, Paula Jeanquart and brother, Fred Wendell (Judy).

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Our Lady of Grace in Avon Park on Monday, May 21, 2018 at 5 p.m. with Father Nicholas McLoughlin as Celebrant. The family will receive friends from 2-4 p.m. at Dowden Funeral Home. The family requests that in lieu of flowers donations be made to Florida Whippet Rescue at rescueme.org. Inurnment will be at Florida National Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Dowden Funeral Home, 2605 Bayview Street, Sebring, Florida 33870. 863-385-1546.

Kay E. Larsen

Kay Larsen, 77, of Sebring, Florida, formerly of Erie, Pennsylvania, passed away on Thursday, May 17, 2018. She was born on July 13, 1940 to the late Eugene and Aileen (Bridge) Jones, in Olean, New York. She has been a resident since 2006 coming from Michigan. Kay enjoyed cross-stitch, playing bingo and cards.

Survivors include husband of 58 years, John Larsen of Florida; children, Michael (Kathy) Larsen-Merrimac of Massachusetts and Michelle (Richard) Johnson-Edinboro of Pennsylvania; siblings, Nancy Sweeney-McKean of Pennsylvania and Harlan (Carole) Jones-Wattsburg of Pennsylvania along with four grandsons and two great granddaughters. She was preceded in death by her brother-in-law, Richard Sweeney.

Services will take place at a later date in Pennsylvania. Services entrusted to Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, 4001 Sebring Parkway, Sebring, FL 33870. Online condolences may be left at stephensonnelsonfh.com.

Mary Ruggles

Mary Ruggles, 89, of Lake Placid went home to be with her Lord on Sunday night, May 6, 2018 at the Lake Placid Health and Rehabilitation Center. She was the daughter of Lola and Jay Banter who was born on July 21, 1928 in Marion, Indiana. Mary had a passion for writing and took her skills and became a newspaper reporter until she retired. Mary has been a resident of Lake Placid since 1978 moving there from Indiana. Mary loved to be with her family and friends especially her grand and great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her loving husband of 43 years, Lester Ruggles; a daughter,

Peggy Nelson of Tampa, Florida; and a grandson, Tommy House of Anderson, Indiana. She is survived by her loving son, Curt of Lake Placid, Florida; daughter, Cheryl House of Anderson, Indiana; seven grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, three great-great grandchildren; sisters, Betty Harphan (Gib), Pat Cartwright, Barbara Felts, and several nieces and nephews.

In keeping with Mary's wishes she will be placed next to her husband at the Bay Pines National Cemetery. Words of comfort to the family can be made by visiting scottfuneralservices.com. Arrangements entrusted with the Scott Funeral Home, 504 W. Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid. 863-465-4134.

Reginald Lloyd Stimson



Reginald Lloyd Stimson, 86, of Lake Placid, Florida went home to be with his Lord on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 surrounded by family at his bedside. He was born May 30, 1931 in Ferndale, Michigan to Gordon Benjamin Stimson and Jessie Emmons. Reginald completed Ford Trade School in Detroit, Michigan. He then joined the Navy and served in the Korean War as a fire control technician, Class USN-1 on the U.S.S. Bremerton (CA-130) from 1951-1955. He received the Korean Service Medal (three stars), United Nations Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, China Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and Korean Presidential Unit Citation. After the military he lived in Lantana, Florida and worked as a radio and television technician until moving to Lake Placid, Florida in 1967.

He worked for Ladney's Nursery and Woody's Aluminum from 1967-1985. He moved to Ashe County, North Carolina and worked for Ashe Emergency Vehicles and Parker Tie Hardware. In 2003, he moved to Wilmington, North Carolina where he worked at Lowes until he retired at age 84. In 2016, he returned to live with family in Lake Placid, Florida. Reginald loved living on a farm, building and fixing things. He taught his children his skills and stressed the importance of being dependable and hardworking.

Reginald was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley Stimson of 61 years and daughter, Wendy Ann Hunt. He will be missed by his six half brothers and one half sister, Don Stimson, Doug Stimson, Gary Stimson, Frank Stimson, John Stimson, Ron Stimson, and Debbie Stimson Stroh; his sons, Glenn (Jackie) Stimson of Lake Placid, Florida, Gene Stimson of Havana, Florida, and Chris Stimson of Rocky

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Point, North Carolina; grandchildren, Jason Brown of St. Cloud, Florida, Kevin Stimson (Dawn) of Clearwater, Florida, Pat Bray of Sebring, Florida, Dustin Thompson of Alpharetta, Georgia, Brian (Lacey) Stimson of Sebring; great grandchildren, Trent Bray, Kylie Stimson, Jacob Thompson, Zachary Brown, Bryce Bray, Ainsley Brown, Jacob Stimson and many extended family and friends.

A service to celebrate Reginald's life will be held 10:30 a.m., Saturday, June 9, 2018 at the Scott Funeral Home, 504 W. Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid with Pastor Chris Taylor officiating. Military honors will be provided by the VFW Post 4300 Honor Guard. The family suggests donations in Reginald's memory to the Highlands Hammock State Park, 5931 Hammock Road, Sebring, Florida. Words of comfort to the family can be made by visiting scottfuneralservices.com. Arrangements entrusted with the Scott Funeral Home, Lake Placid. 863-465-4134.

Kathleen D. Swain



Kathleen D. Swain, 97, passed away peacefully in her sleep on March 14, 2018, in

New Port Richey. She was born in Fruitland Park on Oct. 4, 1920 and lived in Florida her entire life. She attended elementary school in Fruitland Park and graduated in 1938 from Leesburg High school. She participated in the final reunion for her class that was held last year with her only remaining classmate, Anna Marie. She attended the Florida State College for Women (later known as FSU, the premier university in the state) where she joined the Delta Delta Delta sorority.

Kathleen returned to Leesburg to marry William F Girtman, Jr., who predeceased her in 1976. A true Southern Belle, she was gracious and kind to all she met. She was dearly loved by her family and enjoyed a wide circle of close friends over many years. An avid bridge player all her life, she drew a perfect hand several years ago and enjoyed the friendship of all her Sebring bridge players. She traveled extensively throughout North and Central America, Europe and Asia. Kathleen remarried Donald Swain who predeceased her in 2001.

She is survived by her son, William; and her daughter-in-law, Sue; her daughter, Nancy and her son-in-law, Henry; grandchildren, William (Donna), Kristin, Jessica, Philip (Marissa) and Holly and six great grandchildren, Jordan, Dylan, Molly, Maryn, Maggie and Leonardo. She also leaves behind her three closest friends in Sebring, Jim and his wife Sue, and of course, Pug.

Velma Lucille Brannon

Velma Lucille Brannon, age 92, of Sebring, Florida passed away Wednesday, May 16, 2018. She was born June 18, 1925 in Ousley, Georgia to Wiley Franklin and Annie (Folsom) Lewis. Velma grew up in Valdosta, Georgia. Velma has been a resident of Sebring, Florida since 1980,

coming from Ft. Myers, Florida. She started her nursing career in 1984 in Highlands County. She retired at age of 84. She was a member of St. Catherine Catholic Church.

She is survived by her son, Anthony Brannon (Lucretia); daughter, Marsha Brannon; brother, David Lewis; grandchildren, Holly Durhan (Mitch); Aydin Brannon; Matthew Brannon (Kaisha); Emily Dowd (Justin); great grandchildren, Kaitlyn Clemons (Clint); Andrew; Joe; Catalina; Lucy; Edy; Ryne; Ethan; Jett; Sawyer; great great grandchildren, Annslie and Britten. She is preceded in death by her husband, William Wallace Brannon and brothers, Robert; Edgar; Donald; and Wiley, Jr.

Memorial contributions may be made to Nu Hope Elder Care Services, Inc., 6414 US Hwy 27, Sebring, FL 33876. Arrangements entrusted to Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, 111 E. Circle St., Avon Park, FL 33825.

Online condolences may be left at stephensonnelsonfh.com.

FLORIDA NEWS BRIEFS

Man charged with leaving girl locked in car

Authorities say a Florida man left his 4-year-old daughter locked inside a car outside a courthouse while attending a domestic violence injunction hearing.

A Clearwater police news release says 52-year-old Dean Baaj was arrested Thursday and charged with child neglect.

Detectives say Baaj arrived at the Pinellas County Courthouse around 8:45 a.m. Officials say he locked the girl in the car with the windows up and the sunroof open. A passerby heard the child calling for help about two hours later and alerted a nearby deputy.

Clearwater police responded, and medics determined the child was fine. The girl was turned over to her mother, who had also been at the courthouse.

The temperature outside when the child was found was 82 degrees.

Parkland students on Texas: "They're part of this now"

PARKLAND (AP) — Survivors of the school

shooting in Parkland are expressing outrage and heartbreak after authorities said a student killed 10 people Friday at a high school in Texas.

The attack at Santa Fe High School is the deadliest school shooting since a former student was arrested in the killing of 17 people at Florida's Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on Valentine's Day, a massacre that mobilized a nationwide movement for gun reform. It also came on the last day of school for Stoneman Douglas seniors, who finish classes earlier than other grades.

"My heart is so heavy for the students of Santa Fe High School. It's an all too familiar feeling no one should have to experience. I am so sorry this epidemic touched your town — Parkland will stand with you now and forever," Parkland student Jaelyn Corin said in a tweet.

She also directed her frustration at President Donald Trump, writing "Our children are being MURDERED and you're treating this like a game. This is the 22nd school shooting just this year. DO SOMETHING."

Classmate David Hogg, who helped start the

#NeverAgain movement with Corin, predicted that politicians would descend on the Texas campus acting like they care to boost their approval ratings.

Cameron Kasky echoed their sentiments on Twitter: "Prepare to watch the NRA boast about getting higher donations. Prepare to see students rise up and be called 'civil terrorists' and crisis actors. Prepare for the right-wing media to attack the survivors."

A handful of Twitter users did begin to question the facts of the Texas shooting Friday, at least one accusing a Santa Fe student of being a #CrisisActor after she told a local television station she'd always felt like a shooting would eventually happen at her school.

Most of the victims of Friday's shooting at a Houston-area high school were students, authorities said.

"Santa Fe High, you didn't deserve this. You deserve peace all your lives, not just after a tombstone saying that is put over you. You deserve more than Thoughts and Prayers, and after supporting us by walking out we will be there to support you by raising up your voices,"

tweeted Emma Gonzalez, one of the movement's leading voices.

Monday marked three months since a former student with an AR-15 was charged in the attack in Parkland, Florida. The movement that resulted led to gun reform legislation being passed in Florida, and a continuing national debate over guns and school safety.

"They're part of this now," Stoneman Douglas student Charlie Shebes said.

"I want to talk to them," he added. "I'd like to say it gets better, but it actually gets a lot worse before it gets better."

March For Our Lives released a statement urging Americans not to simply let this latest shooting pass without action. The group said some Parkland students had already reached out to the Texas survivors.

"This is not the price of our freedom. This is the most fatal shooting since the one at our school and tragedies like this will continue to happen unless action is taken," the statement said.

Stoneman Douglas student Kayla Renert

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Timothy Ferreira, they might have left their phone in the bottom of the bag.

Langston said he learned to double-check his clothes in the gym locker before getting dressed again, "because you never know when you look down in civics class and find a cockroach crawling on your lap."

At APHS, he said, students knew what they were supposed to do and what they were doing, but the two rarely matched up, whether that meant pants falling during a halftime show or falling on a cooler and crushing it.

However, he said the class of 2018 showed an inclusiveness and kindness towards people who just showed up, "that they don't even know."

"If there's anything that I've found to be a theme among this class, it is this one word: Friendship," Langston said. "Thank you, classmates, for being friends with me and friends with one another."

Vijay Austin Sharma gave the commencement address, where he quoted Benjamin Franklin, who said, "To succeed, jump as quickly at opportunities as you do at conclusions."

"Each and every one of us has the power to make a positive change in the world," Sharma said.

He also quoted the Bible book of Matthew, to "let your light shine before others."

"But equally as bright is the future laid out before us," Sharma said.

And while people talk about the superlatives — those who are the best at everything — Sharma said he was often reminded of a quote he heard growing up: "With great power comes great responsibility."

It was only later he learned it was from the 2002 film "Spiderman," but found it was a good warning to use talent, not waste it, and to use talents for good.

He also reminded his classmates that APHS

had a hand in forging their lives, whether they had just moved to Avon Park or were born and raised two blocks away. They can now go as far as they want now, but they will always be Red Devils.

Highlands County School Board member Jill Compton Twist presented School Board Citizenship Awards to Rosalinda Meyleen Jaramillo — who also gave the invocation — and Christopher Allen Loomis.

School Board member Charlene Edwards presented the Senior Honor Student Award to Bryce Langston.

School Board member Donna Howerton presented the Gwen Sanders-Hill Scholastic Achievement Awards to those who graduated with an associates degree from South Florida State College and a diploma from APHS: Allison Lynn Franza, Joseph Michael Franza III, Cole Stuart Jahna, Joshua Thomas Jantz, Bryce Langston and Dalton Jack Whitman.

Superintendent of Schools Brenda Longshore — who also asked for a moment of silence for the students and faculty of Santa Fe High School in Texas — presented Col. Bailey Medals to Denise Michele Limdimas — who also gave the benediction — and Vijay Sharma.

Also Friday night, Alan Jay Wildstein gave away the 75th "Wheels for 'As" car — a 2017 Kia Forte, white with Red Devil pinstripes — to Shereba Sunya Rich. Her name was drawn out of 92 students who turned in 835 "As" to qualify for the drawing.

After the ceremony in the mosh-pit of meriment outside the front doors of Weinstein Performing Arts Center, Lisette Montoya-Cisneros said she was overwhelmed.

"I'm shocked," Montoya-Cisneros said. "I couldn't believe this is over."

When asked where she would go next, she said she plans to start this fall at the SFSC Criminal Justice Academy.



PHIL ATTINGER/STAFF

Avon Park High School graduating senior Denise Michele Limdimas accepts a Col. Bailey Medal from Highlands County Superintendent of Schools Brenda Longshore. The tradition of the medal for conscientious students honors Bailey who served as superintendent from 1922-1944.



Kelli Taylor Sullivan of the Avon Park High School graduating class of 2018 accepts congratulations from Charlene Edwards, school board member, at Friday's commencement ceremonies.



"I'm shocked. I couldn't believe this is over," said Lisette Montoya-Cisneros, left, after Friday night's Avon Park High School graduation ceremonies. When asked where she would go next, she said she plans to start this fall at the SFSC Criminal Justice Academy.



Kayla Elizabeth Weiner gets heavy applause from both the audience and 12018 graduating class as she walks across the stage Friday night with her diploma.

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his neighbor's cat. Court records also indicate that Ables was on probation for a felony charge and was not allowed to have a firearm.

Dispatch records and offense reports connected with his address, 234 Baltimore Way in Placid Lakes of Lake Placid, show he called the Highlands County Sheriff's Office frequently to report crime over a 12-year span, with many calls being unfounded.

On one occasion, however, neighbors called on his behalf, when they saw his house being burglarized. Deputies investigated and made an arrest in that case.

Dispatch records obtained by the Highlands News-Sun list Ables' earliest call at 4:41 p.m. Jan. 26, 2006, about criminal mischief: Someone was driving through his property, causing damage.

He made a similar complaint at 5:54 p.m. July 3, 2006, of neighbors spinning their wheels in his driveway.

Then, on Aug. 28, 2006, Ables made specific complaints against two men against whom he had trespass warnings, reports said.

An incident report stated that his neighbors, ages 45 and 56, came onto his property, and he had trespass warnings against both of them.

A deputy made copies of the trespass warnings. Even though Ables had a delivery receipt, Highlands County Central Dispatch did not have computer records of that paperwork on file at the time.

The deputy checked where a car had backed into his property but found it had only traveled on the county right of way. Ables did not know about the right of way between his property and the pavement. The case was ruled unfounded.

Ables reportedly made another trespass call on the neighbor on Sept. 6, 2006, about a car driving through his property.

He reportedly called in suspicious incidents on Sept. 21, 2006, and May 22, 2007. The second incident involved an Hispanic couple he saw entering 239 Baltimore Way. Both Ables and another resident, who was trying to buy the house, reported the incident and said no one should be at the house. They had both taken it upon themselves to change the locks, reports said, to protect the house, pending a sale.

However, it turned out that the couple had been given a key to look at the house for possible rental. The got the key from a property manager who works for the person who received the house from a deceased relative and was still working out the legal deed process.

That case was also ruled as unfounded.

Ables also made three calls on the night of July 3 and early morning July 4, 2007, about neighbors shooting off fireworks and mortars.

He then made a call on Nov. 25, 2007, about a suspicious vehicle — a black Ford Mustang — "laying rubber" in his driveway. A few months later, on March 8, 2008, he called about tire marks on his driveway and suspicions that a particular neighbor was breaking into his garage.

Dispatch records show a five-year gap. He made another call on March 27, 2013, about a suspicious incident: A possible

scam.

It was on Oct. 30, 2013, that his neighbors reported a burglary at Ables' home. Deputies arrived to find the house ransacked, with several items thrown about.

One item, an Airsoft rifle, was on the victim's bed and appeared to have a blood smear on it. Deputies took a swab from it and sent it to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Laboratory for analysis.

After contacting Ables, who was out of town at the time, deputies learned items worth \$10,600 were stolen, including a Suzuki Burgman 650 motorcycle, eight Airsoft firearms, an arrowhead collection, a 32-inch television and \$500 cash.

Deputies found the motorcycle in brush off Foxhunt Avenue in Highway Park. Then, on March 31, 2014, Lake Placid Police detective Stuart Troutman informed the Sheriff's Office that he received an identification on a blood swab in a police department case as Deondre Mijahn Chisolm.

Reports said Troutman cross-referenced his results with the blood sample taken from Ables' rifle and identified

Chisolm as a suspect in the Sheriff's Office case. Chisolm was arrested and charged.

In 2014, Ables made another call, alleging a neighbor had committed battery on him. Ables told deputies that a female neighbor had asked him to store some items for her.

While he was moving them in a wheelbarrow to his house, a man approached Ables and started yelling at him, reports said, accusing him of stealing from the woman.

The man also allegedly threatened to beat up Ables.

Allegedly, the man grabbed Ables' wrists and left a mark or cut on one of them. Ables reportedly was able to pull away and left the wheelbarrow while he ran inside to call 911.

When asked, the man said he did not grab Ables or threaten him. However, Sheriff's Office arrest reports indicate that deputies swore out an arrest warrant for the man.

Highlands County Clerk of the Courts records do not indicate whether the case was adjudicated.

MIAMI

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fingertips. "The strangest thing we found was a wrench inside a tire."

The shop is averaging about 10 flats per day, double what it used to be.

Customer Stephen Wicker lamented the fact that he was making his third visit in three months. He lives two blocks away in Edgewater. He can count 12 cranes from the view out his windows.

"You're constantly driving by a construction zone," he said. "There are nails falling from every orifice. The workers aren't cleaning up."

He's had flats in all four tires of his Scion XB.

"A nail even went through a previous patch," he said. "This time, I came in expecting a \$20 plug and I had to pay \$350 for two new tires."

Jessica Wade Pfeffer has also become a frequent customer.

"I live on the Upper East Side near Morningside and I work downtown," Pfeffer said. "My entire route is basically under construction, even when I try to take

other streets around it.

"In Miami, there's construction everywhere you go. You cannot avoid it." Gonzalez agrees.

"A flat tire in Miami is like taxes and student loans — it's inevitable," he said, shaking his head.

What to do?

"Take an Uber," Gonzalez suggested. "Take public transportation. Or walk. It's healthier to walk."

For those who have to drive, beware the obstacle course.

"It's all over South Florida," Gonzalez said. "I worked at repair shops in Cutler Ridge and Dadeland. Same thing there. I live in Kendall and I get a lot of flats. It's especially bad here. We're trying to close and people are coming in desperate with flats, 'Please help me.'"

Run-flat tires allow the driver to keep driving up to 50 miles at 50 mph until the tire can be replaced. But they are expensive — \$280 up to \$500, according to Molina — and usually have to be replaced rather than repaired. Regular tires cost \$70 and up. A patch job is typically \$20-30.

"With run-flats, if you pick up a nail you can continue to drive on it but often it cannot be fixed



LINDA ROBERTSON/
MIAMI HERALD VIA AP

In this undated photo jars filled with nails and other debris taken from flat tires sit on a counter at a Midas shop in Miami. Miami is plagued by a flat-tire epidemic as construction debris litters the roadways and parking lots.

because you shouldn't put plugs on them," Molina said. "A puncture in the sidewall of a regular tire can't be fixed, either."

"There's not much you can do and most times you won't notice the problem until your tire is completely flat."

But it's good for business, yes?

"It's very frustrating for our customers, who are like family to us in this area. We've been here 30 years," he said. "One lady with kids had to replace a tire. Then she came back in three days later to replace another one. I feel sorry for my customers who have to spend so much money on tires."



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Sebring High seniors gather before their graduation ceremony on Saturday.

It is all smiles before the Sebring High School graduation ceremony on Saturday.

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celebrate you; to let you know how proud we are of you reaching this significant milestone in your education. We expect great things from each of you."

In her Student Address, Honor Graduate Sarah Lethbridge said, "fellow graduates, congratulations; we made it; our hard work and sweat finally paid off as you and I are at a ceremony that is both the finish line and the starting line."

She encouraged her fellow graduates to "do it yourself" and not wait for somebody else to fix a problem.

Superintendent Brenda Longshore challenged the graduates to work hard and accomplish much.

She thanked the parents for loving and encouraging their children.

Graduate Krishay Walker said she will be going to South Florida

State College to study to become a registered nurse like her mother.

She took classes during the summer to graduate a year early.

Graduate Miguel Mejia will be attending South Florida State College to pursue a career in law enforcement.

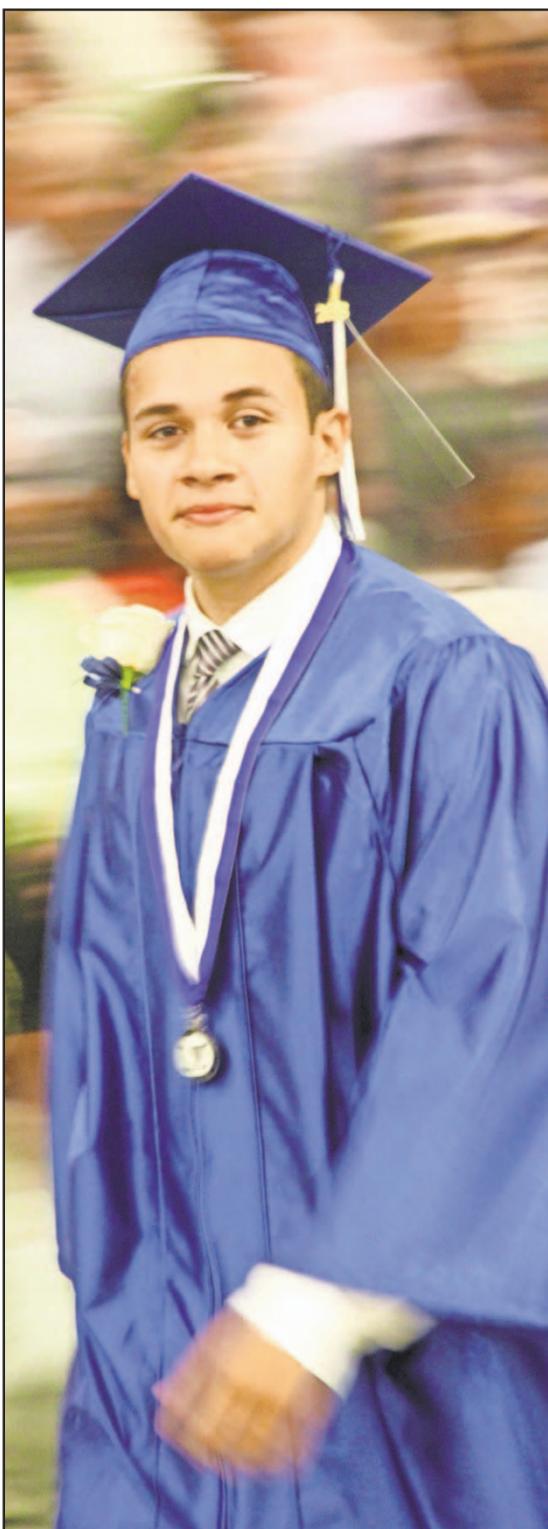
His family members at the graduation included his mom and dad, uncle, girlfriend and his little brother.

Before entering the Highlands News-Sun Center, Vicki Kirby was already crying about her daughter's, McKenzie Kirby, graduation.

"It is my last one [fourth] graduating," she said.

McKenzie will be going to Pensacola State College for two years and then Florida Southern for two years in her studies of forensic psychology.

McKenzie had some out-of-state family members at her graduation - an aunt from Mississippi, her sister from Alabama and her brother from Atlanta.



A Sebring High senior enters the Highlands News-Sun Center during the grand processional at Saturday's graduation ceremony of the Sebring High Class of 2018.

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recalled how she traveled to Washington for the massive gun reform rally in March.

"On the bus in D.C., I said we continue to say never again but it keeps happening again. This was again. We worked hard to make Douglas the last mass school shooting and unfortunately three months later there was another," said the 15-year-old sophomore.

Delaney Tarr tweeted: "I should be celebrating my last day of high school, but instead my heart is broken to hear of the tragedy at Santa Fe. We cannot let this continue to be the norm. We cannot."

Rabies alert issued for South Florida community

MIAMI (AP) — Health officials have issued a rabies alert for a Florida community after a raccoon tested positive for the disease.

The Florida Department of Health issued the alert Friday for the Kendall area, which is a suburb southwest of Miami.

An agency news release says the raccoon tested positive Tuesday.

State health officials have been working with Miami-Dade Animal Services and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to identify any individuals who might have been exposed to the animal.

The rabies alert will last for 60 days.

An animal with rabies could infect other wild or domestic animals that

have not been vaccinated against rabies.

Rabies is a disease of the nervous system and is fatal to warm-blooded animals, including humans.

Elections official gets 30-day sentence over taping

BUNNELL (AP) — A former Florida elections official is getting a 30-day jail sentence plus 18 months of probation.

The Daytona Beach News-Journal reported Friday that Kimberlee Weeks was sentenced on seven counts of illegally recording conversations, including one with Secretary of State Ken Detzner. Weeks was the Flagler County supervisor of elections.

Weeks is appealing her convictions and was allowed to remain out of jail after posting a \$25,000 bond.

She did not say anything before the judge handed down the sentence.

A jury took less than two-and-a-half hours in April to convict Weeks. She was first arrested back in 2015.

A state prosecutor had argued that Weeks deserved jail time because she ignored Florida law and mocked the people she recorded illegally.

Man convicted of fatal shooting during fight

FORT MYERS (AP) — A Florida man has been convicted of chasing another man down and killing him after a fight.

A Lee County State Attorney's Office news release says 24-year-old Davonte Dashwon Harris was found guilty

Wednesday of second-degree murder. He faces life in prison at his July 9 sentencing.

Authorities say Harris and 25-year-old Willie Moore Jr. got into a fight at a Fort Myers hotel in August 2016.

Harris ran away and grabbed a gun from his backpack.

Authorities say Harris then chased Moore out of the hotel and shot him behind a nearby gas station.

Investigators say Harris dropped his cellphone near Moore's body. He was arrested two days later.

Prosecutor will no longer seek bail for petty crimes

ORLANDO (AP) — A Florida prosecutor who got into a legal fight with the governor for her blanket refusal to seek the death penalty is announcing another big change. State Attorney Aramis Ayala says her office will no longer request monetary bail bonds for defendants accused of low-level crimes.

Instead, her prosecutors will recommend releasing defendants on their own recognition, for crimes such as possession of small amounts of cannabis, driving without a license, panhandling, disorderly conduct or loitering.

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LOCAL SPORTS

Ganassi ready to put it in gear

Ganassi Racing IndyCar team off to slow start...again

BY ALLEN MOODY
HIGHLANDS SUN EDITOR

Chip Ganassi doesn't have any complaints with how the season is going for his Ford Chip Ganassi Racing teams in the WeatherTech SportsCar Championship series. The No. 67 Ford GT is on top of the GTLM standings and won the Rolex 24 At Daytona, while the No. 66 car is in

third place in the season standings with two podiums in four races.

It's been a different story in IndyCar, however, as his team has failed to lead a single lap in any of the first five races on the schedule. But don't expect Ganassi to panic.

"Historically that's kind of the typical start for our season," Ganassi said from Indianapolis Motor Speedway after

Friday's practice session.

"We start slowly, we get going right about now. The strong point in the season is really from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Historically that's been the time that separates the teams from the wannabes. I fully intend that we'll have both guys in the mix going forward."

If there was a time to get things moving

in the right direction, it's next Sunday when the Indianapolis 500 is held. Even though it's just another race on the schedule, it remains one of the biggest races in the world.

"Remember, this is still the Indianapolis 500," Ganassi said. "You get so used to going to races, but you don't want to



CHIP GANASSI RACING PHOTO

INDY | 5 Chip Ganassi set the fastest rookie qualifying speed for the 1982 Indianapolis 500.



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Dave Douglass

Sunset, sunrise fishing heats up

The Freshwater fishing forecast for the third full week of May gives anglers the first quarter moon phase on Tuesday and a rainy season weather forecast. The two major lunar periods will be occurring during the 'sunrise and sunset periods; over the next four days, so the two most popular fishing periods of the day will be most productive.

The Florida rainy season weather pattern typically does not produce significant atmospheric pressure changes. Therefore fish will be influenced mostly by the moon changing the levels of the sun's energy entering the atmosphere.

During the moon's 28-day orbit of earth, there are four separate 'three-day periods' in which lunar interaction within the sun's energy path to the earth, produces greater-than-average daily solar energy fluctuation periods. These solar-lunar monthly periods produce greater fish feeding activity during the sunrise and sunset, or, noon and midnight periods during those four three-day periods.

For the next three to four days the moon will cause a spike in solar energy levels during the sunrise and sunset periods. And atmospheric pressure-changes will be weak at best if there's actually any change at all. Typically if there is a change in pressure upward it will occur just after sunrise and or two hours or so before solar noon, which today is at 1:22 p.m. And a modest pressure decline will occur during the middle afternoon hours—weak-modest changes are 0.03-.05 In Hg.

This time of year 'moving water' areas come into play along with sustained wind direction patterns. During the typical rainy season there are five-day periods which produce moderate-to-weak southeasterly winds which results in daily thunderstorms and rainfall throughout various areas of the state. So fishing rivers and streams, flood control structure areas and west and north lake shorelines and east and south island shorelines, produces typically, better results.

FISHING | 3

Blue Streaks best Bolts

Sebring overcomes slow start for spring football victory

BY JIM TAYLOR
CORRESPONDENT

SEBRING — The Sebring Blue Streaks overcame an early 14-point deficit to beat the Class 8A Ridge Bolts in their annual spring football game 39-21 on Thursday night at Firemen's Field.

"It looked like a spring game," said Sebring coach LaVaar Scott "Shook a little rust off, we are still rusty but we did some things and we still have a lot of things to build on."

The Sebring offense looked shaky to start the game as a couple of high snaps led to a turnover that gave Ridge the ball on the Sebring 26. The Bolts converted it into a touchdown a few plays later to take a 7-0 lead.

Ridge added to their lead in late in the first quarter with another touchdown off a 1-yard quarterback sneak as the Blue Streaks found themselves trailing 14-0 after the first quarter.

It was off a bad snap early in the second quarter in which the momentum started to turn in the Blue Streaks favor.

Quarterback DJ Williams cleanly handled a low snap off the ground and turned it into a 46-yard touchdown run through the middle of Ridge's defense to put Sebring on the board early in the second quarter to make the score 14-7.

Late in the first half, Williams got the passing game going with a couple of 20-plus yard completions to Jacob Pasley that got the Blue Streaks inside the 10 with time running down in the first half.



JIM TAYLOR/CORRESPONDENT

Sebring quarterback DJ Williams (3) powers through the Ridge defense for a 20-yard gain.

Williams completed the drive with a corner pass to the right side to Norris Taylor for a 9-yard touchdown pass to tie the game at the half at 14.

Sebring dominated the third quarter as they scored three touchdowns and stopped the Bolts twice inside the 10 to prevent them from scoring.

"That is good," said Scott. "It shows what we can do defensively, we have some holes and we to figure out how we can fill those holes and keep it moving."

Sebring opened up the third quarter with a 75-yard drive in which Williams kept alive twice converting fourth downs into first. Williams capped off the drive with a quick sideline pass to Taylor to the left, who then proceeded to zig-zag through the Ridge defense for 35 yards to the right side of the field and eventually the end zone to give Sebring their first lead of the game 21-14.

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Sebring's Jordan Rose puts the hammer down on the Ridge quarterback for a sack.



Oladipo honorary pace car driver

Pacers star will drive 2019 Corvette ZR1

INDYCAR

Victor Oladipo, who blossomed into an NBA All-Star in his first season with the Indiana Pacers, has been named the honorary pace car driver for the 102nd Indianapolis 500 presented by PennGrade Motor Oil on Sunday, May 27. Oladipo will drive the 2019 Corvette ZR1 pace car and lead the field of 33 drivers to the start of "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing."

Oladipo averaged 23.1 points per game in the 2017-18 NBA season with the Pacers after being traded from Oklahoma City. That outstanding performance elevated him to become the leading candidate for the 2017-18 NBA Most



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The Indianapolis 500 pace car is a 2019 Corvette ZR1.

Improved Player Award, which will be announced in June.

The arrival in Indiana was a popular homecoming for Oladipo, who produced an

outstanding college career and was a fan favorite for three seasons at Indiana University from 2010-13.

"This is a tremendous honor

for me," Oladipo said. "I'm so thankful Indiana continues to embrace me, from Indiana University to the Pacers and now the Indianapolis 500, the greatest race in the world. I would like to thank Chevrolet, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and the Pacers for allowing me this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Excited is a huge understatement to how I feel about this. I can't wait."

Oladipo, a guard, was named to the NBA All-Star team for the first time in the 2017-18 season while leading the Pacers to a 48-34 record — the team's best season since 2013-14 — and the No. 5 seed in the Eastern Conference playoffs.

DRIVER | 5



Sebring Roger Yarde scores on a 15-yard run in the third quarter.



JIM TAYLOR/CORRESPONDENT

Sebring's Norris 'Fish' Taylor hauls in a pass during the team's spring game against Ridge.



After giving up 14 first-quarter points, the Sebring defense shur down the Ridge offense, allowing just one score over the final three quarters.

STREAKS

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Roger Yarde recovered a fumble on Ridge's next possession and returned it 45 yards to the Bolt's 25 yard line. Yarde scored on a 15-yard run a few plays later to increase Sebring's lead to 13, 27-14.

Sebring scored again late in the third quarter as Williams connected with Taylor for a third touchdown on a 26-yard pass that gave Sebring a 33-14 lead as time ran out in the third quarter. Both teams brought in

their third team players for the fourth quarter, with each scoring a touchdown, Sebring's coming off a run by Edrick Lockett to make the final score 39-21.

Scott gave high marks to Williams stating that he is a running back and they know that when a play breaks down he will be able to make something happen and take care of the ball.

"We want to take what we did today and keep building, keep progressing; we don't want to go backwards," Scott said.



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Wheeler grabs lead at Toyota Bassmaster Texas Fest

SPECIAL TO HIGHLANDS NEWS-SUN

Jacob Wheeler fished "a hodge-podge of lures, techniques and depths" Friday to earn 18 pounds, 3 ounces of largemouth bass and take command of the 2018 Toyota Bassmaster Texas Fest benefiting Texas Parks and Wildlife Department on Lake Travis.

"The way I've been catching my bass this week has been through a long list of tactics, lures and locations," he said. "I've been fishing 'hodge-podge.' That's the best way I can explain it. But that's really how I like to fish, and it's been working well for me."

This isn't the first time the second-year Bassmaster pro has been in the lead. Wheeler has two Elite Series victories to his credit, but Texas Fest carries more weight than a regular-season Elite Series tournament.

His two-day total weight of 35-7 moves him closer to the \$100,000 first-place payday and a coveted berth into the 2019 Bassmaster Classic presented by DICK'S Sporting Goods. The 27-year-old pro admitted to having 18 rods on the deck of his boat during Friday's second round of competition,



SEIGO SAITO/B.A.S.S. PHOTO

Jacob Wheeler moved into the lead of the Toyota Bassmaster Texas Fest.

but he claimed to have learned more about his pattern as the day went on.

"I dialed in on them a little more today," Wheeler said. "Not enough to say I'm confident in winning this tournament. Not just yet. I used most of the rods I had out, and I caught fish from 6 inches of water to 40 feet and I hit a bunch of spots. It was a hodge-podge day."

Most pro anglers keep their cards close to the vest at this point in major tournaments, but he did say he his big

fish were coming from a couple specific structural elements.

"I still think it's going to take 15 to 17 pounds a day to win on Lake Travis," he said. "I've kept myself in position to potentially win even if I have a tough Saturday or Sunday. I'm very happy with how my day went, and I hope I can stay consistent into tomorrow."

After leading on Thursday's opening round, Ray Hanselman Jr. of Del Rio, Texas, fell back to second place after producing only

four bass that weighed 12-2, pushing his two-day total to 34-1.

"Today was definitely tougher," Hanselman said. "I didn't get any of the big bites I had hoped for, and only bringing in four fish certainly hurt. I think I could have caught another keeper somewhere else, but I was focusing on big bass only."

In hindsight, Hanselman said he should have spent more time fishing docks for his limit bass.

"The dock thing was working for me, but I left

it too soon. In looking back I should have downsized my lure while I was there," he said.

Cliff Pace of Petal, Mississippi, stayed consistent and held down third place for the second day in a row.

"Catching that 10-5 yesterday sure helped, but I was able to stay on quality fish again today," Pace said. "This lake is receiving a lot of fishing pressure right now, but I think it will get better tomorrow with fewer fishermen on the lake."

If no one catches a bass heavier than Pace's

10-plus-pounder in the final two rounds, he'll win the big bass prize, a new Toyota Tundra pickup truck.

The full field of 108 anglers was cut to the Top 50 pros for Saturday's semi-final round of competition.

Rounding out the Top 5 are Jason Christie of Park Hill, Oklahoma, with 32-7 in fourth place and Drew Benton of Panama City with 30-12 in fifth place.

Takeoff will begin at 8:15 a.m. each morning at Jones Brothers Park in Jonestown, Texas, and weigh-ins will be at the same location each afternoon beginning at 5 p.m.

The Bassmaster Elite Series Outdoors Expo concludes today. The event will feature boat demo rides, an aquarium, free prizes and the latest fishing products on the market. The fan-favorite kid's area, Bassmaster Get Hooked on Fishing presented by Toyota and Shakespeare, will also include catfish-casting ponds and a chance to meet the pros. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Outdoor Adventures Area will welcome visitors of all ages to try out archery, learn ways to contribute to conservation and participate in other fun outdoor activities.

FISHING

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Best Fishing Days:

Monday through Wednesday sunrise and sunset periods.

The Major Fishing Periods:

Today the moon underfoot period occurs at 6:10 a.m. and the sunrise at 6:34 a.m. which will produce a feed intensity rating of 5 from 5:30-8:30 a.m. And the moon overhead period occurs at 6:39 p.m. and sunset at 8:10 p.m. creating a 5 rating from 6-9 p.m.

The Minor Fishing Period:

Today the moonrise occurs at 11:44 a.m. and solar noon at 1:22 p.m. creating a 4 rating from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Seasonal Safety Notes: Alligators are now in their 'mating season' which occurs from April through August. Males

are very aggressive and any shallow body of water will have dangerous gators so be alert. Expect gators to be in your pools and other areas near small waterways. Gators will be 'where they usually are not' so scan areas for gator activity.

Istokpoga.info News: The lake level is at 38.60 feet above sea level, which is the max-level in the 12-inch management-threshold range for the end of May. The minimum level is 37.50 feet currently and will remain at this annual low mark until July when it is raised six inches over a six-week period. The maximum level will be dropped this month to 38.25' by June 1 — an additional four inches from today's level.

This seasonal 'rain-buffer schedule' is necessary because the lake fills six times faster than water is able to be released during major rain events and extended rainy periods. Currently three of four S68 gates are open nine inches and flowing a combined 850 cubic feet per second.

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Fishing from Shorelines: Learn where the deeper water comes closest to shorelines using a lake contour map. There are 45 Highlands County lake maps published online at FloridaLakesMaps.com. Each map is edited to include boat ramp locations and have been enlarged for easy reading of the lake-bottom contour delineations.

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Dave Douglass is a bass fishing guide and teacher on 25 lakes, from the towns of Kissimmee to Clewiston. Visit HighlandsBassAngler.com for complete details. Phone: 863-381-8474. Email: DavidPDouglass@hotmail.com.



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Dave Douglass with an 8-pound Istokpoga bass.



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Bottas fastest in Barcelona test

Teams have 2-day test session ahead of Grand Prix of Monaco

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He's enjoyed a solid start to the season without managing a victory, and Valtteri Bottas demonstrated his pace once again by topping the time sheet for Mercedes as testing concluded in Barcelona on Wednesday.

The Finn put in a huge 139 laps in his Silver Arrow with a quickest lap of 1:16.904 on supersofts, which was set in the morning session, putting him on top. Indeed, that pace was over six-tenths quicker than the P1 time Max Verstappen had set in the Red Bull on day one, but still behind teammate Lewis Hamilton's pole lap of 1:16.173 for last Sunday's Spanish Grand Prix.

It proved to be enough to keep Bottas 0.068 seconds ahead of Ferrari's Antonio Giovinazzi on the hypersoft compound, with the Italian behind the wheel of the SF71H one day after opening testing for Sauber. The Prancing Horse were certainly keen to get as much data as possible at the Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya, and ran the most laps of any team with a mammoth 148.

The highly-rated Lando Norris did his glowing reputation no harm with a superb P3, the Briton leaving it late in the McLaren to set a 1:18.039. It was the third time the teenager has tested for the Woking outfit — after run outs in Hungary and Abu Dhabi last season — and one he'll certainly remember.

Haas's Kevin Magnussen made up the top four by going almost two-tenths quicker than Romain Grosjean's time on the same hypersoft tires on Tuesday. The Dane, however, saw his session ended after 75 laps when his American team made him park his car up on track as a precaution — an incident that brought the red flag out.

With rules stating that two of the four in-season test days must be given over to drivers with fewer than three Grand Prix starts, there were plenty of F1 hopefuls on show in Spain. One of them was Force India's Nikita Mazepin, who finished fifth, while F2 star Jack Aitken — participating in his maiden test in a current car — was one place behind in the Renault.



F1, Tests, 2018, Barcelona, Valtteri Bottas, Mercedes-AMG Petronas Motorsport

Fresh from finishing 10th last Sunday, Charles Leclerc racked up 139 laps for Sauber — and his quickest put him in P7. Another driver familiar with this circuit, Robert Kubica, came eighth in the Williams less than a week after running in opening practice in Spain.

Toro Rosso decided to use two drivers on Wednesday with Sean Gelael behind the wheel in the morning before handing over to Pierre Gasly, who came ninth despite running just 39 laps.

Pirelli's tire development program

schedule, which took place alongside this test, saw McLaren and Force India each provide a car. Stoffel Vandoorne was representing the former, and set the P10 time, while for the latter it was Nicholas Latifi.

British driver Jake Dennis also got his first taste of on-track F1 power, the Red Bull sim driver taking over duties from Verstappen and setting the 11th-quickest time.

So with testing now over for the teams and drivers, they'll turn their attention to the next round of the championship in Monaco.



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Ganassi's first appearance at the Indianapolis 500 wasn't as a team owner, but as a driver, and if not for that experience, it's unlikely we'd see the Ganassi Racing teams of today,

which also includes Ford Chip Ganassi Team UK, a season-long competitor in the World Endurance Championship, who will be in Sebring in March for the WEC's 1,000-mile race the day before the 12 Hours of Sebring.

"It was a great, great experience," he said. "Having simply put, it was the launchpad, that was the launchpad for what you see today as our team."

Scott Dixon has been with Ganassi for 17 years, while Ed Jones is a newcomer to the team, one of a number of promising young drivers who are finding their way to IndyCar. Ganassi said it's hard to pinpoint why there is such a talented group of young drivers coming up right now.

"There seems to be sort of waves of drivers that come along from time to time," he said. "I

think that's more a function of what's happening in the smaller formulas maybe three or four years ago, as to what it means for IndyCar racing today. I don't know that I have any other explanation for it other than that. It's certainly a timing issue, time and a place kind of thing where, like I said, you got to look back at where Ed started three, four, five years ago. I think that will tell a lot."

Even with all of his accomplishments in motorsports, stepping into Indianapolis Motor Speedway is still a thrill for Ganassi.

"It never gets old," he said. "You come here year after year. I guess I've been here now every year since 1982, actually was here as a spectator in '81. I hate to use this term, but you got to pinch yourself a little bit sometimes."



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Scott Dixon races into Turn 10 during practice for the Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach.



CHRIS OWENS/INDYCAR PHOTO

Ed Jones during practice on Friday at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.



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The No. 66 Ford Chip Ganassi Racing Ford GT races at Sebring International Raceway.

DRIVER

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Oladipo also led the NBA in steals with 2.4 per game.

During his college career at IU, Oladipo was a consensus first-team All-American in his final season with the Hoosiers in 2012-13. He was selected second overall in the 2013 NBA Draft in 2013 by the Orlando Magic.

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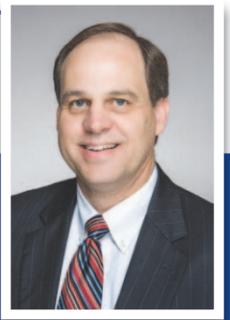
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A royal wedding to remember



JONATHAN BRADY/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

Prince Harry, Meghan wed in Windsor as millions watch

By **DANICA KIRKA, JILL LAWLESS and GREGORY KATZ**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WINDSOR, England — The son of British royalty and the daughter of middle-class Americans wed Saturday in a service that reflected Prince Harry's royal heritage, Meghan Markle's biracial roots and the pair's shared commitment to putting a more diverse, modern face on the monarchy.

British reserve crisscrossed with American verve in a service that broke molds and created new ones. Choirboys and a gospel choir; the archbishop of Canterbury and the African-American leader of the Episcopal church; a horse-drawn carriage and flowers hand-picked by the groom.

The wedding was a global event, thanks to Harry's status

as a senior British royal and Markle's celebrity status after starring on the U.S. television series "Suits" for seven years. Yet it seemed somehow so personal — and they both beamed like a couple who couldn't take their eyes off each other.

In a rousing sermon that highlighted a bit of a culture gap between outgoing Americans and reserved Brits, the Most. Rev. Michael Curry of the U.S. stirred the congregation from its fairy-tale reverie, quoting Martin Luther King in a sermon that had some reaching for hankies and others shifting in their chairs.

"There's power in love," Curry said, his voice rising. "Love can help and heal when nothing else can. There's power in love to lift up and

Britain's Prince Harry places the ring on Meghan Markle during their wedding ceremony at St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle in Windsor, England, Saturday.



BEN BIRCHHALL/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

Prince Harry and Meghan Markle leave after their wedding ceremony at St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle in Windsor.

liberate when nothing else will."

He also quoted from the Song of Solomon in the Bible: "Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it."

Joining the couple were a phalanx of celebrities, many of whom shared their wish to change the world. Oprah Winfrey, Idris Elba, Elton

John, George and Amal Clooney, Serena Williams, James Corden and David and Victoria Beckham all watched from rows of seats in the Gothic masterpiece that is St. George's Chapel at Windsor Castle.

The British weather was — gasp! — sunny and balmy,

WEDDING | 8

First lady returns to White House after kidney treatment

By **DARLENE SUPERVILLE**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Melania Trump returned to the White House in "high spirits" on Saturday following a weeklong hospitalization for kidney treatment, a lengthy stay that raised questions about whether the first lady's condition may have been more complicated than first revealed.

President Donald Trump heralded her homecoming with a tweet that referred to her as "Melanie" instead of "Melania."

"Great to have our incredible First Lady back home in the White House. Melanie is feeling and doing really well. Thank you for all of your prayers and best wishes!" Trump wrote before quickly superseding that tweet with another that spelled his wife's name correctly.

Mrs. Trump's quiet return to the White House, her husband and their 12-year-old son, after five days at a nearby U.S. military hospital resolved a brewing mystery about when she would eventually be released. What remain are questions about the state of her health.

Her spokeswoman, Stephanie Grisham, has declined to release additional details, citing Mrs. Trump's right to privacy.

"The First Lady returned home to the White House this morning," Grisham said in an emailed statement. "She is resting comfortably and remains in high spirits. Our office has received thousands of calls and emails wishing Mrs. Trump well, and we thank everyone who has taken the time to reach out."

First ladies are under no obligation to make their medical histories public.

She had been at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center near Washington since Monday, when she had an embolization procedure to treat an unspecified kidney condition the White House described as benign. Word of the hospitalization came as

FIRST LADY | 4

Gunman blasted through door, lingered for almost 30 minutes

By **PAUL J. WEBER and JUAN A. LOZANO**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SANTA FE, Texas — The suspect in the Texas school shooting began his attack by firing a shotgun blast through an art classroom door, sending panicked students to the entryway to block him from getting inside, witnesses said.

Dimitrios Pagourtzis fired

again through the wooden part of the door and fatally hit a student in the chest. He then lingered for nearly 30 minutes in a warren of four rooms, killing seven more students and two teachers before exchanging gunfire with police and surrendering, officials said.

Freshman Abel San Miguel saw his friend Chris Stone killed at the door. San Miguel got grazed in the stomach by

another volley of shots. He and others survived by playing dead.

"We were on the ground, all piled up in random positions," he said.

Galveston County Judge Mark Henry, the county's chief administrator, said he did not think the attack was 30 minutes of constant shooting, and that assessment was consistent with other officials who said

law enforcement contained the shooter quickly. But authorities did not release a detailed timeline to explain precisely how events unfolded.

Junior Breanna Quintanilla was in art class when she heard the shots and someone say, "If you all move, I'm going to shoot you all."

The 17-year-old Pagourtzis walked in, pointed at one person and declared, "I'm going

to kill you." Then he fired.

"He then said that if the rest of us moved, he was going to shoot us," Quintanilla said.

When Quintanilla tried to run out a back door, she realized Pagourtzis was aiming at her. He fired in her direction.

"He missed me," she said. "But it went ahead and ricocheted and hit me in my right

GUNMAN | 4

Hawaii lava flow ramps up as new magma mixes with old

By **CALEB JONES and JENNIFER SINCO KELLEHER**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PAHOA, Hawaii — Lava oozing out of cracks for two weeks in rural Hawaii neighborhoods took on new characteristics as fresher magma mixed with decades-old magma, sending a flow toward the ocean Saturday.

Since a first fissure opened up in a community on May 3, lava was mostly spattering up and collecting at the edges of the cracks in the ground. Two neighborhoods with nearly 2,000 people were forced to evacuate as lava claimed 40 structures.

On Friday afternoon, the lava changed dramatically with one fissure ramping up and sending a flow across a road, destroying four more homes and isolating residents, some of whom had to be air-lifted to safety.

The change is attributed to new magma mixing with 1955-era magma in the ground, creating hotter and more fluid flows, scientists said.

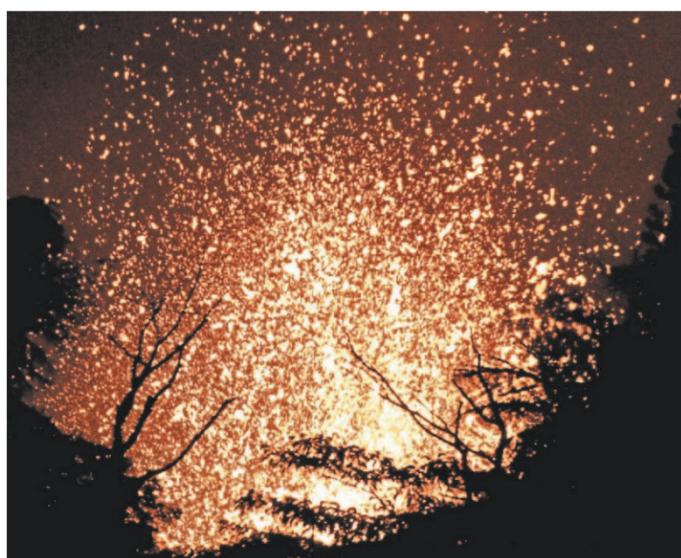
"There's much more stuff coming out of the ground and it's going to produce flows that move further away," said Wendy Stovall, a U.S. Geological Survey volcanologist.

By Saturday morning, two of 22 fissures had merged,

creating a wide flow advancing at rates of up to 300 yards per hour. Aerial footage from the USGS showed fast-moving lava advancing to the southeast. The flow was 1.5 miles from the ocean, scientists said.

In the background, the footage showed lava fountaining 328 feet high at one of the fissures. The fountains are created by vents closing, forcing magma to burst through a single outpoint, Stovall said.

If lava threatens a main highway, more people will be told to prepare for voluntary evacuation.



AP PHOTO

Lava erupts in the Leilani Estates subdivision near Pahoa, Hawaii, Friday. Hawaii residents covered their faces with masks after a volcano menacing the Big Island for weeks exploded, sending a mixture of pulverized rock, glass and crystal into the air in its strongest eruption of sandlike ash in days.

LAVA | 4

US, China say Beijing commits to buying more US goods

By **MARTIN CRUTSINGER** and **PAUL WISEMAN**
AP ECONOMICS WRITER

WASHINGTON — Just-ended U.S.-China trade talks produced a commitment by Beijing to “significantly increase” its purchases of American goods and services, according to a joint statement Saturday from the rival economic powers trying to lower trade tensions.

They also agreed on “meaningful increases” in U.S. exports of agriculture and energy products and greater efforts to increase trade in manufactured goods and services.

The statement, however, provided no dollar amounts on how much China might boost its purchases of American products.

The statement also was silent on whether the talks had made progress in easing the trade standoff between the world's two biggest economies. Washington and Beijing have threatened to impose billions of dollars in punitive tariffs on each other.

The statement said they did agree on the need for “effective measures” to reduce America's trade deficit, and to strengthen cooperation on protecting intellectual property. The statement said the United States would send a team to China to work out further details.

One of the Trump administration's goals has been to get China to take steps that would lower America's goods trade deficit with China by at least \$200 billion by the end of 2020. Outside analysts said it was highly unlikely that China would ever agree to a U.S. demand for a specific deficit reduction target.

Eswar Prasad, an economist and trade expert at Cornell University, said that Saturday's statement seemed to be an effort to de-escalate for the time being the growing tensions.

“The Trump administration seems eager to engineer at minimum a temporary peace with China to ensure a smooth runup to the Kim-Trump summit in June,” Prasad said, referring to the June 12 meeting between Trump and North Korea's leader.

“It is likely that this agreement, weak and vague though it is, will serve as grounds to at least delay the imposition of tariffs” that the United States and China have threatened to impose, Prasad said.

“There was a consensus on taking effective measures to substantially reduce the United States trade deficit in goods with China,” the joint statement said.

The two days of talks were led on the Chinese side by Vice Premier Liu He and on the American side by Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin. The U.S. delegation included Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross and U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer.

Trump campaigned in 2016 on a pledge to get tough on China and other U.S. trading partners. He views the massive U.S. trade deficit with China — \$337 billion last year, the biggest with any country — as evidence that Beijing is engaged in abusive trading practices and has outmaneuvered previous U.S. administrations.

Last August, Lighthizer began an investigation into Beijing's strong-arm tactics to challenge U.S.

technological dominance. These include outright cybertheft of U.S. companies' trade secrets and China's demands that American corporations hand over technology in exchange for access to the Chinese markets.

Last month, the administration proposed tariffs on \$50 billion of Chinese imports to protest the forced technology transfers. Trump later ordered Lighthizer to seek up to an additional \$100 billion in Chinese products to tax.

China responded by targeting \$50 billion in U.S. products, including soybeans — a shot at Trump supporters in America's heartland. The prospect of an escalating trade war has shaken financial markets and alarmed business leaders.

In a separate controversy, the Commerce Department last month blocked China's ZTE Corp. from importing American components for seven years, accusing the telecommunications company of misleading U.S. regulators after it settled charges last year of violating sanctions against Iran and North Korea.

The ban amounted to a death sentence for ZTE, which relies heavily on U.S. parts, and the company announced that it was halting operations. Chinese officials complained loudly about the ZTE sanctions when a high-level U.S. delegation, led by Mnuchin, visited Beijing this month.

Trump waded into the fray last Sunday, tweeting that he was working with Chinese President Xi Jinping to put ZTE “back in business, fast.” Media reports suggested that the U.S. was offering to swap a ZTE rescue for an end to proposed Chinese tariffs on U.S. farm products.

Former Playboy centerfold apparently jumps to death with son

NEW YORK (AP) — A former Playboy centerfold involved in a custody battle apparently jumped with her 7-year-old son to their deaths from the 25th floor of a Manhattan hotel room, law enforcement officials said Friday.

The pair checked into the penthouse suite of the Gotham Hotel at about 6 p.m. Thursday, police said at a brief news conference. They fell 23 floors, and were found on a second-floor balcony at about 8:15 a.m. Friday in the rear courtyard of the hotel, police said.

Law enforcement officials identified the woman as Stephanie Adams and her son as Vincent. They were not authorized to speak publicly and spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity. The officials said she was involved in a custody dispute over Vincent with her estranged husband, a Manhattan chiropractor named Charles Nicolai, and police had been called to their home



ADAMS

several times in the past few months. A receptionist who answered the phone at Nicolai's office said Nicolai would not comment and was unreachable.

The New York Post profiled Adams in 2013, saying that she had by then written more than 25 self-help books, ran an online beauty products company and managed the finances in her husband's office. She appeared in Playboy in 2003, worked with Elite Model Management and had two business degrees, according to the Post profile.

“The stereotypes are sexist and unfair,” Adams told the Post in the profile. “Just because I look a certain way and have expensive tastes, it doesn't mean I'm shallow. Style and looks don't mean lack of brains, sweetheart!”

Adams and her husband were sued in 2013 by a massage therapist at the chiropractic office who claimed she was fired because Nicolai said his wife could become jealous because the therapist was “too cute.”

The Gotham Hotel is on 46th street, about four blocks from Grand Central Terminal.

HEADLINES AROUND THE NATION

1 dead, 1 injured in cougar attack in Washington state

NORTH BEND, Wash. (AP) — One man was killed and another was seriously injured when they encountered a cougar Saturday while mountain biking in Washington state.

Authorities said the two men were on a morning bike ride in the foothills near North Bend when the attack occurred.

The mountain lion ran into the woods and officers with the Washington Department of Fish and Game are trying to track it, King County Sheriff's spokesman Sgt. Ryan Abbott said.

The 31-year-old survivor was taken to a hospital in Seattle. He is listed in serious condition in the emergency room but was alert and talking, Harborview

Medical Center said in a statement.

A search and rescue team has been dispatched to recover the body of the deceased man.

KIRO-TV reported that the injured man called 911 shortly before 11 a.m. and shouted, “Can you hear me? Help!” and then the call hung up.

Authorities found the cougar standing over the body of the dead biker, the station reported.

No further details were immediately available.

Trump nominates businessman for Belgium ambassador

CHICAGO (AP) — President Donald Trump has nominated Chicago businessman and GOP donor Ron Gidwitz to serve as U.S. ambassador

to Belgium.

Gidwitz was Trump's Illinois finance chair during the 2016 presidential campaign. The Chicago Tribune reports the businessman is a co-founder and partner at the private equity firm GCG Partners. He has no previous political experience.

Gidwitz has been a mainstay in the Republican party both in the state and nationally. He has donated \$1.3 million to state and local Republican candidates since 1994, and he also co-chaired Gov. Bruce Rauner's first run for office.

The businessman spent an additional \$700,000 in 2016 to support Trump and candidates for the U.S. House and Senate.

Gidwitz now faces Senate approval for the ambassador post.

TODAY / TONIGHT MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

 Heavy thunderstorms HIGH 82° 70% chance of rain An evening shower or two LOW 69° 55% chance of rain	 A couple of showers and a heavy t-storm 84° / 70° 65% chance of rain	 A thunderstorm in spots in the afternoon 87° / 71° 40% chance of rain	 Cloudy, a t-storm in spots in the p.m. 88° / 71° 50% chance of rain	 Mostly cloudy with a thunderstorm possible 87° / 71° 30% chance of rain	 Variable clouds with a t-storm possible 88° / 70° 30% chance of rain
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80° GULF WATER TEMPERATURE

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

FLORIDA CITIES

City	Today	Mon.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Apalachicola	82 73 pc	83 73 t
Bradenton	80 70 t	84 72 t
Clearwater	80 70 t	84 73 t
Coral Springs	80 75 t	82 76 t
Daytona Beach	78 71 t	81 71 t
Fort Lauderdale	80 76 t	83 75 pc
Fort Myers	83 71 t	84 71 t
Gainesville	77 69 t	83 69 t
Jacksonville	77 70 t	80 70 t
Key Largo	81 77 t	81 77 pc
Key West	83 78 t	83 78 pc
Lakeland	77 69 t	82 69 t
Melbourne	80 73 t	83 72 t
Miami	80 75 t	83 75 pc
Naples	82 72 t	84 72 t
Ocala	77 68 t	83 68 t
Okeechobee	78 70 t	80 69 t
Orlando	78 70 t	82 69 t
Panama City	84 70 t	82 71 t
Pensacola	88 69 pc	85 70 pc
Pompano Beach	80 77 t	83 77 t
St. Augustine	79 71 t	79 71 t
St. Petersburg	84 74 t	87 74 t
Sarasota	82 69 t	84 69 t
Tallahassee	81 67 pc	80 69 t
Tampa	82 71 t	86 72 t
Vero Beach	80 72 t	80 71 t
West Palm Beach	80 74 t	82 75 t

TIDES

High	Low	High	Low	
Punta Gorda	Today 6:49p	2:40a	---	2:15p
Mon.	11:42a	3:44a	8:07p	2:15p
Englewood	Today 5:26p	12:56a	---	---
Mon.	10:19a	2:00a	6:44p	12:31p
Boca Grande	Today 3:50p	---	---	---
Mon.	8:54a	12:41a	5:21p	11:35a
El Jobean	Today 7:21p	3:09a	---	---
Mon.	12:14p	4:13a	8:39p	2:44p
Venice	Today 3:41p	---	---	---
Mon.	8:34a	12:39a	4:59p	11:10a

MARINE

Wind Speed Seas Bay/Inland direction in knots in feet chop

Cape Sable to Tarpon Springs
SE 8-16 1-3 Light

Tarpon Springs to Apalachicola
ENE 8-16 1-3 Light

SUN AND MOON

The Sun	Rise	Set
Today	6:38 a.m.	8:12 p.m.
Monday	6:38 a.m.	8:12 p.m.

The Moon	Rise	Set
Today	11:49 a.m.	12:40 a.m.
Monday	12:52 p.m.	1:30 a.m.

SOLUNAR TABLE

Minor	Major	Minor	Major	
Today	11:23a	5:08a	11:52p	5:37p
Mon.	12:23p	6:09a	---	6:37p
Tue.	12:51a	7:04a	1:17p	7:30p

WEATHER HISTORY

On May 20, 1982, Cincinnati's eastern suburb of Milford was swamped by 2.50 inches of rain in just a half of an hour.

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One mile.

THE NATION

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Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

U.S. Extremes (For the 48 contiguous states yesterday)
High 96° at McAllen, TX Low 21° at Angel Fire, NM

City	Today	Mon.	City	Today	Mon.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W		Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Albuquerque	80 56 pc	81 58 c	Jackson, MS	89 67 s	87 65 s
Anchorage	56 46 pc	58 43 c	Kansas City	73 54 pc	78 59 pc
Atlanta	85 66 pc	78 66 pc	Knoxville	87 68 t	86 64 pc
Baltimore	84 64 pc	80 62 t	Las Vegas	92 71 t	85 67 pc
Billings	73 48 pc	78 52 pc	Los Angeles	71 59 pc	69 58 pc
Birmingham	89 68 pc	84 66 pc	Louisville	89 72 pc	86 69 c
Boise	74 54 c	76 55 pc	Memphis	92 72 s	87 68 s
Boston	77 56 pc	73 59 s	Milwaukee	51 46 c	58 49 sh
Buffalo	70 50 pc	75 60 pc	Minneapolis	70 50 pc	72 52 pc
Burlington, VT	73 49 r	78 54 s	Montgomery	90 65 pc	81 65 t
Charleston, WV	85 64 pc	84 64 t	Nashville	92 70 t	86 68 pc
Charlotte	85 68 pc	83 66 pc	New Orleans	91 71 pc	89 73 pc
Chicago	55 51 t	66 53 pc	New York City	82 60 pc	78 62 pc
Cincinnati	85 69 pc	85 66 c	Norfolk, VA	86 71 t	81 70 t
Cleveland	66 54 pc	72 59 c	Oklahoma City	75 57 pc	82 63 pc
Columbia, SC	83 68 pc	84 68 pc	Omaha	60 49 c	75 54 pc
Columbus, OH	81 64 t	83 66 c	Philadelphia	83 62 pc	78 60 pc
Concord, NH	78 47 sh	79 51 s	Phoenix	98 71 s	98 70 s
Dallas	86 68 t	88 72 pc	Pittsburgh	78 59 pc	76 64 t
Denver	66 46 pc	77 52 t	Portland, ME	75 49 sh	73 51 s
Des Moines	60 53 c	68 55 pc	Portland, OR	70 52 pc	74 53 pc
Detroit	67 50 pc	62 54 c	Providence	78 57 pc	75 57 pc
Duluth	70 43 pc	72 44 s	Raleigh	85 68 pc	86 68 t
Fairbanks	67 46 pc	67 43 pc	Salt Lake City	79 56 pc	80 57 pc
Fargo	73 44 s	77 51 s	St. Louis	92 67 t	83 64 pc
Hartford	80 53 sh	79 56 s	San Antonio	90 71 pc	87 71 pc
Helena	75 48 pc	75 53 pc	San Diego	67 60 pc	66 60 pc
Honolulu	85 74 pc	86 73 pc	San Francisco	65 54 pc	68 55 pc
Houston	90 73 pc	91 72 pc	Seattle	68 52 pc	71 52 pc
Indianapolis	86 68 t	83 63 c	Washington, DC	86 68 pc	83 68 t

WORLD CITIES

City	Today	Mon.	City	Today	Mon.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W		Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Amsterdam	72 54 pc	75 56 t	Mexico City	82 58 pc	79 55 pc
Baghdad	103 77 s	106 79 pc	Montreal	69 48 c	76 52 s
Beijing	65 58 c	67 56 c	Ottawa	68 43 pc	76 49 s
Berlin	71 50 pc	72 51 pc	Paris	74 54 s	75 55 t
Buenos Aires	60 45 pc	60 41 pc	Regina	77 49 s	84 54 s
Cairo	101 76 pc	101 80 pc	Rio de Janeiro	74 49 c	76 63 s
Calgary	75 50 pc	76 51 pc	Rome	77 60 pc	78 60 pc
Cancun	86 75 t	83 74 t	St. John's	56 42 r	59 34 pc
Dublin	61 47 r	63 46 c	San Juan	84 74 sh	85 75 sh
Edmonton	78 47 s	79 46 s	Sydney	67 54 s	70 53 s
Hallifax	61 48 r	64 46 s	Tokyo	70 60 s	76 63 pc
Kiev	68 47 pc	65 50 pc	Toronto	70 44 pc	70 53 pc
London	72 51 s	74 53 pc	Vancouver	66 51 c	67 52 pc
Madrid	69 54 t	71 55 t	Winnipeg	74 46 s	75 50 s

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PORT CHARLOTTE

Punta Gorda through 2 p.m. Saturday

Temperatures
High/Low 87°/69°
Normal High/Low 90°/67°
Record High 97° (2017)
Record Low 58° (2011)

Precipitation (in inches)
24 hours through 2 p.m. Sat. 0.00"
Month to date 0.85"
Normal month to date 1.09"
Year to date 3.36"
Normal year to date 12.06"
Record 1.59" (2002)

SEBRING

Sebring through 2 p.m. Saturday

Temperatures
High/Low 81°/70°

Precipitation (in inches)
24 hours through 2 p.m. Sat. 0.39"

AIRPORT

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

Hi/Lo	Outlook	Delays
Ft. Myers	83/71	storms all day
Punta Gorda	82/69	storms all day
Sarasota	82/69	storms all day

MONTHLY RAINFALL

Month	2018	2017	Avg. Record/Year
Jan.	1.98	0.88	1.80 9.93/2016
Feb.	0.66	0.94	2.52 11.05/1983
Mar.	0.53	0.80	3.28 9.26/1970
Apr.	1.15	1.59	2.03 5.80/1994
May	5.47	2.74	2.50 9.45/1991
Jun.	14.79	8.92	23.99/1974
Jul.	9.02	8.22	14.22/1995
Aug.	13.12	6.81	15.60/1995
Sep.	12.46	6.04	14.03/1979
Oct.	2.54	2.93	10.88/1995
Nov.	0.44	1.91	5.53/2002
Dec.	1.04	1.78	6.83/2002
Year	9.79	60.36	50.74 (since 1931)

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

CONDITIONS TODAY

UV Index and RealFeel Temperature® Today

POLLEN INDEX

Pollen Index readings as of Saturday

AIR QUALITY INDEX

Air Quality Index readings as of Saturday

Source: National Allergy Bureau

Main pollutant: Ozone

Source: sctgov.net

FIRST LADY

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a surprise as there was no indication during her public appearances in recent weeks, including during a state visit by France's president, that Mrs. Trump had been ailing.

One week before the procedure, a beaming Mrs. Trump, 48, presided over a splashy announcement ceremony in the White House Rose Garden to introduce her "Be Best" public awareness campaign to help teach kindness to children.

Grisham said Monday that the procedure was "successful," there were no complications and that Mrs. Trump would probably remain hospitalized for "the duration of the week."

The president then tweeted Tuesday that his wife would be released in "2 or 3" days, but Thursday and Friday passed without word

from the White House on her whereabouts. Trump had visited her during her first three days of hospitalization. But he did not visit Thursday or Friday, leading some to wonder whether that meant the first lady had been discharged.

The first lady said Wednesday on Twitter that she was "feeling great" and looking forward to going home, but gave no indication of when that might happen. On Friday, she tweeted about the deadly school shooting at a Houston-area high school but did not update her followers on her medical situation.

Urologists with no personal knowledge of Mrs. Trump's condition said the most likely explanation for the procedure is a kind of noncancerous kidney tumor called an angiomyolipoma. They're not common but tend to occur in middle-aged women and can cause problematic bleeding if they become large enough, said Dr. Keith

Kowalczyk of MedStar Georgetown University Hospital.

Doctors often treat the condition by cutting off the blood supply so the growth shrinks, added Dr. Lambros Stamatakis of MedStar Washington Hospital Center. That is done with an embolization, meaning a catheter is snaked into the blood vessels of the kidney to find the right one to block.

Most of the time, these tumors are found when people undergo medical scans for another reason, but sometimes people have pain or other symptoms, Kowalczyk said. Many times, embolization patients go home the same day or the next.

Grisham on Saturday characterized speculation about the first lady as "uninformed," adding that every patient is different.

"Mrs. Trump has a medical team that is comfortable with her care, which is all that matters," she said. "Her

recovery and privacy are paramount and I will have no further comment beyond this."

The question of what level of accountability should be expected of first ladies is difficult because they are private citizens, yet public figures who draw keen interest from the public, have taxpayer-supported staff and sometimes involve themselves in politics and policy.

Myra Gutin, a Rider University professor who studies presidents' wives, recalled the backlash Rosalynn Carter suffered for attending Cabinet meetings; she explained that she just wanted to get things right because she was so often out and about representing President Jimmy Carter.

The White House has a mixed record on disclosing information about the ailments of first ladies.

Nancy Reagan revealed in 1987 that she had breast cancer and had her left breast surgically removed.

But nearly two decades later, the White House found itself on the defensive for its after-the-fact disclosure that Laura Bush had skin cancer removed from her right shin in November 2006.

Mrs. Bush had decided it was a private matter, but it nonetheless came to light after she was seen wearing a bandage below her right knee.

The following year, the White House proactively disclosed that Mrs. Bush would have surgery to relieve pain from pinched nerves in her neck. The problem kept her from accompanying President George W. Bush on a trip to Australia.

Sheila Tate, a press secretary to Mrs. Reagan, said the first lady felt it was appropriate to reveal her breast cancer diagnosis.

Such disclosures by a first lady aren't "absolutely required, by any means," Tate said. "Melania is entitled to her privacy, if that's what she wants."

GUNMAN

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leg." She was treated at a hospital and spoke with a brown bandage wrapped around her wound.

"It was a very scary thing," Quintanilla said. "I was worried that I wasn't going to be able to make it back to my family."

In their first statement since Friday's massacre, Pagourtzis' family said the bloodshed "seems incompatible with the boy we love."

"We are as shocked and confused as anyone else by these events," said the statement, which offered prayers and condolences to the victims.

Relatives said they remained "mostly in the dark about the specifics" of the attack and shared "the public's hunger for answers."

Zach Wofford, a senior, said he was in his agricultural shop class when he heard gunfire from the art classroom across the hall. He said substitute teacher Chris West went into the hall to investigate and pulled a fire alarm.

"He saved many people today," Wofford said of West.

The mother of one slain student said her daughter may have been targeted because she rejected advances from Pagourtzi, who was an ex-boyfriend of her daughter's best friend.

Sadie Rodriguez said her 16-year-old daughter, Shana Fisher, repeatedly told him no, and he "continued to get more aggressive." The week before the shooting, Fisher "stood up to him" by embarrassing him in class, Rodriguez said.

The Houston branch of the FBI tweeted Saturday that 13 people were wounded in the attack, up from 10 previously. Hospitals reported treating 14 people with shooting-related injuries Friday, and the reason for the discrepancy still was not clear.

In addition to a shotgun and a handgun, Pagourtzis also had several kinds of homemade explosive devices, but they were not capable of detonating, Henry said.

Investigators found a group of



AP PHOTOS

Abdul Aziz Sheikh, left, father of Sabika Sheikh, a victim of a shooting at a Texas high school, comforts an elderly woman arriving for condolence to his daughter at his home in Karachi, Pakistan, Saturday.

carbon dioxide canisters taped together, and a pressure cooker with an alarm clock and nails inside. But the canisters had no detonation device, and the pressure cooker had no explosive material, Henry said.

"They were intended to look like IEDs, but they were totally non-functional," Henry said, referring to the improvised explosive devices common in the early years of the U.S.-led war in Iraq.

Authorities have offered no motive, but they said in a probable-cause affidavit that the suspect had admitted to carrying out the shooting.

The gunman told police that when he opened fire, he avoided shooting students he liked "so he could have his story told," the affidavit said.

From first word of the shooting, at 7:32 a.m. Friday, until confirmation that the suspect was in custody, the attack lasted about half an hour.

Dispatch records indicate that law enforcement first entered the building about seven minutes later after learning of the assault. The suspect was said to be in custody at 8:03 a.m.

Texas Gov. Greg Abbott said the assailant got a handgun and shotgun from his father, who

owned them legally. But it was not clear whether the father knew his son had taken them or if the father could face prosecution. State law makes it illegal to give a gun to anyone under 18, except under the supervision of an adult for hunting or sport shooting.

Pagourtzis, who appeared to have no prior arrests or confrontations with law enforcement, made an initial court appearance on capital murder charges Friday. A judge denied bond and took his application for a court-appointed attorney.

The shooting in Santa Fe, a city of 13,000 people about 30 miles southeast of Houston, was the nation's deadliest such attack since the Parkland, Florida, massacre that killed 17 and energized the teen-led gun-control movement. It was also the deadliest assault in Texas since a man with a semi-automatic rifle attacked a rural church late last year, killing more than two dozen people.

Meanwhile, students were being let back inside Santa Fe High School to gather belongings they abandoned when the gunfire began.

The school's roughly 1,400 students were to be allowed inside in groups of no more than 10 accompanied by officers, said Walter Braun, the school district's chief of police.



A student, left, reacts after retrieving her belongings inside Santa Fe High School in Santa Fe, Texas, on Saturday. Students and teachers were allowed to return to parts of the school to gather their belongings. A gunman opened fire inside the school Friday, killing several people.

LAVA

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Three people were initially trapped, but eventually got out of a hazardous area; one was evacuated by air, said Janet Snyder, spokeswoman for Hawaii County. One Friday, four people were evacuated by county and National Guard helicopters.

"They shouldn't be in that area," said County Managing Director Wil Okabe. He wants people to heed evacuation warnings.

Edwin Montoya, who lives with his daughter on her farm near the site where lava crossed the road and cut off access, said the fissure opened and grew quickly.

"It was just a little crack in the ground, with a little lava coming out," he said. "Now it's a big crater that opened up where the small little crack in the ground was."

Experts are uncertain about when the volcano might calm down.

The Big Island volcano released a small explosion at its summit just before midnight Friday, sending an ash cloud 10,000 feet into the sky. The USGS's Hawaiian Volcano Observatory said eruptions that create even minor amounts of ashfall could occur at any time.

This follows the more explosive eruption Thursday, which emitted ash and rocks thousands of feet into the sky. No one was injured and there were no reports of

damaged property.

Scientists said the eruption was the most powerful in recent days, though it probably lasted only a few minutes.

It came two weeks after the volcano began sending lava flows into neighborhoods 25 miles to the east of the summit.

Several open fissure vents are still producing lava splatter and flow in evacuated areas. Gas is also pouring from the vents, cloaking homes and trees in smoke.

The fresher, hotter magma will allow faster lava flows that can potentially cover more area, said Janet Babb, a geologist with the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory.

Much of the lava that has emerged so far may have been underground

for decades, perhaps since a 1955 eruption.

Meanwhile, more explosive eruptions from the summit are possible.

"We have no way of knowing whether this is really the beginning or toward the end of this eruption," said Tom Shea, a volcanologist at the University of Hawaii. "We're kind of all right now in this world of uncertainty."

U.S. government scientists, however, are trying to pin down those signals "so we have a little better warning," said Wendy Stovall, a volcanologist with the observatory.

The greatest ongoing hazard stems from the lava flows and the hot, toxic gases spewing from open fissure vents close to homes and

critical infrastructure, said Charles Mandeville of the U.S. Geological Survey's volcano hazards program.

Authorities have been measuring gases, including sulfur dioxide, rising in little puffs from open vents.

The area affected by lava and ash is small compared to the Big Island, which is about 4,000 square miles. Most of the island and the rest of the Hawaiian chain is unaffected by the volcanic activity on Kilauea.

State and local officials have been reminding tourists that flights in and out of the entire state, including the Big Island, have not been impacted. Even on the Big Island, most tourist activities are still available and businesses are open.

ALMANAC

Today is **Sunday, May 20**, the 140th day of 2018. There are 225 days left in the year.

Today in history

On **May 20, 1899**, taxi driver Jacob German was pulled over and arrested by a police officer riding a bicycle for speeding down Manhattan's Lexington Avenue in his electric car at 12 miles an hour at a time when the speed limit was 8 mph; it was the first recorded speeding arrest in U.S. history.

On this date

In **1712**, the original version of Alexander Pope's satirical mock-heroic poem "The Rape of the Lock" was published anonymously in Lintot's Miscellany.

In **1873**, Levi Strauss and tailor Jacob Davis received a U.S. patent for men's work pants made with copper rivets.

In **1927**, Charles Lindbergh took off from Roosevelt Field in Long Island, New York, aboard the Spirit of St. Louis on his historic solo flight to France.

In **1932**, Amelia Earhart took off from Newfoundland to become the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic. (Because of weather and equipment problems, Earhart set down in Northern Ireland instead of her intended destination, France.)

In **1988**, a 30-year-old woman walked into a Illinois elementary school classroom, where she shot to death an 8-year-old and wounded several other children. After wounding a young man at his home, the shooter took her own life.

Today's birthdays

Actor-author **James McEachin** is 88. Actor **Anthony Zerbe** is 82. Actor **David Proval** is 76. Singer-actress **Cher** is 72. Rock musician **Warren Cann** is 68. Actor **Dean Butler** is 62. TV-radio personality **Ron Reagan** is 60. Singer **Susan Cowgill** is 59. Actor **John Billingsley** is 58. Actor **Tony Goldwyn** is 53. TV personality **Ted Allen** is 53. Actress **Mindy Cohn** is 52. Race car driver **Tony Stewart** is 47. Rapper **Busta Rhymes** is 46. Actress **Daya Vaidya** is 45.

Bible verse

"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." — **Luke 19:10.**

You and I are the reason that Jesus came to die on the cross. Be saved from your sins and Hell. He died for you.

ODD NEWS

6 young squirrels rescued from tangled tails

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Six young squirrels whose tails were stuck together by tree sap are recovering after a Nebraska wildlife expert untangled them.

A Nebraska Humane Society worker rescued the squirrels from a pine tree in Omaha last week. Nebraska Wildlife Rehab executive director Laura Stastny told the Omaha World-Herald that the sap-covered tails became knotted as the youngsters wrestled in their nest. Stastny says they are about 8 weeks old.

Resident Craig Luttmann spotted the rodents' predicament, describing it Thursday as "kind of like a tug of war, going in completely opposite directions."

Stastny gave the squirrels a mild painkiller before removing the sticky fur and untangling them. She says some of them suffered injuries to their tails, but that she expects all six to be released in a few weeks.



In this May 14, photo provided by Craig Luttmann via the AP, the tails of six squirrels are stuck together by tree sap.

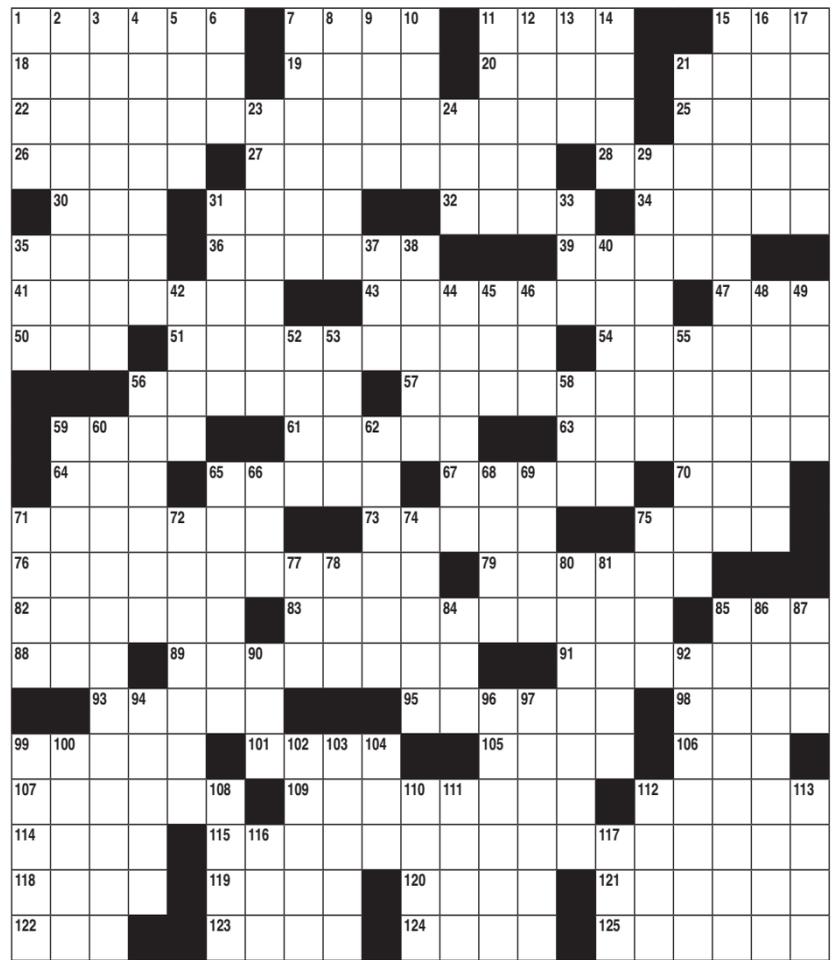
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LOVE AT FIRST SITE

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 - 7 Some TV ads, for short
 - 11 Went through channels?
 - 15 Hitter's hitter
 - 18 "The Simpsons" or "Futurama"
 - 19 Litter's littlest
 - 20 To whom Brabantio says "Thou art a villain"
 - 21 Singular
 - 22 Good name for a deep kissers' dating site?
 - 25 Vittles
 - 26 A shroud of secrecy, idiomatically
 - 27 Endlessly starting over
 - 28 Performances at Paris's Palais Garnier
 - 30 Manning with the second-longest QB starting streak in N.F.L. history
 - 31 Numerical prefix
 - 32 "Ish"
 - 34 Monster slain by Hercules
 - 35 North Carolina university
 - 36 Victor's shout
 - 39 It's all in the head
 - 41 Member of a southern colony
 - 43 Actor whose first and last names look like they rhyme, but don't
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- 44 Chaperones, usually
 - 45 Lincoln's home: Abbr.
 - 46 "I'll return shortly," in a text
 - 48 Swing time?
 - 49 German interjections
 - 52 "That's mine!"
 - 53 '
 - 55 Dignified lady
 - 56 Model Page known as "The Queen of Pinups"
 - 58 Naval officer: Abbr.
 - 59 Geronimo, for one
 - 60 Good name for a "High Noon"-themed dating site?
 - 61 Emerald or aquamarine
 - 63 Revolting sorts
 - 64 Kitty-cat, e.g.
 - 65 Carbo-loading dish
 - 67 Patty alternative?
 - 70 IV checkers
 - 71 1988 top 10 hit for Tracy Chapman
 - 73 George _____ University
 - 75 Swamps
 - 76 Good name for an extreme sports dating site?
 - 79 Be traitorous to
 - 82 Burger topper
 - 83 Good name for a non-monogamist dating site?
 - 85 Big Apple cultural site, with "the"
 - 88 Always
 - 89 Southernmost of the Lesser Antilles
 - 91 Napa Valley vintner Robert
 - 93 Grannies
 - 95 Previous name for an athletic conference now with 12 members
 - 98 Comparable (to)
 - 99 Sky-blue
 - 101 Performer in makeup, typically
 - 105 Certain layers
 - 106 _____ Aviv
 - 107 UTEP team
 - 109 First things to go into jammies
 - 112 "Trading Spaces" host Davis
 - 114 Neat as _____
 - 115 Good name for a dating site for lovers of natural foods?
 - 118 Ad
 - 119 Big loss
 - 120 John of the Velvet Underground
 - 121 Tot's wear
 - 122 Junior
 - 123 Lincoln Logs and such
 - 124 Something taken on a field?
 - 125 Ones passed on a track
 - 11 Instrument plucked with a mezrab
 - 12 Cools one's heels
 - 13 Back in time
 - 14 Like early Elvis recordings
 - 15 Good name for a carpentry dating site?
 - 16 The rite place?
 - 17 Thompson of "Selma"
 - 21 "Toodles!"
 - 23 Noggin
 - 24 Chairman and _____ (common title)
 - 29 Ones to watch
 - 31 Back-of-newspaper section
 - 33 Poetic tribute
 - 35 Org. with a flower logo
 - 37 "Just _____ suspected"
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 - 40 Enthusiastic
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 - 75 Nautical title, informally
 - 92 Statistician's grouping
 - 94 "_____ you the clever one!"
 - 96 Gum ingredient
 - 97 Titter
 - 99 Stockpile
 - 100 Nada
 - 102 Certain computer whiz
 - 103 Deep defenses
 - 104 Long span
 - 108 Put in order
 - 110 Camping menace
 - 111 Digitize, in a way
 - 112 _____ colada
 - 113 Real lookers?
 - 116 Down Under hopper
 - 117 Gather around, as an idol



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Ask the Fool

Watch That Watch List

How should I go about creating and using a stock watch list? — *M.S., Warren, Ohio*

Start by jotting down the names of companies you read or hear about that seem like promising investments. You could do so on paper, but maintaining a list online is easier. You can set up an online watch list or "portfolio" full of stocks of interest at sites such as finance.yahoo.com, morningstar.com, marketwatch.com and others. You might pretend that you bought one or more shares of each at the stock price at which you first noticed the company.

Meanwhile, research and follow the companies on your list and get to know them well. When you're ready to buy, you'll be familiar with a bunch of companies and will have a sense of which are strongest, growing most briskly and priced attractively.

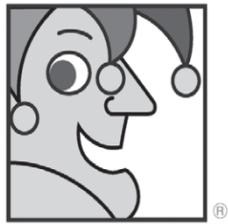
Monitoring your list will also help you notice when a company of interest falls in price significantly, presenting a possibly great buying opportunity. When that happens, do further research to make sure any problems it's facing seem temporary and not protracted.

What's "window dressing," financially speaking? — *T.D., Watertown, Wisconsin*

Window dressing is a not-so-great practice employed by some mutual fund managers. Since fund managers have to report regularly on their funds' holdings and they want to impress existing and potential shareholders, some will sell poor performers and replace them with popular stocks before the reporting period ends. That will make a good impression on someone reviewing their list of holdings as of the end of the quarter.

You might avoid being taken in by window dressing by favoring funds with low turnover ratios, which reflect relatively infrequent trading activity.

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Fool's School

Don't Let Health Care Costs Derail Your Retirement

You may be saving for retirement and assuming you'll be fine, but there's a certain cost that many people underestimate or don't include in their retirement planning: health care.

According to new data from the Nationwide Retirement Institute, health care costs are keeping roughly a quarter of current retirees from living the lives they expected. Furthermore, 80 percent said that health problems snuck up on them sooner than anticipated. Of course, there's no getting around the need to pay for health care in retirement, but you can do your part to ease the burden by knowing your costs in advance, buying the right insurance and saving for the bills that lie ahead.

The amount you ultimately spend on medical care in retirement will depend on a number of factors — primarily, your health. But according to HealthView Services, a medical cost-projection software provider, the average 65-year-old male today will spend \$189,687 on health care

in retirement, while the average 65-year-old woman will spend more (because women tend to live longer) — \$214,565.

Worse, those averages don't even account for long-term care, which is something that 70 percent of seniors 65 and over are likely to need. According to Genworth Financial's 2017 Cost of Care Survey, the average assisted living facility in the country costs \$3,750 per month, or \$45,000 on a yearly basis. The average nursing home, meanwhile, costs \$235 per day, or \$85,775 per year, and that's only for a semi-private room.

What should you do, given all that? Well, aim to save aggressively for retirement, investing your money effectively. Consider taking advantage of tax-advantaged accounts such as IRAs and 401(k)s, too. Learn more about Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans in order to see which will likely keep your health care spending as low as possible in retirement. Read up on ways to save money on health care in retirement, too, whether it's getting ahead of medical issues before they escalate by eating well and exercising or by being savvy about prescriptions.

Name That Company

I trace my roots back to 1906 and a family that bought the Batesville Casket Company and started a hospital furniture company. I've grown over the years, in part by acquiring other businesses. Today, with a market value recently near \$3 billion, I have two focuses: I design and produce engineered industrial equipment, and I'm also a top North American death-care company. My businesses include Red Valve flow control products, ABEL pumps, Coperion industrial equipment, Rotex screeners and TerraSource Global, with its Pennsylvania Crusher, Gundlach Equipment and Jeffrey Rader brands. My ticker symbol is very friendly. Who am I? Think you know the answer? We'll announce it in next week's edition.



My Dumbest Investment

An Unhealthy Scam

My dumbest investment was a company out of Bainbridge Island, Washington, many years ago. The marketing was brilliant, with a sign at Safeco Field, Shaquille O'Neal wearing the company hat at an NBA championship celebration and more. It seemed to be a successful high-tech health business, aiming to combine fitness and health services under one roof. I toured the facilities, met staff and was impressed.

I invested \$10,000 in the company, but it turned out to be a scam. I can't recall management's names, but they should be getting out of prison soon. — *S.O., online*

The Fool Responds: You weren't alone — that was cited as the largest stock fraud case in Washington state history. It's easy to get excited about fascinating and promising businesses you run across, but you should aim to dig into them deeply before investing — even more so when they're small and/or young.

Hearing management's rosy outlook isn't enough, and touring the premises isn't necessary. Look into the history and track record of management. Look into their books to see whether they're turning their great ideas into profits. Look into current and possible future competitors, and weigh all risks facing the company.

Even if you do all that, a company could still surprise you by imploding. Thus, it's smart to protect your money by spreading it across a bunch of companies (or a simple and low-fee index fund) and not just a few.

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The Motley Fool Take

Some Pep for Your Portfolio?

If you're in the market for stable, established companies with track records of solid dividend growth, consider PepsiCo (Nasdaq: PEP).

In addition to its namesake Pepsi line, the company boasts 22 brands that generate more than \$1 billion apiece in annual revenue, including Gatorade, Mountain Dew, Tropicana, Quaker, Lay's, Doritos and Cheetos. Currently, PepsiCo dishes out \$0.805 per share quarterly, with its dividend recently yielding 3.25 percent. The company has increased its dividend annually for 45 consecutive years (through 2017), and further increases are likely.

PepsiCo's wide moat, featuring intangible assets, cost advantages and brand power, keeps competitors at bay. And it boasts strong relationships with distributors and retailers.

One challenge facing PepsiCo is that consumer tastes in the U.S. are trending toward healthier products. In response, PepsiCo is adding healthier items to its lineup, such as Tropicana Essentials Probiotics, while promoting existing healthier options such as its juices and aiming to reduce the sodium content in its foods. Meanwhile, international demand for much of PepsiCo's offerings is growing.

PepsiCo is cutting costs by increasing automation, recently implementing robotic truck loaders at shipping centers and automating some packing processes. With a solid dividend and some underappreciated growth catalysts, PepsiCo is worth considering for your long-term portfolio.

LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

I trace my roots back 200 years, to the 1818 opening of my first haberdashery in New York City. My early tagline was "Makers and Merchants in One." I introduced the innovation of ready-made suits in 1849, button-down polo shirts in 1896 and a pink shirt for women in 1949. I made a uniform for Teddy Roosevelt and a coat for Abraham Lincoln. Unlike many other companies, I extended credit to my customers during the Great Depression. My logo is the Golden Fleece. I boast more than 280 stores in the U.S. and more than 700 internationally. Who am I? (Answer: Brooks Brothers)



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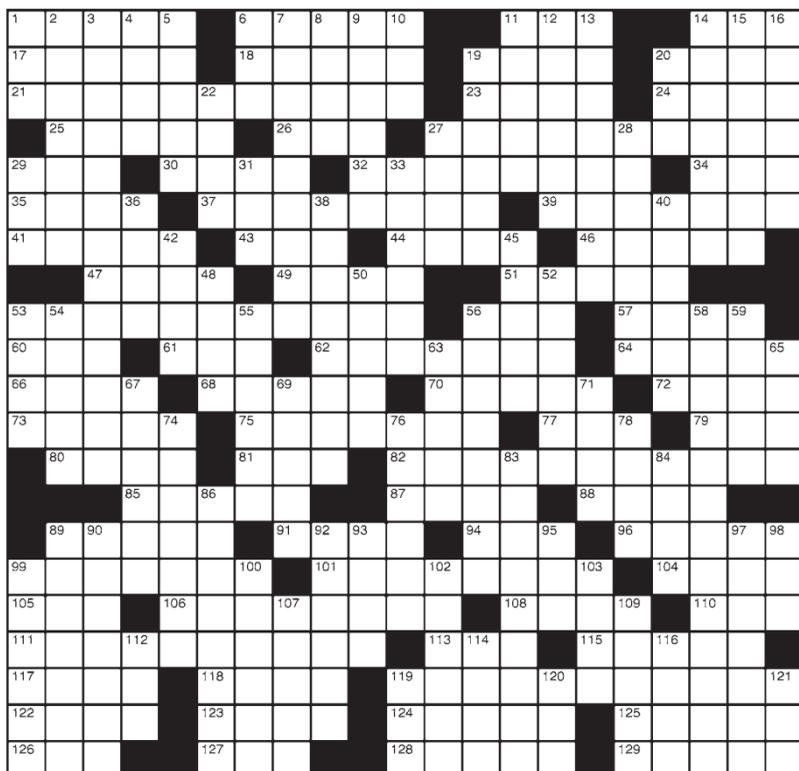
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GOREN BRIDGE

RUFF OR TAKE YOUR TRICKS?

North-South vulnerable, South deals

NORTH ♠ 8 7 5 4 ♥ Q 7 6 ♦ K J 5 ♣ A Q 5

WEST ♠ J 10 3 ♥ K J 9 5 4 2 ♦ A 9 4 ♣ 9

EAST ♠ Q 6 ♥ 10 8 3 ♦ Q 10 7 6 ♣ K 6 4 3

SOUTH ♠ A K 9 2 ♥ A ♦ 8 3 2 ♣ J 10 8 7 2

The bidding: SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST 1♣ 2♥ Db1* 3♥ 3♠ Pass 4♠ All pass *Negative, values with no clear bid

Opening lead: Five of ♥

Today's deal is from a recent team competition in Australia. Both teams reached four spades after a competitive auction, and both Wests led a low heart.

At one table, where Australian expert Phil Gue was South, declarer won the opening heart lead perforce, cashed the ace of spades, and led a low club to dummy's queen. What

would you do as East after winning your king of clubs? Would you lead a diamond into the king-jack or try to give partner a club ruff? A diamond shift would be the winner, but the East player at Gue's table led a club. He successfully gave West a club ruff, as Gue unblocked dummy's ace, but it was with a natural trump trick. West shifted to a low diamond, but Gue realized that he had little chance if East held the ace of diamonds, as he would probably be defeated by a second club ruff. He rose with his king of diamonds, drew the outstanding trumps, and discarded his diamond losers on the long clubs. Making five!

We don't have a record of the play at the other table, just the knowledge that declarer lost a trump, a club, and two diamonds to finish down one. Did East find the diamond shift at trick four? We'll probably never know, but we do know this: Many beatable contracts have sailed home when the defense went looking for a ruff rather than just going after their tricks.

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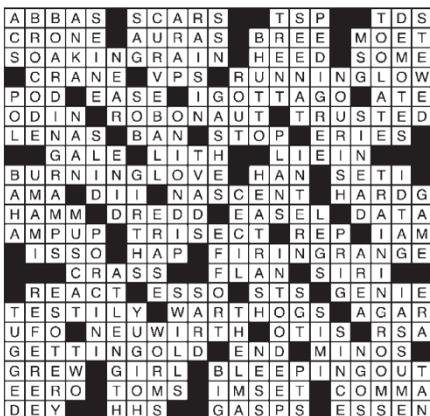
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CRYPTOGRAMS FLOWER POWER 4 by Myles Mellor

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PUZZLE ANSWERS

(Puzzles on previous pages)



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Answer :

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"PRE-WRECK-QUISITE"

- 1. My fiery herbs' favorite movie has become "Sage against the machine." 2. Playful gardening sign: "Hello! You are now entering the seedy part of town!" 3. Looking down at his sick and faded grass, a gardener cursed and said: "I fought the lawn and the lawn won!" 4. Creating good soil in my new garden is a real challenge but hey, loam wasn't built in a day!

HOLIDAY MATHIS HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You depend on others for many of your needs, but you don't necessarily stop and wonder what goes into producing the results. Today changes that, as you'll find out exactly what you're buying, how it's made and more. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Control your destiny by consciously taking responsibility for your thoughts. Though you can't totally control them, with forethought you can steer them in the right direction. Decide on your official stance, and stick to it. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). New people will make the social scene exciting. To be clear, the actual people aren't the exciting part; that they're new is what makes for the interesting turn of events. CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll be happy because you decided to be happy and you stuck with it. Does that seem overly simplified? Perhaps so, yet it really is how it will work for you today. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll like being a witness but resent being a judge. So avoid being put in that position, and let's hope no one will ask for your opinion. Even if someone does ask, there are a million ways to avoid the question. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). History is art that includes facts. The version you hear today will be obviously colored and slanted by the storyteller. Before you accept this as true, ask yourself about what motives the teller may have. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You could stand to have more in your personal arsenal in terms of creative expression and stress reduction. You would benefit from exploring the latest trends and/or trying what a friend is doing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's something comforting and heartwarming in the way you talk to those very different from you. For instance, your child-directed conversations will radiate warmth, and your pet-directed speech makes all feel playful. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). This day will present an opportunity for personal growth. This is only the beginning of it. The days to come will bring the chance to fine-tune aspects of your life you may have neglected. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There's nothing wrong with vacillating, hedging your bets or riding the fence. However, there are great rewards for being bold instead. Decisions will have power that is incommensurate with the effort it takes to decide. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When the chips are down, the straight-up Superman-type hero gets the call. But the rest of the time, which is most of the time, people would rather hang out with the more relatable Deadpool-esque flawed hero. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Love takes time, yet it doesn't feel as if it takes much effort. Because when you really love someone, the work of love feels as natural and automatic as breathing. TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 20). You're extremely self-sufficient, yet you also recognize that to give is a real human need. If you don't let people help you, you are denying them the satisfaction of contribution. You'll be a chosen beneficiary. Gifts will be bestowed on you periodically. In time, you'll pay forward the many blessings, but for now, just enjoy! Leo and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 13, 31, 5, 12 and 15.



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Britain's Prince Harry and Meghan Markle stand in front of Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, during their wedding at St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle in Windsor, near London, England, Saturday.

Doria Ragland, the Prince of Wales, the Duchess of Cornwall, the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge with Prince George and Princess Charlotte, leave after the wedding ceremony of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle at St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle in Windsor, near London, England, Saturday.

WEDDING

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bathing the ancient stones of Windsor Castle in a beautiful spring light.

Many in the throng who waited outside also embraced the trans-Atlantic symbolism of the moment. Sheraton Jones, 22, who is from California but studying in Britain, described it as a melding of cultures.

"It was very touching, it's two different cultures kind of coming together, it was just so surreal," she said.

In the United States, this royal wedding was embraced for its diversity and inclusivity.

"This was black history," said Joy Widgeon, who attended a house party in Burlington, New Jersey, with her 6- and 8-year-old daughters. "African-Americans were front and center at the royal wedding. This was the first time, and hopefully it won't be the last. I am here for it."

Harry also invited buddies from his 10 years of military service — which included two tours of duty in Afghanistan — and from many of the charities he supports, which have focused on helping wounded veterans and encouraging a more open discussion of mental health issues.

To kick off the festivities, Queen Elizabeth II honored her red-headed, 33-year-old grandson with a new title: the



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In this frame from video, Britain's Prince Harry and Meghan Markle stand during their wedding ceremony at St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle in Windsor, near London, England, Saturday.

Duke of Sussex, making the 36-year-old Markle the Duchess of Sussex.

The American actress drew raves for her sleek white silk boat-necked dress by U.K. designer Clare Waight Keller of the French fashion house Givenchy. Her sheer veil — down to her waist in front and billowing for what seemed like miles behind her — carried floral references to all 53 countries in the Commonwealth, countries drawn mostly from the former British Empire, headed by Markle's new

grandmother-in-law, the queen.

"The dress is simply beautiful in its classic simplicity," said Caroline Burstein, owner of Browns Bride, a top London bridal boutique. She called it "a nod to Grace Kelly, Audrey Hepburn and every iconic wedding we have witnessed throughout the 20th and 21st century. It's perfect for her and for the occasion they are celebrating."

The palace said Markle also selected two other plant designs to be on the veil: Wintersweet, which grows at Kensington

Palace, where the royal couple will live, and the California poppy, in a nod to the bride's birthplace.

Harry and best man Prince William wore white gloves and the frock coat uniforms of the Blues and Royals army regiment, in which Harry was once an officer. Harry also kept his full red beard — a style decision that had sparked British betting earlier.

Markle at first walked down the aisle with 10 young page boys and bridesmaids, then was accompanied by Prince Charles to the altar. As his father and bride drew close, Harry said: "Thank you, Pa."

To Markle, Harry said: "You look amazing."

Markle seemed poised and confident as she delivered her vows without so much as a quiver in her voice. She smiled broadly as archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby declared the couple husband and wife. Harry seemed a bit nervous but happy.

As they emerged from the chapel, the couple kissed — and the crowd roared. It just kept on cheering as Harry helped his wife fold her 16½-foot train into the Ascot Landau carriage as they began their procession through the streets of Windsor.

Police said more than



JONATHAN BRADY/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

Prince Harry places the ring on Meghan Markle's finger during their wedding ceremony.

100,000 people lined the route. The royal couple's open-topped carriage was pulled by four Windsor Grey horses and past crowds waving flags and holding cellphones aloft. The newlyweds smiled and waved, smiled at each other, waved and repeated the process for the 25-minute tour of Windsor.

Other relatives in the ceremony included 4-year-old Prince George and 3-year-old Princess Charlotte, the oldest children of William and the Duchess of Cambridge.

The 92-year-old queen and her 96-year-old husband, Prince Philip, Harry's grandparents, looked on with pride, as did Markle's mother, Doria Ragland, who has spent the last few days getting to know her daughter's new family.

Two of Harry's ex-girlfriends were at the chapel — Chelsy Davy and Cressida Bonas — as was Sarah Ferguson, the ex-wife of Harry's uncle, Prince Andrew.

The queen hosted the first of two royal wedding receptions after the service Saturday, one in the afternoon for 600 people with finger foods, wine and champagne. On Saturday night, a second, more lively reception for 200 people was being thrown by Charles.

Yet it was the crowds in Windsor that seemed to best capture the joy of the moment. Many had camped or arrived at dawn on packed trains, vying for a good spot along the procession route. They cheered and screamed and sighed as the newlyweds passed by.



YUI MOK/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

Britain's Prince Harry and Meghan Markle kiss as they ride in a carriage down the Long Walk after their wedding ceremony.



IAN WEST/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

Oprah Winfrey waves as she arrives at St. George's Chapel at Windsor Castle the wedding ceremony of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle at St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle in Windsor, near London, England, Saturday.



IAN WEST/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

David Furnish and Elton John leave St. George's Chapel at Windsor Castle after the wedding of Meghan Markle and Prince Harry, in Windsor Castle in Windsor, near London, England, Saturday.



OLI SCARFF/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

Well-wishers with Union Flags stand at the barriers on the Long Walk leading to Windsor Castle ahead of the wedding ceremony of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle, Saturday.



GARETH FULLER/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

Left: Amal Clooney and George Clooney arrive for the wedding ceremony of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle at St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle in Windsor, near London, England, Saturday.



Lake June lake front beauty

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This home is at 1018 Lake June Road in Lake Placid. It is priced for \$435,000 and is listed with Carol S. Edwards with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Properties Group.

This magnificent, three-bedroom, two-and-a-half bath home is located in prestigious Quail Cove on Lake June. This home was custom built in 2005 with great thought and detail. With just under 3,000 living square feet and 10-foot ceilings throughout, there is plenty of room for family gatherings and entertaining.

Custom cabinets, arched doorways with pillars, rounded walls, beautiful lighting and windows are some of the extra details that were put into the design of this home, making it unique.

The first thing that will catch your eye as you enter this home is the open split floor plan with cathedral ceilings. The huge gourmet kitchen with custom wood cabinets and solid surface counter tops includes a huge wrap around bar

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This home is at 1018 Lake June Road in Lake Placid. It is priced for \$435,000 and is listed with Carol Edwards with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Properties Group.

DIRECTIONS

1018 Lake June Road, Lake Placid
From U.S. 27 in Lake Placid, turn onto Lake June Road. The home is on the left.

Golf course home in Spring Lake

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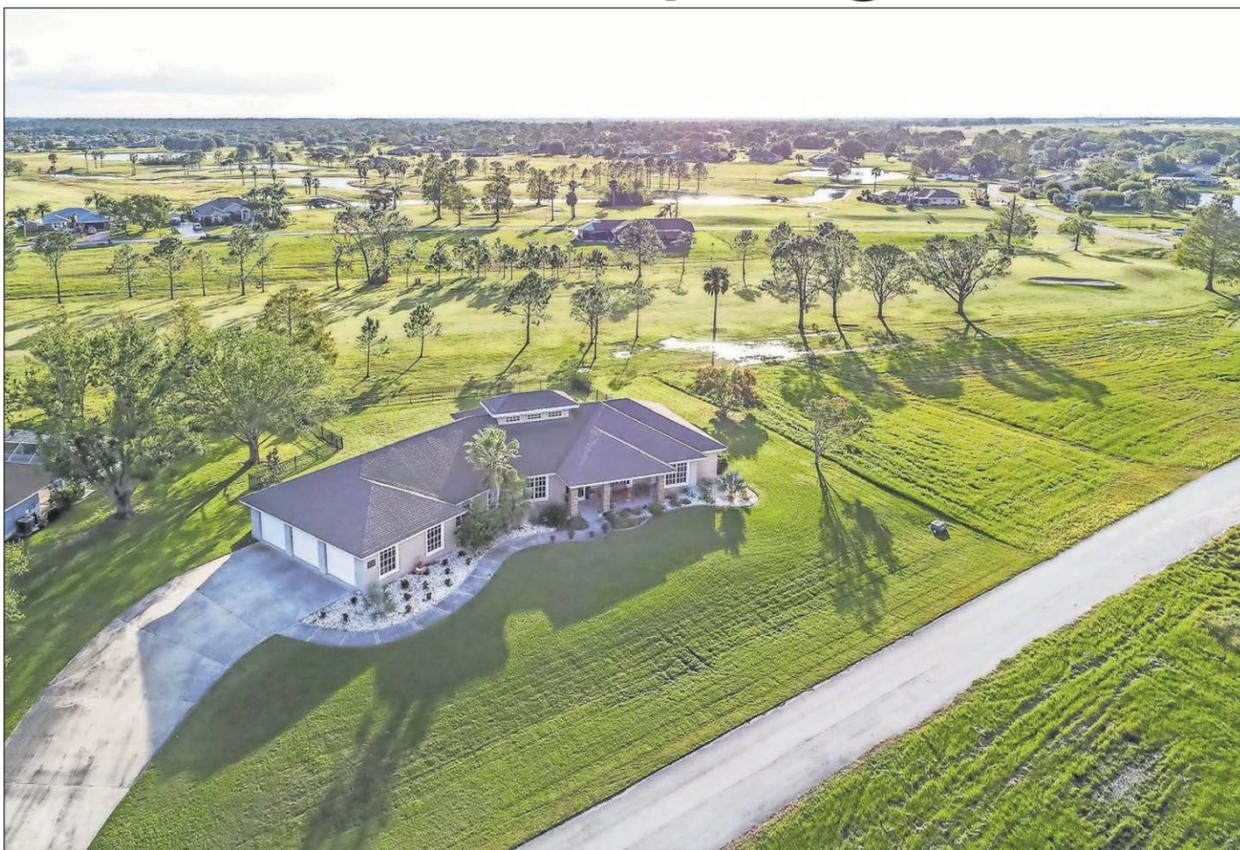
This home is located at 6400 Concord Drive in Sebring. It is priced for \$349,900 and is listed with Cheryl Oxsalida with Heartland Real Estate Corp.

This four-bedroom, three-bath custom-built golf course home sits on over half an acre and has more than 3,000 square feet of living space. It has a modern elegance and quality that sets it apart from the rest.

From its breathtaking 20-foot architectural ceiling and open split design, to its views of the golf course and sunsets, not much compares. Real hardwood floors, porcelain wood plank tile, recessed lighting, French windows and doors, 6-inch baseboards and rounded wall edges are some of the home's gorgeous features.

Located in Spring Lake, this golf course home is in one of Sebring's most desired golf communities. Originally built by the developer of the golf course, this street

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This home is located at 6400 Concord Drive in Sebring. It is priced for \$349,900 and is listed with Cheryl Oxsalida with Heartland Real Estate Corp.

DIRECTIONS

6400 Concord Drive, Sebring
From U.S. 27 in south Sebring, turn east onto U.S. 98. Turn left onto Spring Lake Boulevard. Turn left onto Duane Palmer Boulevard. Turn right onto Concord Street. Turn right onto Concord Drive. The home is on the right.

Beautiful home with deeded lake

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This home is at 2528 State Road 17 North in Sebring. It is priced for \$220,000 and is listed with Bill and Cyndee Bryan with Re/Max Realty Plus.

This home is located inside the city limits of Sebring with all the amenities of fire protection, city water plus the added bonus of deeded lake access on Dinner Lake. There is a nice sidewalk taking you to gorgeous views of the shimmering lake.

The home was constructed in 2006 with concrete block and stucco finish with several roof lines for added structural interest. The covered entry opens with a beautiful entry door, sidelights and transom with beveled leaded glass design. Upon entering the formal foyer, the view is an open great room design with wood laminate flooring. This open space connects smoothly to the formal dining room as well as the spacious kitchen.

The living room is complimented by

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DIRECTIONS

2528 State Road 17 North, Sebring
From U.S. 27 in Sebring, turn onto Sebring Parkway. Turn left onto Home Avenue to home across State Road 17 on private paved road to home on right.



COURTESY PHOTO

The huge kitchen features modern appliances and a counter that wraps around the corner into an L shape plus an island bar with seating.

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was purposely planned by the owner to have no HOA or restrictions at this address.

Fences are allowed at this location even though it's on the golf course. Currently the house already has a black wrought iron fenced back yard.

From this location it's just minutes to the golf course and clubhouse or

to Lake Istokpoga for the best fishing in the area. It is also just minutes to the race track and airport.

When you first drive up, there is a long entrance driveway that leads up to a huge 24 by 38 three-car garage. The house is also on a cul-de-sac street for lots of privacy and room to keep a boat, RV and several cars. The home also already has the electric to install a pool in the back yard so it's ready to add a pool if you like.

When you first walk

in through the front door, the open floor plan features a 17 by 23 living room with two sets of tall double glass doors with a spectacular view of the golf course out to the back yard.

To the left of the front door is a 14 by 14 formal dining room, which can seat 10 people at a large table. Way up high is a cut out sky ceiling with windows that light up the room with ambiance. A modern ceiling fan decorates the peak of the raised ceiling cavity. It

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upper collectible or plant shelving and the room measures 18 by 21. The wood laminate flooring continues from the foyer all the way to the French doors opening to a nice enclosed patio.

The dining room is to the right of the foyer and measures 10 by 14. There are beautiful chandeliers in the foyer as well as the formal dining room boasting a large beautiful window space. The dining room features columns to add the crowning touch to this elegant space.

The large kitchen is tiled and features nice oak cabinetry including a U-shaped design with counter seating and an island for buffet style entertaining. There is a beautiful bay window space for your kitchen-style dining. There is custom lighting including indirect lighting and spots. The appliances include a smooth-top stove, built-in micro-wave, dishwasher and side-by-side refrigerator.

The master bedroom features a tray ceiling and a beautiful bathroom with double sinks, plenty of closet space and custom lighting leading to a luxurious tiled shower. This bedroom measures 14 by 15 and is carpeted.

The other two bedrooms are a split design on the other side of the great room. They are both carpeted and share a nice bathroom with a tub and shower. The front bedroom can be used as an office or a music room and features French glass entry doors.

The utility room is located inside the home and includes a set of matching washer and dryer units. There is plenty of space with cabinetry and a wash basin for easy cleanup before coming inside. The double garage measures 23 by 25 and has a full set of cabinetry for all your tools and supplies. The concrete flooring has been custom painted and would make a great space for parking, a ping-pong table or pool table for an awesome entertainment space.

Just off the great room in the back of the home, the French doors open to an air conditioned



COURTESY PHOTO

The back entry door takes you to the sidewalk for lake frontage access, where you can enjoy the beautiful sunrises on Dinner Lake.

enclosed patio for relaxing with friends and family. The back entry door takes you to the sidewalk for lake frontage access. Enjoy the beautiful sunrises on Dinner Lake!

This home is vacant and ready to occupy with no waiting. The interior has been freshly painted

and home is clean and spotless.

To schedule a viewing of this outstanding property, call Bill and Cyndee Bryan at 863-381-4092 or 863-381-6574. For more pictures, visit bcbryan.com or cyndeebryan.com and search for MLS 246910.



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also has a crystal chandelier. These modern architectural touches are the things that set this home apart from ordinary golf course homes.

The huge 17 by 18 kitchen features modern appliances including a gas and grill stove top, double stainless-steel sink and stylish stainless-steel refrigerator, microwave, dishwasher and oven. A long modern counter wraps around the corner into an L shape, Corian counters plus a matching island table bar with sink and four bar seats for eating in the kitchen. Modern seamless cabinets with lots of drawers and cabinets wrap around the entire kitchen for massive storage. Big windows and recessed lighting provide a lot of natural lighting in the day and interior lighting after dark.

The large 15 by 17 master bedroom features

rich hard wood floors, recessed lighting and double glass doors leading into the lanai. It has a huge walk-in California closet, double vanity, walk-in shower plus a Roman-style corner bath tub. All the bedrooms have large tall French windows for lots of natural light and rich hard wood floors.

Besides having four bedrooms and three full bathrooms, there is also a 14 by 15 bonus room just to the right as you enter the home. Double French doors open into the office/game room, which fits a small pool table plus an office desk, computer and wall mounted TV with cable.

For a relaxing evening step out the back door into the 12 by 28 screened lanai that overlooks the golf course. Enjoy the sunset views of the open range with lots of shade trees that decorate the course. A

second private outdoor patio is off the master bedroom with its own unique seating area and view of the golf course.

Ceiling fans are in every room. The main entrance has a front porch seating area. The back yard has a custom wrought iron fence. There is mature landscaping around the entire house. Enjoy golf on three different courses: Panther Creek, Cougar Trail and Bobcat Run. You can also enjoy fine dining at the Spring Lake Golf Resort restaurant.

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and breakfast nook with aquarium bay window. The window offers a panoramic view of the back yard and lake. The kitchen is open into the living room.

The open floor plan offers a large living room with a stacked stone gas fireplace, tray ceiling and a lot of natural lighting and a large formal dining room.

suite offers his-and-her walk-in closets and a tray ceiling. The room has sliding glass doors that lead onto the beautiful screened lanai, located at the back of the home. The large master bath looks like a spa with his-and-her separate vanities, garden tub, walk-in shower and palladium window.

The guest bedrooms are oversized with guest and vanity baths. The laundry room offers a counter top and extra cabinets for storage.

The huge 11 by 41



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An extended dock leads to 10 by 20 dock, where you can fish or just relax and enjoy the awesome view of beautiful Lake June.

wrap around screened lanai can be accessed

from the living room ans master bedroom via oversized pocket sliding doors. The lanai offers lots of light and beautiful breezes.

The two-car garage includes a separate side door into the garage for a golf cart.

An extended dock

leads to a private 10 by 20 dock. Nature abounds on the lighted catwalk and walkway. Fish or just relax and enjoy the awesome view of beautiful Lake June.

Lovely mature landscaping on this oversized lot provides privacy and tranquility. This home

was built to be completely handicap friendly with no expense or convenience spared.

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The kitchen has custom cabinets, offers a lot of storage, a walk-in pantry and is open into the living room.



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Real estate Q&A: Fraudulent real estate rings: Do you know how to protect yourself?

By **GARY M. SINGER**
SUN SENTINEL

In light of recent arrests in what the Broward County Sheriff's Office is calling a fraudulent real estate ring, I want to take this opportunity to provide you with tips on how to protect yourself. With this type of fraud, authorities say homes are illegally taken without owners' consent.

The rise of technology has made it very easy to create fraudulent documents that can be easily recorded in public records, and these documents can make it appear that your property was sold or belongs to someone else. As with most dangers, awareness and diligence are the best ways to protect yourself.

Since the property appraiser keeps records online, the most straightforward way to make sure you are not a victim of this sort of fraud is to check regularly. However, with the press of modern life, it can be difficult to remember to do this. This leads to what I consider the most important method: being aware of changes.

For example, if you start getting mail addressed to a different name at your address,

or stop getting mail that you normally might, it can be a sign that there is an issue. Any new deed recorded in the public records triggers a slew of mail advertisements, so they are a great warning sign that something is up.

Another example can be sudden unsolicited interest from prospective real estate agents, water softener or similar home service-related companies, or even prospective tenants showing up at your home. If anything sets off your "gut-check alarm," go online and check the property appraiser for changes — and then check it again a few weeks later to confirm.

If you own a vacation home or any other property that you manage from a distance or keep vacant, you will need to be extra-vigilant, since these sorts of properties are especially vulnerable to fraud. Find a neighbor, or hire a reputable property manager, to regularly check and report on your property. Also, make sure to have mail related to that property forwarded to you, and be concerned if the flow stops unexpectedly.

The overarching lesson is to investigate anything that seems strange. Most times there will be

nothing amiss. But once in a while there is, and it is much, much easier to avoid a problem than to spend a lot of time and money fixing one.

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Let travel inspire your home's design

STYLE AT HOME
MARY CAROL GARRITY

Travel changes you. I firmly believe that. Whether you are visiting a new state, or a new country, when you stretch out and explore someplace new, meeting the people, sampling the fare, drinking in the beauty, it fuels your imagination and helps you see the world in a fresh way. It can also influence how you decorate your home.

In addition to a suitcase full of dirty clothes and a camera packed with new photos, you return from an adventure with a head bursting with new ideas. That's what happened to my friend Lisa, when she and her family vacationed in Florence, Italy. She carried with her the seed for a beautiful room redo that fuses the aesthetics and atmosphere of Italy with her Midwestern traditional style.

Before its Italian renaissance, Lisa and Jon's bedroom was already drop-dead beautiful. We featured it, and other rooms in her home, in my book "Feather Your Nest." Lisa was ready to update the space a bit, and her travels served as her muse.

Florence has been inspiring visitors for centuries, and everywhere you turn, you are greeted by beauty. The seed that grew into this lovely room redo was sewn in the hotel where the family stayed during their time in Florence. Lisa was struck the by

clean, classic design she saw there, the story told through elegant furnishings and finishes, using a brush of blue and white. Although she is a talented designer with an innate ability to mix pattern and color, Lisa reached out to Anne at Nell Hill's to help her bring her vision to life.

The spacious master bedroom had plenty of room to add a sitting area where Lisa and Jon could lounge. They added a navy blue velvet sofa piped in creamy white linen, and two swivel rocker chairs upholstered in a fresh but forgiving white canvas fabric. The upholstered ottoman was just the thing for putting your feet up after a long day. Lisa was ready to update the lamps in her room, so she added these modern chinoiserie lamps, with their on-trend Lucite bases and white box shades.

One of the many things I admire about Lisa is her execution. She pays a great deal of attention

to details, and it shows. When you take the time to look at the intricate displays around her home, you are always rewarded.

Lisa wanted her bed to be covered in snowy white linens, with just a touch of blue. Notice how the trim around each set of pillows is slightly different. The monogrammed pillows steal the show.

"You can never have too many trays," Lisa says. You'll find creative displays on trays all over Lisa's house. This lovely tableau on the ottoman in the bedroom's sitting area is stunning and simple. And, is frequently slid out of the way by Lisa's daughters, who now invade their parents' retreat on a regular basis to do homework or watch TV, much to Lisa's chagrin. It's the downside of making a space so inviting.

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Some questions about mortgage interest rates

Q: Why have mortgage interest rates been creeping up over the last few months?

A: Recent declines in unemployment to rock bottom levels and the accompanying increase in the inflation rate have induced the Federal Reserve to tighten credit in order to dampen further price increases. The process will continue until the emergence of the next recession, which is overdue.

Q: What interest rates predict the direction future mortgage interest rates will take?

A: Before the development of secondary mortgage markets, there was an answer to this question. Changes in mortgage rates lagged changes in corporate bond yields by anywhere from two to eight months.

Today, however, the mortgage market is so thoroughly integrated

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into the broader capital market that there are no leading indicators of mortgage rates. Mortgage rates and bond yields change together.

A large proportion of all mortgages are placed in pools against which mortgage-backed securities (MBSs) are issued. MBSs trade actively in the market and are considered close substitutes for bonds. Any change in bond yields, therefore, is transmitted instantly to the MBS market.

Mortgage loan originators, in turn, base their rates primarily on yields in the MBS market. Originators usually post their rates at about 11 a.m. EST, after they see the opening yields on MBSs that morning.

Q: What are the legitimate and illegitimate reasons why Jones gets a lower mortgage rate

than Smith?

A: The legitimate reasons are embedded in the rate sheets lenders produce daily for their loan officers. Assuming Jones and Smith deal with the same lender, these reasons include the following:

—Jones paid points — an upfront charge — to reduce his rate where Smith did not.

—Jones had a significantly lower credit score.

—Jones' loan is secured by his primary residence whereas Smith is borrowing to finance an investment property.

—Jones' property is a single-family unit whereas Smith's is a duplex.

—Smith is taking "cash out" of a refinance, whereas Jones isn't.

—Jones is willing to set up an escrow account with which the lender will pay taxes and insurance whereas Smith is not.

—The rate on Jones'

loan was set on Monday whereas Smith didn't lock his rate until Tuesday after market rates had risen.

—Smith needs a 60-day rate lock whereas Jones needs only 30 days.

If Jones and Smith deal with different lenders, they may be quoted different rates on the same deal just because one of the lenders is pricing more aggressively that day. I would not call that rate difference "illegitimate"; it is the way the system works. In today's market, those rate differences are small.

Prior to the financial crisis, illegitimate rate differences arose out of the efforts of some loan officers to induce vulnerable borrowers to pay a rate above the rate set by the lender in its price sheet. Revisions to Truth in Lending have since eliminated that practice.

Q: Since my mortgage

interest charges are more than covered by the return on my common stock, is there a good reason for me sell the stock to pay off the mortgage?

A: Over long periods, you will probably earn considerably more on a diversified portfolio of common stock than you will pay on a mortgage, which is the argument for retaining your stocks. There is a risk, however, that you could earn less.

To add some precision to this generalization, I recently used the Ibbotson database of stock returns published by Morningstar to calculate rates of return over every 10, 15, 20 and 25-year period during the 87 years ending in 2012. The average return during the 924 10-year periods was 10.52 percent, with a high of 21.43 percent and a low of minus 4.95 percent. The rate of return was negative during 52 of

the 10-year periods. In contrast, over the 744 25-year periods, the average return was 11.34 percent, with a high of 17.26 percent and a low of 5.62 percent. The return was positive in every single 25-year period.

The moral is clear. Accumulating stock in your early working years while you are paying off a mortgage is a good idea because time is your ally. As you approach retirement, the risk grows that your stock portfolio will take a nose dive that leaves insufficient time for a recovery. To avoid that, you want your mortgage to be retired first, preferably from additional savings but from sale of the stock if necessary.

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US average mortgage rates at 7-year highs

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Long-term U.S. mortgage rates jumped this week, marking their highest levels in seven years amid the peak home buying season.

The benchmark 30-year rate pushed toward the significant 5 percent level. Mortgage buyer Freddie Mac said Thursday the average rate on 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages was 4.61 percent, up from 4.55 percent last week. The new average rate was the highest since May 19, 2011. By contrast, the 30-year rate averaged 4.02 percent a year ago.

The average rate on 15-year, fixed-rate loans climbed to 4.08 percent from 4.01 percent last week.

The latest indications of a strong economy and rising commodity prices — gasoline is at a four-year

high — lifted yields on bonds and mortgage rates followed suit.

U.S. retail sales rose at a solid pace in April, according to a government report issued Tuesday, a sign that consumers may be rebounding from weak spending earlier this year and driving stronger economic growth. Consumer spending has rebounded in the past two months after a weak January and February, a trend that could accelerate growth in the April-June quarter.

Despite higher borrowing costs and home prices, demand for home purchases has grown so far in the spring buying season, as the economic outlook has continued to improve and bolstered consumer confidence.

Still, "inflationary pressures and the prospect of (mortgage) rates approaching 5 percent could begin to hit the psyche of some



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This April 2018 file photo shows a sold sign in front of a home in Jackson, Miss. On Thursday, May 17, Freddie Mac reports on the week's average U.S. mortgage rates.

prospective buyers," said Freddie Mac chief economist Sam Khater.

To calculate average mortgage rates, Freddie Mac surveys lenders across the country between Monday and Wednesday each week.

The average doesn't include extra fees, known as points, which most borrowers must pay to

get the lowest rates. The fee on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages fell to 0.4 point from 0.5 point last week. The fee for 15-year mortgages was unchanged at 0.4 point.

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5 ways to revamp your staircase

By **LAUREN WHITE**
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Scuffed-up treads, off-color carpet and time-worn railing systems don't accomplish any sort of "look" when it comes to staircases. In fact, such old and outdated features can be a significant drag on your interior design. Changes to your stairs can transform your entire space. And any one of these five updates can turn this simple architectural necessity into a stunning showpiece.

1. Modernize the railings

Your railing system could be the one thing standing between you and a polished, modern aesthetic. Outdated spindles and handrails don't inspire — they simply function. Your railings can be functional as well as complementary. So, if your staircase is out of date, consider upgrading to a system that fits your style and personality.

Glass railings, for example, are a perfect fit for minimal modern designs. They create a sleek, updated look. And horizontal metal railings are a high-end trend that can bring your stairs out of the past and into the height of style. They enhance a modern, industrial design as an

anchoring focal point. Plus, they're available in various metals, such as aluminum and stainless steel.

2. Upgrade the spindles

Replace your spindles — or balusters — with wrought-iron styles that speak to your personality. The metal trend is growing and, as high-end designers demand more and more customized designs, your options in the wrought-iron market are growing as well. This material can be manipulated into curves, arches and geometric shapes to create unique and playful designs. You can also find it in traditional or minimal designs. Whichever suits you, simply swap out your outdated oak spindles for wrought iron and keep the wooden handrail to blend traditional with contemporary.

3. Play up the risers

When you look at the stairs straight-on, the risers take up the most visual space. This is where you can get the greatest advantage with the smallest budget. Give your staircase a big pop of personality with colorful paint or wallpaper — or integrate both by alternating them. Get a sleek, sophisticated look with white paint or an elegant, minimal pattern.

For as little as \$10, you can even buy peel-and-stick decals in various colors and designs to enhance your stairs in less than an hour.

4. Roll out a runner

A runner is one of the easiest and highest-impact options for updating your staircase. It won't only make your stairs more safe, it will also add visual interest and personality. A runner that sharply contrasts your stairs can give them a modern look in an instant. A runner that features regal patterns and lush colors can add elegance and richness. A wild color, like bright pink or Mediterranean blue, can change the look and feel of the entire space around it — and reflect your personal style.

5. Play with paint

Anything is possible with paint. Paint your balusters in an accent color you've chosen for your space, such as a sunflower yellow to match a piece of art. Create depth by painting the railing and balusters slightly similar shades, such as terra cotta and a warm, deep brown to complement your clay décor. For a bold color scheme, consider a rainbow or ombre look.



METRO CREATIVE IMAGES

Changes to your stairs can transform your entire space.

Cost vs. Value

Of the 29 projects it studied for its 2017 "Cost vs. Value Report," Remodeling magazine found that the average payback in resale value

was 64.3 cents. The lone project in the 2017 report to return a higher value than its cost was the installation of loose-fill insulation in an attic, which provided a return of 107.7 percent. Homeowners who replaced an existing entry door with a 20-gauge steel unit recouped 90.7 percent of their investment at resale, placing that project second on the list. What helps homeowners who finance such projects recoup their associated costs is the relatively low sticker price of the projects, which both rank among the five least expensive projects examined in the 2017 report. But a recovering real estate market has helped

homeowners recoup more of their investments on some expensive projects as well. For example, the 2017 report saw the biggest year-over-year percentage increases in value on expensive projects like upscale bathroom remodels, upscale master suites, two-story additions, grand entrance installations, and family room additions. The increase in value on those projects ranged from 5.6 percent to 7.4 percent from a year earlier.

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Bedrooms this stylish are sure to guarantee sweet dreams

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Making your bed doesn't feel quite so much like a chore when you've outfitted it in lovely linens and dreamy duvets. It takes more than pillow talk to design a beautiful boudoir.

For a space that invites stylish slumber and cozy cocooning, think beyond the bed and consider the rest of the room's furnishings.

Bedsides tables, flooring, lighting and artwork can make or break a restful retreat. Carefully chosen pieces, thoughtful design and little luxuries are the things designers' dreams are made of.

STYLISH

SUPPORT

The bed is the star of the show, but don't sell the rest of the furnishings short.

When considering the bedside table, Dallas designer Emily Johnston Larkin says form and function are equally important. "The bedside table should be about the same height as the mattress," she says, adding that 30 inches is the ideal height for both.

And the nightstand should offer storage, "whether that is one drawer, a shelf or both," she says. And if you're short on space, chests as nightstands can substitute for a dresser.

For those with bedrooms big enough to place furniture at the

foot of the bed, a bench doesn't have to be the only option.

"Think outside the box," Larkin says. "A desk, chaise lounge or settee are great alternate options."

LAYERED IN LUXURY

A bed with loads of layers is just begging you to dive in. Richardson designer Tara Lenney often relies on a fluffy white duvet for hotel-like luxury and starting point. She packs in personality with pillows, patterned linens and textured throws.

"You want just enough pillows for it to feel full and welcoming, but not so many that making your bed feels like a

chore every morning," says Lenney.

For a king bed, that means three euro shams; for a full or queen, it's two.

Don't be afraid to change things up: Swap out bedding to better reflect your personality — or the season.

Complete the layered look with a contrasting throw at the end of the bed. Consider something lightweight for summer and cozy, like faux-fur, in the winter.

And one crucial layer that Lenney never forgets: the floor. "Nobody wants to get out of bed on a cold morning and put their feet on an icy floor," she says. Adding a rug adds warmth and can be another avenue to introduce pattern and

texture. "Be sure not to wimp out on the size," she warns. "For a king bed, you'll likely need an 8-by-10 rug to keep it from feeling dwarfed by the bed."

FLUFFY AND FULL

Dallas designer Emily Sheehan Hewett has a no-fail formula for composing a beautiful bed.

Start with a crisp white sheet set and layer with a textured coverlet. Complete the look with duvet and a handful of decorative pillows, she says.

Ever wonder how to get that "fluffy" duvet look at the foot of your bed?

"Stuff the duvet with

two inserts instead of one," the Well Dressed Home founder says.

PATTERN PLAY

Who says big, bold patterns don't have a place in the bedroom?

Abbe Fenimore loves to make a serious style statement by mixing multiple prints. But when doing so, "keep the main pieces of the room classic and simple," she says.

"This keeps the room from being overpowered by the mixing and matching."

Mixing patterns isn't the only way to keep things interesting. "Use a mix of cottons, velvets and silks to keep the textures from falling flat," Fenimore says.

How to decorate with white

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White walls? White furniture? White rugs? Why not?

There was a time in home decor in which the color white was an ideal color for a formal living room. A white living room was typically a space that was seldom used and handled with great care. These days, color isn't always king, especially as people look

to live in more minimalist environments. White is a color that is often ignored, but used purposefully and carefully can and should be embraced.

DO

Mix different tints, tones and shades of white.

Incorporate the color white into accessories such as vases, florals and

toss pillows.

Mix white with colors such as silver gray and taupe to help create a soothing environment.

Use textured white accessories such as area rugs and toss pillows to help to soften a space.

Mix white with both warm and cool colors. White can be warm, like in a shade closer to taupe, or cool, such as a shade that has gray undertones. Whether blending with warm or

cool colors, white helps create the ideal color balance.

DON'T

Forget to extend the color white into elements such as cabinetry, fixtures and appliances.

Ignore the opportunity to reflect color through the use of mirrors and windows.

Be afraid to use the color white in areas that may be used often such

as bedrooms or dining areas.

Omit the use of negative space, such as white trims, door headers and under ceiling soffits.

Dismiss the power of a pure white space. One of the most powerful color combinations is a monochromatic scheme, which involves a blend of similar shades of the same color.

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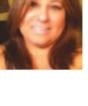
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One of the oldest materials in home design is now trending like a hot newcomer.

Shelter magazines, design blogs and home renovation stores are featuring tile for surfacing floors and more: Designers are opting for a high-impact effect by cladding stair risers and entire rooms in tile, from interiors to the terrace.

On Instagram, an account called "I Have This Thing With Floors," where people post pictures of their feet standing on cool floors, has over 840,000 followers.

The appeal stems from an explosion of creative designs and new manufacturing techniques, producing everything from charmingly imperfect artisanal tiles to sleek, sexy slabs. If you can dream it, you're likely to find a tile that looks like it.

"I'm loving patterned tiles with hand-painted designs," says Los Angeles designer Amy Sklar. "I've seen some really stunning ones that are truly like works of art."

Sklar also likes ethnic patterns that have been given a modern interpretation: "A continuation of the lovely handcrafted trend we've been seeing, but realized with brighter colors. We're also seeing florals but in a more abstract way, and again with a stronger palette."

Joan Craig of Lichten Craig Architects in Manhattan has worked with some dramatic marble slabs recently.

"Over the past year, we've been selecting many of the vivid and highly figured Italian marbles for walls, floors and tubs," she says, including "a gray and white marble called Capraia Arabescato with striking veining in the powder room, and a burgundy

and cream marble in the bar."

Italian company Sisis has a collection they call Electric Marble, in which veins of vivid color are sandwiched between panels of glass.

Mia Jung of the architecture and design firm Ike Kligerman Barkley has 3-D tiles on her radar.

"I see more and more collections from Japan, Italy and other countries. At the simplest level, they're used to add some texture to plain walls," she says. "A more elaborate arrangement of 3-D tiles can function as an architectural element like a wall-like screen between two rooms. One can even have an art piece constructed with 3-D tiles serving as a focal point of a space."

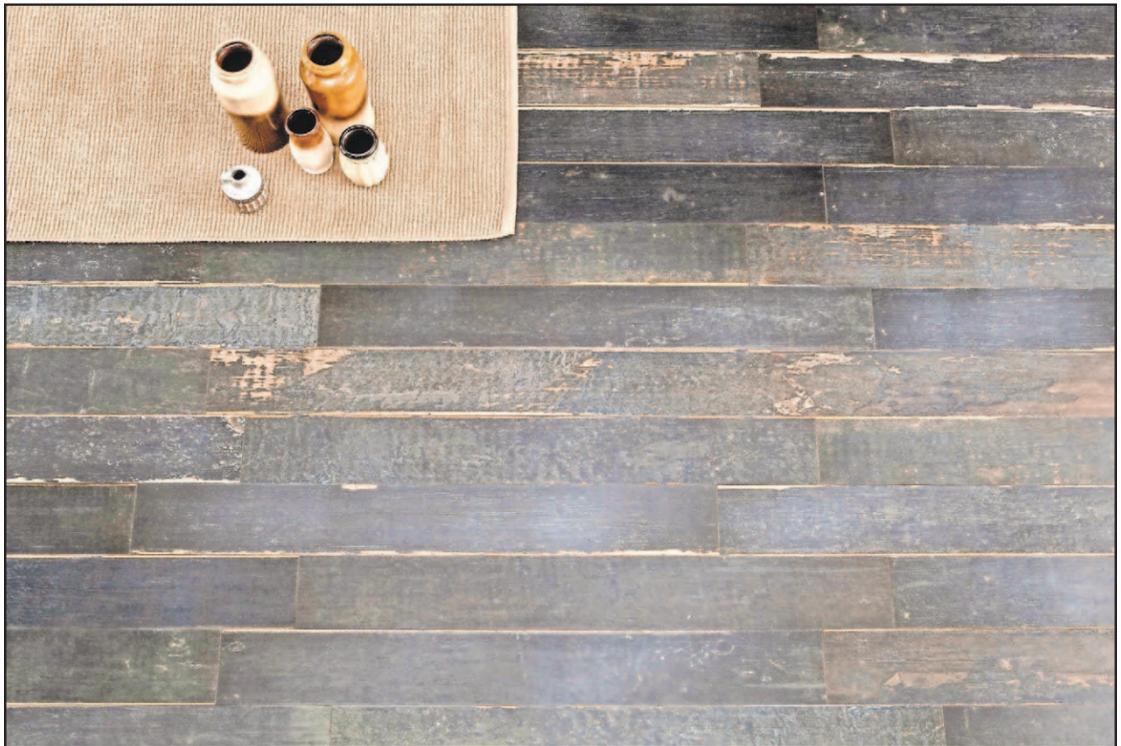
"I think texture in ceramic tile right now is really exciting," says Nigel Maynard, who tracks builder industry trends as editor in chief of Products magazine.

"There are so many ways the architecture and design community can use it, from fireplaces to indoor and outdoor accent walls," he says. "And there's a lot to choose from, including subtle textures, fabric-inspired and deep-relief patterns."

Metallic detail, a hot commodity in fashion fabrics, is also adding flair to tile — anything from bold swaths to subtle accents.

Walker Zanger's Ellington collection, inspired by the Jazz Age and Art Deco, traces geometric outlines in gold on an ebony background.

At Italy's Cersaie tile fair last fall, architects and interior designers noted how far digital printing and manufacturing has advanced. It can create 3-D designs; scallops, hexagons and other unique shapes; realistic weathered wood looks; oxidized metal



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This undated photo provided by Sant'Agostino shows Sant'Agostino's Blendart tile collection, which evokes the warm, worn look of vintage wooden floors. New technologies in digital printing and manufacturing allow makers to create ceramics that closely resemble other materials, like wood or textiles.

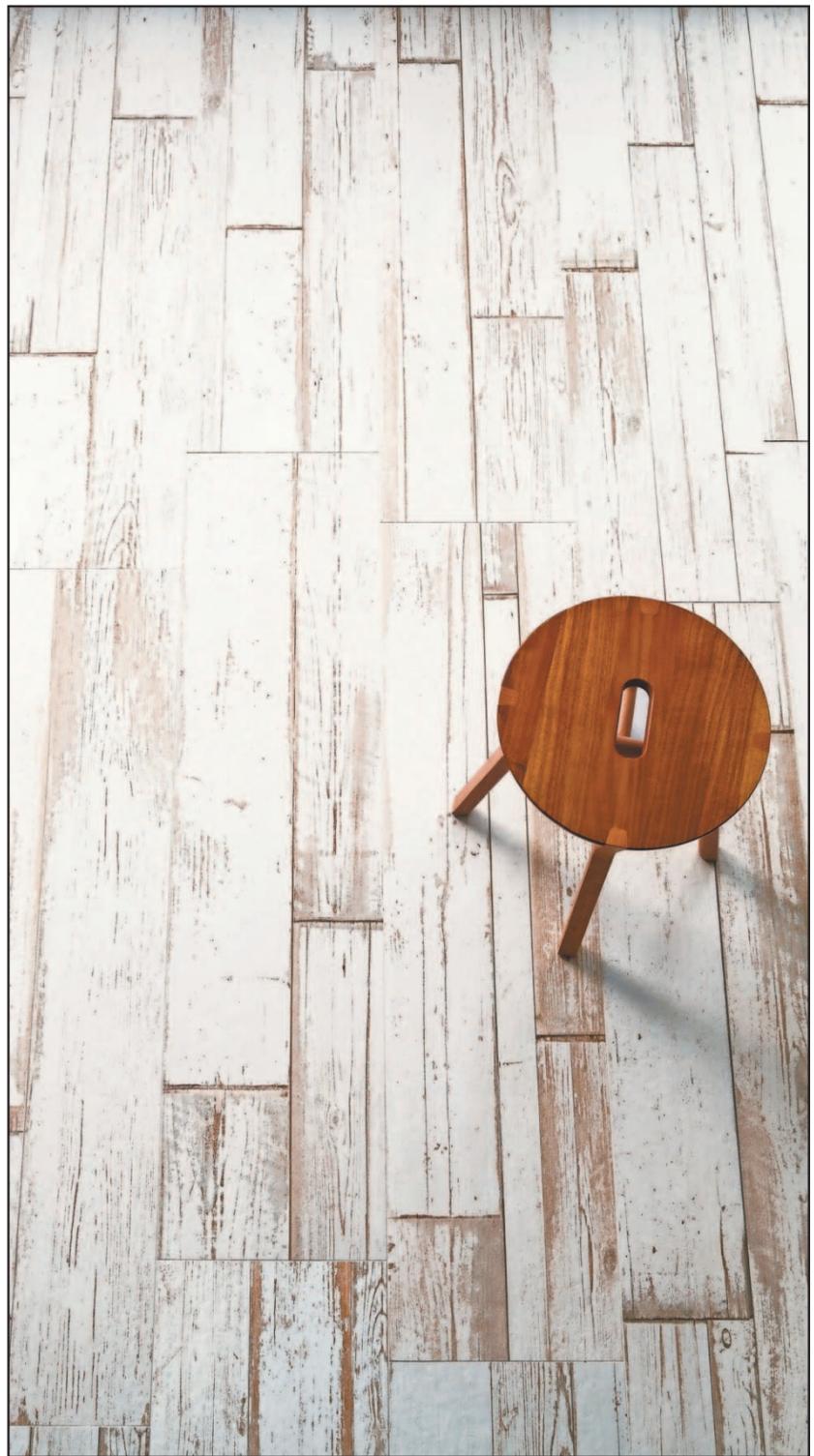
finishes.

Ceramica Sant'Agostino had a porcelain collection inspired by tailoring fabrics; digitally printed tweeds and plaids had not only a nubby look, but texture.

Ceramiche Refin showed a collection called Voyager, inspired by the aged and rusted metal bridges of Genoa, and the architectural elements of Victorian buildings.

Here in the U.S., at January's Kitchen and Bath Industry Show in Orlando, Florida, New Ravenna debuted Sara Baldwin's Ikat tile collection inspired by Uzbekistani textile leaf patterns and crafted of colorful jewel glass. For ceilings or walls, New Ravenna's Astronomy, Michael and Orion patterns have dream-evoking starry patterns on light or dark background.

Floors and walls, get ready for your close-up.



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Design trends to try in every room

By **LAUREN WHITE**
HOMEADVISOR

Sometimes, moving the furniture around isn't enough. We need something new and inspiring — something we can fall in love with. And, sometimes the latest color and style trends are the answer. Here's a room-by-room look at some of the most irresistible current trends — and how you can incorporate them into your own home design.

THE RECLAIMED LIVING ROOM

The living room is where people are showcasing reclaimed and natural materials. As our interiors — and even our daily lives — grow ever more modern, we want to maintain those grounding elements where we can. People are capturing this essence with live plants, artisanal focal pieces and natural textures like woven fabrics and grain-baring wood. Pieces like upcycled palette coffee tables and recovered and refinished antique chairs bring warmth and character. And global elements like pillows and baskets add interest and balance to the space.

THE MIXED-UP KITCHEN

Dining rooms have fallen out of favor. Today, we're seeing more eat-in islands and banquet seating in the kitchen. As our lives grow busier,

we're making space in the kitchen to talk, cook, and connect with one another. And we're integrating charging stations into kitchen drawers and connected too.

Kitchen aesthetics are trending toward mix-and-match colors and materials. Think light butcher block wood countertops paired with stark black cabinets. Or a navy blue wooden island paired with white modern cabinetry and stainless steel appliances. The latest innovations in cabinetry and drawers are tucking appliances out of sight. And manufacturers are designing appliances to blend with your kitchen materials in a trend known as integrating appliances.

THE PROGRAMMABLE BATHROOM

It may be hard to believe, but the toilet is one of the biggest bathroom trends this year. Installing high-efficiency toilets is a quick and easy way to make your home more efficient, and even to modernize your bathroom aesthetic. These toilets are sleek and minimal, and they're available in a variety of styles — including bidet. You can also find options that open and flush automatically.

Toilets aren't the only bathroom element that's gotten smarter. You can now program showers to your exact desired temperature, install a

Bluetooth speaker anywhere in your bathroom, and even watch a small television screen on your vanity mirror!

Design-wise, bathrooms are trending toward bolder tile selections, concrete features like overlay sinks and sleek black hardware.

THE ENRICHED BEDROOM

Moody, rich colors are having a moment in the bedroom. Navy blues, velvety purples and even pollen-like yellows can add depth and character — whether they're incorporated as furniture, accent walls, or lush pillows, linens and rugs. Decor choices, however, continue to trend toward minimalism. We're doing our best to leave our technology, our bills and our to-do lists at the bedroom door so we can truly unwind and refresh ourselves for another day.

Plants are also showing up in our bedrooms, as they are in many other parts of the home. As art, pillows, prints and linens — and especially as living succulents and leafy indoor trees — plants are becoming an integral part of interior design.

One final trend happening in the bedroom is the mixing of bold patterns. This trend could easily make a room look garish, but people are coming up with new and creative ways to make opposite patterns complement

each other. Bold stripes are being propped against soft florals, and stark geometric patterns are being married with

rough-hewn textures.

Lauren White is a reporter for HomeAdvisor, an online marketplace

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Beautiful executive-style villa featuring open floor plan, skylight, plant shelves and 16" tile in living areas. Chef's Kitchen boasts upgraded cabinets, newer appliances and counter seating. Owners Suite has his and hers walk-in closets and double sink vanity. MLS# 247702



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THIS HOME HAS IT ALL
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THIS COULD BE YOUR HOME
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OWNER FINANCING AVAILABLE!
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THE COMEBACK

Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Manziel is heading to the Canadian Football League, looking to salvage his football career after a turbulent and unsuccessful stay with the Cleveland Browns. **Page 3**

NHL: Lightning 3, Capitals 2

Vasilevskiy shines late, Lightning hold off Capitals

By **FRED GOODALL**
Associated Press

TAMPA, — Cedric Paquette scored in the opening minute and Andrei Vasilevskiy stopped 28 shots to help the Tampa Bay Lightning hold off the Washington Capitals 3-2 on Saturday night in Game 5 of the Eastern Conference final.

Ondrej Palat and Ryan Callahan also scored as the home team won for the first time in the best-of-seven matchup, with the Lightning taking a 3-2 series lead

and moving within one victory of advancing the Stanley Cup Final for the second time in four seasons.

The Capitals, in the conference final for the first time in the Alex Ovechkin era, have lost three straight after winning twice on the road to begin the series.

Ovechkin scored with 1:36 remaining, trimming what once was a three-goal lead to one, however Vasilevskiy made three more saves down the stretch to finish the victory.

Game 6 is Monday night in Washington, where Tampa Bay has already won to improve to 5-1 on the road this postseason.

The Capitals won the first two games on the road, scoring 10 goals on Vezina Trophy finalist Vasilevskiy and sending the Lightning — won had the best record in the East during the regular season — into desperation mode.

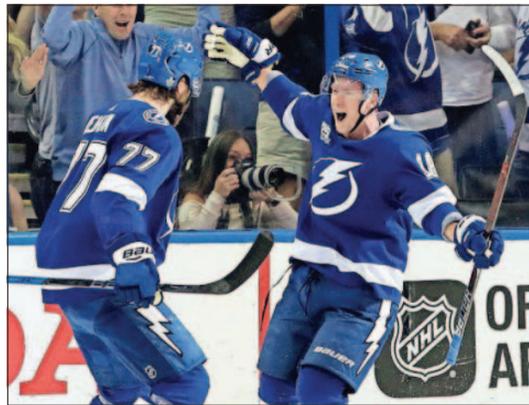
Tampa Bay responded by winning Game 3 in Washington, evening the series despite being

outshot and outplayed for sizeable stretches of a 4-2 victory in Game 4 and returning home, where coach Jon Cooper was confident the Lightning would be better than they were in the first two games.

Turns out Cooper was right.

Washington's Dmitry Orlov turned the puck over in the neutral zone on the opening shift of the night and Callahan made the Caps pay for the mistake, feeding Paquette for a 1-0 lead

SEE LIGHTNING, 2



AP PHOTO

Tampa Bay Lightning left wing Ondrej Palat (18) celebrates with defenseman Victor Hedman (77) after Palat scored against the Washington Capitals during the first period of Game 5 in Tampa.

Justify wins Preakness



AP PHOTO

Justify with Mike Smith atop wins the the 143rd Preakness Stakes horse race at Pimlico race course, yesterday, in Baltimore.

By **STEPHEN WHYNO**
Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Justify rounded the final turn and hit the top of the stretch winded but with the lead.

The roar from the crowd was delayed, hushed by the thick fog that enveloped the track. When Justify emerged from the haze in view of the grandstand, trainer Bob Baffert could see jockey

Mike Smith's white silks and knew his horse had been pushed to his limit with 100 yards left to go.

"I knew he was in for a fight," Baffert said. "I knew this was not going to be easy."

It wasn't easy, but Justify had enough left to hold off several hard-charging challengers and win the Preakness on a sloppy, slippery track Saturday and keep alive the chance for a second

Triple Crown champion in four years. After winning the most difficult race of his career, Justify has the chance at the Belmont Stakes in New York on June 9 to accomplish the same rare feat Baffert's American Pharoah did in 2015.

"We'll see how he trains," Baffert said. "Right now, I don't see why not."

SEE PREAKNESS, 2

NFL: Buccaneers

O-Line coach says Bucs need to be tougher in run game

By **RICK STROUD**
Tampa Bay Times

TAMPA — At least he stopped short of calling them soft. That's not a word you ever want to use when describing an NFL player, much less the entire offensive line. That would be a tough pillow to swallow.

But it's clear George Warhop didn't like watching his men get pushed around last season, and the Bucs offensive line coach isn't going to let them

forget it anytime soon.

"Last year, to be honest, I was disappointed in how we ran the ball," Warhop said. The Bucs averaged 3.7 yards per carry, tied for 27th in the NFL.

"I was disappointed in our mental approach to how we were going to run the ball. I thought, really, the last eight games when we started with the Jets, we started to turn the corner in terms of mentality and

SEE BUCS, 3

SPORTS BETTING

Fears about gambling addiction growing

By **DAVID CRARY** and **WAYNE PARRY**
Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — For sports leagues and gambling industries, the imminent expansion of legalized sports betting promises a bonanza. For the experts and organizations already

concerned about pervasive problem gambling, it promises a whole new roster of worries.

Much of the apprehension relates to the prospect of myriad forms of online sports betting — accessible to gamblers at any time and location via their

SEE BETTING, 6

COMMENTARY

Knights a win from Stanley Cup Final

By **TIM DAHLBERG**
Associated Press

Marc-Andre Fleury sat shirtless in front of his locker, staring blankly, his exhausted gaze fixed nowhere. Pads still strapped to his legs after another spectacular night's work, the Vegas

Golden Knights goalie looked as if he were trying to gather his thoughts, trying somehow to make sense of it all.

The rest of the hockey world is, too, as the newly minted Knights play Sunday with the most improbable prize of all at stake — a chance to go to the Stanley Cup

Final.

The story is well known by now, or at least it should be. But the fantasy has never been so close to reality as it is now, with the Knights up 3-1 going into Sunday's game against the Jets in Winnipeg.

An expansion team born last October on the heels of the Las Vegas

massacre that took 58 lives is on the brink of winning it all, confounding both hockey experts and expert bookies alike.

Even the guys on the other team are shaking their heads at what the hockey gods wrought.

"You know it's just the stars are just aligning

SEE KNIGHTS, 3



AP PHOTO

Vegas Golden Knights goaltender Marc-Andre Fleury blocks a shot by Winnipeg Jets right wing Patrik Laine during the second period of Game 4, Friday, in Las Vegas.

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May 19N.....	6-0
May 19D.....	4-5
May 18N.....	8-4
May 18D.....	0-1
May 17N.....	5-8
May 17D.....	3-6
D-Day, N-Night	

PICK 3

May 19N.....	3-2-2
May 19D.....	2-7-2
May 18N.....	6-9-4
May 18D.....	0-1-0
May 17N.....	7-7-5
May 17D.....	3-8-3
D-Day, N-Night	

PICK 4

May 19N.....	3-2-9-6
May 19D.....	9-7-3-8
May 18N.....	4-2-7-8
May 18D.....	3-8-7-3
May 17N.....	8-3-6-5
May 17D.....	9-2-3-0
D-Day, N-Night	

PICK 5

May 19N.....	6-8-4-6-6
May 19D.....	5-8-4-9-5
May 18N.....	1-4-3-7-3
May 18D.....	8-4-1-5-7
May 17N.....	7-3-5-9-2
May 17D.....	6-0-6-1-5
D-Day, N-Night	

FANTASY 5

May 19.....	6-23-33-34-36
May 18.....	15-16-17-32-36
May 17.....	10-11-17-20-22

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PAYOFF FOR May 18

3 5-digit winners	\$70,1567.98
258 4-digit winners	\$132.00
8,105 3-digit winners	\$11.50

CASH FOR LIFE

May 17.....	8-40-41-43-51
Cash Ball.....	2
May 10.....	11-36-41-43-48
Cash Ball.....	4

AUTO RACING

4 p.m.
ABC — IndyCar, Indianapolis 500, qualifying, Day 2, at Indianapolis

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Noon
ESPN — NCAA Tournament, Regional, teams TBA
ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament, Regional, teams TBA
2:30 p.m.
ESPN — NCAA Tournament, Regional, teams TBA
ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament, Regional, teams TBA
4:30 p.m.
ESPNU — NCAA Tournament, Regional, teams TBA
7 p.m.
ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament, Regional, teams TBA
ESPNU — NCAA Tournament, Regional, teams TBA
9:30 p.m.
ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament, Regional, teams TBA
ESPNU — NCAA Tournament, Regional, teams TBA

DIVING

1 p.m.
NBC — U.S. National Championships, at Dallas

DRAG RACING

1 p.m.
FS1 — NHRA, Menards Heartland Nationals, qualifying, at Topeka, Kan. (taped)
2 p.m.
FS1 — NHRA, Menards Heartland Nationals, finals, at Topeka, Kan.

GOLF

7 a.m.
GOLF — European PGA Tour, Belgian Knockout, final day, at Antwerp, Belgium
1 p.m.
GOLF — PGA Tour, AT&T Byron Nelson, final round, at Dallas

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PAYOFF FOR May 14

0.....	5-of-5 CB \$1,000/Day
0.....	5-of-5 \$1,000/Week
4.....	4-of-5 CB \$2,500
19.....	4-of-5 \$500

LUCKY MONEY

May 18.....	4-13-19-24-4
Lucky Ball.....	4
May 15.....	14-29-30-44
Lucky Ball.....	7

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PAYOFF FOR May 18

1.....	4-of-4 LB \$2 million
1.....	4-of-4 \$14,607.00
73.....	3-of-4 LB \$437.50
948.....	3-of-4 \$99.50

LOTTO

May 19.....	4-12-14-19-51
May 16.....	1-17-42-45-49

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PAYOFF FOR May 16

1 6-digit winners	\$10 million
13 5-digit winners	\$6,138.50
829... 4-digit winners	\$75.50

POWERBALL

May 19.....	3-6-9-17-56
Powerball.....	25
May 16.....	17-19-21-22-51
Powerball.....	199

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PAYOFF FOR May 16

0.....	5 of 5 + PB \$257 Million
0.....	5 of 5 \$1 Million
0.....	4 of 5 + PB \$50,000
47.....	4 of 5 \$100

ESTIMATED JACKPOT \$306 million

MEGA MILLIONS

May 18.....	9-26-53-64-66
Mega Ball.....	11
May 15.....	21-34-44-49-61
Mega Ball.....	21

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PAYOFF FOR May 18

0.....	5 of 5 + MB \$40 Million
0.....	5 of 5 \$1 Million
0.....	4 of 5 + MB \$10,000
16.....	4 of 5 \$500

ESTIMATED JACKPOT \$60 million

3 p.m.

CBS — PGA Tour, AT&T Byron Nelson, final round, at Dallas
GOLF — Champions Tour, Regions Tradition, final round, at Birmingham, Ala.

5 p.m.

GOLF — LPGA Tour, Kingsmill Championship, final round, at Williamsburg, Va.
7 p.m.
GOLF — Web.com Tour, BMW Charity Pro-Am, final round, at Greenville, S.C. (same-day tele)

MLB BASEBALL

1:30 p.m.
MLB — Regional coverage, L.A. Dodgers at Washington OR N.Y. Yankees at Kansas City (2 p.m.)
8 p.m.
ESPN — Cleveland at Houston

NBA BASKETBALL

8 p.m.
TNT — NBA playoffs, Western Conference finals, Game 3, Houston at Golden State

NHL HOCKEY

3 p.m.
NBC — NHL Stanley Cup playoffs, Western Conference finals, Game 5, Vegas at Winnipeg

SOCCER

7 p.m.
FS1 — MLS, N.Y. Red Bulls at Atlanta United

TRACK & FIELD

1 p.m.
NBCSN — adidas Boost Boston Games, at Boston
2 p.m.
NBC — adidas Boost Boston Games, at Boston

WNBA BASKETBALL

1 p.m.
NBA — Indiana at Washington
5 p.m.
ESPN2 — Los Angeles at Minnesota

NBA: Cavaliers 116, Celtics 86

LeBron, Cavs overpower Celtics

By TOM WITHERS
Associated Press

CLEVELAND — LeBron James had 27 points and 12 assists, Kevin Love added 14 rebounds and the Cleveland Cavaliers looked like a different team on their home floor, tightening the Eastern Conference finals with a 116-86 victory in Game 3 over the Boston Celtics on Saturday night.

Outplayed during two losses in Boston, the Cavs used a three-day break in the series to regroup and re-grip this series. They built a 19-point lead in the first quarter, pushed it to 30 in the second half and overpowered the Celtics, who fell to 1-5 on the road in the postseason.

Any discussion of Cleveland's demise is premature. Kyle Korver made four of the Cavs' 17 3-pointers and Cleveland had six players in double figures.

Game 4 is Monday night before the series returns to Boston.

Jaylen Brown was in foul trouble all night and scored just 10 for the Celtics after averaging 23 in the first two games. Jayson Tatum scored 18 and Terry Rozier 13 for Boston.

Only 19 of a possible 300 teams have ever overcome a 2-0 deficit in the playoffs. James and the Cavs, who previously did it in 2007 and again in 2016 while winning the NBA title, took the first step toward a third comeback.



Boston Celtics' Marcus Morris (13) goes for a rebound with Cleveland Cavaliers' Jordan Clarkson (8), left, and LeBron James in the first half of Game 3, in Cleveland.

To return to the NBA Finals for the fourth straight year, the Cavs have to win four of five and re-write Boston's illustrious history. The Celtics are 37-0 when they win the first two games in a series.

"That doesn't bother me," Cleveland coach Tyronn Lue said before Game 3. "The games have to be played. They won two games on their home court, which we know they've been playing well the whole playoffs, but we're not discouraged."

"So, 0-2 doesn't really mean anything." Apparently not. The Cavs came in wanting to play faster and be more physical with the younger

Celtics, who were the aggressors in Games 1 and 2.

Lue also needed more from point guard George Hill after two poor performances (8 points, 1 assist) in Boston. Hill responded with a driving layup to start the game and drained three 3-pointers in the first quarter as Cleveland wasted no time taking control.

Hill finished with 13, J.R. Smith 11 and Cleveland's supporting cast played so well that James only had to play 37 minutes.

Boston coach Brad Stevens was confident his team would play better on the road than earlier

in these playoffs, but the Celtics were shaky early, committing four turnovers and shooting 2 of 10 while the Cavs opened a 27-11 lead.

James arrived at 5:45 p.m., greeted by the usual phalanx of cameras waiting to record his walk from the security entrance at Quicken Loans Arena to Cleveland's locker room.

Earlier in the day, James said the fact he has twice rallied from 2-0 deficits in the postseason offered no relief.

"There's nothing about the playoffs that's comfortable until you either win it all or you lose and go into the summer," he said.

MLB: Rays

How California dreamin' became reality

By MARC TOPKIN
Tampa Bay Times

ANAHEIM, Calif. — They're grown men now, making piles of money and getting treated like kings, lavished with top-shelf equipment, designer clothes and first-class accommodations. But it wasn't too long ago that some of the Rays were kids sitting in the stands watching the games, dreaming one day of getting that opportunity of being down on the field.

The trip to Anaheim brought those memories back for five Rays who all grew up, and some still live, in the SoCal area and attended Angels games as kids. Here are a few of their stories:

INF Daniel Robertson

After missing the chance last year since he was on the disabled list, Robertson was plenty motivated all winter to play in the stadium where he sat dozens of times a year with family and friends. He played some travel-ball games there, and once was in a group of kids who got to run out on the field for the national anthem, paired with Angels 1B Robb Quinlan, but this was different. "In the offseason I drove by that field every day thinking one day this next season I might be playing there," he said. "It definitely means a lot." One cool experience this week was using the visitors' batting cage,

where dugout-suite fans can watch, and he once met and got a photo with Josh Hamilton. "A lot of memories for sure," he said.

INF Matt Duffy

Though he spent parts of three seasons with the Giants, this was Duffy's first official visit to Angel Stadium. His family had season tickets in Section 423, "prime foul ball territory" in Row 3 of the upper deck behind home, with a Jose Guillen-hit ball stashed away somewhere to show for it, and he once walked in a pregame youth league parade. "My dad and I were talking about it the other night that with all the games we went to if

somebody would have told him I would be here playing one day, he said he wouldn't have believed it," Duffy said.

RHP Jake Faria

With his dad splitting Section 347 season tickets with another sheriff's deputy, Faria and older brother Matt came to 35-40 games a year as grade-schoolers, spending pregame chasing autographs, his most cherished possession a Vlad Guerrero-signed cap they still have. During high school, Faria would attend when he wasn't playing, including a date-night game with Jessica Soto that led to their first kiss, and now years later an upcoming wedding.

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just 19 seconds into the game.

Palat's second goal of the series made it 2-0. Tampa Bay extended the advantage to three goals when Callahan scored 33 seconds into the second period.

Outshot 13-4 and limited to one scoring opportunity in the

opening period, the Caps began to put some pressure on Vasilevskiy in the second.

Evgeny Kuznetsov scored a goal in his fourth straight game, giving him a franchise single-year, playoff-best 22 points (11 goals, 11 assists) and trimming Washington's deficit to 3-1 at 4:21 of the period.

The Capitals kept pressing in the third period, but didn't

breakthrough against until Ovechkin scored his 11th goal this postseason.

Notes: The road team won each of the first four games of a series for the sixth time in the last 10 years and 26th time in Stanley Cup playoffs history. Under that scenario, the road team has won Game 5 only three times. ... Paquette's goal was his first in the playoffs since Game 3

of the 2015 Stanley Cup Final, ending a 34-game drought for the 24-year-old center. ... At 19

seconds of the opening period, Palat's goal was not the fastest to start a game in Lightning history. Adam Hall scored for Tampa Bay 13 seconds into Game 2 of the Eastern Conference final against Boston in 2011. ... Capitals winger Andre Burakovsky was a game-time scratch.

PREAKNESS

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Just getting through the Preakness was a test for the Kentucky Derby champion and heavy 2-5 favorite. When Smith looked over his shoulder early and saw Good Magic he thought, "Oh man, it's going to be a match race from this point on," and Justify held up to the challenge down the backstretch and late as Bravazo and Tenfold chased him down.

"They tested his fitness today," Smith said after his

second Preakness win and first since 1993. "This is his hardest race that he's had."

With Baffert praying for the wire at Pimlico, Justify won by a half-length after completing the race in 1:55.93. Bravazo edged Tenfold for third, and Good Magic was fourth.

"What I saw of it, I liked it a lot," said veteran D. Wayne Lukas, who trains Bravazo. "I want them to extend it another 50 yards. ... We ran at him. We kept him honest just like we said we would."

Good Magic pressed Justify so much, the Derby

runner-up faded near the end of the 1 3/16-mile race and fell out of the money for the first time in his career.

"It just wasn't a good trip," Good Magic trainer Chad Brown said. "I would have liked to see a different scenario, maybe where we're just off the pace a little bit, we weren't getting pressed on the fence the whole way. Disappointing."

That almost happened to Justify. Smith was worried when he saw Good Magic over his shoulder and when Justify slipped early, and

he was hoping there was enough left to get to the wire.

Baffert tied Lukas' record with his 14th Triple Crown victory and matched 19th-century trainer R.W. Walden with his seventh Preakness title. Baffert also remained undefeated with Derby winners in the Preakness following Silver Charm, Real Quiet, War Emblem and American Pharoah.

Justify, who paid \$2.80, \$2.80 and \$2.60 as the deserved favorite and improved to 5-0, showed more evidence of being the

same kind of super horse as American Pharoah, and Baffert has repeatedly drawn comparisons between them. Those will only continue assuming Justify is good to go for the Belmont in three weeks.

"He has to come out of the race well, and he's got to be training really well," Baffert said. "I did the same thing with American Pharoah, all my horses that ran the Triple Crown, they have to be 100 percent."

Justify looked every bit of 100 percent after a bruised heel in the Derby caused quite the firestorm. A

bigger question now is how the lightly-raced colt who didn't run as a 2-year-old handles a mile and a half.

Had the Preakness been just a tenth of a mile longer, Justify might have been caught, though Smith thought he had plenty of horse left.

"He withstood that, and even though he got tired today, he was also looking around a bit at the end," Smith said. "Although it was a half a length, I certainly could've got after him a whole lot more a little earlier and made him do a little more, as well."

FOOTBALL: CFL

Johnny Manziel signs with CFL in path back to football

Associated Press

HAMILTON, Ontario — Heisman Trophy



Manziel

winner Johnny Manziel is heading to the Canadian Football League, looking to salvage his football career after a turbulent and unsuccessful stay with the Cleveland Browns.

The quarterback signed with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats and appeared at a news conference Saturday, ending months of speculation on his possible path back to the game.

“Made the decision today to sign my contract with the CFL and further my football career after a long break,” Manziel wrote on Twitter earlier in the day. “Very grateful for everyone that’s been supporting me along the way. I believe this is the best opportunity for me moving forward and I’m eager for what the future holds.”

His last game came at the end of the 2015 season. He now comes to a team coached by June Jones, a former NFL and college coach. Players report to training camp this weekend.

In 2016, a domestic assault charge against Manziel in Dallas was dismissed after he took an anger management course and participated in the NFL’s substance-abuse program. In a recent interview, he said he’s been diagnosed with bipolar disorder and has stopped drinking.

The CFL has a policy on violence against women. The league said in a statement that in December it began a process to determine if Manziel could join the league.

Manziel had to meet certain conditions, including an assessment by an independent expert on domestic violence, a review by legal counsel and a discussion with Commissioner Randy Ambrosie.

The league said it informed Manziel and the Tiger-Cats it would approve his signing. He must, however, continue to meet the specified conditions to “maintain his eligibility.”

Manziel was drafted out of Texas A&M by the Browns in the first round in 2014. He threw as many interceptions (seven) as touchdown passes during his two seasons.

NHL: Western Conference Finals

Vegas looks to continue fairy tale with conference title

By W.G. RAMIREZ
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Just saying the Vegas Golden Knights are one win away from advancing to the Stanley Cup Final has a magical ring to it.

But what’s even more mystical is thinking the Knights are a mere five wins from hoisting Lord Stanley’s Cup in its inaugural season.

Five more wins, over a potential 10 games.

And while this might be a first-year team writing a fantastical Hollywood screenplay nobody could’ve scripted last summer when the roster was constructed, the NHL playoffs are nothing new to a core of characters in this cast.

Everybody knows about three-time Stanley Cup champion Marc-Andre Fleury, a key figure during Pittsburgh’s reign the last two years, and 10-year veteran James Neal, who was with Nashville for last year’s run to the final against the Penguins.

But between guys such as David Perron, Luca Sbisa, Deryk Engelland, Ryan Reaves, Reilly Smith, Cody Eakin and Tomas Tatar, the Golden Knights aren’t as new to the playoffs as people may believe.

The players’ individual postseason pedigree could be part of the reason the team is one game from clinching the Western Conference. Another reason is the eagerness of Fleury and Neal’s co-stars



AP PHOTO

Vegas Golden Knights left wing James Neal, left, celebrates the team’s 3-2 win with Marc-Andre Fleury after Game 4 on Friday, in Las Vegas.

in this feel-good story.

“We don’t see ourselves as an expansion team for a long time now,” said Perron, a 13-year veteran who is playing in his seventh postseason. “But at the same time, it’s always nice to keep proving people wrong and we know that even at this point, I don’t feel like people believe we’ll close it out. So, we’ve got to find a way.”

Coach Gerard Gallant has shown he has confidence in all his players, as they’ve all experienced pressure situations and performed well in all three rounds of the playoffs, including seven one-goal games. Not including Fleury’s 129 career playoff games, or Neal’s 94, the

players who skated in Friday night’s 3-2 Game 4 victory now have a combined 489 games of postseason experience to their credit.

“It’s not new for those guys, I don’t think you get here if you don’t use your hockey players,” Gallant said. “We’ve done it from Day One and there’s no reason not to use them because everybody competes, everybody battles and everybody’s a part of our team. That’s what we do. Guys work hard and compete hard and do your job and you’ll play. I feel comfortable putting most of our guys on the ice. There’s no issues there.”

And that’s because the Golden Knights have

always done a good job of living in the moment, and not looking past each game.

Erik Haula spent his first four seasons in Minnesota and went to the playoffs every year, but it didn’t take long for him to realize he was with a special group of players.

“We got off to a great start, won two on the road (to open the season),” said Haula, who has three goals and four assists in the postseason. “Right after that first home game, that was special. It was a special night for the whole community. Right there, I think we came together as a community, as a team. We never looked back. We just kept going.”

NBA: Western Conference Finals

Warriors eager to get back on the court

By JANIE McCAULEY
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — One good beating per series is plenty for Draymond Green and Golden State.

The Warriors got it in Game 2 at Houston, and now the defending champions plan to do what they seem to do best: bounce back with brilliance.

As the Western Conference finals showdown shifts to Oracle Arena for Sunday’s Game 3, tied at one game apiece, the Warriors have spent the past few days discussing their Game 2 troubles and what they’re striving to do in order not to be dominated again.

It’s time to play.

“I think we’re at our best when we feel threatened,” Green said Saturday. “Game 1 we felt threatened, we came out with a sense of urgency. Game 2 we maybe didn’t feel as threatened and the sense of urgency wasn’t there. I think you’re allowed one of those a series.

We’ve had our one, now it’s time to lock in for the remainder of the series.”

And for the Warriors that starts on the defensive end against Chris Paul, James Harden and Co., because when they get stops it allows Golden State to get going in transition and find open looks from 3-point range that weren’t there during a 127-105 Game 2 defeat Wednesday night at Houston. That was largely because the Rockets had ample time to set their defense following made baskets.

Houston is making sure not to get too high from its impressive result. The Rockets lost Game 1, 119-106.

“Feels like Game 2 was a week ago now. That’s how it is in the playoffs,” Paul said. “I heard somebody say when you lose a game in the playoffs, you feel like you’re never going to win again, and when you win, you feel like you’re never going to lose again. We’ve done a great job all year staying even-keeled.”

WORLD ICE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Swiss stun Canada, Sweden crushes US

By KAREL JANICEK
Associated Press

COPENHAGEN, Denmark — Switzerland stunned title favorite Canada 3-2 to reach only its third final of the world ice hockey championship on Saturday.

The Swiss will play the gold medal game on Sunday against defending champion Sweden, which strode into the final by crushing the United States 6-0.

Canada and the U.S. will play for bronze.

“We obviously got motivated a lot playing them,” Switzerland defenseman Mirco Muller said. “They’re the best country in the world, hockey-wise, and they have a great team here. It was a great battle for us.”

Canada goaltender Darcy Kuemper made some fine saves in the first period before Tristan Scherwey scored the go-ahead goal for Switzerland with 1:19 remaining in the first

period.

Bo Horvat tied it in the second but Switzerland proved resilient, and Gregory Hofmann restored the Swiss lead on a power play.

Gaetan Haas struck again on a power play in the third, redirecting into the net a shot by Sven Andrighetto from the point.

Colton Parayko blasted a slap shot past Swiss goaltender Leonardo Genoni to reduce the lead with 2:07 left in the final period as Canada pulled Kuemper for an extra attacker in vain.

“Switzerland played an unbelievable game,” Canada defenseman Aaron Ekblad said. “From the drop of the puck they came at us hard in every facet.”

Genoni stopped 43 shots.

“It’s important that we win the last game,” Canada captain Connor McDavid said. “We’re up to do it.”

Switzerland’s best

results have been runner-up in 1935 and 2013. Sweden is going for a third world title in six years, and 11th overall.

“We’re the big underdogs (against Sweden),” Swiss forward Reto Schaeppli said. “We have a chance if we play a really good game.”

Sweden beat Switzerland 5-3 in the preliminary round.

The Swedes set up their victory over the Americans with three goals in a 3:07 span midway through the second period.

“We didn’t play our best game but we put up a lot of goals,” forward Patric Hornqvist said. “We still have some improvement to do for the game tomorrow.”

Viktor Arvidsson led Sweden with two goals and goalie Anders Nielsen made 41 saves for the shutout.

Trailing 1-0 in the second, the U.S. had a four-minute power play but allowed a

short-handed goal by Magnus Paajarvi, who scored on a rebound after goaltender Keith Kinkaid stopped Mikael Backlund on a breakaway.

Hornqvist stretched the lead to 3-0 on a power play, and Sweden underlined its control when Mattias Janmark made it 4-0 just 11 seconds later.

Arvidsson added his second into an empty net in the final period, and Adrian Kempe finished it off with the sixth. Sweden earned its ninth win from nine games in this championship.

The U.S. pressured in the opening period, outshooting Sweden 16-8 and 41-19 overall. But it was the Swedes who went ahead. Arvidsson knocked in a loose puck in the crease following a shot from above the right circle by Filip Forsberg.

U.S. captain Patrick Kane, the overall scoring leader, failed to register a point for the first time in the championship.

BUCS

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how we wanted to go about our business. And I thought that helped us. So we just had to shake it up a bit. It doesn’t matter who plays. It really doesn’t matter who is playing. It’s just a matter of how you want to go about playing.”

What exactly does Warhop mean by “mental approach?”

“More finish,” Warhop said. “More get on your guy. More sustained. Give our backs a better chance. So it’s just a little more grind.”

It’s actually a common theme this offseason. The Bucs rebuilt their

defensive line for much the same reason.

General manager Jason Licht has said he grew weary of watching his team get pushed backward at the line of scrimmage on both sides of the ball.

So the Bucs did something about it. They added Ravens center Ryan Jensen, moving Ali Marpet from center to left guard. They also used a third-round pick on Humboldt State offensive lineman Alex Cappa. Both players have a well-earned reputation to finishing blocks and playing well past the echo of the whistle.

“Listen, you can slice that any way you want about ... guys who chew glass and all that,”

Warhop said. “It comes down to this: you’re either going to be competitive or you’re not. That’s it. There’s all kinds of guys, whether you playing O-line, D-line, receiver, running back that play the game. It comes down to, ‘Am I going to be a competitive guy or not?’ If you’re not going to be competitive, you’re not going to survive. ...

“So when we’re adding guys, we’re using the same criteria. One, can they play? Are they better than the guys we have? No. 2, can they compete with the guys we have? No. 3, they have the characteristics we’re looking for. The guys we added are checking most of those boxes.”

KNIGHTS

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for them,” Jets goalie Connor Hellebuyck said. “But it’s not going to stay that way.”

Maybe not, partly because hockey is a notoriously fickle game. But in this gambling town the odds are suddenly in the house’s favor.

With the hope they don’t have to play at home again until the Stanley Cup Final, the Knights trotted out some old Vegas mojo Friday night with Wayne Newton and the Blue Man Group making appearances to roof the team on. The Backstreet Boys were there and rapper Lil Jon

took the microphone to lead the cheers just before Reilly Smith punched in the go-ahead goal in the third period.

And, of course, this being Las Vegas the guy doing the anthems was a singing gondolier whose day job is serenading tourists in the faux canals of Venice just across the street.

There’s nothing fake about this team now one win from one of most improbable runs ever. Once 500-1 longshots to win the Stanley Cup in their first year, the Knights are now favored — at least in the sports books — to win it all.

It’s enough to make even Bark-Andre Fleury — the

lovable canine and goalie namesake who is now the unofficial team mascot — to sit up and take notice.

“It’s nice, but the last one is always the toughest to get,” the human Fleury said. “I think we have to keep the same mind set and just go and take it one game at a time and not think too far ahead and be ready to play that next game because they are going to be coming hard.”

That mentality has worked well for a team that began the season as an afterthought, a collection of unwanted players from other teams thrown together in hopes of winning a respectable number of games in their first year.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION	TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
	New York	29	13	.690	—	—	6-3	W-1	18-7	11-6
	Boston	31	15	.674	—	—	6-4	W-1	14-7	17-8
	Tampa Bay	21	22	.488	8½	3½	6-4	W-5	8-10	13-12
	Toronto	22	24	.478	9	4	3-7	L-3	11-14	11-10
	Baltimore	14	31	.311	16½	11½	6-4	L-1	10-13	4-18

CENTRAL DIVISION	TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
	Cleveland	22	22	.500	—	—	5-5	W-1	13-9	9-13
	Detroit	20	24	.455	2	5	6-4	L-1	12-10	8-14
	Minnesota	18	23	.439	2½	5½	4-6	L-3	8-11	10-12
	Kansas City	14	31	.311	8½	11½	2-8	L-1	7-17	7-14
	Chicago	12	30	.286	9	12	3-7	W-1	5-16	7-14

WEST DIVISION	TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
	Houston	29	18	.617	—	—	7-3	L-1	13-11	16-7
	Seattle	25	19	.568	2½	—	5-5	W-1	10-10	15-9
	Los Angeles	25	20	.556	3	½	4-6	L-4	11-16	14-4
	Oakland	24	22	.522	4½	2	6-4	W-3	11-9	13-13
	Texas	18	29	.383	11	8½	4-6	L-1	7-16	11-13

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION	TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
	Atlanta	27	17	.614	—	—	7-3	W-1	10-9	17-8
	Philadelphia	26	17	.605	½	—	8-2	W-1	16-6	10-11
	Washington	24	19	.558	2½	1	7-2	L-1	10-11	14-8
	New York	21	19	.525	4	2½	4-6	W-1	9-11	12-8
	Miami	17	28	.378	10½	9	4-6	L-1	10-15	7-13

CENTRAL DIVISION	TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
	Milwaukee	28	18	.609	—	—	7-3	W-3	10-9	18-9
	Pittsburgh	26	19	.578	1½	—	7-3	L-2	15-8	11-11
	Chicago	24	19	.558	2½	1	6-4	W-1	13-8	11-11
	St. Louis	24	19	.558	2½	1	4-6	L-1	13-9	11-10
	Cincinnati	16	31	.340	12½	11	6-4	L-1	7-17	9-14

WEST DIVISION	TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
	Arizona	25	19	.568	—	—	2-8	L-2	14-12	11-7
	Colorado	25	21	.543	1	1½	4-6	W-1	7-11	18-10
	San Francisco	23	24	.489	3½	4	4-6	W-1	13-10	10-14
	Los Angeles	18	26	.409	7	7½	3-7	W-2	8-13	10-13
	San Diego	19	28	.404	7½	8	6-4	W-2	11-18	8-10

ROUNDUP/MATCHUPS

Athletics 5, Blue Jays 4: Chad Pinder hit his first career grand slam and the A's overcame a four-run deficit.

Reds 5, Cubs 4, 11 innings, 1st game, Cubs 10, Reds 0, 2nd game: Billy Hamilton drew a bases-loaded walk in the 11th inning. Jose Quintana allowed one hit in seven shutdown innings in the nightcap.

Dodgers 4, Nationals 1, 1st game: Ross Stripling struck out a career-high nine in six innings in the opener.

Phillies 7, Cardinals 6: Odubel Herrera homered and Jorge Alfaro drove in the go-ahead run.

Giants 9, Rockies 4: Brandon Crawford got three more hits and drove in four runs to end a three-game losing streak.

Indians 5, Astros 4: Corey Kluber struck out 10, Michael Brantley and Yan Gomes hit home runs and the Cleveland Indians held on.

Braves 8, Marlins 1: Sean Newcomb had another strong start and Freddie Freeman homered.

Padres 6, Pirates 2: Clayton Richard held Pittsburgh scoreless for seven innings.

Red Sox 6, Orioles 3: Mookie Betts and Andrew Benintendi hit consecutive home runs in the fifth inning.

White Sox 5, Rangers 3: Jose Abreu homered and had three hits.

Yankees 8, Royals 3: Gary Sanchez hit two of the Yankees' five homers.

Brewers 5, Twins 4: Christian Yelich broke a tie with a home run in the top of the eighth.

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Arizona at N.Y. Mets
L.A. Dodgers at Washington, 2nd game
Tampa Bay at L.A. Angels
Detroit at Seattle

BOX SCORES

DODGERS 4, NATIONALS 1

FIRST GAME	LOS ANGELES	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	AVG.
Pederson lf	5	1	2	0	0	1	.240	
Bellinger cf	4	0	0	1	0	3	.259	
J.Turner 3b	3	1	1	0	0	0	.438	
Stripling p	2	1	1	1	0	0	.281	
Grandal c	2	1	1	1	0	0	.308	
Kemp rf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.381	
Fields p	0	0	0	0	0	0	---	
Jansen p	0	0	0	0	0	0	---	
Muncy 1b	3	0	1	2	0	2	.238	
C.Taylor ss	3	0	0	1	2	.242		
Forsythe 2b	4	1	2	0	0	0	.169	
Stripling p	2	0	0	0	1	.000		
a-Utley ph	1	0	0	0	0	.245		
Chargois p	0	0	0	0	0	.000		
Puig rf	1	0	0	0	0	.212		
TOTALS	32	4	7	4	2	9		

WASHINGTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	AVG.
T.Turner ss	4	0	0	0	0	2	.263
Harper rf	4	0	1	1	0	2	.233
Rendon 3b	4	0	0	0	0	2	.264
Adams 1b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.257
Kendrick lf	3	0	1	0	0	0	.303
Stevenson lf	1	0	0	0	0	.268	
M.Taylor cf	3	0	1	0	0	.189	
Difo 2b	3	1	2	0	0	.369	
Kieboom c	3	0	1	0	0	.233	
Roark p	2	0	0	0	0	.111	
Gott p	0	0	0	0	0	---	
b-Reynolds ph	1	0	0	0	0	.429	
Torres p	0	0	0	0	0	---	
TOTALS	32	1	6	1	0	10	

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a-flie'd out for Stripling in the 7th. b-struck out for Gott in the 8th.
E—Difo (5). LOB—Los Angeles 6, Washington 4. 2B—Muncy (5), Forsythe (3). 3B—Pederson (3). RBIs—Bellinger (20), Grandal (27), Muncy 2 (12), Harper (31). SB—M.Taylor (11). SF—Grandal, Muncy.
Runners left in scoring position—Los Angeles 3 (Pederson, C.Taylor, Stripling) Washington 2 (Rendon, Kieboom). RISP—Los Angeles 1 for 8 Washington 1 for 5.
Runners moved up—Kemp. GDP—Forsythe. DP—Washington 1 (Difo, Adams).

LOS ANGELES IP H R ER BB SO NP ERA

Stripling, W, 1-16	4	1	0	0	9	96	2.08
Chargois, H, 4	1	2	0	0	0	15	4.50
Fields, H, 4	1	0	0	0	1	14	2.21
Jansen, S, 7-9	1	0	0	0	0	15	3.38

WASHINGTON IP H R ER BB SO NP ERA

Roark, L, 2-4	7	6	3	3	1	817	3.39
Gott	1	1	1	1	1	14	5.65
Torres	1	0	0	0	0	9	7.27

HBP—Roark (1,Turner).

Umpires—Home, Mike Estabrook First, Jansen Visconti Second, Chad Fairchild Third, Bruce Deekman.
T—3:00. A—26,740 (41,313).

REDS 5, CUBS 4, 11 INNINGS

FIRST GAME	CHICAGO	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	AVG.
Almora cf	5	1	2	0	1	2	.299	
Bryant 3b	6	0	3	1	0	1	.311	
Rizzo 1b	5	0	1	1	1	1	.201	
Russell ss	5	0	0	1	2	.263		
Schwarber lf	2	0	0	0	4	.240		
Caratini c	6	0	1	0	0	1	.270	
Baez 2b	5	0	0	0	0	2	.256	
Strop p	0	0	0	0	0	0	---	
Duensing p	0	0	0	0	0	0	.500	
Cishek p	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	
Wilson p	4	2	3	1	1	.257		
Hendricks p	3	0	1	1	0	.095		
Rosario p	0	0	0	0	0	0	---	
d-La Stella ph	1	1	1	0	0	.315		
Edwards p	0	0	0	0	0	0	.315	
Zobrist 2b	1	0	0	0	0	.283		
TOTALS	43	4	12	4	8	10		

CINCINNATI AB R H BI BB SO AVG.

Winker lf	3	0	1	0	0	1	.254
Garrett p	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
c-Blandino ph	1	0	0	0	0	.270	
Iglesias p	0	0	0	0	0	.000	
Peralta p	0	0	0	0	0	.000	
e-Cruz ph	1	0	0	0	0	.143	
Flores p	0	0	0	0	0	.000	
Peraza ss	4	2	0	1	1	.257	
Votto 1b	4	2	1	0	1	.289	
Gennett 2b	4	0	2	2	0	.323	
Suarez 3b	4	0	1	2	0	.292	
Schebler rf	3	1	1	0	2	.248	
Barnhart c	5	0	1	0	1	.224	
Castillo p	1	0	0	0	1	.262	
a-Herrera ph	1	0	0	0	1	.083	
Hernandez p	0	0	0	0	0	.000	
b-Duval ph-lf	1	0	0	2	0	.193	
Hamilton cf	4	0	1	1	2	.209	
TOTALS	36	5	8	5	7	12	

CHICAGO 001 001 020 00 - 4 12 1

CINCINNATI 100 102 001 - 5 8 0
No outs when winning run scored.
a-struck out for Castillo in the 5th. b-pinch hit for Hernandez in the 6th. c-grounded out for Garrett in the 7th. d-singled for Rosario in the 8th. e-struck out for Peralta in the 9th. E—Russell (4). LOB—Chicago 14, Cincinnati 10. 2B—Bryant (14), Rizzo (3), Happ (6), Hendricks (1), Votto (6), Suarez (8), Hamilton (4). 3B—Happ (1), HR—Happ (6), off Iglesias. RBIs—Bryant (23), Rizzo (26), Happ (15), Hendricks (1), Gennett 2 (7), Suarez 2 (32), Hamilton (13). SB—Bryant (1), Peraza (7), Schebler (2). SF—Suarez, S—Gennett.

CHICAGO IP H R ER BB SO NP ERA

Hendricks	5	6	4	3	2	67	3.40
Rosario	2	0	0	1	2	27	0.00
Edwards	1	0	0	0	1	19	3.60
Strop	1	1	0	0	2	11	1.42
Duensing	2	0	0	0	1	7	0.61
Cishek	.1	0	0	0	0	2	1.80
Wilson, L, 1-1	0	1	1	3	0	18	3.63

CINCINNATI IP H R ER BB SO NP ERA

Castillo	5	6	1	5	4	98	5.61
Hernandez	1	2	1	1	0	11	3.09
Garrett, H, 6	1	0	0	1	1	14	1.35
Iglesias	1	3	2	2	0	32	2.08
Peralta	1	0	0	0	1	6	3.63
Flores, W, 1-0	2	1	0	1	2	25	1.50
Hendricks pitched to 4 batters in the 6th. Inherited runners scored—Rosario 2-0.							

CUBS 10, REDS 0

SECOND GAME	CHICAGO	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	AVG.</
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SCOREBOARD

PREAKNESS CHART

Horse	Wgt	PP	ST	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds
Justify	126	7	3	1-hd	1-hd	1-hd	1-2	1-½	M. Smith	0.40
Bravazo	126	8	7	3-½	3-hd	3-1½	5-7	2-nk	L. Saez	15.30
Tenfold	126	6	5	6-3	5-hd	5-1	3-1½	3-nk	R. Santana, Jr.	26.10
Good Magic	126	5	2	2-1½	2-2	2-3	2-3	4-1	J. Ortiz	3.90
Lone Sailor	126	2	8	8	7-1½	4-hd	5-8½	1	I. Ortiz, Jr.	13.80
Sporting Chance	126	3	4	7-1½	7-2	8	6-hd	1-1½	L. Contreras	23.30
Diamond King	126	4	1	5-hd	6-3	6-hd	7-18	7-33¼	J. Castellano	20.70
Quip	126	1	6	4-½	4-1	4-½	8	8	F. Geroux	12.50
Time				23.110	47.190	1:11.240	1:26.100	1:55.930		

7 (7)	Justify	2.80	2.80	2.60
8 (8)	Bravazo	7.60	4.80	4.80
6 (6)	Tenfold		6.80	6.80

\$1 Daily Double (8-7) paid \$2.30; \$2 Daily Double (BES/PREAKNESS 4-7) paid \$13.20; \$1 Exacta (7-8) paid \$13.70; \$1 Superfecta (7-8-6-5) paid \$372.50; \$1 Trifecta (7-8-6) paid \$148.30; \$0.20 Pick 6 Jackpot (5-3-5-7-8-7) 6 Correct Paid \$41.04; \$0.50 Pick 5 (3-5-7-8-7) 5 Correct Paid \$84.85; \$0.50 Pick 4 (5-7-8-7) 4 Correct Paid \$21.90; \$0.50 Pick 3 (7-8-7) 3 Correct Paid \$3.75; \$1 Super High Five (7-8-6-5-2) paid \$1,370.20.

Trainer: Bob Baffert. **Winner:** CH C, 3, by Scat Daddy-Stage Magic (c) 2018 Equibase Company LLC, all rights reserved.

BASEBALL

FLORIDA STATE LEAGUE

All Times EDT	W	L	Pct.	GB
North Division				
Daytona (Reds)	25	16	61.0	—
Tampa (Yankees)	23	18	56.1	2
Lakeland (Tigers)	19	20	48.7	5
Dunedin (Blue Jays)	17	24	41.5	8
Florida (Braves)	16	23	41.0	8
Clearwater (Phillies)	16	25	39.0	9

South Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Jupiter (Marlins)	26	15	63.4	—
Palm Beach (Cardinals)	24	16	60.0	1½
Bradenton (Pirates)	22	19	53.7	4
Charlotte (Rays)	19	21	47.5	6½
St. Lucie (Mets)	17	20	45.9	7
Fort Myers (Twins)	17	24	41.5	9

Saturday's Games
 Clearwater at Florida, 5 p.m.
 Bradenton at Palm Beach, ppd.
 St. Lucie at Fort Myers, 6 p.m.
 Tampa at Lakeland, ppd.
 Jupiter at Charlotte, ppd.
 Daytona 7, Dunedin 6
Sunday's Games
 Jupiter at Charlotte, 12:35 a.m.
 Clearwater at Florida, 11 a.m.
 Bradenton at Palm Beach, 1 p.m.
 Tampa at Lakeland, 1 p.m.
 St. Lucie at Fort Myers, 4 p.m.
 Dunedin at Daytona, 5:35 p.m.
Monday's Games
 Charlotte at Tampa, 6:30 p.m.
 Daytona at Jupiter, 6:30 p.m.
 Florida at Dunedin, 6:30 p.m.
 Clearwater at St. Lucie, 6:30 p.m.
 Palm Beach at Lakeland, 6:30 p.m.
 Bradenton at Fort Myers, 7 p.m.

PRO HOCKEY

NHL

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS
 All times Eastern
CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
TAMPA BAY 3, WASHINGTON 2
May 11: Washington 4, Tampa Bay 2
May 13: Washington 6, Tampa Bay 2
May 15: Tampa Bay 4, Washington 2
Thursday: Tampa Bay 4, Washington 2
Saturday: Tampa Bay 3, Washington 2
Monday: Tampa Bay at Washington, 8 p.m.
x-Wednesday, May 23: Washington at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.

LIGHTNING 3, CAPITALS 2
WASHINGTON 0 1 1 — 2
TAMPA BAY 2 1 0 — 3
 First Period—1, Tampa Bay, Paquette 1 (Callahan), 0:19, 2, Tampa Bay, Palat 6 (Kucherov), 9:04. Penalties—Connolly, WSH, (holding), 11:49.
 Second Period—3, Tampa Bay, Callahan 2 (Kunitz, Stralman), 0:33, 4, Washington, Kuznetsov 11 (Oshie, Niskanen), 4:21. Penalties—None.
 Third Period—5, Washington, Ovechkin 11 (Carlson, Eller), 18:24. Penalties—None.
 Shots on Goal—Washington 4-13-13—30. Tampa Bay 13-5-4—22.
 Power-play opportunities—Washington 0 of 0; Tampa Bay 0 of 1.
 Goals—Washington, Holby 10-6 (22 shots-19 saves). Tampa Bay, Vasilevskiy 11-4 (30-28). A—19,992. (19,092). T—2,288.
 Referees—Marc Joannette, Wes McCauley. Linesmen—Matt MacPherson, Jonny Murray.

WESTERN CONFERENCE
VEGAS 3, WINNIPEG 1
May 12: Winnipeg 4, Vegas 2
May 14: Vegas 3, Winnipeg 1
May 16: Vegas 4, Winnipeg 2
Friday: Vegas 3, Winnipeg 2
Today: Vegas at Winnipeg, 3 p.m.
x-Tuesday, May 22: Winnipeg at Vegas, 9 p.m.
x-Thursday, May 24: Vegas at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.

ECHL

Conference Finals
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Eastern Conference
Florida 4, Adirondack 1
Friday, May 11: Florida 4, Adirondack 3
Saturday, May 12: Adirondack 3, Florida 2, OT
Wednesday, May 16: Florida 3, Adirondack 2
Friday, May 18: Florida 7, Adirondack 3
Saturday, May 19: Florida 3, Adirondack 2

Western Conference
Colorado vs Fort Wayne
Saturday, May 12: Colorado 3, Fort Wayne 2, OT
Sunday, May 13: Fort Wayne 3, Colorado 2
Wednesday, May 16: Fort Wayne 4, Colorado 2
Friday, May 18: Colorado 2, Fort Wayne 1
Saturday, May 19: Colorado at Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 22: Fort Wayne at Colorado, 9:05 p.m.
x-Wednesday, May 23: Fort Wayne at Colorado, 9:05 p.m.

ODDS

PREGAME.COM LINE
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
Today
National League
FAVORITE **LINE** **UNDERDOG** **LINE**
 at New York -180 Arizona +165
 Chicago -149 at Cincinnati +139
 at Atlanta -185 Miami +120
 at Pittsburgh -130 San Diego +110
 at Washington -145 Los Angeles +135
 Philadelphia -110 at St. Louis +100
 at San Francisco -105 Colorado -105
American League
 at Boston -110 Baltimore Off
 Oakland -110 at Toronto +100
 Texas -115 at Chicago +105
 New York -170 at Kansas City +158
 at Los Angeles -180 Tampa Bay Off
 at Seattle -180 Detroit +165
 at Houston -137 Cleveland +127
Interleague
 at Minnesota -110 Milwaukee +100

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
Playoffs
Today
FAVORITE **LINE** **O/U** **UNDERDOG**
 at Golden State 7 226 Houston

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
Stanley Cup Playoffs
Today
FAVORITE **LINE** **UNDERDOG** **LINE**
 at Winnipeg -133 Vegas +123
 Updated odds available at Pregame.com

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
 CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Placed LF Nicky Delmonico on the 10-day DL. Recalled 2B Jose Rondon and RHP Dylan Covey from Charlotte (IL). Sent LHP Carlos Rodon to Kannapolis (SAL) for a rehab assignment.
 DETROIT TIGERS — Optioned LHP Ryan Carpenter to Toledo (IL). Reinstated OF Leonys Martin from the 10-day DL.
 LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Optioned RHP Eduardo Paredes Salt Lake City (PCL). Selected LHP Ian Krol. Transferred RHP Matt Shoemaker to the 60-day DL.
 MINNESOTA TWINS — Placed 1B Joe Mauer on the 10-day DL. Recalled OF Jake Cave from Rochester (IL).
 OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Placed LHP Brett Anderson on the 10-day DL. Recalled RHP Ryan Dull from Nashville (PCL).
 TEXAS RANGERS — Placed LHP Matt Moore on the 10-day DL. Recalled RHP Ariel Jurado from Frisco (TL).
National League
 ATLANTA BRAVES — Optioned LHP Mac Fried to Gwinnett (IL). Recalled RHP Matt Wisler from Gwinnett.
 CHICAGO CUBS — Recalled LHP Randy Rosario from Iowa (PCL) as 26th man.
 CINCINNATI REDS — Recalled RHP Kevin Shackelford from Louisville (IL) as 26th man.
 LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Optioned LHP Adam Liberatore to Oklahoma City (PCL). Released LHP Henry Owens. Reinstated LHP Tony Cingari from the 10-day DL.
 MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Sent RHP Zach Davies to Wisconsin (MWL) for a rehab assignment.
 NEW YORK METS — Optioned LHP Buddy Baumann to Las Vegas. Designated C Jose Lobaton for assignment.
 PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Optioned RHP Yackels Ross to Lehigh Valley (IL). Reinstated RHP Victor Arano from the 10-day DL.
 PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Optioned INF Max Moroff from Altoona (EL). Recalled RHP Nick Kingham from Altoona.
 SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Sent OF Mac Williamson to Sacramento (PCL) for a rehab assignment.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
 CLEVELAND BROWNS — Traded CB Jamari Taylor to Arizona for a 2020 sixth-round draft pick.
Canadian Football League
 TORONTO ARGONAUTS — Signed DE Frank Beltre and DB Anthony Covington.
 WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Signed LB Adam Bighill to a one-year contract.

Tim Petrovic 69-68-69—206 -10
 Scott McCarron 67-68-71—206 -10
 Jerry Kelly 66-69-71—206 -10
 Duffy Waldorf 70-71-66—207 -9
 Bernhard Langer 70-72-66—208 -8
 Bob Estes 70-66-72—208 -8
 Paul Broadhurst 72-69-68—209 -7
 Tom Byrum 68-73-68—209 -7
 Jeff Maggett 68-73-68—209 -7
 Jeff Sulman 72-66-71—209 -7
 Tom Lehman 68-69-72—209 -7
 Kenny Perry 68-69-72—209 -7
 Scott Dunlap 70-66-73—209 -7
 Mark O'Meara 72-70-68—210 -6
 David Toms 73-68-69—210 -6
 Colin Montgomerie 71-72-67—210 -6
 Paul Goydos 71-72-67—210 -6
 Scott Verplank 72-67-71—210 -6
 Brandt Jobe 71-73-66—210 -6
 Lee Janzen 70-69-71—210 -6
 Jerry Pate 67-72-71—210 -6
 Doug Garwood 69-69-72—210 -6
 Fran Quinn 68-70-72—210 -6
 Bart Bryant 69-68-73—210 -6
 Scott Parel 67-75-69—211 -5
 Glen Day 71-69-71—211 -5
 Billy Andrade 69-69-73—211 -5
 Carlos Franco 71-70-71—212 -4
 Larry Mize 71-69-72—212 -4
 Tommy Tolles 68-72-72—212 -4
 Jerry Smith 71-73-68—212 -4
 Esteban Toledo 69-69-74—212 -4
 Stephen Ames 68-69-75—212 -4
 Olin Browne 71-70-72—213 -3
 Tom Pernice Jr. 71-72-70—213 -3
 Marco Dawson 73-71-70—214 -2
 Fred Funk 72-68-74—214 -2
 David McKenzie 73-69-73—215 -1
 Joey Sindelar 70-72-73—215 -1
 Brian Henninger 69-69-77—215 -1
 Bob Gilder 69-71-76—216 E
 Steve Pate 75-72-69—216 E
 Scott Hoch 71-71-75—217 +1
 John Daly 71-71-75—217 +1
 Dan Forsman 73-70-74—217 +1
 Tommy Armour III 73-71-73—217 +1
 Jesper Parnevik 74-72-71—217 +1
 Mike Goodes 73-72-73—218 +2
 Todd Hamilton 69-76-73—218 +2
 Ian Woosnam 74-72-72—218 +2
 Sandyylee 76-72-70—218 +2
 Jose Maria Olazabagi 77-68-74—219 +3
 Russ Cochran 75-71-73—219 +3
 Mark Brooks 73-73-73—219 +3
 Jay Don Blake 72-76-74—222 +6
 Larry Nelson 71-78-73—222 +6
 Gary Hallberg 78-71-73—222 +6
 Rod Spittle 76-74-72—222 +6
 Jay Haas 74-75-74—223 +7
 David Frost 76-76-71—223 +7
 Corey Pavin 73-74-77—224 +8
 John Huston 72-78-74—224 +8
 Len Mattiace 76-70-79—225 +9
 Willie Wood 75-76-74—225 +9
 Scott Simpson 77-75-75—227 +11
 Tom Kite 79-78-78—235 +19

LPGA TOUR
KINGSMILL CHAMPIONSHIP
 Saturday at Kingsmill Resort, River Course, Williamsburg, Va.; **Purse:** \$1.3 million;
Yardage: 6,445; **Par:** 71 (36-35)
 60 players failed to finish the second round due to heavy rains. They will do that beginning at 7:30 a.m. today.

PARTIAL SECOND ROUND
 In Gee Chun 65-66-131 -11
 Austin Ernst 67-65-132 -10
 Nasa Hataoka 66-66-132 -10
 Angel Yin 67-66-133 -9
 Ariya Jutanugarn 66-67-133 -9
 Megan Khang 67-67-134 -8
 Brooke M. Henderson 67-65-135 -7
 Sandra Gal 67-68-135 -7
 Anna Nordqvist 70-66-136 -6
 Robynne Lee 69-67-136 -6
 Katelyn Dambrough 68-68-136 -6
 Moriya Jutanugarn 68-68-136 -6
 Karrie Webb 65-71-136 -6
 Jaye Marie Green 69-68-137 -5
 Marijo Uribe 69-68-137 -5
 Danielle Kang 69-68-137 -5
 Brittany Lang 69-68-137 -5
 Brittany Marchand 68-69-137 -5
 Jackie Stoelting 68-69-137 -5
 Lauren Coughlin 71-67-138 -4
 Amelia Lewis 70-68-138 -4
 Sherman Santiwittathaphong 70-68-138 -4
 Dani Holmqvist 69-69-138 -4
 Lindy Duncan 69-69-138 -4
 Perrine Delacour 72-67-139 -3
 Cristie Kerr 71-68-139 -3
 Mariah Stackhouse 70-69-139 -3
 Marina Alex 70-69-139 -3
 Lexi Thompson 70-69-139 -3
 Giulia Molinaro 70-69-139 -3
 Audiee-Allme Leblanc 69-70-139 -3
 Corynne Pressel 67-72-139 -3
 Cyndie Clanton 73-67-140 -2
 Celine Hearn 72-68-140 -2
 Lee-Anne Pace 71-69-140 -2
 Lye Lopez 69-71-140 -2
 Hye Joo Kim 73-68-141 -1
 Celine Boutier 73-68-141 -1
 Xiyu Lin 72-69-141 -1
 Brianna Do 72-69-141 -1
 Mo Martin 72-69-141 -1
 Brittany Lincicome 71-70-141 -1
 Jane Park 71-70-141 -1
 Joanna Klatten 71-70-141 -1
 Christina Kim 69-72-141 -1
 Leticia Ras-Andérica 69-72-141 -1
 Yani Tseng 68-73-141 -1
 Stacy Lewis 68-73-141 -1
 Tiffany Chan 74-68-142 E
 Lauren Kim 73-69-142 E
 AJ Newell 72-70-142 E
 Olafina Kristindottir 71-71-142 E
 Rhyann O'Toole 68-74-142 E
 Ashleigh Buhai 75-68-143 +1
 Karine Icher 73-70-143 +1
 Nicole Broch Larsen 73-70-143 +1
 Paula Reto 72-71-143 +1
 Nelly Korda 69-74-143 +1
 Kim Kaufman 77-67-144 +2
 Benyapa Niphatsophon 75-69-144 +2
 Katelyn Sepmore 74-70-144 +2
 Sarah Jane Smith 73-71-144 +2
 Dana Davies 71-73-144 +2
 Daniela Iacobelli 76-69-145 +3
 Dori Carter 72-73-145 +3
 Sun Young Yoo 75-71-146 +4
 Nanna Koerstz Madsen 73-73-146 +4
 Ally McDonald 73-73-146 +4
 Cindy LaCrosse 70-76-146 +4
 Kelly Song 75-72-147 +5
 Rebecca Artis 74-73-147 +5
 Bronie Law 74-73-147 +5
 Maria Torres 74-73-147 +5
 Alena Sharp 73-74-147 +5
 Emily Pedersen 72-75-147 +5
 P.K. Kongkratteth 71-76-147 +5
 Katie Brunnett 76-72-148 +6
 Wichanee Meechai 73-75-148 +6
 Eryne Lee 76-73-149 +7
 Cassidy Teare 75-75-150 +8
 Mi Jung Hur 74-76-150 +8
 Samantha Lennarth 74-77-151 +9

THIRD ROUND
Note: Scores are listed in par order for the three courses
 Robby Shelton 65f-63c-65t—193
 Bhavik Patel 66f-64f-63c—193
 Michael Arnaud 69c-60f-65f—194
 Max Rottluff 66f-62f-67c—195
 Oscar Fraustro 65c-64f-67f—196
 Bryan Bigley 66f-66f-64c—196
 Erik Compton 66c-68f-63f—197
 Ben Kohles 63f-67c-68f—198
 Kyoung-Hoon Lee 68c-66f-64f—198
 Derek Ernst 66f-65c-67f—198
 Adam Long 67f-66c-65f—198
 Luke Guthrie 62f-69c-68f—199
 Anders Albertson 67f-66f-66f—199
 Henrik Norlander 66f-71c-63t—200
 Billy Kennerly 66c-68f-66c—200
 Ho Hoag 68f-67c-65f—200
 Cameron Champ 63f-70f-67c—200
 Taylor Moore 64c-68f-68f—200
 Scott Langley 67f-68c-65t—200
 Jimmy Gunn 68c-67f-66f—201
 Joseph Bramlett 65f-70f-66c—201
 Brock Mackenzie 68f-68c-65t—201
 Roberto Castro 67f-68c-66f—201
 Scott Pinckney 68c-64f-69f—201
 Willy Wilcox 68c-64f-69f—201
 Brian Campbell 67c-68f-66f—201
 Steven Alker 68c-67f-66f—201
 Max Homa 63f-73c-66f—202
 Roland Thatcher 68f-65f-69c—202
 Wade Binfield 68f-66f-68c—202
 Matthew NeSmith 66f-66f-70c—202
 Kyle Jones 65f-71c-66f—202
 Brett DREWITT 68f-63c-71t—202
 Sungjae Im 69c-65f-68f—202
 Trevor Cone 67c-68f-68t—203
 Jin Park 64c-69f-70f—203
 Jared Wolfe 64f-68f-71c—203
 Brandon Matthews 69f-68f-66c—203
 Joey Garber 67f-68c-68t—203
 Matt Harmon 66f-69f-68c—203
 Fernando Mecherere 64f-67f-72c—203
 Jamie Arnold 66f-66f-71c—203
 Blake Adams 67c-67f-69c—203
 Ken Looper 67f-68f-68c—203
 John Chin 65f-69c-69t—203
 Matthew Brand 70c-68f-65f—203
 Brad Brunner 66f-67f-70c—203
 Jim Knous 66f-69f-69c—204
 Alex Prugh 69c-66f-69f—204
 Adam Svensson 67c-69f-68f—204
 Hank Lebioda 71c-64f-69f—204
 Andrew Novak 66f-67f-71c—204
 Chip Lynn 68f-67f-68c—204
 Rafael Campos 68f-69c-67f—204
 Kramer Hickok 68c-68f-68f—204
 Alex Kang 65f-69f-70c—204
 Jordan Niebrugge 70f-65f-69c—204
 Vince Coello 67c-68f-69f—204
 Sebastian Munoz 64f-70f-70c—204
 Wes Roach 63f-69c-72t—204
 Jimmy Stanger 67f-73c-64t—204
 Jim Glover 66f-64f-74c—204
 Jason Gore 69f-72c-64t—205
 Brandon Crick 68f-66f-71t—205
 Chase Wright 71t-65f-69t—205
 David Skins 68f-72c-65t—205
 Nick Rousey 69f-68f-68c—205
 Brian Richey 65c-70f-68c—205
 Sepp Straka 72c-66f-71f—205
 Shaun Micheel 68c-66f-71f—205
 Edward Loar 68f-67c-70c—205
 Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano 65f-71f-69c—205
 Chris Thompson 65f-71f-69c—205
 Andrew Svoboda 67f-69f-70c—206
 Jacques Blaauw 69f-65c-68c—206
 Jose de Jesus Rodriguez 69f-69c-68t—206
 Brady Schnell 67f-73c-66t—206
 Max McGreevy 68f-69f-69c—206
 Conner Godsey 68f-71f-67c—206
 Max Marsico 67c-69f-70c—206
 Martin Trainer 66f-72f-68c—206
 Tag Ridings 66f-71c-69t—206
 Jonathan Holge 68f-68f-70c—206
 Chad Ramey 71c-67f-68f—206
 Vince India 63f-71f-72c—206
 Justin Hicks 67f-68c-72t—207
 Matt Ryan 71c-68f-68f—207
 Rico Hoey 70c-68f-69f—207
 Chip Deason 67f-70f-70c—207
 Mike Weir 69f-70c-68t—207
 Scott Harrington 66c-71f-70f—207
 Curtis Luck 64f-71c-72f—207
 Armando Favela 69f-72c-66f—207
 Matthew Goggin 69c-66f-72f—207
 Jose Toledo 70c-66f-71f—207
 Bio Kim 68f-72f-67c—207
 Seth Rife 69f-70c-69f—208
 Erik Barnes 66c-70f-69f—208
 Mark Anderson 70f-72c-66f—208
 Ben Taylor 66c-73f-69f—208
 Rodolfo Cazabon 70c-71f-67f—208
 Andre Metzger 70c-70f-68f—208

EUROPEAN TOUR
BELGIAN KNOKKOUT
 Saturday at Rinkven International GC, Antwerp, Belgium; **Purse:** \$1.18 million;
Yardage: 6,924; **Par:** 71 (36-35)
 Format: 36 holes stroke play; top 64 advance to 9-hole medal matches
ROUND OF 64
 Stephen Gallacher, Scotland, def. Sam Horsfield, England, -2 to -1
 David Drysdale, Scotland, def. Haydn Porteous, South Africa, -2 to -1
 Dimitrios Papadatos, Australia, def. Tom Lewis, England, +1 to +2
 Laurie Canter, England, def. Thomas Detry, Belgium, -2 to +1
 David Lipsky, United States, def. Pedro Oriol, Spain, -2 to +1
 Oliver Fisher, England, def. Estanislao Goya, Argentina, -3 to -1
 Matthew Baldwin, England, def. Aaron Rai, England, -1 to par
 Matthias Schwab, Austria, def. Gavin Green, Australia, -3 to par
 Adam Bland, Australia, def. Nick Cullen, Australia, -5 to -1
 Joachim B. Hansen, Denmark, def. Joost Luiten, Netherlands, -1 to par
 Jeff Winther, Denmark, def. Romain Wattel, France, +1 to +1
 Josh Geary, New Zealand, def. Anders Hansen,

Denmark, -1 to par
 Richard McEvoy, England, def. Jazz Janewattananond, Thailand, -1 to +1
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 Justin Walters, South Africa, def. Duncan Stewart, Scotland, +1 to +1
 Matthew Southgate, England, def. Jens Dantorp, Sweden, -2 to +4
 Benjamin Hebert, France, def. James Morrison, England, par to par.
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AUTO RACING: Indy 500

Helio, Danica move on; Hinchcliffe is bumped

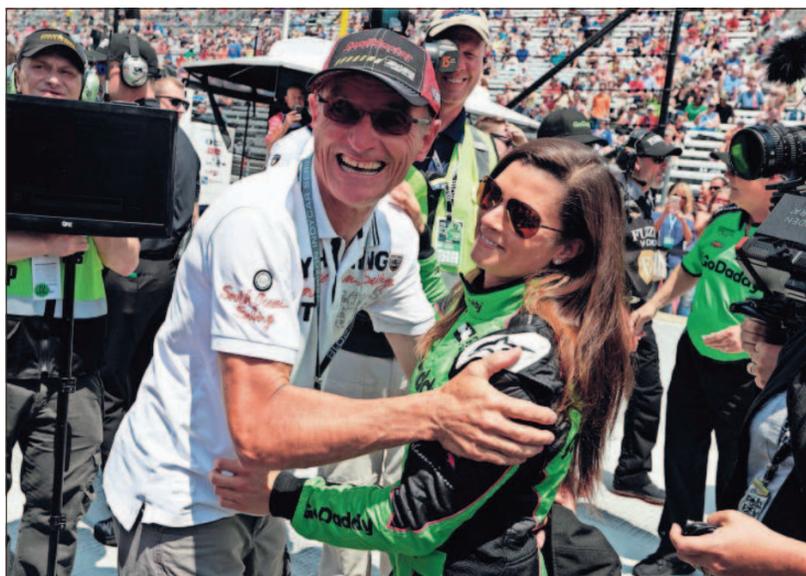
By MICHAEL MAROT
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — IndyCar's marquee names turned a day of qualifying for the "Greatest Spectacle in Racing" into a throw-back, nail-biting, bumping affair.

Helio Castroneves, seeking a redemptive record-tying fourth victory, was fastest around Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Danica Patrick was fast, too, and she averaged 227.610 mph to snag the ninth and final spot in the next round of qualifying, the Fast Nine. But this was a full field for the first time in years, and it meant two drivers weren't making next Sunday's show.

Never did the renewed bumping expect to be a threat to James Hinchcliffe, one of IndyCar's top drivers, a popular Canadian, and a celebrity from his stint as runner-up on ABC's "Dancing With the Stars" show.

Add in this is the final



Danica Patrick is hugged by Patrick Bourdais after she qualified for the IndyCar Indianapolis 500 auto race at Indianapolis Motor Speedway in Indianapolis, Saturday.

AP PHOTO

Indy 500 on ABC, ending a partnership that started in 1965 and is second in sports only to CBS and the Masters. The network has been a strong partner for tiny IndyCar, and it helped turn Hinchcliffe and Castroneves into crossover stars.

And no one expected

trouble for Pippa Mann, a perennial presence in the Indy 500. The British driver spends her entire year working to raise the money to run the Indy 500.

Yet after a day of bumping, it was Hinchcliffe and Mann who were surprisingly sidelined.

"It was devastating in every way possible," said Hinchcliffe, who is fifth in the IndyCar standings and a full-time series racer for an anchor team. "We came here with big expectations and high hopes. We didn't have Fast Nine speed but we didn't think we'd miss

the race.

"It's Indy and we finally have bumping again and everyone was thrilled about it. Well, I'm a lot less thrilled about it."

Hinchcliffe nearly lost his life at Indy in a 2015 crash in which he was pierced in an artery and would have bled to death if not for IndyCar's standard-setting medical staff. He missed the race that year, but otherwise is a staple of the series.

Mann is a one-off. Without her in the field, the Indy 500 will have just one woman, Patrick, at the time her return to American open wheel's crown jewel event is being celebrated. Patrick is retiring after this Indy 500, her first since 2011 because of a brief and unsuccessful move to NASCAR. Back for the second leg of a farewell in "The Danica Double" she's bookended Indy with the Daytona 500 on a two-race goodbye tour.

There's a chance IndyCar could intervene. The standard is 33 cars, but

the Indy 500 is the only race that matters to the IndyCar elite and it had a 35-car field in 1997. So the hand-wringing could be real as purists wonder if Tony George, head of the family that owns all things-Indy, can force an exception to get Hinchcliffe and Mann in the field.

"Should they just start everyone? To me, I'm definitely a traditionalist," said Ed Carpenter, son of George and the owner of Patrick's car. "As tough as it is to watch a guy like Hinch, who has had great moments here, really tough moments, I feel for him, I feel for Pippa. We've all worked very hard to be here. I really feel for them."

"At the same time, Indianapolis, that's part of the lure of what makes this race so special and important to all of us. Growing up around this event, seeing years where Team Penske struggled and missed the race, Bobby Rahal missed the race one year, it's happened to great teams."

TENNIS: Italian Open

Nadal beats Djokovic and will face Zverev

By ANDREW DAMPF
AP Sports Writer

ROME — The latest installment in the rivalry between Rafael Nadal and Novak Djokovic met expectations for one tight set.

Then Nadal pulled away for a 7-6 (4), 6-3 win to reach the Italian Open final on Saturday.

In their 51st meeting but first in more than a year, Nadal's court coverage eventually proved too much to handle for Djokovic, who is still regaining his form from a persistent right elbow injury.

"That was a tough battle, a good level of tennis, a combination of good tactics and great shots from both of us," said Nadal, who has had injury trouble of his own over the past year.

Nadal's opponent in Sunday's final will be defending champion Alexander Zverev, who recovered from an early break in the second set to beat Marin Cilic 7-6 (13), 6-4.

Zverev destroyed his racket near the end of

the tiebreak in which he saved five set points. The German player is aiming for his third title in three weeks after lifting trophies in Munich and Madrid — but he hasn't beaten Nadal in four tries.

"On this surface (Nadal) is almost unbeatable," Zverev said. "I'll have to play my best."

If Nadal wins his record-extending eighth Rome title, he will replace Roger Federer at No. 1.

Federer is sitting out the clay season to prepare for Wimbledon.

On the women's side, top-ranked Simona Halep rallied past three-time Rome champion Maria Sharapova 4-6, 6-1, 6-4 and will again face Elina Svitolina for the trophy.

Svitolina comfortably defeated Anna Kontaveit 6-4, 6-3 in the other semifinal.

In last year's final, Svitolina came back to beat Halep after the Romanian rolled her ankle.

"I hope I don't get injured again," Halep said. "It's a great opportunity."

PGA: AT&T Byron Nelson

Rookie Wise joins Leishman for lead

By SCHUYLER DIXON
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — The wind finally blew on the new Trinity Forest course at the AT&T Byron Nelson.

Aaron Wise wasn't rattled, not even by a bogey that dropped him into a tie for the lead on the final hole Saturday. Now the 21-year-old PGA Tour rookie is ready for another run at his

first victory.

Wise shot a 3-under 68 to pull even with Marc Leishman, four shots ahead of Matt Jones and Kevin Na going into the final round.

It's not the first time Wise has been in this position, though. Two weeks ago, he finished tied for second at the Wells Fargo Championship, two shots behind

Jason Day.

Besides, Wise has won at every level — including the 2016 NCAA individual title while helping Oregon win the team championship just before turning pro. He was the first player in eight years to pull that NCAA double.

"There's a little more pressure on it because there's more people and it's a bigger scene, but

I felt like I did a great job of handling all that at Quail Hollow," Wise said. "Being my second chance at it, I feel like it's only going to be better than that."

Leishman shot 69 after setting a 36-hole tournament record previously shared by Tiger Woods. The 34-year-old Australian had a career-best 61 in the opening round.

SOCCER: FA Cup

Uncertainty shrouds Chelsea despite win

By ROB HARRIS
Associated Press

LONDON — Chelsea's players saved their season but maybe not their manager.

Collecting the FA Cup, after beating Manchester United 1-0 on Saturday, is looking like Antonio Conte's final act with Chelsea.

"After two years, the club knows me very well," Conte said. "And if they continue to want to work with me they know I can't change. My way is always the same."

Having won three Serie A titles at Juventus before capturing the English Premier League trophy for Chelsea, Conte reminded the Chelsea hierarchy: "I'm a serial winner."

It was a bullish sign-off to a lackluster season that saw the Italian's relationship with Chelsea's leadership become increasingly strained as the team went from champions to fifth in the Premier League.

"Our job is not simple," Conte said. "I understand that the club can make a decision."

Wembley match-winner Eden Hazard also has a decision to make: Whether to pursue a transfer.

After raising doubts about his Chelsea future ahead of the final — demanding "good players" are signed in the offseason — Hazard produced the only goal from the penalty spot in the 22nd minute.

On the pitch, amid the celebrations, Hazard said nothing to demonstrate his commitment to the club.

"I'm just happy,"

Hazard said. "You see the fans celebrating with the trophy. We didn't play a great season but at least we finished well."

Although not in the style craved by Hazard. "If we want to win a lot of games we have to play better," Hazard said, "because today we played defensively."

Such was the focus on the gloomy Premier League campaign and looming offseason of uncertainty in the post-match interviews, it was easy to forget Chelsea had just picked up a trophy.

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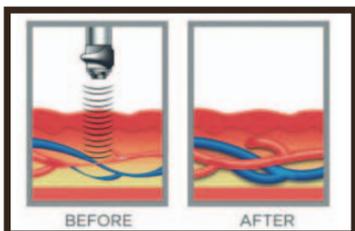
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mobile phones. There's particular alarm over the anticipated explosion of so-called "in-game wagering" in which gamblers bet, often at a rapid pace, on play-by-play developments — for example, will the next football play be a run or a pass.

"You lose track of time," said Les Bernal, national director of Stop Predatory Gambling. "The goal of the operators is to get you into a zone where you lose your financial reasoning and think of nothing except betting."

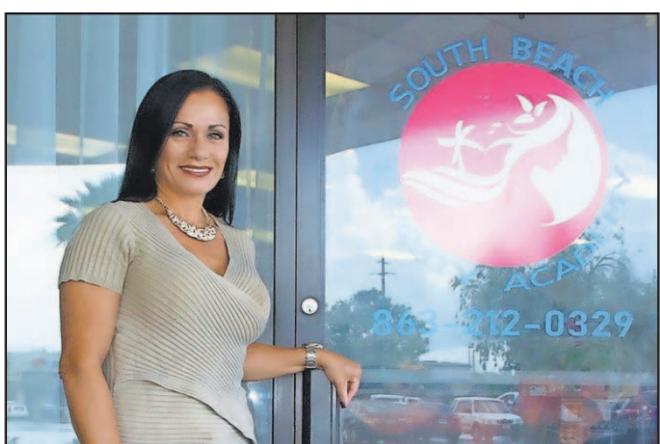
Prior to the U.S. Supreme Court ruling this week, only four states were allowed to offer sports betting and only Nevada offered betting on single games. Now that the court has lifted those bans, there are expectations that most states will offer sports betting within a few years in a play to raise tax revenue.

"We think this is the biggest expansion of gambling in our nation's history, in one fell swoop," said Keith Whyte, executive director of the National Council on Problem Gambling. "Absolutely, categorically, there will be more risk factors for addiction — we've never had that much high-speed, high-stakes interactive access to any sort of betting."

The council wants any company, sports league or government that benefits from sports betting to devote at least 1 percent of the revenue to fund programs preventing and treating compulsive gambling. It also wants betting operators to train staff about problem gambling, set and enforce a minimum age limit, and enable gamblers to set limits on how much time and money they spend betting.

Whyte is skeptical that state lawmakers and the gambling industry — even if they pay lip service to problem gambling — will take sufficiently tough action.

South Beach style hits Sebring



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Dianna Hechavarria is the owner and instructor at South Beach Beauty Academy.

Special to Highlands News-Sun

SEBRING — Today will mark the grand opening of Sebring's latest business, the South Beach Beauty Academy under owner and instructor Dianna Hechavarria.

A South American native, Hechavarria came to the U.S. at the age of 13.

After some early bullying as a foreign speaking newcomer, she grew into a lovely young woman and worked her way into

modeling and beauty pageants.

"It really helped my self esteem and I really enjoyed the business," she said. "But then I wanted to learn more about the other side of it. All the preparation, the makeup, nail care and everything that went into making me look the best that I could."

With plenty of training, Hechavarria attained her license in many different areas and worked as an instructor at beauty schools around

the Miami and Ft. Lauderdale areas.

"I grew very passionate about it, helping others to reach their goals," she said. "And what's great is there are so many directions you can go after training like this. Whether you want to work in a salon, teach at beauty schools or even take what you've learned with make up and special effects and work at Disney."

After years of working for others, however, Hechavarria came to a point of

wanting to make a go of it on her own.

"I thought it was time to go for it and start up my own academy," she said. "I've been planning it and working toward it for a while, but trying to get it started in such competitive markets, not to mention expensive, like Miami, I knew it would take a lot of time and money to get established."

A look inland to Central Florida had Hechavarria discover

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BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

Senate backs effort to restore 'net neutrality' rules

WASHINGTON — Senate Democrats, joined by three Republicans, have pushed through a measure intended to revive Obama-era internet rules that ensured equal treatment for all web traffic. But opposition in the House and the White House may block it. Republicans on the short end of the vote describes the effort to reinstate "net neutrality" rules as "political theater" because the GOP-controlled isn't expected to take up the issue and the Senate's margin could not overcome a presidential veto.

Trump Indonesia project gets Chinese government partner

NEW YORK (AP) — Some ethics experts say a planned Trump-branded hotel, luxury villas and condos and golf course in Indonesia may violate a clause in the U.S. Constitution which bans gifts from foreign governments. The property owner struck the development deal three years ago, before the election. A Chinese government-owned company is in charge of construction.

Zuckerberg to meet EU officials — dodging public grilling

BRUSSELS — Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg has accepted to visit the European Parliament to explain his company's recent privacy issues and allegations that it misused personal data. Parliament President Antonio Tajani said that Zuckerberg "will be in Brussels as soon as possible, hopefully already next week" and would meet with parliamentary leaders and experts on civil liberties and justice.

Judge mulls CBS restraining order against major shareholder

WILMINGTON, Del. — A Delaware judge has ordered a pause in a dispute between CBS and its majority shareholder that could decide control of the company. The judge on Wednesday granted CBS a temporary restraining order prohibiting National Amusements from taking any action to thwart a scheduled Thursday board vote on a dividend that would dilute National Amusement's voting power from 80 percent to 17 percent. The judge said the order was only temporary and will rule Thursday on whether it should remain in effect.

Footnote in Trump report lists Cohen payment

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's disclosure that he reimbursed personal attorney Michael Cohen for up to \$250,000 last year comes in a footnote to his financial disclosure report. No mention was made of a \$130,000 paid to porn star Stormy Daniels to keep her quiet about an alleged affair. A footnote says the president "fully reimbursed" Cohen for

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Rules? What rules?

Why these young people quit jobs without anything else lined up

By JULIANA FELICIANO REYES
PHILLY.COM

Amelia Longo spent four years helping to build a web design firm with values she believed in.

She launched a fellowship to train underrepresented people in tech and developed ways to make the company's hiring process more inclusive.

For a while, Longo, who had bounced around the arts nonprofit and tech worlds since graduating from college, thought maybe she had finally found her "forever" job.

But then she realized something had changed. No matter how committed she was to the team and the company, she was unhappy working there. She wanted to do something else, something, she'd half-joke, that would more directly help "dismantle the racist capitalist ableist heteropatriarchy."

So she quit. She gave her boss three months' notice, is working on finding her replacement, and did it all without a job lined up, without much more than a plan to just, you know, figure it out. And this was the second time in her 10-year career that she had left a job without anything in place.

Declaring this quitting-sans-new-job a bona fide trend is hard to prove — there aren't the numbers to back that up — but at a time when employee burnout is at a high, more people are freelancing and working in nontraditional work environments, and companies are now built around the idea that everyone is always looking for the next job, it's become common to see "Looking for my next opportunity!" on LinkedIn, and certain corners of the



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professional world are changing their perspective on the once-taboo resumé gap.

You are probably rolling your eyes right now (What an exercise in privilege!). Or, you might be nodding your head (Girl, I feel you). You might be a tad envious (If only I could do that ...). Or, maybe you feel a mix of all three. This is, after all, not a thing everyone has the safety net to pull off. But before you hate, read the rest of this article, here is what the trend is not about: quitting on

a whim.

Although there will always be those who make impulse decisions, the people who are quitting without jobs are doing it in calculated, strategic moves due to emotionally and mentally exhausted states that they say prevent them from searching for other jobs. In a lot of ways, it's an act of desperation. But it's also a way to take back control. And it reflects a now widely acceptable belief among young professionals that work

shouldn't kill you, that it must be meaningful and fulfilling.

Abby Mosconi, 34, started suffering from regular panic attacks at her ad agency office and eventually quit. Having been socialized to "get on the conveyor belt" — go to school, get a "real" job, retire — it had taken almost 10 years to realize that wasn't the right path for her. Quitting, she says, was necessary to figuring out how to build a career that

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How small businesses can navigate rising interest rates

By SARAH SKIDMORE SELL
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It's a good news-bad news situation for small businesses when interest rates rise.

The Federal Reserve says that the economy is doing well, so it has raised its key rates recently and is expected to do so again in the near future. The strong economy is great for most businesses, but higher rates will likely increase what it costs for them to borrow.

So what's a small business owner to do? Understand how the system operates and consider the ways they can manage.

Here are a few basics to help:

The good news

Small businesses thrive when the economy is strong. Right now, the economy is

doing quite well, which is why the Fed is comfortable raising rates. (One Fed official even referred to it as a 'Goldilocks' economy for being just right.)

The Federal Reserve doesn't directly control the rates a business might pay on a credit card, line of credit or loan directly, but these rates tend to move in the same direction as the Fed's benchmark rate. When the Fed raises its benchmark rate, it takes some time for that change to be reflected in the borrowing that businesses do.

Jared Hecht, co-founder and CEO of Fundera — a marketplace for small business loans — said he has yet to see rates for small business loans increase much, but he expects they will soon.

Hecht also said that while the cost of borrowing may go up with rate increases, it often becomes a more competitive

marketplace for lending as the higher rate makes it more attractive for banks to manage loans.

The Fed last raised short-term rates in March to a range of 1.5 to 1.75 percent. Another quarter-point increase is expected in June.

The bad news

Rising interest rates will likely increase costs for new small business loans, existing variable rate loans and credit cards.

The exact rate a business will pay depends on the type of borrowing and their credit profile. It is typically prime rate, which is at 4.75, plus a few percentage points based on how favorable the lender finds the borrower to be.

But any way you slice it, a higher interest rate means higher costs that will eat into cash flow and profitability.

Plus, short-term loans to cover cash gaps, often needed by small businesses, may get more expensive or difficult to acquire, said Barry Coleman, who helped develop the small business counseling program at the National Foundation for Credit Counseling

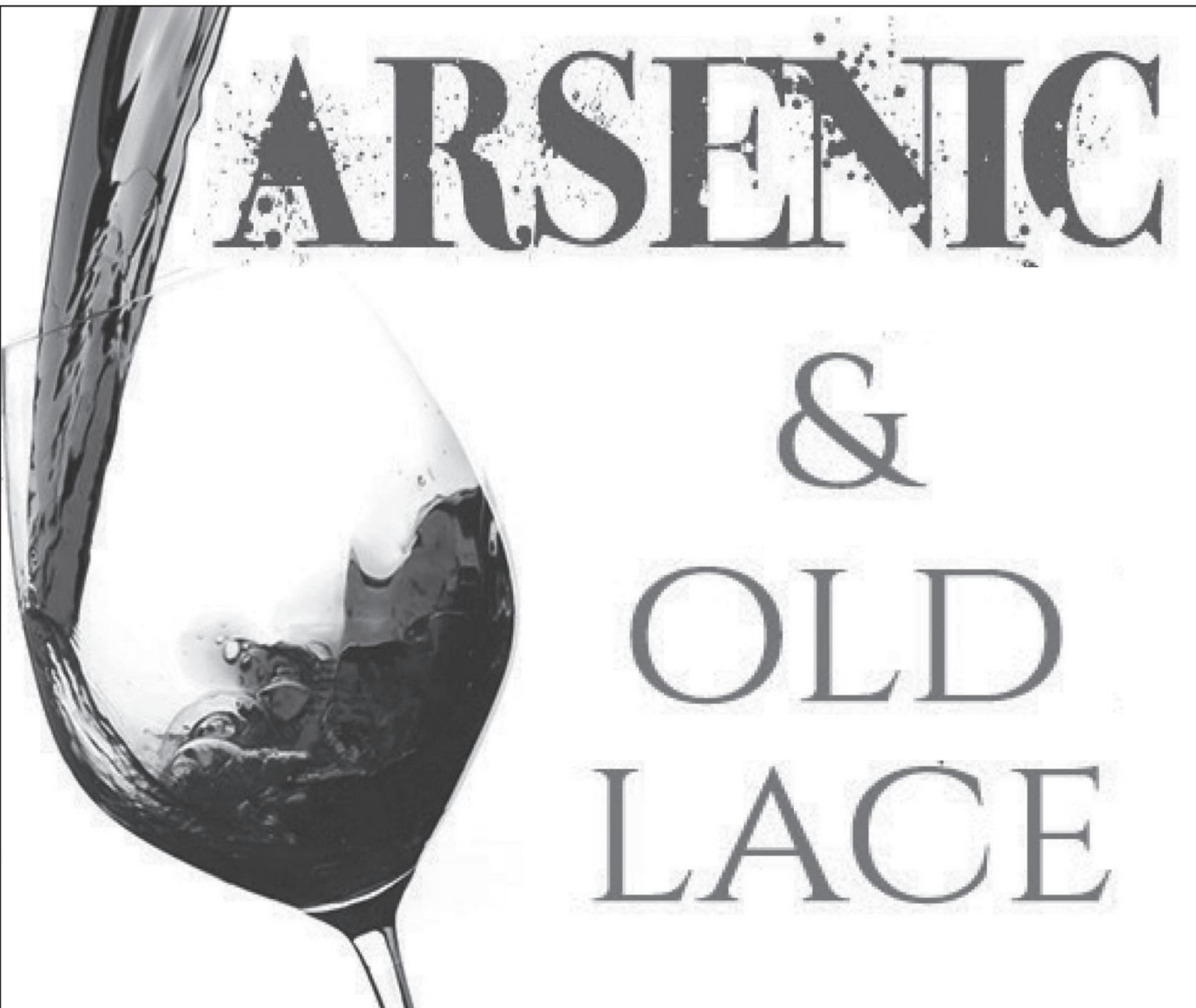
While consumers may be feeling good in a strong economy and willing to pay for your goods and services, they eventually may feel pinched by rising rates and pull back on spending. Some businesses may also need to consider price increases to manage their increased expenses.

What to do

Businesses have a few options in an environment of rising interest rates, experts say.

The simplest of those is to

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'If I could do it over' — businesses learn from experiences

By **JOYCE M. ROSENBERG**
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NEW YORK (AP) — April Oury started her physical therapy practice 14 years ago wanting to give all aspects of her business the same focus and attention to detail she gave patients — even when it came to choosing paint colors or an internet provider.

She wouldn't do it that way again. "There was not enough time in the day or the workweek to put that kind of effort into every single thing," says Oury, owner of eight Body Gears physical therapy centers in the Chicago area, San Diego and Clayton, Missouri.

Probably every small business owner would handle some things differently the next time. Learning from experience is part of starting and running a business, and the list of things owners wish they could do over is likely endless.

Oury gave up her drive for ultra-perfection when she realized it prevented her from getting things done. While she fixated on the details of a marketing brochure, "I missed all those opportunities to pass out a brochure because I didn't have it in my hands."

What others would change if they had the chance:

What's in a name?

Andy Curry came up with what he thought was a unique name, WallaZoom, for an app he created over a year ago to help shoppers find local retailers. When he went to trademark it four months ago, he learned it was in the process of being trademarked by someone else. He hadn't checked beforehand.

"I didn't think there would be a chance of anyone else using that name in the trademark category of advertising and marketing," says Curry, who's located in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He still hopes to get the name, but also has backups in case he can't.

Levi King's problem was a name no one could spell or pronounce. Six years ago, he and partner Caton Hanson founded Creditera, which helps businesses get loans and other credit. Soon after, the Draper, Utah-based company was being called names like "Credit

Tiara" and frequently misspelled.

"Something as important as a brand and we took so little time to check it out — we should have run it by other people," King says. Eventually, he and Hanson found another name, Nav, referring to how the company assists businesses navigating credit applications.

Hope & Harmony Farms, a brand of peanuts, started out as Royal Oak Peanuts in 2002. Sales didn't take off the way co-owner Stephanie Pope and her partners hoped. When they did an informal survey, "one close friend even said the name almost sounded like a cemetery," she recalls.

The Drewryville, Virginia, company's owners came up with Hope & Harmony Farms in 2012, and sales are up 50 percent since then.

Selling themselves short

Jill Caren charged her web design clients a flat fee of \$1,500 no matter how much work she did or how complex it was. She ended up working too many hours and not making enough money.

"I learned the hard way that low pricing is not the way to get quality business," says Caren, owner of 2 Dogs Media, based in Marlboro, New Jersey. Her low prices tended to attract clients who were difficult and disrespectful. When she started charging based on what each job required, she got to spend more time with her family and got clients who appreciated her more.

Yungi Chu thought he'd sell more headsets and make more money by offering cheaper models and undercutting competitors. Six months after starting HeadSetPlus.com in 2003, he found he had very little profit: \$2 a headset, and often just \$100 a week. He decided to raise prices and sell well-known brands. Sales picked up quickly.

"I found customers don't mind paying more for better service, better products," says Chu, who's based in Redwood City, California.

Taking few risks

Vladimir Gendelman worried about running out of money when he started his printing business in 2003. He had \$50,000 in credit, but for five years he



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In this Saturday, May 12, 2018, photo, April Oury, owner of Body Gears physical therapy center poses for a portrait with her instructional skeleton George, in Chicago.

built Company Folders very slowly. Revenue was under \$20,000 the first two years. It accelerated gradually and by 2008 reached \$525,000.

"If I could do it all again, I would spend the money faster so that I could create a better baseline to generate revenue sooner," says Gendelman, whose company is based in Pontiac, Michigan. "This means everything from building my website faster to hiring my first employee, which is something I waited five years to do instead of making that hire right away."

Nick Glassett spent about half of 2017 in what he calls "paralysis by analysis." Glassett, who runs a website called Origin Leadership that aims to teach management skills, says he wasted time tinkering with details and second-guessing himself.

"It was scary to be trying something new, but I let that fear get to me," says Glassett, who lives in New Orleans. When he finally decided to get the site up and running, it had 150 daily visitors within two months.

Who is your customer?

BeenVerified.com, which helps people carry out background checks, didn't

do any market research or come up with a plan to target specific customers. Its marketing campaigns advertised the website's features, not how it could benefit users. Over the first two years, it had barely any revenue, co-founder Ross Cohen says.

"You end up marketing this broad message and we found we were really talking to nobody," says Cohen, whose company is based in New York. After BeenVerified.com began explaining how it could help users, the company went from annual revenue of a few hundred thousand dollars to \$15 million in two years.

When Logan Soya began marketing Aquicore, software that monitors buildings' energy usage, he and his sales staff made their pitches to property managers and building engineers who said, "Great, but I don't have the budget for this. I have to wait for next year," Soya says.

It took more than a year of these responses for Soya, whose company is based in Washington, D.C., to realize he should be selling to building owners who set the budgets.

"Once we understood the problem, it was not that heavy a lift," he says.

Real estate Q&A

I want to buy a house, but I'm getting a divorce. Help?

By **GARY M. SINGER**
SUN SENTINEL

Q: I am in the process of getting a divorce. I want to buy a new house but am worried about my soon-to-be-ex-wife having an interest in it. Is there something I can do to protect myself? — Alex

A: There are steps you can take that differ depending on

the state of your relationship with your soon-to-be-ex-spouse.

If you are still getting along, you can sign an agreement regarding the property with her that is similar to a prenuptial agreement (called a postnuptial agreement) or make the arrangement part of your marital settlement agreement in the divorce case. Any concern

would be regarding where the money you are using to buy the home came from. If it is from marital assets, it may be more difficult to draft an enforceable agreement. For this type of arrangement, it is essential to each have your own attorney approve the agreement.

If your ex is not willing to cooperate and you are looking to

purchase the property using non-marital funds, such as money you inherited or from investments you had long before the marriage, there are still some steps you can take to protect yourself. First, make sure you can document the source of all funds you are using to purchase the property. Then make sure the title company titles

the home as your "sole and separate" property. Finally, make sure to thoroughly disclose this asset as part of any financial disclosure during your divorce proceedings.

This can be a thorny issue with lots of potential hazards, so make sure to coordinate with your real estate and divorce attorneys to avoid any pitfalls.

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made her happy.

Umm, can you really do that and not kill your career? asks parents everywhere. It depends.

Tessa Dill, a recruiter with Uber, says taking time between jobs is so common in the tech world, especially for those working at Silicon Valley companies who often quit once their stock vests, that from a hiring perspective, a resumé gap is no big deal. Jeanne Meister, a partner at HR advisory firm Future Workplace, says she's noticed less of a stigma around being between jobs — as long as you can explain the gap. It's often a marker of ambition, Meister said.

That ambition — and the impatience to see results — is a quality of the millennial workforce, according to Northeastern University professor

Alicia Modestino, who studies the youth labor market.

"Other generations played by the rules," Modestino said. Not millennials. "That's in part shaped by the fact that all those rules went away."

Ah, the dreaded m-word. It's a loaded term that many associate with other words like irresponsible and entitled. And that's exactly how quitting without a job lined up could be perceived by other companies, said Mikal C. Harden, cofounder of Philly recruiting firm Juno Search Partners. Not to mention, Harden added, that it would put you in a weaker negotiating position when you get that next job. (In the tech sector, Dill pointed out, established companies generally follow salary ranges for specific positions.)

You also might not survive the break, Meister cautioned.

Brand-name companies are stretching out the recruiting process, so "if you're going to go down this route, you have to be aware that if you want your next dream job, it could easily take six months," she said.

Ashley Bernard, 27, who in March quit her marketing job at a digital agency because she didn't see a future for herself there, wasn't worried about her negotiating power for her next gig. In fact, it hadn't crossed her mind. She'd take a pay cut if she had to. What was more important was giving herself the time and space to find a job she was passionate about. Meanwhile, she's living off her savings.

Although by definition millennial means you were born between 1981 and 1996, the term tends to conjure up white, college-educated, young professionals. And, for the most part, it is early-career people with

degrees who are more likely to quit without anything lined up, Meister said.

But other kinds of privileges allow people to take these leaps of faith: savings, freedom from financial responsibilities like taking care of a family, social capital, and confidence in your skills and hireability.

Longo talked about how, after the first time she quit without anything lined up, she went to an event at a local theater and got offered two jobs. It made her realize: "I have a deep network. I'm a talented person. I'm going to land." It also helped that she had gotten a settlement from a bike accident and that her parents live nearby, so if she ever really needed to, she could move in with them.

Dave Labold, 31, a former teacher who twice quit without a job because he was so burned out it was affecting his work, survived

with odd jobs offered by friends. His housemate, who owned their South Philly home, gave him a pass on rent when things were particularly hard.

Then there's the matter of what your parents think, or rather, how honest they'll be about what they think.

Bernard, whose mother is an immigrant from Haiti and longtime nurse, burst out laughing when asked about her parents' reaction.

"She was like, 'But you don't have any money.' I was like, 'I have my feelings and intuition!'" Bernard said.

Her mother eventually came around, but Bernard says she still feels a lot of "first-generation American guilt," knowing that she's in a position to do this because of the sacrifices her parents made.

Bernard is still early in her quitting process — "Ask me in a few weeks and my answers might be totally different," she

acknowledges — but so far, she's felt good about her decision. Longo says, because she is someone who is always working at 100 percent, she has realized this kind of break is what she needs to figure out her next steps. Mosconi has built a hybrid career for herself doing two things she always wanted to do but never thought she could make a living from: writing and singing.

And Labold — well, he's still not sure what he wants to do. The career he thought he'd have by the time he hit his 30s — being a social studies teacher — never panned out. He's working at a Trader Joe's right now. But he's happy. Happier than he was.

He says this whole process has forced him to rethink some of his assumptions.

"Life isn't really defined by your work," he said. "I'm trying to find the other things."

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NOTICE OF PROGRAMMATIC FEE CHANGES

SOUTH FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Per Florida Statute 1009.23 F.S., South Florida State College (SFSC) is required to publicly notice any fee changes 28 days prior to the date of the District Board of Trustees (DBOT) meeting at which they will be discussed. The following fees will be discussed at the May 23, 2018 meeting of the SFSC DBOT which will be held at **1:00 PM in the Board Room in the Administration Building on the Highlands Campus located at 600 W. College Dr., Avon Park, FL 33825.**

The fee changes are located on the college website <http://www.southflorida.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2018/04/Proposed-2018-19-Fee-Changes.pdf>.

For additional information, interested parties may visit the college website at www.southflorida.edu, or contact the Office of the President, South Florida State College at 600 West College Drive, Avon Park, FL 33825.

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 ★ Excellent communication skills;
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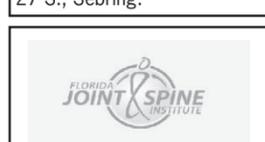
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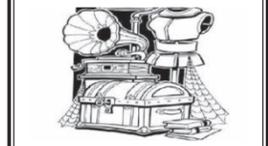
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HIGHLIGHTS

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"expenses" ranging from \$100,001 to \$250,000. The report says Trump did not have to disclose the payment but is doing so "in the interest of transparency."

Macy's sees robust mobile, online sales as profits soar

NEW YORK — Macy's surpassed profit and revenue expectations for the first quarter of the year and raised its outlook. The company also reported strong same-store sales. The results sent Macy's shares soaring, and helped the stocks of other department store chains.

Trump mining pollution rule change challenged

BILLINGS, Mont. — Environmental groups are challenging the Trump administration's rejection of an Obama-era rule that would have required companies to prove they have enough money to clean up mining pollution. The mining industry has a long history of abandoning contaminated sites and leaving taxpayers to foot the bill for cleanups. But EPA administrator Scott Pruitt agreed with the industry's contention that modern mining poses less risk for pollution.

Trump says 'no folding' in trade negotiations with China

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump says there has been "no folding" in his trade negotiations with China, as he addresses his efforts to help a Chinese telecommunications company that violated U.S. sanctions. Trump said Wednesday on Twitter that "Nothing has happened with ZTE except as it pertains to the larger trade deal." Trump tweeted his support for ZTE earlier this week, putting the president at odds with the Commerce Department's decision to impose trade restrictions for violating U.S. sanctions.

Technology, retailers help drive rebound in US stocks

NEW YORK — U.S. stocks notched solid gains Wednesday, recouping some of the market's losses from a day earlier. Technology and health care companies drove much of the rebound, outweighing losses in safe-play stocks like utilities and real estate investment trusts. Small-company stocks fared better than the rest of the market. Macy's led a rally among retailers after reporting surprisingly strong results, adding to the strong wave of corporate earnings in recent weeks

— The Associated Press

RATES

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clean up your personal and business credit. Credit scores are a key factor for lenders when they decide whether to fund a small business. Make your payments on time, use credit only when absolutely necessary and keep your utilization low. The better the credit score, the better the rates.

The next is to think big picture about your strategic plans. If there are expansions or major investments you need to make, consider the timing in relation to rates and the economy.

"Because rates are still relatively low, small businesses haven't lost that opportunity to take advantage of low interest rates, especially as the economy is growing," Coleman said.

Coleman also noted that businesses have more options than ever on where to borrow, thanks in part to the growth of online financial firms. And big banks — those with assets over \$10 billion — currently have a record 52.5 percent approval rate, Coleman said. That compares with small banks, which are considered the go-to for small business loans, at around 49 percent.

Additionally, if you have existing debt, try to form a relationship with your lender to help mitigate any bumps down the road, Hecht suggested.

Compare various products and various lenders to find the best fit as well. Hecht said business owners can often make a borrowing decision too hastily, when taking time to research before they commit could save them money.

STYLE

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Highlands County where she saw great potential.

"It's a nice area and I see a big chance for this to grow and do really well," she said. "One of the other things we will do is having visits to abuse shelters and do makeup for them as an outreach and to give back. That is something I feel strongly about is giving back to others in any way you can to help. I've had many reach out to me at times and help me out, and that is what I want to do in my own way."

Hechavarria started her outreach program, Help4Change, five years ago and is fervent about continuing it in her new locale.

The academy will have an intense, 300 hour program to become a certified professional makeup artist for fashion, glamour, classic natural beauty and for photo

shoots. Included will be training in special effects such as historical monsters and zombies, injury simulation, prosthetics and aging.

Other services the academy will provide are professional nail care for men, women and children; Spa and pedicure services with relaxing massage; leg shaving and moisturize while getting a pedicure and waxing.

The South Beach Beauty Academy is at 920 Sebring Square, right next to the Subway restaurant and will open its doors at noon today for the grand opening.



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OF MUTUAL INTEREST

Keeping what's yours: Fund investing has never been cheaper

By **STAN CHOE**

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NEW YORK — Being cheap pays off when it comes to fund investing, and more investors are heeding the call.

Investing is full of uncertainties, as the gyrations of the past few months attest, and keeping costs low is one of the few things that investors have within their control. Plus, having low fees is a pretty good predictor of a fund's future success, researchers say. That's why it's encouraging that a pair of recent reports show that investors paid less in expenses last year across their stock, bond and other types of funds.

Funds don't send a bill outlining their managers' salaries and other expenses. Instead, they carve their fees out of money already invested in the fund. Last year, the average stock mutual fund kept \$59 of every \$10,000 invested, down from \$63 the year before, according to the Investment Company

Institute, an industry trade group. The figure has been dropping steadily for decades: In 1996, it was more than \$100 of every \$10,000 invested.

"Fees continue to come down, yet again," said Sean Collins, chief economist at the Investment Company Institute. "Across the board, you're seeing reductions. There's a lot of competition."

Fees are dropping for mutual funds and exchange-traded funds that track indexes, which are already famous for being low-cost investments. But they're also falling for actively managed funds, where teams of managers and analysts try to pick which stocks and bonds will do better than the rest of the market. Costs are dropping for both stock and bond funds, as well as for the target-date retirement funds that have become the default for many 401(k) plans.

A big factor is how discriminate investors have become in choosing

funds based on their fees.

Consider actively managed U.S. stock funds, which generally have higher expenses because they employ teams of managers poring through cash-flow statements in hopes of finding winners. Investors yanked more than \$270 billion out of these types of funds last year, continuing a yearslong trend. Investors have been turned off not only by their higher fees but also by the fact that most have failed to keep up with index funds over the long term.

But one small subset of them was able to attract new dollars: the cheapest ones. The actively managed U.S. stock funds that ranked among the cheapest 5 percent for fees drew \$3 billion, according to the Investment Company Institute.

With dollars concentrating in just the lowest-cost funds, overall expenses paid are dropping.

"We always hear actively managed funds are bleeding cash, they can't compete with index funds," said Shelly Antoniewicz, senior director of industry and financial analysis at the Investment Company Institute. "But it's fiercely competitive."

Even index funds, which already have low fees because they simply track the S&P 500 and other indexes, have seen their expenses drop.

Here, as with actively managed funds, investors are very aware of costs. Of all the dollars that went into U.S. stock index funds last year, roughly half of the total went into those that rank in the cheapest 5 percent.

Index funds are also benefiting from their enormous popularity. As they absorb dollars leaving actively managed funds, their bulked-up size means they can spread their costs out over a larger base. That means each individual investor bears a

proportionally smaller burden of the fund's total costs.

All the declines mean fund investors saved a total of \$4 billion last year, according to a study by Morningstar. It was the biggest annual decline in fund expense ratios since Morningstar began tracking the statistic in 2000.

"Investors paid lower fund expenses in 2017 than ever before," Morningstar senior analyst Patricia Oey wrote in her report.

"This fee decline is a big positive for investors because fees compound over time and diminish returns," she said.

The end result is a Lake Wobegon scenario where most investors are in funds with below-average fees, according to

Morningstar.

It may be tempting to think funds with high fees will do better — and some investors believe that you get what you pay for, so higher expenses should be an indicator of more skilled managers. But funds with high fees have to perform that much better just to match the performance of low-fee funds.

Over time, that additional hurdle becomes even more challenging as compounded returns pile up on top of each other. That's why researchers say funds with low fees are more likely to survive and tend to have better returns than their high-fee competitors over the long run.

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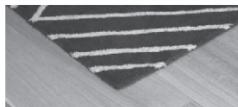
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YES, I LIKE THIS BEGINNING BETTER...

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"THEY'RE JUST A COUPLE OF DENTS, LEROY... STOP CALLING ME THE 'SUPER COLLIDER.'"

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"WHEN YOU SAID YOUR MOTHER WOULD 'AGE IN PLACE,' I ASSUMED YOU MEANT HER PLACE."

"SOMETIMES I WONDER... IF LEROY FELL OFF THE COUCH AND I WASN'T THERE TO HEAR IT, WOULD HE STILL MAKE A SOUND?"

Hi and Lois
by BRIAN and GREG WALKER

IT'S GONNA BE A GREAT DAY!

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

THERE'S A BIG TAG SALE DOWN THE STREET.

WE DON'T HAVE MONEY TO BUY ANYTHING.

PATIENCE, MY DEAR.

WE WAITED UNTIL THE END.

THEY GAVE US EVERYTHING THEY COULDN'T SELL.

WE'RE TRYING TO GET RID OF OUR JUNK!

MARY WORTH

"THERE WAS NEVER A NIGHT OR A PROBLEM THAT COULD DEFEAT SUNRISE OR HOPE." - BERNARD WILLIAMS

THAT'S... THAT'S...

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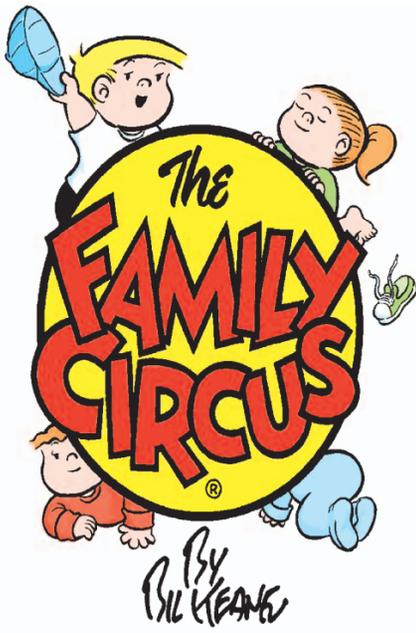
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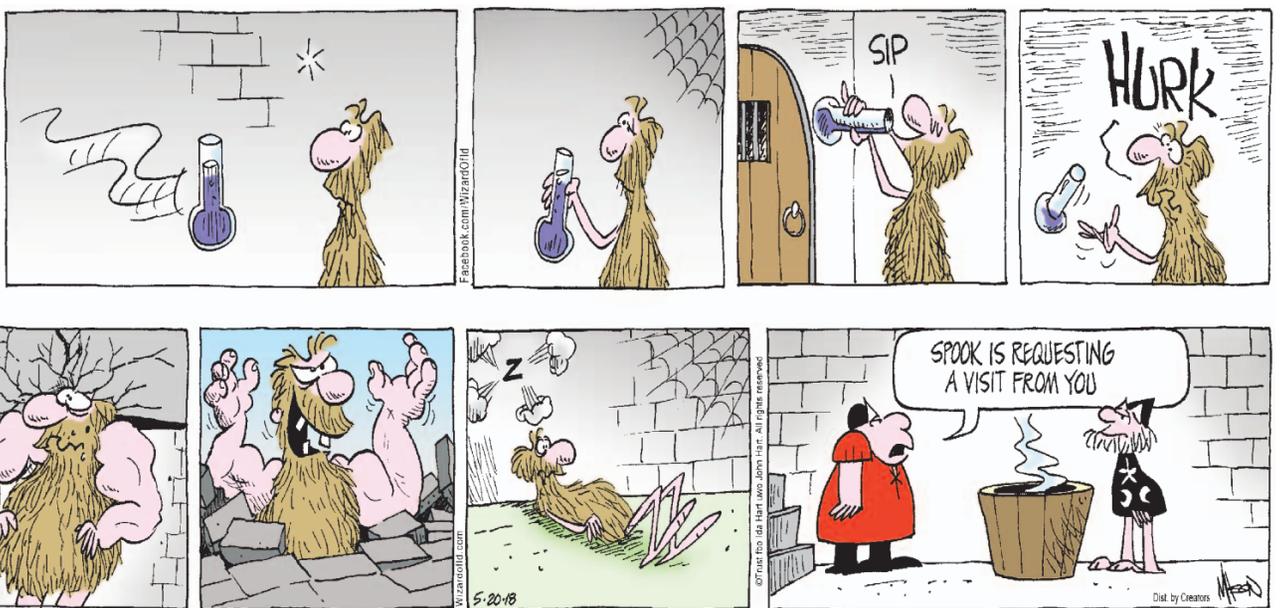
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THEY LIKE ME! THEY REALLY LIKE ME!

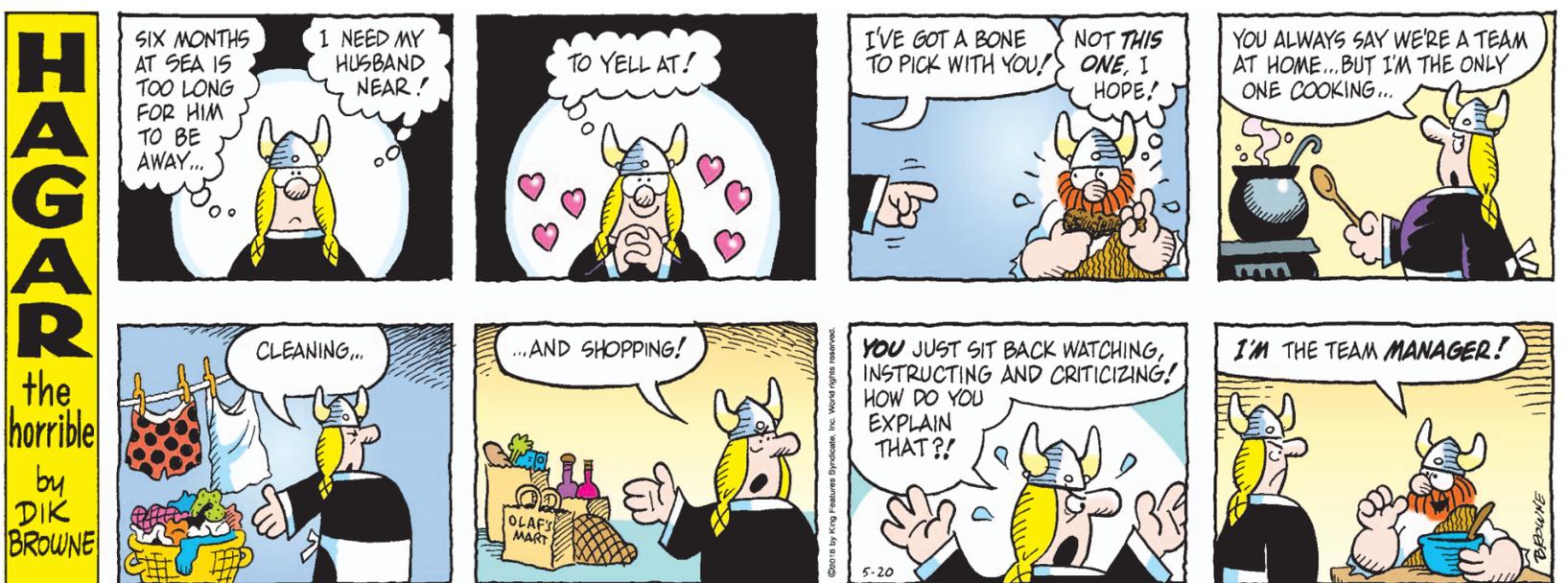
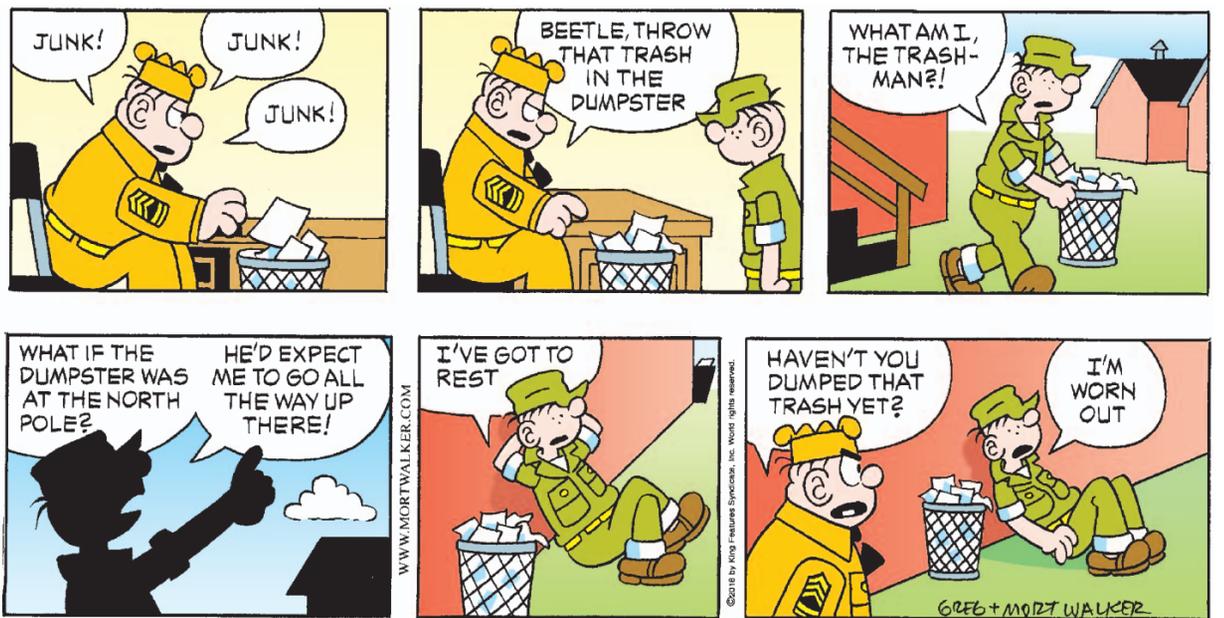
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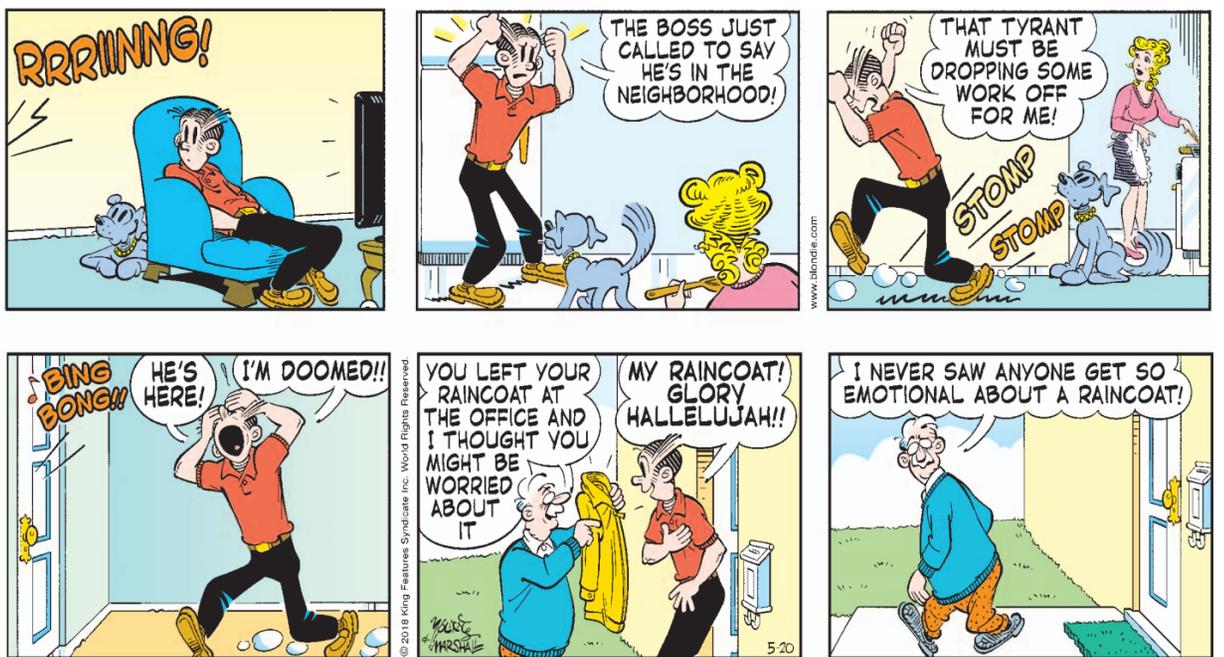
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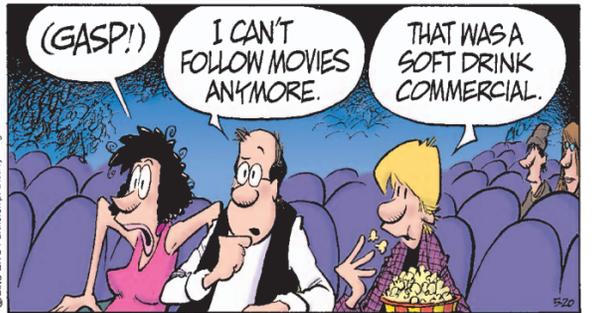
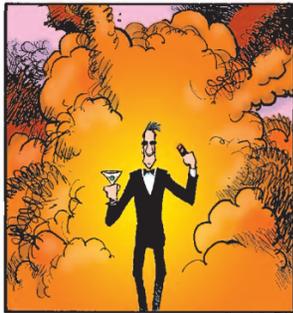
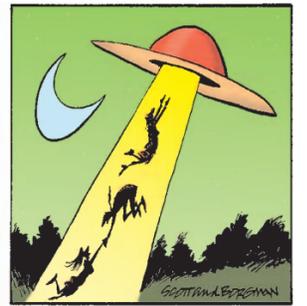
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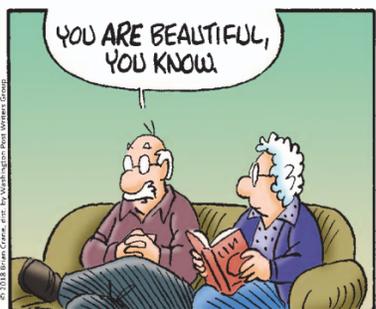
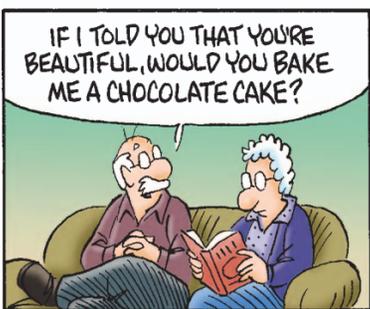
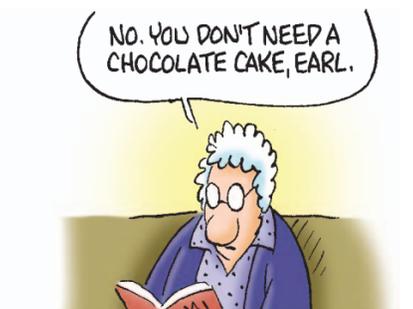
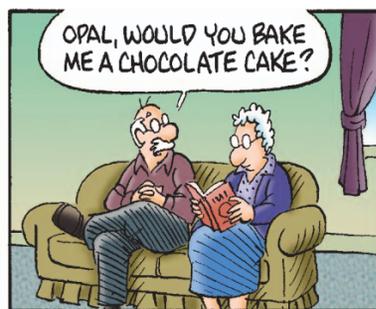
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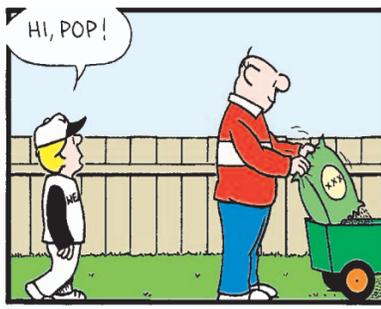
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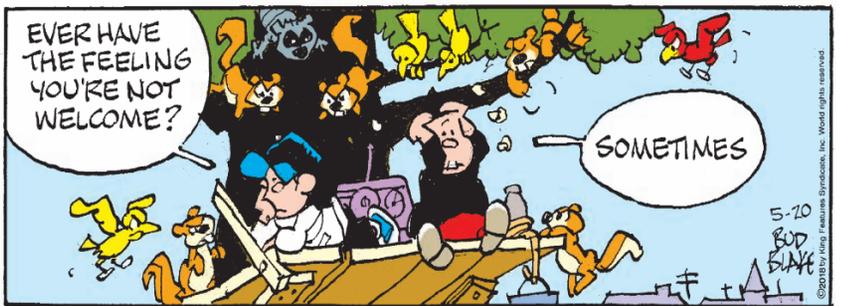
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THE MONKEY STOPPED TO PULL UP HIS SOCKS... POP! G-

ALL AROUND THE MULBERRY BUSH THE MONKEY CHASED THE WEASEL THE MONKEY STOPPED TO PULL UP HIS SOCKS POP! POP! POP!

GAAAAH!

AGAIN!

CLAP! CLAP! CLAP!

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PAW !! TURN DOWN TH' NEWS !!

YO'RE DROWNIN' OUT TH' GOSSIP !!

LOOKIT 'EM !! TWO OF TH' LAZIEST FELLERS IN TH' HOLLER !!

YEP !!

MEANWHILE, OVERSEAS... LOOKIT 'EM--TWO OF TH' MOST WELL-INFORMED FELLERS IN TH' HOLLER !!

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SALLY FORTH

by Francesco Marciuliano

MOM, WHERE ARE WE?!

WITHIN SHOUTING DISTANCE OF EACH OTHER SO THAT'S...GOOD?

THESE NATURE WALKS ALWAYS REMIND ME OF WHEN I'D WANDER IN THE WOODS BEHIND MY PARENTS' HOUSE WITH MY CHILDHOOD FRIENDS JEFF, JAMES, VAL AND BRUCE...

I'D MAKE A RUN FOR IT NOW, BUT DAD HAS OUR SANDWICHES.

HE HAS TO PUT HIS BACKPACK DOWN AT SOME POINT.

ONE DAY WE WERE HIKING WHEN SUDDENLY WE CAME ACROSS A PORTAL JUST HANGING IN MIDAIR.

WE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WAS ZONED FOR INTER-DIMENSIONAL TRAVEL!

WHAT?!

BUT THEN JAMES JUST WALKED RIGHT THROUGH IT, MOSTLY BECAUSE IT WAS SUNDAY AND HE WANTED TO SKIP A TEST THE NEXT DAY...

WHEN HE CAME BACK OUT A FEW SECONDS LATER, HE WAS WILD-EYED. HE WAS ALSO 85 YEARS OLD. HE THEN TOLD EACH OF US ABOUT OUR FUTURES, INCLUDING HOW I WOULD MARRY SOMEONE NAMED "SALLY" OR "SALTY," HAVE A DAUGHTER, AND WRITE A REMARKABLE BOOK SERIES ABOUT A BOY WIZARD ONLY TO REALIZE SOMEONE ELSE HAD ALREADY DONE THAT.

THEN JUST LIKE THAT, THE PORTAL CLOSED. UNFORTUNATELY, JAMES' FOOT WAS STILL IN IT, SO THAT'S FLOATING OUT THERE SOMEWHERE NOW. JAMES NEVER DID BECOME A KID AGAIN, BUT HE HAD LEARNED SO MUCH IN HIS TIME TRAVEL THAT HE WAS THE FIRST TO CREATE THE INTERNET.

YOU KNOW, DAD'S FRIEND JAMES TOLD ME ALL THESE STORIES ARE TRUE. HE'S ALSO NOT 85 OR FOOTLESS.

GRANTED, HE USED TWIGS AND WHATEVER ELSE HE COULD FIND IN THE WOODS TO MAKE IT. THEN HE UPLOADED THE VERY FIRST AMAZON PAGE. OH, THE PRICES BACK THEN...

MAYBE IT'S BEST IF WE DON'T DRINK THE WATER IN YOUR DAD'S HOMETOWN ANYMORE.

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CRANKSHAFT

BY BATIUK & DAVIS

SHOOT! MY 'NEVER-QUIT-BIT' CAME OFF!

CAN YOU FIX THE BAND?

HMMMM...

THIS DOESN'T LOOK GOOD.

I'M AFRAID THAT AS PAUL MCCARTNEY ONCE ANNOUNCED...

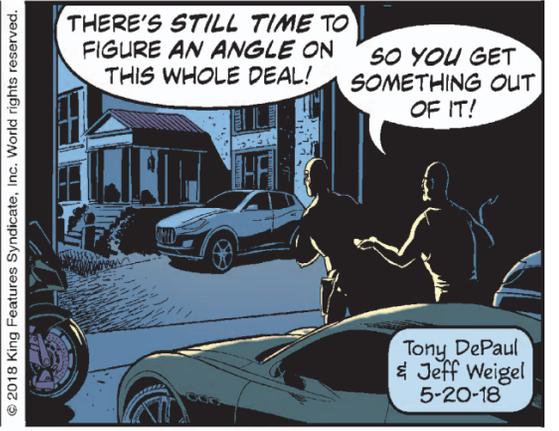
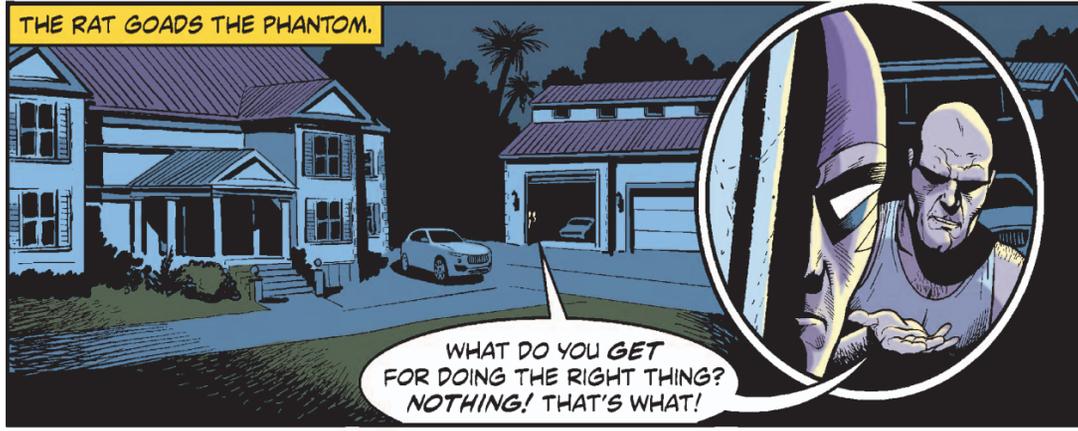
I'M SORRY TO SAY THE BAND HAS BROKEN UP!

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THE PHANTOM

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