



## Seeing **RED**

### Red Tide reaches emergency status



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In this Monday, Aug. 6 photo, a dead Snook is shown along the water's edge in Bradenton Beach. From Naples in Southwest Florida, about 135 miles north, beach communities along the Gulf coast have been plagued with red tide. Normally crystal clear water is murky, and the smell of dead fish permeates the air.

By **KIM LEATHERMAN**  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — Known for its sea shells, sharks teeth and calm waters off the Gulf of Mexico, beaches along the west coast of Florida have become littered with the putrid carcasses of marine life.

Red tide has turned many beaches into veritable graveyards. Tons of fish are being cleaned up daily, and cities are hiring and busing in day laborers to help with the nearly insurmountable chore.

Gov. Rick Scott issued a state of emergency on Monday, Aug. 13 in order to provide extra resources to combat the siege of red tide, or *Karenia brevis*.

Red tide, also called harmful algae blooms by scientists, are microscopic algae that occur naturally in waters with a high salinity level.

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission said the algae has been documented since the 1840s. The cells form into algae blooms and produce a neurotoxin that paralyzes fish and causes manatees and dolphins to drown because they cannot lift their heads to get air. The toxin runs the gamut of the food chain as snails, and shellfish become infected.

Stephanie Kettle is the public relations manager at Mote Marine Laboratory and Aquarium in Sarasota. She explained the blooms form anywhere from 10-40 miles offshore in the ocean, and winds and currents bring them in.

"The actual way blooms initiate is still being studied and is still an area for study," Kettle said.

HABs are normally seen in late summer or early fall. The



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Mote staff perform a necropsy on a Kemp's ridley sea turtle on Tuesday, Aug. 7. Members of the media photographed the procedure. Pictured: Gretchen Lovewell, Mote's Stranding Investigations program manager.

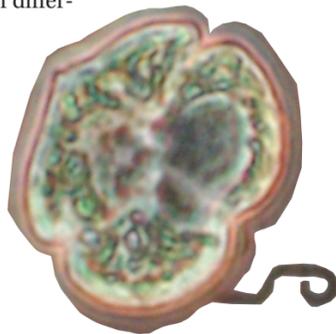
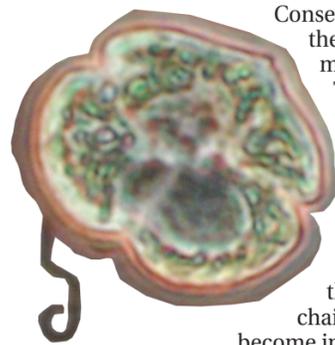
current bloom started in late fall, in late October, last year. The blooms can appear at any time.

"It is hard to say whether this year is worse than usual because there is a variety of different things that can mean," Kettle said. "It has been 10 months, which is not the longest we have ever had, but it is certainly long. It

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A *Karenia brevis* cell, seen here, is also known as the Florida red tide algae.



## Weapons concerns raised at polls

### Deputies on hand, just in case

By **PHIL ATTINGER**  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — If you carry a concealed weapon, including a Case, Barlow, Swiss Army or other type of pocket knife, make sure you leave it in the car when you vote.

No weapons are allowed in polling places, said Highlands County Supervisor of Elections Penny Ogg. Even armed Highlands County Sheriff's deputies and municipal police officers may not come in unless they are voting or have been called in for an incident.

Ogg said she has never had any threats on polling places, nor security issues.

That said, on Thursday she recalled a conversation with one election worker who raised a concern about pocket knives.

The worker did not mention ever feeling unsafe, she said. Still, the person said a deputy at the polling precinct that day should have spoken to a couple of voters before they came in with pocket type knives in holders on their sides.

The worker told her the deputy should have had them take their knives to their vehicles before they went inside the precinct.

"We have addressed this with additional training to that particular deputy," Ogg said via email on Thursday.

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## 'Have your say' EDC seeks input online from residents

By **PHIL ATTINGER**  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — Local economic planners want to hear from residents on what they think will make a better, more vibrant Highlands County.

The Highlands County Economic Development Office hopes to develop a strategic plan this year to guide economic development efforts and wants you to give your input through an online survey.

It's a dozen questions taking a little under 10 minutes to answer — 20 if you take your time — ranging on topics from what the county has to offer, whether those are strengths or weaknesses, and what the county needs.

Economic Development Manager Taylor Benson said in a press release that the survey gives each community member the opportunity to provide feedback on what they feel about the role of economic development, what type of growth and industry they think is best suited for the community and what they feel about the quality of life here.

She asks that people spread the word throughout Highlands County so everyone has a chance to take part in the survey.

Benson said via phone interview Wednesday that she and her staff have had this survey "in the pipeline" since they first opened the Economic Development office in July 2016.

It's taken two years, she said, because they had a number of projects to put in place first: Getting the office fully staffed, transitioning from having an outside Industrial Development Authority into part of the county structure, getting a new website up

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## AP considers providing utilities to planned Polk plant

By **MARC VALERO**  
STAFF WRITER

AVON PARK — The City of Avon Park may be extending its utility services just over the county line to Polk County to provide water and wastewater services to a planned rebar micro mill.

At a recent City Council meeting, City Manager June Fisher said the city has the opportunity to provide water and wastewater services to an industrial plant north of the city.

The city has some distribution lines in the area, but options for the best route



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Nucor Steel Florida plans to build a \$240 million rebar micro mill just north of the county line in southern Polk County. The company seeks utility services from the City of Avon Park.

and financing continue to be explored, she said. The city has a grant opportunity that can help with

the funding to extend the utility lines.

Fisher said it is a great opportunity for the area. A

representative from Nucor Steel Florida was present at the meeting to see if council was interested in exploring the grant and providing utility service to the plant.

Mayor Garrett Anderson said he "whole heartedly" supports it. Nucor would be a great addition to Avon Park, he said.

Fisher noted it is in Polk County just over the county line, but Nucor does own property in Highlands County.

The city would have to get an agreement with

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# Lake Placid man charged with grand theft

By **MELISSA MAIN**  
STAFF WRITER

LAKE PLACID — A Lake Placid man — with previous convictions for grand theft, cocaine possession and giving false owner information to a pawn shop — was charged with breaking into a residence and stealing a white Ford Ranger.

On Tuesday, Highlands County Sheriff's Office charged Zachery Arthur Arlen Knight, 30, of Lake Placid, with grand theft,



**KNIGHT**

burglary of an unoccupied dwelling while unarmed, property damage, operating a motor vehicle with no license and probation violation.

Knight also has an extensive list of charges and convictions in Lee County.

Deputies stated that between 9:30 and 10 a.m. Knight allegedly entered a residence to

steal the keys to the vehicle.

To gain entry into the residence, he pried open two doors, damaging a screen porch door frame and a wooden door frame, the report stated. The estimated value of the damage was \$100 for both door frames.

On Wednesday, a deputy found the vehicle that the victim had reported as stolen, the arrest report stated. The deputy stated that Knight was the sole occupant.

# Avon Park man charged with selling drugs near a church

By **MELISSA MAIN**  
STAFF WRITER



**RICHARDSON**

A deputy reported conducting a proactive patrol in the area of Hal

Richardson repeatedly told the deputy that he had "nothing" in the bag, the report stated. However, the deputy allegedly smelled the strong odor of raw cannabis emitting from him.

AVON PARK — Deputies investigated tips about drug sales in front of Willie Hawks Grocery in Avon Park and arrested a suspect there on Wednesday.

A confidential informant provided Highlands County Sheriff's Office with information about a suspected drug dealer, the arrest report stated.

Andrew Bernard Richardson, 31, of Avon Park was charged with possession of marijuana not more than 20 grams, controlled substance without a prescription, possession of marijuana with intent to sell within 1,000 feet of a place of worship and possession of drug equipment.

Richardson is also known by the street names "Da Mayor," "Lunch" and "Big Lunch," according to the report.

McRae Boulevard in Avon Park. While patrolling, he noticed Richardson sitting in front of Willie Hawks Grocery. According to the deputy, a confidential informant told him that Richardson usually keeps the narcotics he sells on his person.

According to the arrest report, the deputy approached Richardson and asked if he could speak with him. Richardson consented, but he appeared to be concealing a large plastic bag with multiple clear plastic bags inside of them. When the deputy asked the suspect what was in his bag, he stepped back.

The deputy stated that the raw odor of cannabis was grounds for a probable cause search, so he searched the suspect and allegedly found six smaller bags with a green leafy substance that field tested positive for the presence of marijuana and a brown crystal-like substance that field tested positive for methamphetamine.

In all, the deputy reportedly found 7.4 grams of marijuana and one gram of methamphetamine. During the deputy's investigation, he confirmed that Miracle Deliverance Church of God, an active place of worship, was within 1,000 feet of Willie Hawks Grocery.

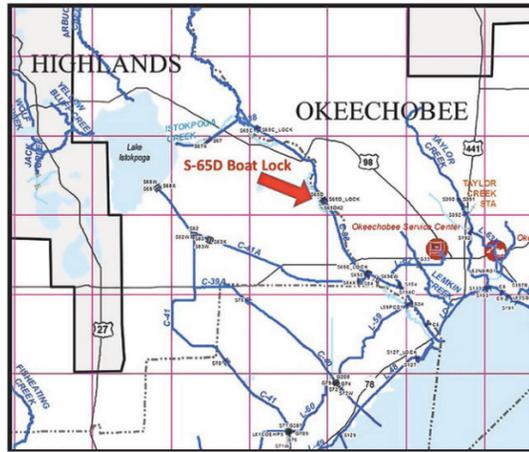
# SFWMD raising water level on Kissimmee River

By **PHIL ATTINGER**  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — Within days, water managers with the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) will gradually raise the headwater elevation of the S-65D structure on the Kissimmee River by more than a foot to 27.8 feet NGVD.

They are taking this action at the request of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to reduce potential risk of erosion in parts of the C-38 Canal that have been back-filled as part of the Kissimmee River Restoration Project.

Boat owners upstream of the S-65D structure will want to check their clearance under covered



COURTESY PHOTO/SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The South Florida Water Management District, at the request of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, will gradually raise water levels on the Kissimmee River, upstream from the S-65D Boat Lock, by approximately a foot in the coming days.

shelters and either move the boats or make adjustments mooring lines or clearance to help the boats handle higher water levels.

# School unions ratify employment contracts

By **MARC VALERO**  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — Both the teachers and school support personnel unions approved their respective employment contracts with the Highlands County School District.

The contracts will now be considered by the School Board of Highlands County at its regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

A statement from Highlands County Education Association (teachers union) and Highlands County Educational Support Personnel Association stated the contract votes from Wednesday

have been tallied and calculated.

The teachers voted 98.7 percent "yes" with 1.3 percent "no" in ratifying their contract.

The support personnel voted 100 percent "yes" in ratifying their contract.

The salary negotiations were for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years.

The ratified contracts that are part of the online School Board agenda show the support personnel contract as 2018-2021 and teachers for 2017-2020.

Deputy Superintendent Andrew Lethbridge explained that contracts typically cover multiple years, but certain parts

of the contract are open annually. Salary is always open and then each side (management and union) can open two other areas for discussion.

At certain times the entire contract up for discussion is called an open book, he said.

During the 2017-18 school year, it was agreed to add one year to the contract window on each contract, Lethbridge said. During the 2018-19 discussions for contract, it was agreed to extend the non-instructional by one year but not the instructional. Thus, there is one difference in the contract window at this time.

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# Hospital remembers slain deputy with garden service, memorial

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SEBRING — The Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center Foundation hosted a memorial dedication for former Highlands County Sheriff Deputy William J. Gentry, Jr., in the Serenity Circle Garden.

Guests included Gentry's family, Highlands County Sheriff's deputies, Foundation board members, hospital team members, volunteers and other Heartland community members.

"Referencing Jeremiah 33:6, 'Nevertheless, I will bring health and healing to it; I will heal my people and will let them enjoy abundant peace and security,'" said Randy Surber, Florida Hospital Heartland president and CEO. "May we individually, and collectively, as a community, lean on one another and look to God to celebrate the life of Deputy Sheriff Gentry and continue his legacy, through our actions."



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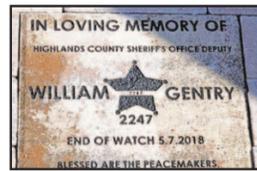
**A wreath is placed at the memorial for Deputy William J. Gentry Jr. at the Serenity Garden at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center in Sebring.**

Gentry served with the Highlands County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) for more than eight years. He was a member of the K-9 unit, served as part of the Special Investigations (Narcotics) Unit, and trained deputies.

Gentry continues to aid others, with his choice to be an organ donor; his organs were donated to more than 70 people, giving others a second chance. Gentry's End of Watch was Monday, May 7, 2018 as he succumbed to a wound he sustained

in the line of duty, the evening prior.

"We, at the Sheriff's office, want to thank the staff here at the hospital for doing this. I know this is a place that every May 6 or May 7 I will pay a visit; to be able to come here and spend a few moments alone...I, we, consider you guys family," stated Highlands County Sheriff Paul Blackman. "All of us at the Sheriff's Office continue to be overwhelmed by the love and support the community

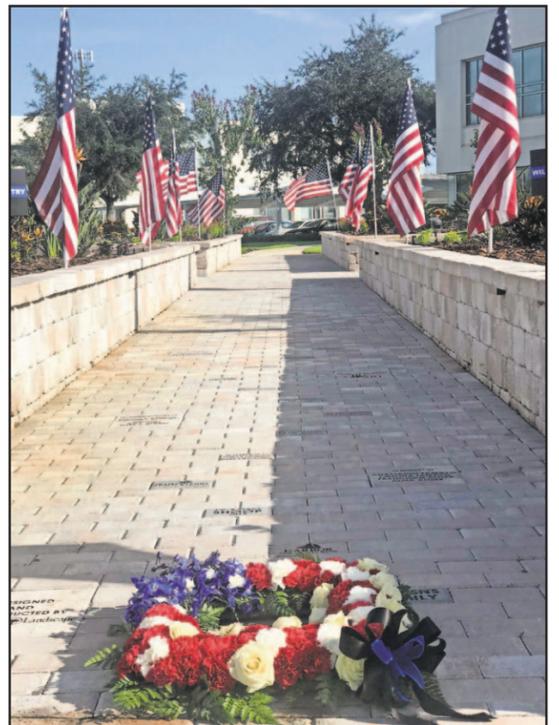


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has shown to us and the Gentry family. We could not have made it through this tragedy without all of that support and we are eternally grateful."

"We want you to know that Deputy William Gentry's memorial brick is the first brick to be seen when entering our garden. We hope that all who enter take time to reflect on his selfless service that was given to protect us, and may you feel protected when you enter our sanctuary," said Christen Johnson, Florida Hospital Director of Foundation and Volunteer Services.

The Florida Deputy Sheriff's Association has set up a GoFundMe



**A memorial was held at the Serenity Garden at Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center recently honoring Deputy William J. Gentry Jr.**

account to benefit Gentry's family, at GoFundMe.com/5iqsc9c. The Highlands County Sheriff's Office is also

accepting checks. Please call 863-446-0003 or email Donations@HighlandsSheriff.org for more details.

# Consulting firm working on AP airport FBO effort

By MARC VALERO  
STAFF WRITER

AVON PARK — Since the last Avon Park Airport CRA Advisory Board meeting in June, a consulting firm has continued its effort to help the city find an appropriate fixed based operator (FBO) for the Avon Park Executive Airport.

Avon Park hired Amherst Consulting in March to develop a request for proposal (RFP) in the city's search for an FBO.

The \$4,800 contract has the Maitland firm gathering information related to the airport's FBO terminal, proposed area of responsibilities, airport data, airport layout plan and more.

At the last Airport Community Redevelopment Advisory Board meeting on June 19, the board agreed among the listing of FBO services in the city's ordinance, Category A was the primary need for an FBO, which is the sale of aviation petroleum products and ramp service.

Many of the board members believed the airport should meet minimum standards, but those standards were not

known for the Avon Park Executive Airport.

Since a subsequently scheduled Airport CRA Advisory Board meeting was canceled there has been little word on the FBO effort.

Another Airport CRA Advisory Board meeting has not been scheduled yet because the consultants are still gathering information, said June Fisher, city manager.

The consultants are gathering information

from members of the advisory board on what they would like to see in an FBO, she said. While waiting for that information, the consulting firm is gathering information from airports similar to Avon Park about the services they provide.

"Probably in the next couple of weeks we will have a meeting scheduled," Fisher said.

Advisory Board member Jim Renfro said, about three weeks ago, the

consultants asked the Advisory Committee members what they wanted in an FBO and he sent them three or four points on the operation of the airport, but not directly related to an FBO.

An FBO is a business model and the person coming in as the FBO will have to decide what he wants to do, Renfro said. But, the airport may not be able to get an FBO because it has no revenue stream anymore.



MARC VALERO/STAFF

**A consulting firm has been gathering information to help the City of Avon Park in its search for a fixed base operator for the Avon Park Executive Airport.**

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# FDOT making ADA adjustments

By **KIM LEATHERMAN**  
STAFF WRITER

LAKE PLACID — The wheels of progress may turn slowly but they do turn.

The Florida Department of Transportation is making corrections to waiting ramps on the intersection corners of Dal Hall Boulevard and U.S. 27 and Interlake Boulevard and U.S. 27.

The construction commenced on Aug. 6 with the FDOT contractor, Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, doing the work. The work should be completed in the fall, weather permitting, according to FDOT Public Information Officer Zachary Burch. Crews will be working during the day and night. The project budget is \$193,000.

“Drivers should expect lane closures; however, no lane closures permitted during peak hours of 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. or from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.,” according to FDOT.

Almost two years ago, the dangers of the corners were brought to the attention of Town Administrator Phil Williams.

“Monty Delaney (Chief

James Fansler’s father-in-law) came to me in 2016 relaying that at the northwest corner of Dal Hall Boulevard and U. S. 27 he happened upon a person in a wheelchair whose chair had gotten tangled up in the grass,” Williams said. “He said the person struggled against the chair being at an angle that she couldn’t reach as she dangled into an active traffic area that she almost fell in to but for Monty stopping to help. That’s what got my attention.”

In Williams’ email, dated Sept. 2, 2016, to FDOT’s Erik Padron, the complainant said the woman was struggling in her wheelchair to stay upright and not fall into the traffic turning on U.S. 27.

Williams also pointed out via aerial pictures that there are no extended sidewalks. He noted that there were several handicapped people who cross U.S. 27 to get to Publix and other shopping centers, with an assisted living facility on opposite sides of the busy highway.

Padron replied to Williams’ email the same day, thanking him for bringing the issue to their



KIM LEATHERMAN/STAFF

**These FDOT crews are working at the corner of Interlake Boulevard and U.S. 27.**

attention and said he sent the information to the Traffic Operations Office.

FDOT will be correcting, replacing or creating new sidewalks to be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Williams was asked why the intersections needed to be ADA compliant.

The FDOT project list includes:

Curb and sidewalk ramps will be reconstructed and crosswalks will be realigned where necessary.

Pedestrian signals will be upgraded to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act.

Crosswalks will be added across Dal Hall Boulevard and Tower Street.

Crosswalks will be added across Dal Hall Boulevard and Tower Street.

Drainage improvements will be constructed.

“I leave the terms of whether they need to be ADA compliant and whether the work being done will achieve same to FDOT,” he said. “They do need to be safe though.”

Williams said he definitely feels the improvements will keep pedestrians safer.

“That’s the whole intent,” he said.



COURTESY PHOTO

**Dr. Shameema Challa works at the Tutoring Center on Sun N Lake Boulevard in Sebring and discusses the differences between public and private schools.**

# School differences

By **SHAMEEMA CHALLA**  
THE TUTORING CENTER

Most people when asked about types of schools can come up with three areas: public, private and homeschool. Today, we will look at public and private schools and how to find the schools’ rankings.

First, let’s discuss public schools. Public schools get their financing from local, state, and federal government funds. It is free for students.

In most cases, they are required to admit all students who reside in their districts. They are required by law to evaluate students with disabilities. They are required by law to provide special education services and IEPs.

Next, let’s discuss private schools. Private schools rely on tuition and funds from non-public sources such as, religious organizations, endowments, grants, and charitable donations. They select students from a pool of students who apply and students must

apply before they can be accepted. Private schools can be coed, all boys, or all girls.

Both private and public schools cannot reject kids because of learning and attention issues. They are also required by law to provide classroom accommodations.

Private schools are required to provide 504 plans. The general education teachers and the special education teachers must be state certified in public schools. In private schools the certification of general education teachers depends on state laws and special education teachers do not have to be certified.

Public schools don’t specialize in teaching kids with learning and attention issues but private schools might.

Students are required by law to meet state academic standards in public schools but not in private schools. Schools are accountable for student achievement under federal law in public but not in private schools. This

information was gathered from understood.org and a blog on babycenter.com.

The rankings of schools are shown by using letter grades. So schools can rank from A to F. To find your child’s school’s ranking there are two websites that you can look at. The first one is niche.com and it gives an overall ranking as well as a breakdown in the areas that are looked at. The other website is education-consumer.org. It tells you the school ranking but will also show where Florida ranks in comparison to the other states in the U.S.

There are differences and similarities between private and public schools. This should help give a better idea of each type of school. Now you can also see where your child’s school is ranked and see it compared to the other school in Highlands County but also be able to see where it ranks with other schools in Florida and the U.S.



**FDOT construction crews are repairing the sidewalks on U.S. 27 and Interlake Boulevard to ensure access for everyone.**

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**OBITUARIES**

**Bill M. Goad**



Billy Myers Goad, 82, of Sebring, Florida passed away on Aug. 15, 2018 after

a long illness. He was in the loving care of his wife, Carole.

Bill was born in Otwell, Arkansas in December of 1935, the son of Ira Edward Goad and Dora Clark Goad.

He is survived by his wife, Carole; step-children, Patrice Dossetti (Tony) of Merced, California, Ellen Lemos (Tony) of Sebring and Kent Leonard (Alexandra) of Port St. Lucie; grandchildren, Jenna Dossetti and Heather Lemos;

brother, Marvin Goad (Doris) of Lansing, Michigan; sisters, Dorothy Richey (Douglas) and Marlene Denison (Wayne) both of Mason, Michigan; and many nieces and nephews.

Bill was an avid lifelong classic car and hot rod enthusiast. He liked working with the big, powerful engines, which he did for many years at Oldsmobile in Lansing, Michigan. He had a talent for designing and painting graphics on specialty vehicles, such as race cars. He also enjoyed fishing and gospel music.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Aug. 25, 2018 at First Presbyterian Church, 319 Poinsettia Ave. in Sebring, with Rev. Darrell Peer, Rev. Don Davis and Rev. Allen Altwater III officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Bill's name to New Testament Church and Mission, 604 Lemon Ave. in Sebring would be greatly appreciated.

**Clarence "Whitey" Harold**



Clarence (Whitey) Harold, 77, of Sebring, Florida passed away Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2018. He was born Oct. 28, 1940 to the late Clarence Elbert Harold Sr. and the late Irma Harold Thomas.

Surviving are son, Bruce Harold of

Richmond, Virginia; daughter, Lora Murray of Richmond, Virginia; stepsons, Jeffrey Elder of Mt. Gretna, Pennsylvania and Dwayne Elder and wife Bobbi Jean of Lebanon, Pennsylvania; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; brothers, Donald Harold and wife Jackie of Missouri, Robert Harold and wife Barbara of Pinehurst, North Carolina, Johnny Harold of Collinsville Virginia and Richard Harold and wife Teresa of Roanoke, Virginia; sisters, Martha Pennington and husband Mike of Collinsville, Virginia and Nancy Wright of Patrick County, Virginia; and sisters-in-law, Jean Harold of Illinois and Debbie Harold of Broadway, Virginia.

Preceded in death by brothers, James Harold and Jeffrey Harold; sister, Mary Harold Carter and brother-in-law Mark Wolfe.

Service to be held at Brown-Oglesby Funeral Home, 101 E. North 2nd St., Seneca, South Carolina at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 22, 2018.

Clarence Harold served in the U.S. Marine Corps and enjoyed watching golf and football.

In lieu of flowers, consider donations to the Alzheimer's Association.

**Gary Steven Neal**

Gary Steven Neal, born on Nov. 12, 1949, passed away on Aug. 6, 2018. He will always be loved and remembered by his

wife, Lauren; sisters, Judy Bachman and Carol Sue White; cousins, nieces and nephews; great-nieces and great-nephews, and all of his friends.

Gary was born in Avon Park, Florida where he was proud to be an Eagle Scout and loved playing baseball, fishing and hunting. He graduated from Florida Atlantic University and lived and worked in banking in Palm Beach and Fort Lauderdale.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 25, 2018 at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Cemetery Chapel, 1500 South State Road 7, North Lauderdale, Florida. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Arthritis Foundation or a charity of your choice.

**COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS**

**Mark Palmer Memorial scholarship**

AVON PARK — The Highlands Seminole Club is accepting applications and essays now through Aug. 31 for the Mark Palmer Memorial Scholarship. This award is for students who have been accepted to Florida State University and have graduated from a Highlands County high school. For more information, email Erin at mantarayjeep@gmail.com or visit the Facebook page @highlandsnoles.

**Free essential oils class**

LAKE PLACID — There will be a free essential oils class from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 24, at the MidFlorida Credit Union activity room, 6 N. Main Ave. (back of the building) in Lake Placid. Light refreshments will be served. One door prize per session. For more information, call Nicole at 540-742-2381 or email imashrout@gmail.com.

**Breakfast buffet at Elks**

SEBRING — The Sebring Elks 1529 will host a breakfast buffet from 8:30 a.m. to noon today at the Lodge, 2618 Kenilworth Blvd. Cost is \$9 and is open to the public.

**Chelsea's fundraiser on tap**

LAKE PLACID — Jaxson's in Lake Placid will have a fundraiser for Chelsea from 1-8 p.m. today. Raffle, 50/50 and food. All money raised goes to help Chelsea and her family with expenses from her recent accident.

**S.A.L.T. meeting scheduled**

SEBRING — The next meeting of Highlands County Seniors and Law Enforcement Together (S.A.L.T.) Council will be at 9:15 a.m. on Tuesday at Homer's Restaurant, 1000 Sebring Parkway. This month's guest speaker is retired Col. Mike Borders.

**NARFE to meet for lunch**

SEBRING — The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE), Chapter 0288 of Highlands County will meet at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Homer's Restaurant, 1000 Sebring Parkway. This is lunch only, no meeting or executive board meeting. Regular meetings resume in September. For information, call

President Laura Pletcher at 540-226-8754.

**Eggs and Education set**

SEBRING — The next Eggs and Education will take place from 8-9 a.m. on Thursday at Bob Evans Restaurant, 2541 U.S. 27 N. in Sebring. First 30 to RSVP receive free breakfast. Guest speaker will be Dr. Luepschen, DPM. RSVP to Amanda Macias by Aug. 22 at 863-443-1301.

**VFW summer supper**

AVON PARK — The VFW Post 9853 will have its Cool Summer Supper from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 24, 75 N. Olivia Drive in Avon Park. Meal includes chicken drummies, potato salad,

three-bean salad and strawberry cream pie for \$8. Smoke-free dining area.

**Free essential oils class**

SEBRING — There will be a free essential oils class from 2-3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 25, at the Sebring Public Library, 319 W. Center Ave. in Sebring. Light refreshments will be served. One door prize per session. For more information, call Nicole at 540-742-2381 or email imashrout@gmail.com.

**Speakeasy Soiree tickets on sale**

SEBRING — NU-HOPE Elder Care Services will have its 2018 Speakeasy Soiree from 6-10 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 24, at Jack

Stroup Civic Center in Sebring. Tickets are \$75 each or \$100 per couple. Dress is 1920s costumes, and fancy attire is strongly encouraged. Live "Golden Era" band, "back room" gaming, dancing, raffles and more. Reservations required. For reservations or information, contact NU-HOPE at 863-382-2134 or SpeakeasySoiree@nuhope.org.

**Orchid Society to meet**

SEBRING — The Orchid Society of Highlands County will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 27, at the Sebring Civic Center, 355 W. Center St. There will be a silent auction as well as many types of orchids up

for auction. Open to the public. For information, call Glen at 863-471-6171.

**VFW open house scheduled**

SEBRING — The Sebring VFW Post 4300 will hold a membership drive/open house on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 3, at their Post, 1041 Lakeview Drive in Sebring.

Music is provided by Chrissy from 1-4 p.m. and George Durham is from 5-8 p.m. Food available including barbecue pulled pork sandwiches, baked beans and more at minimal cost. Food served 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Raffles and prizes all day. Membership information available. Open to the public. For information, call 863-385-8902.

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### OUR VIEW

## Do what's right

Righteous anger can move mountains if it is backed up with action. Without actions that back up the indignation, it is like the road that is paved with good intentions that leads to nowhere.

So it is with the deplorable conditions found at Magnolia Retirement Home that we have recently reported on.

There is black mold on the walls, a roach infestation, and holes in the drywall. In some rooms, hot water does not exist. The list goes on. These are the conditions documented by American Health Care Association and the Highlands County Health Department.

What does it take to close down a facility that appears to be derelict in its treatment of the elderly and or mentally ill clients? On the other hand, where do the residents move to if a facility is shut down, especially if they don't have the means to move?

Most of the nursing home and assisted living facilities in Highlands County meet the requirements of AHCA, but nationwide we hear allegations of medicine errors, dementia patients wandering off, and patients living in squalor. Additionally, there are reports of physical, mental and sexual abuse allegations.

Patient-safety advocates want to make sure the patients/residents are properly cared for and living in humane conditions.

AHCA Press Secretary Shelisha Coleman explained that there is no set number of violations, nor deficiencies that determine whether or not to close a facility. Rather, it depends on the origin of the violations and how they affect the resident or patient's health.

"The health and safety of residents is our top priority, which is why AHCA has and will hold any facility who fails to protect residents fully accountable," Coleman stated. "When determining whether or not to revoke or deny a facility license, the Agency considers a variety of factors, including the severity of the violation, actions taken by the facility to correct the violations, and any previous history of violations."

Most remember the tragic deaths of 14 people at Hollywood Hills Rehabilitation Center in the days following Hurricane Irma. The facility was evacuated Sept. 13 when eight elderly residents died in quick succession after the home lost power to its central air conditioning and overheated. Six more died in subsequent weeks. The medical examiner declared 12 of those deaths homicide, ruling those deaths were caused by heat exposure. This particular facility had complaints against it before the hurricane, but it took those 12 deaths to finally close it. The facility's officials are fighting to keep their license.

What should be asked is, would any individual want your mom or dad or any other family member living in deplorable conditions?

Should not agencies that are responsible for inspecting retirement and nursing home facilities do surprise inspections? Do not let the management or ownership know when a re-inspection will take place, such as has happened with the Magnolia Retirement Home. If code violations are recurring with no attempt to correct the situation, seemingly indefinite extensions should not be allowed.

Coleman went on to explain that patients, or residents, will be taken care of if a facility shuts down.

Coleman also said residents would have assistance in finding a new and affordable place to live. "The Agency works with our partners (Department of Children and Families and the Long Term Care Ombudsman office) to help safely relocate all residents," she said.

Dignity is defined by Psychology Today as "our inherent value and worth as human beings; everyone is born with it."

The residents at Magnolia Retirement Home deserve to live their lives with dignity.

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## The secret to my daughter's math skills

*Editor's Note: This is Highlands News-Sun Publisher Tim Smolarick's continuation of his trip up north with his daughter two years ago and the lessons they both learned from such a long trip.*

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Let's see, as I recall, my daughter had just scored a point and tied it up as far as the scoring goes on our trek to the homeland. I rationalized in my mind that I had given her the assist with my foolish statement of how traveling the chosen way was faster as we sat at a dead standstill.

Being more experienced than her at these types of things, I quickly recovered and promised myself the next opportunity I get, I will think more before opening my mouth as princess is quickly becoming a worthy opponent in the debate arena.

After clearing the I-85 rush traffic, we settled in for the hour and a half ride to Greensboro, North Carolina. The princess asked about how much longer we had to go. My guess was roughly 200 miles, and she wanted to know how long it would take.

Immediately, I realized I had a math problem for her to solve.

So I told her we were going to make a game out



MY IMPRESSION  
Tim Smolarick

of this issue. She could ask any questions she felt she had to generate her own answer to her question. This seemed to excite her just a bit and she said, "OK."

What do you think her first question was as she was grinning at me? Of course, "How long will it take to get to our destination?"

I looked back at her and she said, "you said I could ask any question." Right then, I knew she just scored again, even if it was only on her scorecard. I then explained I will not give her the answer, I would not confirm nor deny guesses but I would approve her answer if she did the math.

Now I am feeling confident this is going to take more than a few minutes. However, before I could turn the radio back on, she blurts out, "2 hours and 55 minutes at your speed, but the way you drive it will be over three hours."

There was

disappointment in her voice and I could tell she didn't want to be in the car any longer. However, this is the gut check part of the trip as the last three hours of the trip are always the most difficult.

At 50 miles or so from Greensboro, I tell her how impressed I was that she calculated the precise time it would take to get to our destination. I told her that was hard to do in her mind, etc.

So, testing her, I said we are now about 165 miles away from our destination. How long is it going to take us? Now I will get to see her way of calculation.

I half expected to see the phone, but without picking up any of her devices, she says 2 hours and 13 minutes and that we are probably a little closer than 165 miles.

I like to ride with the GPS on so I can see exactly where we are, how many miles and an estimated time of arrival.

With a sly grin, I said to the princess that I would check her accuracy using my reliable GPS. As I slid my hand over the driver's seat patting around to find my GPS, without thinking I asked if she knew where it was.

Arrrrghhhh!

I did it again, talking before thinking. In a very confident tone, she

said, "Of course, I know where it is. How do you think I have known how long it will take to get to Virginia?"

She was now laughing pretty hard and frankly rightfully so. She had gotten the best of me yet again and now she was laughing out loud about her success.

Twenty miles from Greensboro — 60 miles from my home state — and she goes up, 3 to 1. When I started in North Carolina, she was scoreless. As I am rocketing toward exiting North Carolina, she now is in command.

I am quickly running out of time and she is quickly understanding the concept of scoring.

I then said to her that time would go faster if she took a nap and as if she knew I was in turmoil, she simply said, "OK."

As she rustled around organizing her stuff for the nap, I reflected back to when I organized her stuff for her as we made these trips. Realization hit me as I entered Greensboro, those days are definitely over.

Tim Smolarick is publisher of the Highlands News-Sun and Highlands Sun. Email him at tim.smolarick@highlandnewsun.com

### OUR VIEW

#### NFL starts soon

Sept. 6 until Dec. 30: 17 weeks of smashmouth football with exciting plays and special highlights. Sounds great for the fans, right?

However, before that all happens, I am suggesting we will be right back to that nonsense of which players will kneel, stand or hide out in the locker room gutless to show their patriotism.

Football Hall of Famer Jim Brown, a black man and lifelong advocate of social justice, says the issue of Colin Kaepernick kneeling to protest social injustice is not the issue here. Brown further says he would never kneel for the national anthem or salute to the flag, out of respect for what they stand for. He further commented that we work hard to make this a better

country.

My comments are that the multi-millionaire athletes should thank their lucky stars they are able to play the game they love, be paid a lot of money in front of thousands of fans, in a stadium that probably has an American flag flying on the roof or pole somewhere in the stadium. They should also show respect for the 1.2 million men and women willing to defend this nation, the flag and the anthem. I guarantee that none of them kneel or hide in the barracks.

I hope for the best, but I can see demonstrations and protests coming, and that is a sad commentary of today in this country. Anyway, let the games begin and may the best team win.

Hal Graves  
Sebring

#### Where the sidewalk ends

Is America regressing in time? Have we become more divided or was it always this way?

Each day adds new doubts as to where our democratic republic is headed. We seem to be on a steady walk toward times not known in this free nation. We are treated daily to helpings of incessant attacks against the free media, the alienation of allies, the dehumanizing of those we disagree with, belittling insults against selected races and cultures. Our Constitution clearly states we have a right to redress our government. Yet, those who do are targeted with all manner of vulgar and degrading insults. Corruption abounds. Threats of pulling credentials of news

services have arisen more than once in the past year or so. Once staunch allies now question the shift in the mindset of American government. The will of one person seems to take precedence over all that is logical. The tiresome and classless rants of tax paid public servants orchestrate a feeding frenzy that has become the daily norm.

How and where does it stop? Oppressive dictatorships grow from the seeds of division, bias and complacency. We've seen it all before. The Roman Empire saw it. Germany saw it. Italy saw it. Russia sees it. Venezuela sees it. America walks down a similar path. The walk is slow but relentless. I see something sinister waiting where the sidewalk ends.

Warren Pender  
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# RED

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can also mean fish kills; this is not the largest. We have had mass mortality for dolphins in the past and we have not passed those numbers either.

"It is a very long algae bloom. It spans 150 miles and it's not as patchy as some blooms have been in the past," Kettle said. "It is definitely a bad algae bloom; it's definitely affecting us but is hard to say if it's worse."

Mote and FWC have been working together in the recovery of manatees, sea turtles and dolphins. Kettle said that in one week they recovered 11 dolphins in Sarasota County. Necropsies were done and tissue samples were sent off to a lab, but they suspect the HAB is the culprit. Their prey have been washing up dead on shore also.

"Unfortunately, none of the dolphins have been rescues."



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In this Monday, Aug. 6 photo, work crews clean up dead fish along Coquina Beach in Bradenton Beach. From Naples in Southwest Florida, about 135 miles north, beach communities along the Gulf Coast have been plagued with red tide. Normally crystal clear water is murky, and the smell of dead fish permeates the air.

Red tide kills marine life but it also makes humans sick too. Respiratory problems may occur, such as

coughing, sore throat, runny and itchy eyes and noses. Kettle said people living in areas by beaches are having a hard time dealing with the aerosolized bloom.

communities continue to bring in the visitors that support so many Florida families and businesses."

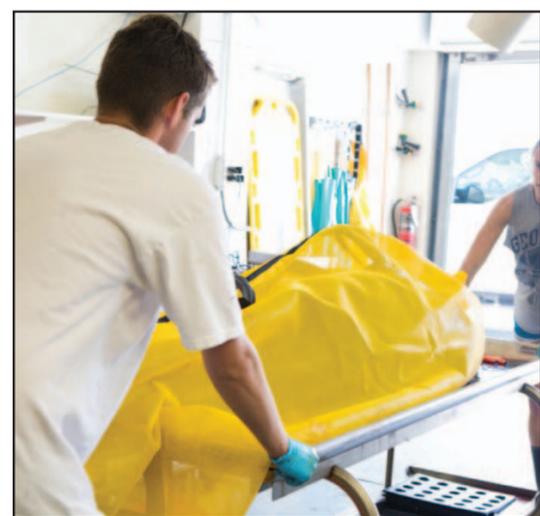
"In addition to the emergency order, I am also directing a further \$900,000 in grants for Lee County to clean up impacts related to red

tide — bringing total red tide grant funding for Lee County to more than \$1.3 million," Scott said. "While we fight to learn more about this naturally-occurring phenomenon, we will continue to deploy all state resources and do everything possible to make sure that Gulf Coast residents are safe and area businesses can recover."

FWC has an interactive website that is frequently updated with red tide updates and maps of affected areas. Cell counts per liter are listed for both the east and west coasts and listed by beach. The site is myfwc.com/redtides-tatus; you may also call 866-300-9399.

Visitbeaches.org is another great resource to use before heading to the ocean; data reports on levels of red drift, throat irritation, water temps and more.

To report a fish kill, call the FWC Fish Kill Hotline at 800-636-0511.



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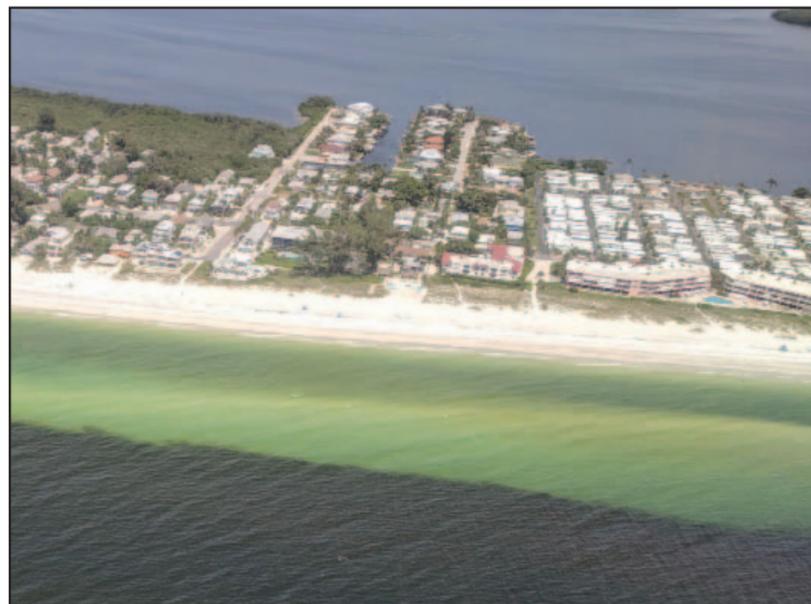
Mote Strandings Investigation brought in two deceased dolphins, and also received two other dolphins from police within two days from the Caspersen Beach area. Necropsies took place on Wednesday, Aug. 8.

The bloom is affecting businesses near beaches as well; the local Tourism Development Council spoke to the staff at Mote on Wednesday.

Kettle could not predict the end to the blooms because weather and currents are variables. The University of South Florida is working on a model.

As the name suggests, the bloom can turn the water red. It can also turn it brown, yellow, green or pink.

In Scott's emergency order, Mote was the recipient of \$100,000, which will be used for the investigations team. \$500,000 was awarded to Visit Florida to "establish an emergency grant program to help local



COURTESY PHOTO VINCE LOVKO MOTE MARINE LABORATORY

A bloom of the naturally occurring Florida red tide algae, Karenia brevis, is visible off the coast of Sarasota. This photo was taken on Wednesday, Aug. 8.

# INPUT

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and running, and then conducting a strategic assessment last summer.

Now that her office has all the data from that assessment, they are in "Phase 2."

The survey is available by visiting www.HighlandsBusiness.com/survey, or going to SurveyMonkey directly at www.surveymonkey.com/r/highlandsco.

The survey has taken off, Benson said. Since the launch on Monday, she's had 398 responses. She wants people to

be aware, the survey will note which computer and/or browser is used to take the survey and will prevent a second survey being taken from that device.

People in the same household who all want to take the survey will need to use separate devices or different

browsers, she said.

They might also try a computer at the local library, but if others have put in a survey from there, they may have to use a different library terminal.

"Worst case scenario, they could call and do it over the phone," Benson said.

Or, she said, they could walk in to the office at the Highlands County Government Annex, 503 S. Commerce Ave., or email her at tbenson@hcbcc.org to

get a set of questions, and just send a reply.

The survey is available until Sept. 7. Residents have a little less than a month to complete it.

Benson said her office has already contracted Vision First Advisors consulting firm to help devise the strategic plan from the data and responses.

They are doing data gathering and analysis as of now, she said. It will come together over the course of the next couple of months.

She did not set a deadline, she said.

"I wanted to give them the ability to get it done right instead of get done quick," Benson said.

She expects it to be done by the end of the calendar year.

So far, none of the data or responses have resulted in anything too alarming or shocking, she said.

"There is a lot of optimism about the office, about the work we can accomplish," Benson said.

# WEAPONS

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Ogg also said she recently had an election worker in a training class tell her that her office seemed more concerned with machine and physical security than with election worker safety.

That poll worker — who Ogg said does plan to work both the primary and general elections — suggested Ogg have deputies use a magnetic wand on voters before they enter.

The person also suggested posting an armed guard.

While a deputy would be on hand, Ogg said electronic sensing entrance security and/or an armed guard at the door are actually illegal at polling places.

According to Florida

Statute:

- Weapons of any kind are not allowed in the precinct or polling location.

- Law enforcement officers are not allowed at voting precinct entrances.

Ogg has asked for and received extra patrols driving by the polling locations each year.

The deputies outside the precinct have been trained by Highlands County Sheriff Paul Blackman to act as eyes and ears for the precinct location and election workers, Ogg said.

All Election workers are advised to speak up if they see or hear something while they are in the precinct, Ogg said.

"I have in the past and continue to speak out about the great appreciation I have for our election workers and the job they perform for

us on election day," Ogg said via email. "Without them we could not hold voting for our citizens of Highlands County."

She added that their safety and security remain a priority for her. Any specific threat to their security will be treated with high concern, and Ogg said she would do whatever she can do to alleviate that threat.

Ogg also wished to dispel rumors of having trouble finding poll workers.

"We've got poll workers in place," Ogg said.

She said she had 230 poll workers, all trained and with procedures in place to ensure the integrity of every ballot.

Most of her corps are veteran poll voters, she said, but there have been some new people this year.

construction is anticipated to begin in 2019 with conversion to an operational facility in 2020.

The \$240 million plant is expected to employ 250 people with an average annual salary of \$66,000.

The rebar micro mill will have an estimated annual capacity of 350,000 tons.

Nucor and its affiliates are manufacturers of steel products, with operating facilities primarily in the United States and Canada.

In the first half of 2018, Nucor reported

consolidated net earnings of \$1.04 billion compared with consolidated net earnings of \$679.9 million in the first half of last year.

# POLK

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Polk County to extend its utility services into Polk, she added.

The Nucor project proposes to construct and operate a steel rebar micro mill manufacturing facility on the border of Highlands and Polk counties that would be accessed by motor vehicle from U.S. 27 by taking West Sun Pure Road in Highlands County.

The fact sheet on the project states

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# County road work advisories issued

**By Special to Highlands News-Sun**

Highlands County road projects for which the Florida Department of Transportation has issued a road advisory:

**US 98 from US 27 to Ashton Road:** Crews are cleaning and desilting pipes and culverts along the eastbound and westbound shoulders through Friday, Aug. 31.

**US 27 Northbound between Lakeview Drive and Vicki Drive:** Crews are repairing the sidewalks on the northbound shoulder. Watch for trucks entering and exiting the site.

**US 27 Southbound between Golfview Road and Tubbs Road:** Crews are reconstructing the driveway/connection at the old Mexican restaurant location and adjacent property. Watch for trucks entering and exiting the site.

**US 27 Northbound between CR 17 and the Polk County line:** Crews are investigating the underground utilities. Watch for trucks entering and exiting the site.

**US 27 from West Townsend Street to Batts Street and on SR 64 from US 27 to Self Avenue:** Crews are replacing existing roadway with concrete pavement on US 27 southbound from West Pleasant Street to Paulk Street, US 27 northbound from Dyal Street to West Hill Street, and on SR 64 from Self Avenue to US 27. The contractor is also milling and resurfacing the existing roadway on US 27 from West Townsend Street to Batts Street and on SR 64 from Collier Avenue to Self Avenue, installing curb and gutter, installing traffic separators, sidewalks, traffic signals, street lights, and signing and pavement markers. A single continuous lane closure on US 27 will be in place during intersection construction. Additional lane closures, single-lane flagging operations, and temporary lane shifts will occur during nighttime/overnight hours on US 27 and SR 64. Motorists

should expect intermittent lane closures on US 27 during overnight hours from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. and intermittent single-lane flagging operations on SR 64 during the daytime. Use caution and watch for crews working in the roadway. All US 27 traffic lanes have shifted eastward and reduced to two lanes in each direction. The entrances to Kersey Street and Prairie Street on southbound US 27 will be closed to traffic through Sept. 7. The entrance to Locke Street on southbound US 27 will be closed through Sept. 14. South Hart Avenue on eastbound SR 64 will be closed to traffic through Aug. 25. Follow detour signs and watch for workers in the construction zone.

**US 27 in front of Home Depot:** Crews will be repairing ditch structure that has major erosion issues. Crews will be closing lanes intermittently through the end of August. There will be a crane brought in to reset existing structure. Watch for trucks and equipment entering and leaving the southbound lane in front of Home Depot.

**US 27 at E Interlake Boulevard/CR 621 and US 27 at Dal Hall Boulevard/Tower Street:** This project is to construct high-emphasis crosswalks and crosswalk landings, install pedestrian signals, and associated drainage improvements. This week, crews will work on the signal wiring, pedestrian signals installation, and pavement striping. Drivers should anticipate lane closures; however, lane closures will be prohibited during peak hours from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**US 27 northbound and southbound between SW Vista Drive and Heartland Boulevard in Lake Placid:** Crews will be replacing the railroad ties on the bridge. There will be road closures and a detour.

On Saturday Aug. 25, the southbound lanes of U.S. 27 will be closed to traffic from 7 a.m. to

7 p.m. Southbound traffic will be detoured onto County Road 17 North at Lake June Road, then turning left onto Heartland Boulevard to connect back to southbound US 27. On Sunday, Aug. 26, the northbound lanes of U.S. 27 will be closed to traffic from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Northbound traffic will be detoured left onto Heartland Boulevard then turning right onto County Road 17 North, then turning left onto Lake June Road, then turning right onto SW Vista Drive to connect back to northbound US 27.

All "wide loads" or "oversized loads" traveling

southbound must detour at US 98 or SR 66.

All "wide loads" or "oversized loads" traveling northbound must detour at SR 70.

**US 17 (Lakeview Drive) between Mellow Lane and Kenilworth Boulevard:** Watch for southbound lane closures with traffic using the center turn lane as crews rebuild overhead power lines, remove old power poles and re-build/set new poles. Watch for trucks entering and exiting the site.

**SR 70 from US 27 to CR 721:** Crews will perform weed control and tree trimming along the guard-rail in this area. Motorists

should use caution and expect intermittent lane closures eastbound and westbound from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

**SR 17 from east of Woodlawn Drive to Pasadena Avenue and on Claudia Avenue:** Crews will improve drainage along SR 17 and Claudia Avenue. Additional improvements include resurfacing the roadway, installing guardrail and pavement markings, and installing curb and gutter. Lane closures on Claudia Avenue will be during nighttime/overnight hours and a detour will be in place. Please follow

posted detour signs and watch for workers in the construction zone. Motorists should expect intermittent single-lane flagging operations on US 17 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays through Wednesday, Dec. 5. Use caution and watch for crews working in the roadway.

**SR 17 from Sebring Parkway to Delaney Road:** Crews will be repairing pavement marking issues in this area. Crews will be closing lanes intermittently through the end of August. Watch for flaggers and construction equipment entering and leaving the roadway.

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## POLICE BLOTTER

The following people were arrested on felony charges and booked into the Highlands County jail on Aug. 10:

**Travis Roy Bass, 27,** Seffner, charged with probation violation.

**Garrick Damon Harris, 44,** Sebring, charged with drug possession.

**James William Kerklin, 51,** Avon Park, on charges of battery, sexual assault, false imprisonment, driving on suspended license and failure to register a motor vehicle.

The following people were arrested on felony charges and booked into the Highlands County jail on Aug. 11:

**Debbie Denise Benjamin, 48,** Avon Park, on charges of larceny, insurance fraud and criminal use of personal ID.

**Albertus Loverboy Maxime, 27,** Avon Park, on charges of burglary, criminal mischief and simple assault.

The following people were arrested on felony charges and booked into the Highlands County jail on Aug. 12:

**Josua Xavier Jenkins, 24,** Sebring, charged with battery.

The following people were arrested on felony charges and booked into the Highlands County jail on Aug. 13:

**Brenda Lee Bass, 55,** Sebring, on charges of cocaine possession, three

charges of drug possession and two charges of drug equipment possession.

**Oscar Luis Del Rio Ramirez, 52,** Sebring, on two charges of failure to appear.

**Bonnie Roberts Johnson, 52,** Sebring, charged with failure to appear.

**Jeffrey Scott Lowe, 46,** Sebring, on three charges of probation violation.

**Tab Milton Morgan, 29,** Okeechobee, charged with failure to appear.

**Jerome Patterson, 42,** Avon Park, charged with probation violation.

**Ashley Christine Schenck, 30,** Zolfo Springs, charged with probation violation.

The following people were arrested on felony charges and booked into the Highlands County jail on Aug. 14:

**Fred Chandler, 54,** Avon Park, on two charges of probation violation.

**Jennifer Rae Hall, 36,** Sebring, on charges of larceny, drug possession, drug equipment possession and smuggling contraband.

**Gerald Tyrone Hampton, 52,** Avon Park, charged with sex offender violation.

**Nathaniel Hawthorne Jr., 48,** Lake Placid, on charges of drug trafficking, probation violation and violating driver's license restrictions.

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STATE NEWS

Woman who analyzed Taylor Swift's lyrics meets her

TAMPA (AP) — The Florida sun burned through my black pleather top as I hurried around Raymond James Stadium. I tried to grip a set of metal plates used at the Tampa Bay Times printing press, but my hands kept slipping. The sweat had little to do with the heat.

Days before, I had published a project in the Times called "Look What Taylor Swift Made Me Do," analyzing lyrics of her six albums over three years. My quest was to learn about my favorite singer, who is notoriously private, by decoding her lyrics.

I knew many people had read it in print and online. I'd spent the morning before her Tampa concert interacting with some of those readers on Reddit about my methods and why I did this. But I didn't know if one reader — the reader — had seen it at all.

Then, I'd gotten a text. It was Jay Cridlin, the Times pop music/culture critic: Hey, can you call me ASAP?

My heart pounded. Did I mess something up? I called immediately.

"Taylor's publicist called me. They read the project. She invited us backstage tonight to meet her."

The sweating began. The security team at the stadium eyed the plates. A supervisor came over. There was no way I was allowed to bring them in. They were sharp, they were metal. I sputtered, knowing the words sounded pitiful.

"I'm meeting Taylor. Her publicist said to bring them."

That was a hard no. I felt defeated.

When the article went to press the week before, I'd called the printing plant to see if they could save the plates. The sheets of metal are not only a tangible form of my project, but also symbolize the work I do at the Times as a news page designer — a job dependent on the health of print newspapers, which so many people around the country claim are on their deathbeds.

The operators at the plant gave me two copies of the plates. One set will be framed and hung on my wall at home.

Now dejected, I started to set the other by a trash can near the box office. Maybe someone would stumble upon them and wonder why anyone would make metal posters that looked like newspapers featuring the face of Taylor Swift.

The project started from a desire to learn about Taylor, to support the connections my brain made with her lyrics. It resulted in collaborations with nearly every corner of the newsroom. Only after it was published on tampabay.com did I really start to think other fans might truly find it interesting.

I briefly entertained the idea that one day the project would reach its subject through social media, and she would tweet or blog it. But I never expected her to read it, much less before her concert in Tampa. I certainly never expected an invitation to meet her.

It's not the reason I wrote it, not at all. But now that I had the chance, I had to put an ending on this story.

As I turned back toward security, my friends yelled solutions at me. The heartbreak on my face

was plain. I saw Jay raise his hand. He was on the phone. Take the plates to the media entrance, he said. I whipped around and hurried them to a confused doorman, who, after a phone call, promised to get the plates where they needed to be.

I breathed, and gleefully glided through security. Taylor Swift's publicist appeared out of nowhere as I stood gaping at the crowd on the floor level of the stadium. She led us through just a couple doors and then a curtain, and there she was.

Taylor gathered me into a hug. I was vaguely aware of how sweaty I was and how not sweaty she was. We had a brief, but real, conversation.

Her team asked us to keep exact details of the meeting off the record, so I'll honor that. In fact, it makes sense. This practice of keeping Taylor private is what led me to try to decipher her the first place.

But strictly from my perspective, the entire experience had a dreamlike quality.

I was able to explain the gift of the newspaper plates, describing them as stamps that print the newspaper.

And it was my understanding that she saw the story in print. For a project intended for online and all the ways it was pushed on social media (I am now a member of no less than 22 Taylor Swift fan groups on Facebook), Taylor Swift saw it in our local newspaper.

The memory of meeting Taylor still feels like a dream, but it's also reality now. If my reporting proved anything to me, it's that there's a little room for both.

We took a glistening photo together, with a backdrop of her name on newspaper pages behind us.

Tampa Bay Times

Victim sues school board, says attorney

FORT LAUDERDALE (AP) — A lawsuit has been filed against a Florida school board for allegedly allowing an elementary school substitute teacher fired for fondling a child to be hired by another school.

Attorney Jeff Herman says his client was 8-years-old when teacher Christopher Falzone began sexually abusing her in 2012. The lawsuit filed Friday alleges he touched and sexually harassed the victim and other female students, sometimes right in front of the principal. Falzone was fired in 2013 and was hired by a charter school.

The lawsuit says he was also hired by a nearby summer camp where he was recently arrested on charges that he sexually molested a girl there.

Herman filed a negligence complaint against the School Board of Broward County.

The school district says it does not comment on pending litigation.

Sheriff: Body found in vehicle fire near Walt Disney World

ORLANDO (AP) — Authorities say a body has been found in the wreckage of a vehicle fire near Walt Disney World in Florida.

The Orange County Sheriff's Office said in a news release that the fire was reported shortly after 4 a.m. Saturday. The Reedy Creek Fire Department found a

victim inside after putting out the fire.

Authorities say the vehicle fire happened on a road near Disney's Epcot attraction outside Orlando.

The victim was not immediately identified. Officials say an investigation is continuing.

4.3 M Floridians to get new Medicare cards next month

MIAMI (AP) — Check your mailboxes Florida residents because your new Medicare card is coming soon.

Federal health officials are mailing the new cards in geographic waves so Alabama, Georgia, North

Carolina and South Carolina are also getting new cards along with 4.3 million Floridians.

The new cards are free and will be automatically mailed. The cards should arrive by the end of September. They won't have your Social Security number of them anymore. The cards also have new features to help beneficiaries detect and avoid identify theft and scams.

There are no changes to Medicare benefits.

Federal health officials warned that consumers can avoid scammers by knowing that true Medicare representatives will never call people asking for any personal

information, including Social Security Numbers, bank information, or to pay for the new Medicare card.

Man charged with destroying burrowing owl nests

CAPRE CORAL (AP) — A Florida man has been charged with destroying the nests of six burrowing owls. The birds are protected by the state.

Wildlife officials say 52-year-old Jerlis Villalba and his crew were doing landscaping work when he instructed the crew to clear land near the burrows. According to a probable cause affidavit,

Villalba admitted that he knew the burrowing owls and their burrows were protected and decided to get close anyway because he hadn't seen the birds in a long time.

The News-Press reports the burrows had also been listed on construction site plans and various permits.

Villalba was charged Friday with intentionally killing or wounding a threatened or endangered species, its eggs, or its nest.

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission officials said all six burrows were destroyed and rendered uninhabitable as a result of the construction.

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# Dems in agriculture race struggle to be heard

THE NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

TALLAHASSEE — Florida's Democratic primary for agriculture commissioner has been a struggle for attention, with the three-candidate contest seemingly lost amid the clamor of a high-profile gubernatorial race and more-contentious Cabinet battles.

With relatively little money compared to statewide candidates in other races, the Democrats running to replace term-limited Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam are a scientist, a South Florida mayor and a marijuana lobbyist. They agree on most issues but are having to scratch to raise Democratic voter awareness.

"Well ... yes, it is a problem that the governor's race is sucking all the oxygen and media attention from the other down-ballot races," said Homestead Mayor Jeff Porter, who is on the ballot against environmental scientist Roy David Walker and attorney and lobbyist Nikki Fried. "The voters will be deciding on four Cabinet posts that are all executive level, and nine out of 10 voters we speak to have no idea about the position or the candidates."

Walker, from Wilton Manors in Broward County, said the duties of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services should make the contest second in importance to the governor's race.

"With the current red tide killing our sea animals and toxic algae blooms threatening public health and our economy, the department is finally getting some coverage," Walker said. "However, this is not enough."

Political scientists across the state have also struggled when asked to assess the contestants bidding to replace Putnam, a Republican running for governor.

"It wouldn't surprise me if it was 50 percent undecided on the Republican side (in the agriculture commissioner race), and I'd be shocked if it wasn't higher on the Democratic side," said University of Central Florida political-science professor Aubrey Jewett. "It makes it

very difficult (for voters) if it's a low information race. It puts it right up there with a lot of the judicial races people have to vote on."

The winner of the Democratic primary will take on the victor in a Republican primary involving state Rep. Matt Caldwell of North Fort Myers, Sen. Denise Grimsley of Sebring, former Rep. Baxter Troutman of Winter Haven and Mike McCalister, a tree farmer from Plant City.

Fried, 40, is a Miami native who received her bachelor's, master's and law degrees at the University of Florida, where she served as student-body president in 2002 and 2003. Before heading into private practice, she worked for the Alachua County public defender's office.

As a lobbyist during the 2018 legislative session, she represented the Florida's Children First social service advocacy agency; the Broward County School Board; and San Felasco Nurseries, which was one of the first medical-marijuana license holders in the state.

She said in a campaign biography that she is running for the statewide job because politicians failed Floridians in implementing medical marijuana "despite 72 percent of Floridians voting to approve a medical marijuana law." She was referring to a 2016 constitutional amendment that broadly legalized medical-marijuana in the state, though legal and regulatory battles continue about the way the amendment is being carried out.

Fried, who has a political committee Florida Consumers First, had raised more than \$248,000 as of Aug. 3, with some of the money coming from sources in the medical-marijuana industry.

Porter, 58, is a Homestead native who grew up in Mississippi before returning to South Florida where he attended Miami Dade College. He opened World Wide Supply Solutions and has spent 15 years on the Homestead City Council, including three terms as mayor.

Through his campaign account and a political fund, Friends of Jeff Porter,

he'd been able to raise just over \$94,000 as of Aug. 3.

Walker, 33, is a Plant City native and president of the South Florida Audubon Society who says he's a "true Democrat with Democratic values." He has questioned past donations and canvassing efforts by Fried for Republicans.

Walker has worked for the United States Geological Survey, the National Park Service and the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission, researching the impacts of climate change and invasive species in the Everglades.

As of Aug. 3, Walker

had put about \$160,000 of his own money into the race, on top of nearly \$23,000 he'd drawn in contributions.

All three say they would try to reduce the impacts of toxic algae blooms now infesting South Florida waterways; push for more research to stop citrus greening, which has strangled the citrus industry; and advocate for fair deals for Florida farmers in the ongoing effort to renegotiate the North American Free Trade Agreement with Canada and Mexico.

But they don't fully agree on every role of the agency, which has a wide range of duties such as consumer

protection, overseeing gas stations and handling concealed-weapons licensing.

Walker would appoint a deputy commissioner to provide more oversight of the operations of the consumer services side of the department.

Also, while all three question Putnam's handling of the conceal-weapons licensing program, Walker and Fried believe the state needs to consider moving the program to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

"Law enforcement officials are better equipped to perform a thorough background check," Walker said. "It

will also link the concealed weapon permit, which is under the commissioner of agriculture, with gun purchase, which is under Florida Department of Law Enforcement. Linking concealed weapon license with gun purchase will make it easier for law enforcement officials to see compliance with gun purchases."

Porter supports keeping the application process within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

"I would hire a team with a law-enforcement background to oversee this critical program to all Floridians," Porter said.



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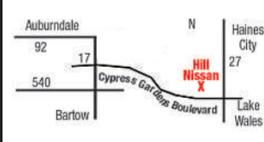
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## State cracks down on canine friends, brewpubs

By MATT SOERGER

THE FLORIDA TIMES-UNION

JACKSONVILLE (AP) — The state health department is trying to kick dogs out of local craft brewpubs, where they've long been as much of a tradition as cornhole, vintage board games and extra-hoppy India Pale Ales.

Brewpubs are banding up to fight back, mounting a petition drive that asks local politicians to push the issue and allow man's (and woman's) best friends to lie around in the pub with their humans.

Mark Stillman, a partner in Green Room Brewing in Jacksonville Beach, started a petition on Change.org and posted it on the brewery's Facebook page. Other breweries soon widely and enthusiastically shared it on their social media.

The petition has passed the 5,000 signatures sought.

Dogs in brewpubs are a common sight at such

businesses around the country.

It's a perk for customers, said Stillman, those who might feel bad having left their dog at home while they were at work all day.

"Typically it's in a manufacturing environment, and you're having your buddy there after a long day of work," said Stillman.

Stillman said 11 states have also specifically passed laws allowing dogs at breweries, wineries and distilleries.

Many brewpubs don't serve food, which has given them a kind of loophole to invite dogs along with their owners. But in a letter from the state shared by Stillman, food is defined as "any raw, cooked, or processed edible substance, ice, beverage or ingredient used or intended for use in whole, or in part, for human consumption."

This seems to mean that beer, which is what brewpubs are about, is food.

## Blue Streaks tame Tigers

Sebring runs past Martin County in preseason game

By **MARK PINSON**  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — It may have been a preseason game, but Sebring quarterback DJ Williams was in mid-season form on Friday night against Martin County.

Williams, in his first season as the starting quarterback, rushed for more than 200 yards and torched the Tigers defense for five touchdowns to lead the Blue Streaks to an

entertaining 46-28 win over Martin County at Firemen's Memorial Field.

Despite the win, Sebring head coach LaVaar Scott was not pleased.

"It was an ugly game," said Scott. "We had lots of penalties and mistakes and that's why we have a preseason game. I didn't expect perfect, but I didn't expect it to be this bad. We had a lot of no shows on special teams and the penalties

show a lack of discipline on our part. We're going to fix that in practice on Monday."

After the Sebring defense forced Martin County to punt on its first possession, the Blue Streak offense took over and Williams, a speedy senior, led an 82-yard drive that he capped off with a 25-yard romp through the Tigers defense.

The extra point by C.D. Lamadine gave Sebring a 7-0 lead with

9:02 left in the first quarter.

Martin County answered in the second period as a dropped snap on a Sebring punt gave Martin County the ball on the Blue Streak 16.

The Tigers capitalized on the great field position as Marvelle Pittman scored on an 11-yard burst up the middle of the Sebring defense.

The point after tied



BY MARK PINSON/STAFF

Sebring senior quarterback DJ Williams (3) scored five touchdowns to lead the Blue Streaks to a 46-28 preseason win over Martin County on Friday night.

SEBRING | 4B



HIGHLANDS BASS ANGLER  
Dave Douglass

## Dog fish days are a challenge

By **DAVE DOUGLASS**  
HIGHLANDS BASS ANGLER

The Freshwater Fishing Forecast for the third week of August gives anglers the first quarter moon phase and a weather forecast which is typical for the hottest month of the year; ninety plus degree heat, a weak southerly wind in the afternoon, and a calm lake during the cooler better-fishing periods in the morning and evening.

The last quarter moon occurred yesterday which will cause atmospheric pressure change periods to happen during the rising and setting of the sun. This is due to the moon's underfoot and overhead periods also occurring at that time. Problem is, there is no wind in the forecast for these times of day. So the more noise you make, the more you won't generate strikes.

The more 'natural' you are in your fishing strategy, the greater your odds of catching fish. And causing a 'brick-like' splash-disturbance when you cast your bait into the water, usually will cause fish to move away from the unnatural occurrence—except in lakes with poor food-chains... in which case they'll come a running to investigate, driven by hunger.

All fishing factors considered, fishing at depths where the water temperature is at or below eighty two degrees will be productive due to adequate dissolved oxygen (D.O.) levels. In other words, for fish to feed normally this month, they'll be eight to ten feet down in lakes with those depths or greater. Lakes which do not have these depths, (Istokpoga,

FISH | 4B

## Straw wins women's qualifier at Harder Hall



ALLEN MOODY/STAFF

Players competing in the Heartland Golf Championship qualifier at Harder Hall Golf Club pose for a group photo before play on Saturday.



ALLEN MOODY/STAFF

Marsha Straw watches a shot at Harder Hall Golf Club on Saturday.

## LaMere, Jones tie for men's title

By **ALLEN MOODY**  
HIGHLANDS SUN EDITOR

SEBRING — The women's Championship field for the Heartland Golf Championship just got quite a bit bigger on Saturday at Harder Hall Golf Club. Four women entered Saturday's qualifier and turned in some impressive scores, with Marsha Straw pacing the way with an impressive 43 points. Bonnie Lennox was second with 37 points, while Suzy Cornuet and Nancy Price tied for third with 34 points each, which puts all four golfers right in the hunt for the women's

Championship.

After not having any female golfers the past few events, seeing four was a nice addition for the Heartland Golf Championship and the winner of the female Championship event will also take home a cruise, so there will likely be a few more at the final qualifying event at Sun 'N Lake Golf Club. The winner of the men's championship also receives a cruise, so there will be plenty on the line in addition to the traditional bragging rights for

HARDER | 5B

## Dragons hold off Sharks

Lake Placid edges Oasis in Kickoff Classic

By **RUTH ANNE LAWSON**  
CORRESPONDENT

LAKE PLACID — The Lake Placid football team rewarded their fans with a gritty 14-9 win over Oasis High in Friday night's Kickoff Classic at Roger Scarborough Memorial Field.

With the bleachers filled, the Dragons and Sharks battled it out with defenses dominating the action.

"First of all, what a job Coach Mack Mitchell has done over there," said Lake Placid Coach Andy Judah. "They have 45

players and he has totally taken that program and in two years what he has done is incredible. I give him all the credit in the world for what he has done. This week was not good for us. We had a bunch of different issues going on. I want to apologize to the whole city, this is a great city, I love this city. The coaches and the players are going to get better. This certainly was not the best coached game. The players on the field that is all stuff we can correct but as a program we are going to be a disciplined

program and we did not show that tonight, for that I want to apologize to the whole city. That is not who we are. We are still dealing with some buy in issues. These guys have to understand their potential and that they have to do this for each other. If they understand that then great things will happen. I love everyone of them and we will keep fighting."

In the first quarter, Lake Placid quarterback Cade Simmons handed the ball off to Quweshmael Sholtz who ran it 14 yards to the Oasis 35-yard line.

Simmons passed the ball to Tahj Williams who was tackled on the Oasis 11-yard line. On the next play Simmons hands the ball off to Javari White who raced into the end zone.

The Dragons went for a two-point conversion and Simmons tossed the ball to Katwan Ward who bulled his way over the goal line to make it 8-0 with 6:05 left in the first quarter.

Oasis went for a field goal attempt at the start of the second quarter but

DRAGONS | 3B



BY RUTH ANNE LAWSON/CORRESPONDENT

Lake Placid quarterback Cade Simmons (7) powers his way past Oasis defenders Bryce Portwood and Joseph Lentine (65) during Friday night's preseason game at Roger Scarborough Memorial Field.

# Tigers blank Red Devils

## Clewiston beats Avon Park in preseason game

By JIM TAYLOR  
CORRESPONDENT

AVON PARK – The Avon Park Red Devils football team took the field at Joe Franza Stadium in a pre-season matchup against the Clewiston Tigers on Friday night.

Though the Red Devils were on the short end of a 14-0 score to the Tigers, the Avon Park defense looked to be as stout as it has been for the past several years.

“Little mistakes killed us,” said first-year Avon Park Head Coach Jerry Hudnell. “Defensively we did great. Take penalties and a missed tackle away and it’s a different outcome.”

The missed tackle came on the first series as Clewiston’s Trayquan Williams scored on a 25-yard run to give the Tigers an early 7-0 lead.

Offensive, the Red Devils struggled, punting on their first four series after going three and out on each of them. The fifth series ended on a turnover right before the half.

Clewiston scored its second touchdown in the second quarter, driving the ball 57 yards and capping it off with a 16-yard pass from Chas’man Ware to Jamarkis Weston on a screen play to take a 14-0 lead going into the half.

In the second half, the Avon Park defense held the Clewiston offense scoreless and began to dominate the action on the field.

The Red Devil offense started to show some sparks of life behind junior quarterback Tyrek Dunlop, who struggled in the first half but completed five of nine passes in the second half for 60

yards. Hundell announced the Dunlop will be the starting quarterback to start the season.

“Offensively, it is going to be a challenge right now,” the Red Devil coach said. “Inexperience at quarterback and inexperience on the offensive line, we don’t have a lot of speed so you have to be more technique sound and we are not very technique sound right now.”

The Red Devils have a week to get their offense online as they prepare to open the regular season against the Frostproof Bulldogs on Friday on Avon Park.

Avon Park has won the last three games against the Bulldogs, two by less than a touchdown as Frostproof always proves to be a formidable adversary to start the season.



BY JIM TAYLOR/CORRESPONDENT

Avon Park’s James Satine dashes into the gap created by the Red Devil offensive line during Friday night’s preseason game against Clewiston at Joe Franza Stadium.



Avon Park’s defense converges on the Clewiston running back during Friday night’s preseason game.



BY JIM TAYLOR/CORRESPONDENT

Avon Park’s Luis Ventura (13) make an open-field tackle on Clewiston’s Jamarkis Weston during Friday night’s preseason contest.

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## Team fastest in Friday practice for today's race

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DANVILLE, Va. – Antonio Garcia was at it again on Friday at Virginia International Raceway. After winning the Michelin GT Challenge each of the past two years with No. 3 Corvette Racing Chevrolet Corvette C7.R co-driver Jan Magnussen, Garcia posted the fastest time in Friday practice for the two-hour, 40-minute race on Sunday. Garcia's best time – which came in the second of the day's two IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship practice sessions – was 1 minute, 41.743 seconds (115.702 mph). However, while Garcia was pleased with the team's effort and the lap time, he was reluctant to place too much stock in

the early pace. "I don't know," Garcia said. "We saw that already last year where we were fastest in P2 and everybody went super-fast on last practice and qualifying, so I don't think that means a lot. For sure, I think it's a quick lap, definitely, but yeah, as we saw last year, people went super-fast around here. "We are definitely on different programs. We'll see. I don't know. I just know what our plan is, but we'll see what the others are. We'll just focus on both qualifying and the race and let's see where we are." Garcia's lap was more than half a second faster than current GT Le Mans (GTLM) class points co-leader Ryan Briscoe, who turned in a 1:42.262 (115.115 mph) in the No. 67 Ford Chip Ganassi



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The No. 3 Corvette car was the fastest in GTLM practice for today's IMSA event at Virginia International Raceway.

Racing Ford GT he shares with Richard Westbrook. The No. 67 duo, which won two weeks ago at Road America, is looking to extend Ford Chip Ganassi Racing's WeatherTech

Championship win streak to five consecutive races this weekend. Briscoe and Westbrook own two of those victories with a win at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park three races ago in addition to

the Road America win. The other two Ganassi wins came from Joey Hand and Dirk Mueller in the No. 66 Ford GT at Watkins Glen and Lime Rock Park. Mueller was fourth quickest in Friday

practice, one spot behind Tommy Milner in the No. 4 Corvette. **GT D Class** On Friday practice a year ago at VIR, Jeroen Bleekemolen learned that his regular co-driver Ben Keating, was leaving the track immediately to return to his native Texas with Hurricane Harvey bearing down on his home and automotive dealerships. Trent Hindman stepped in to drive for Keating in the race and the duo finished third in the GT Daytona (GTD) class. This year was seemingly far less stressful for Keating, Bleekemolen and everybody involved with Mercedes-AMG Team Riley Motorsports. It showed on the time charts as Bleekemolen turned a best lap of

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BY RUTH ANNE LAWSON/CORRESPONDENT

Lake Placid's Javari White (24) celebrates with William Taylor (50) and Cade Simmons (7) after scoring a touchdown in Friday night's preseason win over Oasis High.

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missed. On the first play of Lake Placid's possession Simmons passed the ball but it was intercepted by Oasis' Jahyde Marcus who returned it for a 25-yard touchdown. The Sharks went for the two-point conversion, but the Dragon defense stopped them to hold on to the 8-6 lead. Oasis moved down the field late in the second quarter and booted a 20-yard field goal to take a 9-8 lead at the half. "This was a great game, but I feel like we can get better," said Javari White. "It felt great to score and to get that huge return. I feel like I can

still improve. Our team is great, but we just have to work on some stuff. Our coaches are great too and I love them. They have an all new coaching style. My goal this season is to get better as the season goes on." Lake Placid marched to a touchdown in the third quarter as Simmons picked up 20 yards on a keeper and another 22 on a scramble. A personal foul against Oasis moved the ball to the Sharks 19. White capped the drive with an 11-yard scoring jaunt. The 2-point attempt failed but the Green Dragons led 14-9 with 7:23 left in the third period. "I think we had a lot of grit," said Judah. "We executed pretty well. Oasis got 9 on the field but I thought we pursued

pretty well. We have some effort that is incredible so that stood out to me. On the other side there are some things we need to get better at. We will evaluate, see what worked well and what didn't work so well. We will look to see how to fix things. We will throw together some ideas and make a few tweaks before the season starts." The fourth quarter was mistake-filled with fumbles and penalties but Lake Placid hung on for the hard-fought preseason victory. The Dragons will practice and get ready for the first official game of the season on Friday night. Lake Placid will be on the road for a game against the Port St. Lucie Jaguars.



Lake Placid's Javari White runs away from a pair of Oasis players during Friday night's preseason game at Roger Scarborough Memorial Field.



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Lake Placid's Katwan Ward jumps on a fumble during Friday night's 14-9 win over Oasis in the Kickoff Classic at Roger Scarborough Memorial Field.

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# FISH

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Josephine, etc.) the fish will actually lose weight as 'Low D.O. Stress' produces a lethargic state due to digestion slowing almost to a halt.

One of the negatives for shallow type lakes this time of year is that the high water temperatures in the upper eighty degree range causes a high rate of decomposition in areas where vegetation has been treated over the past six months. This in turn causes an oxygen dead zone as the decomposing plant matter uses dissolved oxygen in this process. So if your lake has a regular weed management program, you can count on several areas with this problem.

The best lakes for fishing the hottest months of the year are ones which offer depths of twelve feet or greater. And if those deeper zones have healthy vegetation you can expect fish will be normally feeding and digesting food there. Using float markers to define the lake-bottom contour-changes below, will aid you in achieving the correct retrieve-speed which in turn achieves the correct bait-action within the correct depth, to create strikes.

And remember, the more turbid the water the darker the color and conversely the clearer the water the brighter the color can be. Currently red hues are doing as well as blue and black. Therefore brown, copper, gold, shad colors, and orange are producing well. And during the fall season these colors will be the preferred selection. (Junebug type colors are a combination of blue and red and an excellent seasonal transition color for this time of year).

**Best Fishing Days:** Today and Monday will be the best days of the next four days to fish during the sunset and sunrise periods.

**Major Fishing Period:** Today the moon is overhead 35 minutes after the sunset, which is at 8 p.m. A feed intensity rating of 3-4 will occur from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Since the moon will be arriving at its furthest orbit point from earth on Thursday, this period will not move later, as fish cue more on the setting sun than the weak influence of the moon. So expect fish to feed during the light level change, which also happens to be when D.O. levels are highest for the day.

**Minor Fishing Period:** Today the moon is underfoot 71 minutes after the sunrise, which is at 7 a.m. A feed intensity rating of 2-3 will occur

from 7-9 a.m. Again the fish will be cueing more so on the light change of the rising sun, instead of the weak lunar influence. However this period happens to be when D.O. levels are at the lowest rate of the day, so finding a hungry fish which 'can feed due to adequate D.O. levels will be challenging.

Knowing the locations of your lake's highest oxygen areas, is the key to catching fish in the Dogfish Days of August. During the morning this will be at depths of 8-18 feet, and during the evening it 'can be' shallow along shorelines at depths of 4 feet or greater.

And if your lake has deeper holes close to vegetation shorelines, this will most likely be where the majority of active feeders are. The shorter the distance from healthy shoreline vegetation to deep grass beds, the greater your chances of catching fish in August.

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**Seasonal Safety Notes:** Lightning is a very serious threat during the Florida rainy season. The standard rule: Be no more than 3-4 minutes away from a vehicle or permanent structure. So the time your boat is able to travel from your fishing-hole to one of the two safe-place options, should be less than 4 minutes.

If you get caught on the lake with no time to get to safety, keep motors 'in the water' and lay down as low as possible and.... persuade yourself not be this irresponsible with yourself ever again.

**Istokpoga.info News:** The lake level is at 38.38 feet above sea level, which is the maximum level in the seasonal management schedule. The minimum level currently is 38'. Currently three of four S68 spillway gates are open 5 inches and flowing a combined 500 cubic feet per second to maintain on schedule.

This seasonal 'rain-bu-fer schedule' is necessary because the lake fills six times faster than water is able to be released during major rain events.

Visit Istokpoga.info website and click on the links to the South Florida

Water Mgmt. (SFWMD) real time S68 and S68X spillway gates status webpage. You'll find water level and flow status data of all water way structures from Kissimmee to Clewiston. Also provided is a link to the Army Corps of Engineers' graphical plot, annual water-management schedule website link.

Access this article online at BassFishingForecast.com, or HighlandsBassAngler.com

**Fishing from Shorelines:** Learn where the deeper water comes closest to shorelines by consulting a lake contour map. There are forty-five 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. You'll discover that the majority of the lakes' public boat ramps and docks are located within the better shoreline fishing areas.

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# SEBRING

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the score at 7 with 7:39 remaining in the first half.

Sebring retook the lead as Williams shook loose for a 44-yard touchdown run. The point after was no good to make it 13-7.

Martin County, a solid team, drove down the field and punched in a touchdown as Pittman powered in from 8 yards out. The extra point gave the Tigers a 14-13 lead at the half.

Sebring took the second half kickoff and drove down the field as Williams ripped off a 53-yard scoring scamper. The point after gave the Blue Streaks a 20-14 lead early in the third period.

Martin County tied the game at 20, but Sebring took the lead for good as Williams scrambled for a 31-yard touchdown to give the Blue Streaks a 27-20 lead at the end of the third quarter.

Williams struck yet again on an impressive 85-yard run around the left end to give Sebring a commanding 33-20 lead with 10:23 left to play.

The Blue Streaks began to substitute liberally and tacked on a pair of touchdowns to seal the preseason victory.

Sebring has a number of things to work on before Friday night's season opener on the road at Lehigh.

"We played a lot of young guys tonight and



BY MARK PINSON/STAFF WRITER

Sebring's Michael Healy (31) knocks the ball out of the Martin County quarterback's grasp during the second half of Friday night's game at Firemen's Field.



Sebring running back Casey Hawthorne picks up yardage during Friday night's win over Martin County.

hopefully they learned a few things," Scott said. "DJ had a solid game and we know what he can do. Martin County

is a good team and gave us a tough game and that should prepare us for the season opener at Lehigh."

# CORVETTE

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1:44.865 (112.258 mph) in the No. 33 Mercedes-AMG GT3 to lead the opening day of practice for the Michelin GT Challenge in the GTD class.

"I am happy with our Mercedes-AMG GT3," Bleekemolen said. "Again, like the last couple of weekends, we have not had to make too many changes because the car has been great from the beginning. No dramas, the Mercedes-AMG GT3 is running really well, and I think we have a really good chance to do well."

"I think we can get a good result, but this is American racing where anything can happen, and anyone can win with strategy and yellows and stuff like that. Just looking at the pure speed we have, however, we should have a good shot at it. Last year we had a good car and finished third, but this year we have more power. Last year we just lost out so much on the

straightaways, but that's gone now, so with that we can really fight."

Robby Foley was second quickest in GTD practice with a best lap of 1:44.866 (112.257 mph) in the No. 96 Turner Motorsport BMW M6 GT3, while Patrick Long was third at 1:45.046 (112.064 mph) in the No. 58 Wright Motorsports Porsche 911 GT3 R.

For the second time in three races, the GTD points leading No. 48 Paul Miller Racing Lamborghini Huracán GT3 co-driven by Madison Snow and Bryan Sellers missed much of the first practice session and all of the second due to a mechanical issue. The team was completing an engine change on Friday evening and planned to be back on course for practice again Saturday morning.

It should be noted that when this happened to the team last month at Lime Rock Park, the No. 48 went on to score a dominating victory in the Northeast Grand Prix.

Holton Scores Second

Consecutive Continental Tire Challenge Motul Pole Award In McLaren

In what may have been one of the closest qualifying sessions of the season for the IMSA Continental Tire SportsCar Challenge, Paul Holton scored his second consecutive Motul Pole Award Friday in qualifying for Saturday's Biscuitville Grand Prix.

Holton's lap of 1 minute, 54.175 seconds (103.104 mph) in the No. 76 Compass Racing McLaren GT4 co-driven by Matt Plumb was just 0.017 seconds ahead of Tyler McQuarrie's No. 39 CarBahn Motorsports Audi R8, who lapped the VIR circuit in 1:54.192 (103.089 mph).

In total, the top eight cars in the GS class were separated by less than half a second. The top seven all broke the previous track record and the top six positions were from six different manufacturers.

"We discovered a coolant leak an hour before qualifying so that's why we weren't out for

practice three," said Holton. "We scrambled to get it together, rolled it out 10 minutes before qualifying and stuck it on the pole."

Spencer Pumpelly and Dillon Machavern, who enter the weekend trailing points leaders Hugh Plumb and Owen Trinkler, 191-190, qualified third with Pumpelly's lap of 1:54.329 (102.965 mph) in the No. 28 RS1 Porsche Cayman GT4 MR.

Trinkler, meanwhile, will start behind Pumpelly after qualifying fifth in the No. 46 Team TGM Mercedes-AMG.

Just 0.007 seconds separated the top two in qualifying in the TCR class with Tom O'Gorman scoring his third consecutive Motul Pole Award in the No. 12 eEuroparts Racing Audi RS3 LMS TCR. O'Gorman lapped the 3.27-mile, 17-turn course in 1:57.283 (100.372 mph), narrowly edging out the No. 77 Compass Racing Audi RS3 LMS TCR of Britt Casey Jr., 1:57.290 (100.366 mph).

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# HARDER

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winning a county-wide competition.

Straw wasn't necessarily planning on playing in the event.

"The girls kind of talked me into it," she said.

There was a tie on top of the leaderboard for the men, with Dan LaMere and Andrew Jones both notching scores of 39, while Bill Driscoll and Pat Dell recorded scores of 37. Sonny Clay and Dave Cornuet both had scores of 33, while Jack Clegg and Dwight Griffin totaled 25 points.

Harder Hall pro Cody Brownell told players before they tee off they were going to automatically advance to the championship event due to the number of players.

"Just go out and have fun," he told them. "Everybody is going to qualify so there's no pressure."

Brownell said the course was in excellent shape, as we've managed to escape the hard rains for the most part during the last four or five days, with a few wet spots on the course, which is to be expected this time of the year.

"We're happy to be hosting this event," Brownell said.

There will be a break of two weeks before the Heartland Golf Championship qualifier at Sun 'N Lake on Sept. 8, with the Championship being held the following Saturday, Sept. 15, at River Greens.



From left; Harder Hall pro Cody Brownell, Andrew Jones, Marsha Straw and Dan LaMere.



Dan LaMere follows through after a shot during Saturday's Heartland Golf Championship qualifier at Harder Hall.



Andrew Jones putts during Saturday's Heartland Golf Championship qualifier at Harder Hall.

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## 'A guiding force for good'



In this file photo dated Sunday, Aug 10, 1997, Swedish Prime Minister Goran Persson, right, and UN General Secretary Kofi Annan, sit in a rowboat on a lake near the Swedish premiere's summer residence in Harpsund, Sweden. It is a tradition many decades old for the Swedish Prime Minister to row at Harpsund with foreign visitors. Annan, one of the world's most celebrated diplomats and a charismatic symbol of the United Nations who rose through its ranks to become the first black African secretary-general, has died at age 80, according to an announcement by his foundation Saturday.

# Former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan dies at age 80

By JOHN HEILPRIN and FRANCIS KOKUTSE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GENEVA — Kofi Annan, one of the world's most celebrated diplomats and a charismatic symbol of the United Nations who rose through its ranks to become the first black African secretary-general, has died. He was 80.

His foundation announced his death in Switzerland's capital, Bern, on Saturday in a tweet, saying he died after a short unspecified illness. It did not give details and remembered the Nobel Peace Prize winner as "radiating genuine kindness, warmth and brilliance in all he did."

The president of Ghana, where Annan was born, said in a tweet that "I am ... comforted by the information, after speaking to (Annan's wife) Nane Maria, that he died peacefully in his sleep."

Annan spent virtually his entire career as an administrator in the United Nations. His aristocratic style, cool-tempered elegance and political savvy helped guide his ascent to become its seventh secretary-general, and the first hired from within. He served two terms from Jan. 1, 1997, to Dec. 31, 2006, capped nearly mid-way when he and the U.N. were jointly awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2001.

During his tenure, Annan presided over some of the worst failures and scandals at the world body,



In this Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2004 file photo United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan, right, greets United States President George W. Bush, at the United Nations, in New York.



In this April 13, 2005 file photo former President Bill Clinton, the United Nations special envoy for tsunami recovery, meets U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, at U.N. headquarters.

one of its most turbulent periods since its founding in 1945. Challenges from the outset forced him to spend much of his time struggling to restore its tarnished reputation.

His enduring moral prestige remained largely undented, however, both through charisma and by virtue of having negotiated with most of the powers in the world.

When he departed from the United Nations, he left behind a global organization far more aggressively engaged in peacekeeping and fighting poverty, setting the framework for the U.N.'s 21st-century response to mass atrocities and its emphasis on human rights and development.

"Kofi Annan was a guiding force for good," current U.N. Secretary-General



In this Sunday, July 22, 2007 file photo Nelson Mandela and former United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan arrive together at the 5th Nelson Mandela Annual Lecture, held at the Linder Auditorium in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Antonio Guterres said. "It is with profound sadness that I learned of his passing. In many ways, Kofi Annan was the United Nations. He rose through the ranks to lead the organization into the new millennium with matchless dignity and

determination." Even out of office, Annan never completely left the U.N. orbit. He returned in special roles, including as the U.N.-Arab League's special envoy to

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# Trump, former CIA director swap insults over security clearance revocation

By MICHAEL RILEY  
BLOOMBERG NEWS (TNS)

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump lashed out at John Brennan Saturday in the latest effort to counter criticism of his decision to revoke the former CIA director's security clearance.

Trump said in a Twitter post Saturday that Brennan "will go down as easily the WORST" CIA director in history and called him "a loudmouth, partisan, political hack who cannot be trusted with the secrets to our country!"

The president also suggested that unspecified "mistakes" Brennan made while serving as CIA director should be "looked at."

Trump's comments came after days of criticism from former U.S. national security officials and military leaders who cast Trump's cancellation of Brennan's clearance — apparent retaliation for his criticism of the president — as a dangerous precedent.

A joint letter from more than a dozen former senior intelligence officials who served Republican and Democratic

administrations said Trump's decision "has nothing to do with who should and should not hold security clearances — and everything to do with an attempt to stifle free speech."

That letter followed an op-ed article published in The Washington Post from the retired admiral who oversaw the capture of Osama bin Laden. The retired special operations commander, William H. McRaven, called Brennan "one of the finest public servants I have ever known" and challenged Trump to revoke his security clearance too.

Before being appointed CIA director by President Barack Obama, Brennan, 62, spent 25 years at the agency, including a stint as the station chief in Saudi Arabia. He was also director of the National Counterterrorism Center.

Brennan said on MSNBC Friday that Trump's is "drunk with power," and criticized Republicans in Congress for turning a blind eye to the president's actions.

"Are the Republicans on the Hill who have given him a pass going to wait for a disaster to happen before they actually find their backbones?" Brennan said.

# Effects of stripped-down US Embassy in Havana after health incidents

By MIMI WHITEFIELD  
MIAMI HERALD (TNS)

MIAMI — Since the United States withdrew all but a bare-bones staff from its embassy in Havana last September after mysterious incidents that affected the health of American diplomats, no Cubans have been admitted to the United States as refugees and the U.S. will likely fall far short of its annual commitment to admit Cuban immigrants.

As a result of the staff reduction, it's also been difficult for diplomats to "cover significant economic and political developments in Cuba," reach out to human rights activists and members of Cuban civil society and to monitor how the Cuban government is treating

returned migrants, according to a memorandum released this week by the Congressional Research Service.

The memorandum was prepared at the request of New York Democratic Rep. Eliot L. Engel, the ranking member on the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, who wanted information on the impact of the staff reduction.

At the time the delegation visited, the embassy had a staffing level of 14 and several positions were being filled by foreign service officers on temporary duty or retired diplomats called back on an intermittent basis under a special program. Before the ordered

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# Trump backed space force after months of lobbying by officials with ties to aerospace industry

By DAVID S. CLOUD and NOAH BIERMAN  
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WASHINGTON — When President Donald Trump spoke to Marines at the Miramar Air Station in San Diego March 13, he threw out an idea that he suggested had just come to him.

"You know, I was saying it the other day, because we're doing a tremendous amount of work in space — I said maybe we need a new force. We'll call it the 'space force,'" he said. "And I was not really serious. And then I said what a great idea — maybe we'll

have to do that."

The origin of the space force wasn't that simple.

The concept had been pushed unsuccessfully since 2016 by a small group of current and former government officials — some with deep financial ties to the aerospace industry — who see creation of the sixth military service as a surefire way to increase Pentagon spending on satellite and other space systems.

The idea of a space force "is not a new thing," said Stuart O. Witt, an aerospace executive and a member of White House's National Space Council Users

Advisory Group. "The president just acted upon it."

But Rep. Jim Cooper, (D-Tenn.), one of the early supporters of a separate service, complained that Trump's impromptu endorsement had "hijacked" the issue and could vastly inflate the budget process. "There are many vendors of all types who are excited at the prospect of an explosion of new spending, which was not our goal," he said.

Still, when Trump embraced the idea at Miramar — and began promoting it at other



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# Judge's biggest case: The Parkland school shooting

By RAFAEL OLMEDA  
SOUTH FLORIDA SUN SENTINEL

FORT LAUDERDALE — Before she found herself presiding over one of the highest-profile cases in the country, Broward Circuit Judge Elizabeth Scherer did little to draw attention.

Her rulings tended to be non-controversial. Appellate judges found fault with only two of her decisions — an impressively low number for someone who has been on the bench for six years.

But Scherer, 42, couldn't avoid the spotlight once she was randomly assigned the murder case of Nikolas Cruz, the Parkland teenager who admitted killing 17 people at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on Feb. 14 and wounding 17 more.

She ignited a firestorm on social media in August when she ripped into the South Florida Sun Sentinel, two of its reporters and its attorney for publishing sensitive information about the shooter that the Broward School Board had released unintentionally. Worse, she vowed to restrain what the media reports in the future, a practice found repeatedly to be unconstitutional.

Lawyers in Broward were reluctant to discuss Scherer's professional reputation because they have cases pending in front of her. But her outburst did not surprise some of them.

Some called her temperamental and they said she is known to start her docket an hour or more after hearings are scheduled.

But another defense lawyer said she is consistently courteous, prepared and polite — "and she rules against me every time."

Scherer is still considering whether to hold the Sun Sentinel and two of its reporters in contempt for publishing the information after agreeing that the school board was authorized to withhold it from public release. Her office declined an interview request Friday morning.

Before she became a judge at the end of 2012, Scherer was

a prosecutor in the Broward State Attorney's Office's career criminal unit. Her only direct brush with media attention was decidedly negative — in 2009 her husband of seven years was arrested and charged with dealing cocaine and marijuana.

She filed for divorce the next day, though her husband told police they had separated three months before that.

Scherer is the daughter of one of the most politically connected Republican fundraisers in South Florida. William Scherer, co-founder of the prestigious Conrad & Scherer law firm, was one of the attorneys working for George W. Bush on the presidential election recount of 2000. He was a longtime member of the county's Judicial Nominating Commission and an adviser to Gov. Rick Scott.

William Scherer declined to be interviewed at length, saying only that he was proud of his daughter and that he resigned from the commission in 2011 when it became clear that she would be seeking an appointment to the bench.

That appointment came a year later. She was elected without opposition in 2014 and faces her next election campaign in 2020.

Scherer is now married to a Hollywood police detective, which became an issue in 2016 when she declined to remove herself from an attempted murder case investigated by her husband's department. The Fourth District Court of Appeal stepped in and removed her from the case.

Scherer now does not accept cases or sign warrants emanating from Hollywood, according to the Broward chief administrative judge's office.

"Judge Scherer is a dedicated, hard-working judge who has served the 17th Circuit with distinction since her appointment to the bench," said Chief Administrative Judge Jack Tuter.

With the Parkland case, Scherer found it necessary to exert her authority after lawyers went to another judge for an emergency hearing when she

was not available. She issued an order in March, two weeks after the shooting, making it clear that she was in charge of the case.

"She tries to do the right thing, and her heart's in the right place," said Bill Gelin, whose "JAABlog" website doesn't shy from criticizing judges. "But she has a tendency to micromanage. She needs to get out of the way and let lawyers litigate their cases."

In August, she berated the Sun Sentinel's lawyer, Dana McElroy, for defending the newspaper's right to publish information on the Stoneman Douglas shooter that had not been properly redacted by the Broward School Board. She threatened to personally use a magic marker to indicate what the paper could and could not publish about the case in the future.

"From now on if I have to specifically write word for word exactly what you are and are not permitted to print — and I have to take the papers myself and redact them with a Sharpie — then I'll do that," she said.

Her outburst drew criticism from free press advocates.

"The notion that a court can presume to dictate to a newspaper what it can and cannot print is offensive to the very core of the First Amendment and antithetical to constitutional jurisprudence over the last 100 years," said Jeffrey Robbins, a Massachusetts attorney who has represented the Boston Herald and the New York Post on First Amendment issues.

National security would have to be at stake for government to prohibit the media from reporting factual information, he said, using troop movement plans as an example of coverage that could be restricted.

Nova Southeastern University law professor Bob Jarvis said that while the Sun Sentinel is on solid legal ground, its attorney may have been better served if the paper disclosed its possession of the confidential information and advised the judge prior to publishing.

## HEADLINES AROUND THE STATE

### Sheriff: Body found in vehicle fire near Walt Disney World

ORLANDO (AP) — Authorities say a body has been found in the wreckage of a vehicle fire near Walt Disney World in Florida.

The Orange County Sheriff's Office said in a news release that the fire was reported shortly after 4 a.m. Saturday. The Reedy Creek Fire Department found a victim inside after putting out the fire.

Authorities say the vehicle fire happened on a road near Disney's Epcot attraction outside Orlando.

The victim was not immediately identified. Officials say an investigation is continuing.

### Man faces life in prison for killing infant

FORT MYERS (AP) — A 29-year-old Florida man faces life in prison after jurors found him guilty of abusing and killing an 8-month-old child he was babysitting.

The state attorney's office in southwest Florida said in a news release that jurors deliberated for under two hours following a four-day trial.

Prosecutors say Rafael Antonio Carrion Jr. had been babysitting the baby and two other children in November 2016. On Thanksgiving Day, he called 911 because the baby was unresponsive. The child was taken to a hospital where he later died of blunt force trauma to the skull. He also had significant bruising and had cocaine in his system.

Officials say Carrion gave conflicting accounts of how the child was injured, but didn't admit to harming him. Sentencing is scheduled for Oct. 1.

### Baby dies after being left in hot car in driveway

SPRING HILL (AP) — Authorities say a baby has died after being left in a hot car in Florida.

Hernando County Sheriff's officials say Eric O'Callaghan found his son, 9-month-old Keyton, in the car in the driveway Friday morning. The father performed CPR on his son until rescuers arrived. The boy was pronounced dead at the hospital.

Authorities say the baby had been in the care of his mother Cami Lee Moyer since Thursday night. Investigators are still interviewing her.

It's unclear how long Keyton had been in the car.

### Work begins on \$50M project to clean Keys canals post Irma

MARATHON (AP) — A \$50 million clean-up project to remove debris from Hurricane Irma has begun in the Florida Keys where a crew lifted a sunken motor-home from a canal.

The project started Friday and will target 103 of the most impacted canals in the Keys. It will include a crew of 60 people, 15 barges and five sonar boats. The project is slated to take several months.

Keys officials say they struggled to get funding from the federal government for the clean-up efforts and eventually obtained alternative funding from the Emergency Watershed Protection Program.

FEMA does not have a reimbursement policy for removing hurricane debris from canals.

Local officials called the funding a miracle and said they did not want to pass along the clean-up costs to residents who had already been through so much since Hurricane Irma slammed through the state last fall.

### School board sued over teacher abuse allegation

FORT LAUDERDALE (AP) — A lawsuit has been filed against a Florida school board for allegedly allowing an elementary school substitute teacher fired for fondling a child to be hired by another school.

Attorney Jeff Herman says his client was 8-years-old when teacher Christopher Falzone began sexually abusing her in 2012. The lawsuit filed Friday alleges he touched and sexually harassed the victim and other female students, sometimes right in front of the principal. Falzone was fired in 2013 and was hired by a charter school.

The lawsuit says he was also hired by a nearby summer camp where he was recently arrested on charges that he sexually molested a girl there.

## TODAY / TONIGHT MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

Today / Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
An afternoon thunderstorm Partly cloudy and humid HIGH 92° LOW 76° 50% chance of rain	Partly sunny, a t-storm in spots; humid 92° / 76° 40% chance of rain	Mostly sunny and humid; a p.m. t-storm 91° / 76° 50% chance of rain	Clouds and sun with a thunderstorm; humid 91° / 75° 55% chance of rain	Partly sunny and humid with a thunderstorm 90° / 75° 50% chance of rain	Chance for an afternoon thunderstorm 92° / 75° 30% chance of rain

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### FLORIDA CITIES

City	Today	Mon.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Apalachicola	88 77 pc	89 77 pc
Bradenton	91 78 pc	91 77 pc
Clearwater	91 78 pc	91 78 pc
Coral Springs	91 79 sh	91 79 sh
Daytona Beach	92 75 t	90 75 pc
Fort Lauderdale	89 82 pc	90 81 sh
Fort Myers	90 75 t	91 75 pc
Gainesville	93 74 pc	92 75 c
Jacksonville	93 74 pc	93 73 pc
Key Largo	88 81 pc	89 80 pc
Key West	91 83 sh	91 82 pc
Lakeland	92 75 t	92 74 pc
Melbourne	92 75 t	92 74 s
Miami	90 80 pc	90 80 sh
Naples	89 75 t	90 75 c
Ocala	93 73 t	92 74 c
Okeechobee	90 74 t	90 72 c
Orlando	93 76 t	92 75 pc
Panama City	85 74 pc	88 75 pc
Pensacola	86 76 pc	89 76 t
Pompano Beach	90 82 pc	91 82 sh
St. Augustine	89 73 t	89 74 pc
St. Petersburg	92 75 pc	91 75 pc
Sarasota	91 75 pc	91 74 pc
Tallahassee	87 73 pc	90 75 pc
Tampa	92 76 pc	91 76 pc
Vero Beach	90 73 t	91 72 sh
West Palm Beach	89 80 t	90 80 sh

### TIDES

	High	Low	High	Low
<b>Punta Gorda</b>	Today 9:39a	3:26a	—	6:09p
Mon. 1:13a	4:23a	10:43a	7:16p	
<b>Englewood</b>	Today 8:16a	1:42a	11:50p	4:25p
Mon. 9:20a	2:39a	—	5:32p	
<b>Boca Grande</b>	Today 7:41a	3:26p	—	—
Mon. 8:40a	4:26p	—	—	
<b>El Jobean</b>	Today 10:11a	3:55a	—	6:38p
Mon. 1:45a	4:52a	11:15a	7:45p	
<b>Venice</b>	Today 6:31a	12:21a	10:05p	3:04p
Mon. 7:35a	1:18a	11:19p	4:11p	

### MARINE

Wind	Speed	Seas	Bay/Inland
	direction	in knots	in feet
<b>Cape Sable to Tarpon Springs</b>	SSE	6-12	0-1
<b>Tarpon Springs to Apalachicola</b>	SSE	3-6	0-1

### SUN AND MOON

The Sun	Rise	Set
Today	7:02 a.m.	8:02 p.m.
Monday	7:02 a.m.	8:01 p.m.

The Moon	Rise	Set
Today	3:06 p.m.	1:24 a.m.
Monday	3:58 p.m.	2:07 a.m.

### SOLUNAR TABLE

	Minor	Major	Minor	Major
Today	1:02a	7:14a	1:26p	7:38p
Mon.	1:47a	7:59a	2:11p	8:23p
Tue.	2:30a	8:42a	2:54p	9:07p

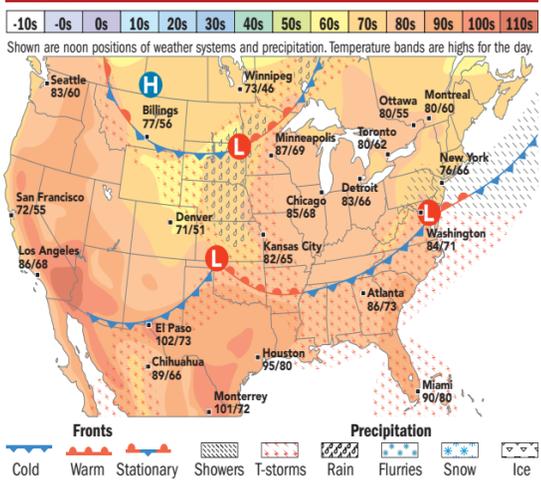
### WEATHER HISTORY

After dumping 2.6 inches of rain on Cape Hatteras, N.C., the day before, Hurricane Bob moved into the Maine on Aug. 19, 1991.

### WEATHER TRIVIA™

Q: What location in the U.S. has the highest annual average temperature?

## THE NATION



### U.S. Extremes

(For the 48 contiguous states yesterday)  
High ..... 106° at Needles, CA  
Low ..... 37° at Truckee, CA

City	Today	Mon.	City	Today	Mon.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W		Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Albuquerque	91 65 s	88 69 s	Jackson, MS	89 72 t	88 72 t
Anchorage	60 55 r	60 55 r	Kansas City	82 65 t	77 60 t
Atlanta	86 73 t	85 73 t	Knoxville	83 69 t	83 72 t
Baltimore	82 67 t	82 68 pc	Las Vegas	109 87 s	107 85 s
Billing	77 56 pc	72 51 c	Los Angeles	86 68 s	86 68 s
Birmingham	86 74 t	86 73 t	Louisville	88 72 pc	86 74 t
Boise	96 64 s	91 61 s	Memphis	89 74 t	88 72 t
Boston	72 65 c	73 64 pc	Milwaukee	80 70 s	79 68 r
Buffalo	80 63 s	83 69 pc	Minneapolis	87 69 pc	76 62 sh
Burlington, VT	82 62 pc	83 64 pc	Montgomery	87 73 pc	89 73 t
Charlotte, WV	82 64 pc	86 70 t	Nashville	89 73 t	87 73 t
Charlotte	88 71 t	86 72 t	New Orleans	88 76 pc	88 77 t
Chicago	85 68 s	81 67 t	New York City	76 66 c	76 67 pc
Cincinnati	84 67 pc	85 70 t	Norfolk, VA	87 75 t	85 75 t
Cleveland	82 65 s	86 72 pc	Oklahoma City	85 66 t	83 62 s
Columbia, SC	89 74 t	90 75 t	Omaha	81 64 t	73 59 sh
Columbus, OH	83 65 s	86 72 c	Philadelphia	76 66 sh	81 66 pc
Concord, NH	77 57 pc	78 53 c	Phoenix	108 87 c	109 87 s
Dallas	96 76 pc	94 72 pc	Pittsburgh	80 63 pc	80 66 pc
Denver	71 51 pc	78 55 pc	Portland, ME	75 58 pc	75 57 pc
Des Moines	86 66 pc	75 62 r	Portland, OR	87 60 pc	93 67 pc
Detroit	83 66 pc	83 62 r	Providence	74 63 c	77 61 pc
Duluth	82 60 pc	68 53 sh	Raleigh	87 71 t	86 72 t
Fairbanks	69 50 t	70 55 c	Salt Lake City	89 65 s	93 68 pc
Fargo	71 52 r	75 48 pc	St. Louis	88 73 pc	84 70 t
Hartford	76 58 c	79 57 pc	San Antonio	99 78 s	96 77 pc
Helena	84 53 t	67 47 sh	San Diego	81 72 pc	82 71 pc
Honolulu	91 79 pc	91 77 pc	San Francisco	72 55 pc	68 57 pc
Houston	95 80 pc	95 79 t	Seattle	83 60 pc	88 63 pc
Indianapolis	84 67 pc	83 70 t	Washington, DC	84 71 t	84 72 pc

### WORLD CITIES

City	Today	Mon.	City	Today	Mon.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W		Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Amsterdam	74 62 pc	73 60 c	Mexico City	75 55 t	74 56 t
Bahgdad	109 80 s	110 83 s	Montreal	80 60 c	82 65 pc
Beijing	79 73 sh	87 73 t	Ottawa	80 55 pc	82 60 c
Berlin	85 62 pc	81 58 pc	Paris	84 63 s	79 61 pc
Buenos Aires	53 37 pc	51 36 pc	Regina	74 44 s	73 43 c
Cairo	95 78 s	97 79 s	Rio de Janeiro	77 64 s	80 64 s
Calgary	67 45 pc	68 47 pc	Rome	87 68 s	88 69 s
Cancun	89 77 pc	89 77 pc	St. John's	63 51 r	66 50 c
Dublin	71 61 c	70 58 c	San Juan	88 76 pc	87 78 sh
Edmonton	69 41 s	71 39 s	Sydney	81 47 s	82 46 s
Halifax	75 60 pc	72 58 c	Tokyo	85 71 pc	84 75 t
Hiev	80 61 t	82 62 t	Toronto	80 62 t	81 70 pc
London	76 61 c	79 61 c	Vancouver	78 57 s	80 61 pc
Madrid	91 65 s	92 65 s	Winnipeg	73 46 c	73 47 s

# Short sentence recommended for former Trump campaign adviser

By **CHAD DAY**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — A former Trump campaign adviser should spend at least some time in prison for lying to the FBI during the Russia probe, prosecutors working for special counsel Robert Mueller said in a court filing Friday that also revealed several new details about the early days of the investigation. The prosecutors disclosed that George Papadopoulos, who served as a foreign policy adviser to President Donald Trump's campaign during the 2016 presidential race, caused irreparable damage to the investigation because he lied repeatedly during a January 2017 interview.

Those lies, they said, resulted in the FBI missing an opportunity to properly question a professor Papadopoulos was in contact with during the campaign who told him that the Russians possessed "dirt" on Hillary Clinton in the form of emails.

The filing by the special counsel's office strongly suggests the FBI had contact with Professor Joseph Mifsud while he was in the U.S. during the early part of the investigation into Russian election interference and possible coordination with Trump associates.

According to prosecutors, the FBI "located" the professor in Washington about two weeks after Papadopoulos' interview and Papadopoulos' lies "substantially hindered investigators' ability to effectively question" him. But it doesn't specifically relate any details of an interview with the professor as it recounts what prosecutors say was a missed opportunity caused by Papadopoulos. "The defendant's lies undermined investigators' ability to challenge the Professor or potentially detain or arrest him while he was still in the United States," Mueller's team wrote, noting that the professor left the U.S. in February 2017 and has not returned since.

Prosecutors note that investigators also missed an opportunity to interview others about the professor's comments or anyone else at that time who might have known about Russian efforts to obtain derogatory information on Clinton during the campaign. "Had the defendant told the FBI the truth when he was interviewed in January 2017, the FBI could have quickly taken numerous investigative steps to help determine, for example, how and where the Professor obtained the information, why the Professor provided

the information to the defendant, and what the defendant did with the information after receiving it," according to the court filing.

Prosecutors also detail a series of difficult interviews with Papadopoulos after he was arrested in July 2017, saying he didn't provide "substantial assistance" to the investigation. Papadopoulos later pleaded guilty to lying to the FBI as part of a plea deal.

The filing recommends that Papadopoulos spend at least some time incarcerated and pay a nearly \$10,000 fine. His recommended sentence under federal guidelines is zero to six months, but prosecutors note another defendant in the case spent 30 days in jail for lying to the FBI.

Papadopoulos has played a central role in the Russia investigation since its beginning as an FBI counterintelligence probe in July 2016. In fact, information the U.S. government received about Papadopoulos was what triggered the counterintelligence investigation in the first place. That probe was later taken over by Mueller.

Papadopoulos was also the first Trump campaign adviser to plead guilty in Mueller's investigation.

Since then, Mueller has returned two sweeping indictments that detail

a multi-faceted Russian campaign to undermine the U.S. presidential election in an attempt to hurt Clinton's candidacy and help Trump.

Thirteen Russian nationals and three companies are charged with participating in a conspiracy to sow discord in the U.S. political system primarily by manipulating social media platforms. In addition, Mueller brought an indictment last month against 12 Russian intelligence operatives, accusing them of hacking into the computer systems of Clinton's presidential campaign and the Democratic Party and then releasing tens of thousands of private emails through WikiLeaks.

According to that indictment, by April 2016, the Russian intelligence operatives had already stolen emails from several Democratic groups including the Clinton campaign and were beginning to plan how they were going to release the documents. That same month, according to court papers, Mifsud told Papadopoulos that he had met with senior Russian government officials in Moscow and had learned that they had "dirt" on Clinton in the form of "thousands of emails."

Read the sentencing memo: <http://lapne.us/1NIPFAC>.

# Downgraded alert level for Hawaii volcano

HONOLULU (AP) — Slowing activity at Hawaii's Kilauea volcano has prompted scientists on Friday to downgrade their alert level for the mountain.

The U.S. Geological Survey issued a "watch" for Kilauea's ground hazards, down from a "warning."

But scientists say this doesn't mean the eruption, which has destroyed more than 700 homes since May, is over. Kilauea has paused for days, weeks and even months during previous eruptions.

Lava mostly stopped flowing on Aug. 6. There's a crusted-over lava pond inside a fissure cone and just a few spots where lava is entering the ocean.

The volcano's summit hasn't collapsed since Aug. 2. Sulfur dioxide emissions are the lowest they've been since 2007.

The agency has maintained a "warning"

alert for Kilauea since May 3, when cracks began shooting lava out of the ground in the Big Island's Leilani Estates neighborhood.

Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, meanwhile, said it was taking advantage of the lull to assess damage to the park.

The damage assessment produced by specialized team will provide the foundation of the park's recovery plan, the National Park Service said.

Cindy Orlando, the park superintendent, said the agency is exploring short-term repairs to safely reopen at least part of the park.

Two million people visit the Big Island park each year, making it the state's biggest tourist attraction.

The park has been closed since May because of the dangers posed by the eruption.



This photo provided by the National Park Service shows a large sinkhole at an intersection inside Hawaii Volcanoes National Park on Friday.

## HEADLINES AROUND THE NATION

### George Washington letter to be read at oldest US synagogue

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) — A letter from George Washington will be read at the nation's oldest synagogue to celebrate freedom of religion.

The annual reading is scheduled for 1 p.m. Sunday at the 255-year-old Touro Synagogue in Newport, Rhode Island.

Touro Synagogue holds an important place in the history of the nation's commitment to religious liberty. In 1790, Washington visited Touro, then

sent its congregants a letter saying the government of the United States "gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance."

The synagogue, dedicated in 1763, is a national historic site that draws tens of thousands of visitors annually.

### Health officials confirm fifth case of rat lungworm disease

HONOLULU (AP) — Hawaii has confirmed that a Big Island toddler is the fifth victim this year of rat lungworm, a disease that is expected

to continue to spread due to climate change.

It's the third confirmed case of rat lungworm disease on the Big Island.

The state Department of Health says the toddler started showing symptoms in late July and was taken to an emergency room last week.

The child was discharged after several days in the hospital.

The state department health suspects the child may have contracted the disease by accidentally ingesting a slug or snail carrying a roundworm parasite, which can cause significant damage to the nerves, brain and spinal cord.

# ETFs and Mutual Funds Explained

**Dear Mr. Berko:** What's the difference between exchange-traded funds

and mutual funds? I just read your column on convertible bonds and noticed that you only recommended ETFs and didn't write about mutual

funds. I bought \$10,000 worth of Franklin Convertible Securities Fund in 2007, and it's worth about \$17,000 today. I'd appreciate it if you could recommend several other convertible bond mutual funds like that one. — VF, Kankakee, Ill.

**Dear VF:** There are some important differences between an exchange-traded fund and a mutual fund that are worth a tinker's dam, and they are:

1) ETFs are bought and sold just like common stock, through a broker employed by a brokerage house. ETFs trade just like common stocks, such as Verizon, PepsiCo and Microsoft. As with common stocks, ETF prices can change from second to second. With MFs, though a purchase can be made whenever the stock market is open, the actual purchase/pricing is not concluded until after the

market closes.

2) ETFs tend to focus their portfolios on specific market indexes, such as utilities, banks, artificial intelligence, biologics, home construction, gold, real estate, telecommunications, the S&P 500, the Russell 2000, the Dow Jones industrial average, etc. Most ETFs invest passively and tend to do little trading in securities. MFs, however, are actively traded and may rotate their portfolios by 25 to 90 percent during the year.

3) When you purchase an ETF, you pay a commission, just as you do when purchasing a common stock. A 1,000-share purchase of an ETF at J.P. Morgan might cost \$300, whereas that same purchase at a discount brokerage, such as Charles Schwab, would cost you \$4.95. ETFs usually end up costing you much less than MFs because there's never a load with an ETF as there are with MFs. With MFs, entrance and exit fees are sometimes exorbitant. And because of low portfolio turnover and the manner in which they are structured, ETF investment gains are taxed more favorably than gains on MFs.

4) Most importantly, the annual management fees for MFs are often three to four times those of ETFs. As you'll see later, that makes a

significant difference. There are other differences, but in my opinion, they're insignificant.

Meanwhile, I like your Franklin Convertible Securities Fund (FISCX-\$21.50), which has enjoyed three-, five- and 10-year average annual total returns of 10.7 percent, 10.6 percent and 8.9 percent, respectively. But it has a 5.75 percent sales commission plus a 0.8 percent expense ratio.

Check out the Calamos Convertible Fund (CCVIX-\$18.80), which has a \$600 million portfolio that includes Tesla, Wells Fargo, NextEra Energy and Workday. It has a Morningstar rating of three stars, a price-earnings ratio of 12.5-to-1, a price-to-book ratio of 3.5-to-1 and a price-sales ratio of 0.49-to-1. The three-, five- and 10-year average annual total returns are 6.3 percent, 7.3 percent and 6.2 percent, respectively. CCVIX has a 1.2 percent expense ratio every year.

Look at the Putnam Convertible Securities Fund (PRCCX-\$26.18), which has a \$731 million portfolio and owns issues such as Micron Technology, ON Semiconductor, Jazz Pharmaceuticals and Crown Castle. This fund has three-, five- and 10-year AATRs of 5.2 percent, 7.1 percent and 6.2 percent. It is rated three

stars by Morningstar, has a P/E of 20.1-to-1, has a P/B of 2.1-to-1 and has a P/S of 2.3-to-1. Its annual expense ratio is 1.95 percent every year.

The MainStay MacKay Convertible Fund (MCCVX-\$17.81) owns a \$1.2 billion portfolio that includes Anthem, Danaher, Air Lease and Microchip Technology. MCCVX's AATRs for three, five and 10 years are 6.3 percent, 8.4 percent and 6.6 percent. It has a P/E of 17.1, a P/B of 2.4 and a P/S of 1.4. Its expense ratio is 1.89 percent this year.

It seems that almost all mutual funds specializing in convertible securities have lower returns than the S&P 500, which enjoys a 10-year AATR of 9.5 percent. However, the average ETF that owns a passive portfolio of convertibles has a low expense ratio of less than 0.5 percent and a 10-year AATR of 8.8 percent. And in 10 years, a low expense ratio can make a huge difference to your ETF or MF.

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# Migrant spouse of pregnant woman detained on way to hospital

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A California woman has said she had to drive herself to the hospital and give birth without her husband after he was detained by immigration agents.

Maria del Carmen Venegas said she and her husband, Joel Arrona Lara, were driving to the hospital Wednesday when they stopped for gas in San Bernardino, just east of Los Angeles.

Surveillance footage obtained by several media outlets shows two vehicles immediately flank the couple's van after they pulled into the gas station. Agents with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement questioned the couple and asked for identification, Venegas told KMEX-TV on Thursday.

She said she was able to provide hers but that Arrona had left his at home in their rush to the hospital. The surveillance footage shows the agents handcuffing Arrona and taking him away, leaving a sobbing Venegas alone at the gas station.

Venegas said she drove herself to the hospital for a scheduled cesarean section for the birth of

her fifth child.

Arrona, who is from Mexico, has lived in the U.S. for 12 years without legal authorization, Venegas said, but added that he's a hard worker, the sole provider of the family and has never been in trouble with the police.

ICE confirmed in a statement Saturday that agents detained Arrona on Wednesday and said he remained in custody pending removal proceedings.

The agency said it "will no longer exempt classes or categories of removable aliens from potential enforcement."

"All of those in violation of the immigration laws may be subject to immigration arrest, detention and, if found removable by final order, removal from the United States," the statement said.

Venegas said she has not been able to contact her husband to tell him their new son was born and doing well.

"The last thing he knew was that I was here in the hospital," she said. "I'm sure he's worried."

She said she is seeking an attorney in hopes of getting Arrona released.

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## ANNAN

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Syria in 2012. He remained a powerful advocate for global causes through his eponymous foundation.

Annan took on the top U.N. post six years after the collapse of the Soviet Union and presided during a decade when the world united against terrorism after the Sept. 11 attacks — then divided deeply over the U.S.-led war against Iraq. The U.S. relationship tested him as a world diplomatic leader.

“I think that my darkest moment was the Iraq war, and the fact that we could not stop it,” Annan said in a February 2013 interview with TIME magazine to mark the publication of his memoir, “Interventions: A Life in War and Peace.”

Despite his well-honed diplomatic skills, Annan was never afraid to speak candidly. That didn’t always win him fans, particularly in the case of Bush’s administration, with whom Annan’s camp spent much time bickering. Much of his second term was spent at odds with the United States, the U.N.’s biggest contributor, as he tried to lean on the nation to pay almost \$2 billion in arrears.

Kofi Atta Annan was born April 8, 1938, into an elite family in Kumasi, Ghana, the son of a provincial governor and grandson of two tribal chiefs.

He shared his middle name Atta — “twin” in Ghana’s Akan language — with a twin sister, Efua. He became fluent in English, French and several African languages, attending an elite boarding school and the University of Science and Technology in Kumasi. He finished his undergraduate work in economics at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota, in 1961. From there he went to Geneva, where he began his graduate studies in international affairs and launched his U.N. career.

Annan married Titi Alakija, a Nigerian woman, in 1965, and they had a daughter, Ama, and a son, Kojo. He returned to the U.S. in 1971 and earned a master’s degree. The couple separated during the 1970s and, while working in Geneva, Annan met his second wife, Swedish lawyer Nane Lagergren. They married

in 1984.

Annan worked for the U.N. Economic Commission for Africa in Ethiopia, its Emergency Force in Egypt, and the office of the High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva, before taking a series of senior posts at U.N. headquarters in New York dealing with human resources, budget, finance, and staff security.

He also had special assignments. After Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990, he facilitated the repatriation from Iraq of more than 900 international staff and other non-Iraqi nationals, and the release of western hostages in Iraq. He led the initial negotiations with Iraq for the sale of oil in exchange for humanitarian relief.

Just before becoming secretary-general, Annan served as U.N. peacekeeping chief and as special envoy to the former Yugoslavia, where he oversaw a transition in Bosnia from U.N. protective forces to NATO-led troops.

The U.N. peacekeeping operation faced two of its greatest failures during his tenure: the Rwanda genocide in 1994, and the massacre in the Bosnian town of Srebrenica in July 1995.

In both cases, the U.N. had deployed troops under Annan’s command, but they failed to save the lives of the civilians they were mandated to protect. Annan offered apologies, but ignored calls to resign by U.S. Republican lawmakers. After becoming secretary-general, he called for U.N. reports on those two debacles — and they were highly critical of his management.

As secretary-general, Annan forged his experiences into a doctrine called the “Responsibility to Protect,” that countries accepted — at least in principle — to head off genocide, crimes against humanity, ethnic cleansing and war crimes.

Annan sought to strengthen the U.N.’s management, coherence and accountability, efforts that required huge investments in training and technology, a new whistleblower policy and financial disclosure requirements.

Annan’s uncontested election to a second term was unprecedented, reflecting the overwhelming support he

enjoyed from both rich and poor countries. Timothy Wirth, president of the United Nations Foundation, which disburses Ted Turner’s \$1 billion pledge to U.N. causes, hailed “a saint-like sense about him.”

In 2005, Annan succeeded in establishing the Peacebuilding Commission and the Human Rights Council. But that year, the U.N. was facing almost daily attacks over allegations about corruption in the U.N. oil-for-food program in Iraq, bribery by U.N. purchasing officials and widespread sex abuse by U.N. peacekeepers.

Before leaving office, Annan helped secure a truce between Israel and Hezbollah in 2006, and mediated a settlement of a dispute between Cameroon and Nigeria over the Bakassi peninsula.

At a farewell news conference, Annan listed as top achievements the promotion of human rights, the fighting to close the gap between extreme poverty and immense wealth, and the U.N. campaign to fight infectious diseases like AIDS.

Former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations Richard Holbrooke called Annan “an international rock star of diplomacy.”

After leaving his high-profile U.N. perch, Annan didn’t let up. In 2007, his Geneva-based foundation was created. That year he helped broker peace in Kenya, where election violence had killed over 1,000 people.

Annan continued to criss-cross the globe. In 2017, his foundation’s biggest projects included promotion of fair, peaceful elections; work with Myanmar’s government to improve life in troubled Rakhine state; and battling violent extremism by enlisting young people to help.

He also remained a vocal commentator on troubles like the refugee crisis; promoted good governance, anti-corruption measures and sustainable agriculture in Africa; and pushed efforts in the fight against illegal drug trafficking.

His homeland of Ghana was shaken by his death. “One of our greatest compatriots,” President Nana Akufo-Addo said, calling for a week with flags at half-mast. “Rest in perfect peace, Kofi. You have earned it.”

## EMBASSY

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departure last September, embassy staff numbered more than 50.

The sharp staff reduction has meant the suspension of all but emergency visa-issuing operations in Havana.

Most Cubans seeking non-immigrant visas now must travel and apply for a visa at a U.S. embassy or consulate in another country. The result, the memo said, is that it’s more difficult for Cubans to visit family members in the United States, some Cuban cultural groups have been forced to cancel their U.S. tours, and it’s become more complicated for private Cuban entrepreneurs to travel to the United States to bring back the inputs they need for their businesses.

Interviews and the processing of immigrant visas have been transferred to the U.S. Embassy in Georgetown, Guyana. In a 1994 migration accord between the United States and Cuba, the United States agreed to issue 20,000 travel documents for immigrants from Cuba. However, during the first nine months of fiscal 2018, fewer than 4,000 immigrant visas were granted to Cubans, according to the memo.

The staff reduction also led to closing down the refugee section at the embassy. “Embassy officials estimate that it would take 2 to 3 years to restart operations in Havana,” the memorandum said. “As a result, no Cubans have been admitted to the United States as refugees since September 2017.” In fiscal 2017, at least 177 Cubans were admitted to the United States as refugees.

Staffing was reduced by two-thirds after some diplomats began reporting medical systems ranging from hearing loss, dizziness, headaches, and cognitive issues to fatigue and insomnia — sometimes accompanied by a high-pitched sound and a pressure-like sensation and sometimes not. Not all suffered the same symptoms, but some combination of them.

Two University of Pennsylvania researchers who examined the diplomatic personnel confirmed they had suffered brain injuries or concussion-like symptoms but said they weren’t accompanied by head trauma as would have been expected. Their research is ongoing.

The State Department has referred to the incidents as health attacks but has stopped short of accusing the Cuban government of being behind them. The Cuban government, which is conducting its own investigation into the incidents, denies it had anything to do with causing them.

## SPACE

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rallies — a moribund notion opposed by much of the Pentagon hierarchy and senior members of the Senate became a real possibility.

A few days after the San Diego speech, Trump took a phone call at his Mar-a-Lago resort in Florida from Rep. Mike D. Rogers, R-Ala., who is chairman of the House Armed Services subcommittee on strategic forces. He had been promoting the space force to Trump and his advisers for months.

“This is something we have to do,” Rogers said he told Trump. “It’s a national security imperative.”

“I’m all in,” Trump replied, Rogers said. “We are going to have a space force.”

The story of how that happened is a window into the chaotic way Trump sometimes makes decisions, often by bypassing traditional bureaucracy to tout ideas that work well as applause lines but aren’t fully thought out.

Only Congress can create a new military service, and the administration still has not said what the space force would do, what it would look like or what it would cost. The existing services — the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard — not only deploy forces. They also run war colleges, recruiting stations, security and vast contracting operations, with costs in the billions of dollars.

Vice President Mike Pence said this month that the administration would send a legislative proposal to Capitol Hill next year and aims to establish a

space force by 2020.

Congress has shown little appetite for a costly new expansion of government, especially one that would cut the Air Force budget, a service with powerful backing on Capitol Hill.

Those political headwinds could reduce the space force to a presidential rallying cry, like his unfulfilled vow to build a “big, beautiful wall” on the border with Mexico. But Trump’s enthusiasm has clearly provided momentum, exciting proponents who see a rare opportunity to win more attention and resources for space defense.

They agreed on the threat. China and Russia were building weapons and cyber capabilities aimed at knocking out satellites that the Pentagon relies on for communication, precise targeting of bombs and missile defense, according to U.S. intelligence.

Last summer, Rogers and Cooper inserted an amendment in the annual defense policy bill to create a separate service they called the space corps. It would be part of the Air Force, just as the Marine Corps is technically part of the Navy.

But Rogers worried that putting it in the Air Force might not fly. The Air Force is dominated by flyers more interested in warplanes than in outer space, he noted in a speech last year, explaining Air Force opposition to a separate service.

“I mean, this is about money,” Rogers said. “As long as space is in the (Air Force) portfolio, they can move money from space to support fighter jets, bombers or whatever. The Air Force is run by fighter

pilots. Space will always lose.”

Moreover, defense contractors involved in space “were complaining to us about how impossible it was to deal with the Air Force,” Rogers said. “They kept describing this bureaucratic morass in Air Force procurement, where nobody had decision-making authority.”

Rogers, who was first elected to Congress by a narrow thin margin in 2002, has solidified control of his rural district, with a campaign fund that has received considerable contributions from the aerospace industry. Defense industry companies have contributed \$395,000 to his campaign committee and leadership PAC since 2017, becoming by far his largest industry donor, according to Open Secrets, a campaign spending database.

Also pushing for the space corps was Douglas L. Loverro, a retired Air Force officer and the former executive director of its Space and Missile Systems Center in El Segundo, Calif. Loverro said in an interview that a dedicated corps of space experts would be necessary to ensure that a space force could fulfill its mission.

The Air Force focus on conventional air combat prevents it from “building the best space war fighters — the ones who can conceive of, imagine, prepare for, and think doctrinally, operationally and technically about space,” Loverro said at an industry conference in April. “But those are precisely the people we need today.”

The space corps never got off the ground.

The Air Force lobbied to kill it. Defense Secretary James Mattis took the unusual step of sending a

letter to Congress voicing his objections.

“At a time when we are trying to integrate the Department’s joint warfighting functions, I do not wish to add a separate service that would likely present a narrower and even parochial approach to space operations,” Mattis wrote.

Even the Trump White House called the idea “premature at this time” in a July 2017 statement.

That was enough to kill the plan in the Senate, though Rogers got other lawmakers to agree to order the Pentagon to study the idea and report on its findings.

He also began trying to enlist Trump.

Last December, Rogers said, he arranged for an intermediary to give Trump information his subcommittee had collected about Russian and Chinese development of anti-satellite weapons, and about the Air Force effort to kill a separate military service. He declined to identify the intermediary.

“With the Air Force having poisoned the well, I knew I needed to get some energy back in it,” he said.

Once elected, Trump revived the space council, an advisory panel led by Pence that had been dormant since the early 2000s. The vice president had attended three space shuttle launches while serving in Congress, and was deeply interested in space.

When Pence gave an update during a Cabinet meeting in March, Trump marveled at model rocket ships displayed on the table in front of him. He touted the private space launch companies owned by billionaire businessmen, including

Amazon’s Jeff Bezos, Tesla’s Elon Musk and Microsoft founder Paul Allen.

“We’re letting them use the Kennedy Space Center for a fee,” Trump said. “And you know, rich guys, they love rocket ships, and that’s good. That’s better than us paying for it.”

But Trump showed no interest publicly in a space force until his speech in San Diego in March, indicating that it was his idea. By then, the Pentagon’s attitude was beginning to shift. A Trump appointee, Deputy Defense Secretary Patrick Shanahan, had begun preparing the report ordered by Congress on whether to create an independent space force.

A former senior Boeing executive, Shanahan was familiar with the cumbersome Air Force procurement system. He became the administration’s space force point person, consulting with Pence, Rogers, the Air Force and other Pentagon players, and the space council.

“I can hear my dad kind of whispering in my ear, ‘Don’t screw anything up,’” Shanahan said Aug. 9. “There are extensive military operations going on throughout the world right now and they’re heavily reliant on space.”

Trump began talking up a space force privately, telling Pence to take on the project, according to an administration official who confirmed reporting first published in Axios.

The aerospace industry, which was initially cool to the plan, began to come around, seeing a space force as a lucrative avenue not just for expensive new space systems, but also for uniforms, construction projects, support services and other needs of a new military service.

## ALMANAC

Today is **Sunday, Aug. 19**, the 231st day of 2018. There are 134 days left in the year.

### Today in history

On **August 19, 2004**, Google began trading on the Nasdaq Stock Market, ending the day up \$15.34 at \$100.34.

### On this date

In **A.D. 14**, Caesar Augustus, Rome’s first emperor, died at age 76 after a reign lasting four decades; he was succeeded by his stepson Tiberius.

In **1814**, during the War of 1812, British forces landed at Benedict, Maryland, with the objective of capturing Washington D.C.

In **1934**, a plebiscite in Germany approved the vesting of sole executive power in Adolf Hitler.

In **1936**, the first of a series of show trials orchestrated by Soviet leader Josef Stalin began in Moscow as 16 defendants faced charges of conspiring against the government (all were convicted and executed).

In **1942**, during World War II, about 6,000 Canadian and British soldiers launched a disastrous raid against the Germans at Dieppe, France, suffering more than 50-percent casualties.

In **2003**, a suicide truck bomb struck U.N. headquarters in Baghdad, killing 22, including the top U.N. envoy, Sergio Vieira de Mello. A suicide bombing of a bus in Jerusalem killed 22 people.

**Ten years ago:** Tropical Storm Fay rolled ashore in Florida short of hurricane strength but mysteriously gained speed as it headed over land.

### Today’s birthdays

Actor **L.Q. Jones** is 91. Actress **Debra Paget** is 85. Former MLB All-Star **Bobby Richardson** is 83. Actress **Diana Muldaur** is 80. Singer **Johnny Nash** is 78. Actress **Jill St. John** is 78. Singer **Billy J. Kramer** is 75. Former President **Bill Clinton** is 72. Actor **Gerald McRaney** is 71. **Tipper Gore**, wife of former Vice President Al Gore, is 70. Actor **Jim Carter** is 70. Rock musician **John Deacon** (Queen) is 67. Actor-director **Jonathan Frakes** is 66. Actor **Peter Gallagher** is 63. Actor **Martin Donovan** is 61. Rhythm-and-blues singer **Ivan Neville** is 59. Actor **Eric Lutes** is 56. Actor **John Stamos** is 55. Actress **Kyra Sedgwick** is 53. Country singer **Lee Ann Womack** is 52. Actor **Matthew Perry** is 49. Rapper **Fat Joe** is 48. Olympic gold medal tennis player **Mary Joe Fernandez** is 47. Actor **Callum Blue** is 41. Actor **Peter Mooney** is 35. Olympic silver medal snowboarder **Lindsey Jacobellis** is 33. Rapper **Romeo** is 29.

### Bible verse

“Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.” — **1 Thessalonians 5:24**.

*Stay open to God’s call and when you hear it say yes. That’s what God wants to hear. Then he has something to work with. Excitement and fulfillment will follow in his time. God bless, and I know he will.*

## ODD NEWS

### Germany: No preparations made in case of aliens

BERLIN (AP) — The German government says it has made no preparations for the possibility that aliens might land in the European country.

In a response to questions from opposition Green Party lawmaker Dieter Janecek, the government said “there are no protocols or plans for a possible first contact with alien life.”

Justifying that stance, the government added it believes “a first contact on German territory is extremely unlikely, based on today’s scientific knowledge.” Janecek linked the government’s responses to a media article Saturday.

Separately, German news agency dpa reported Saturday the classic children’s book “The Little Prince” has been translated into Klingon — the fictitious language of the eponymous space race in the science fiction franchise “Star Trek.”

Dpa quoted translator Lieven L. Litaer as saying the book, titled “*ta’puq mach*,” will be published in October.

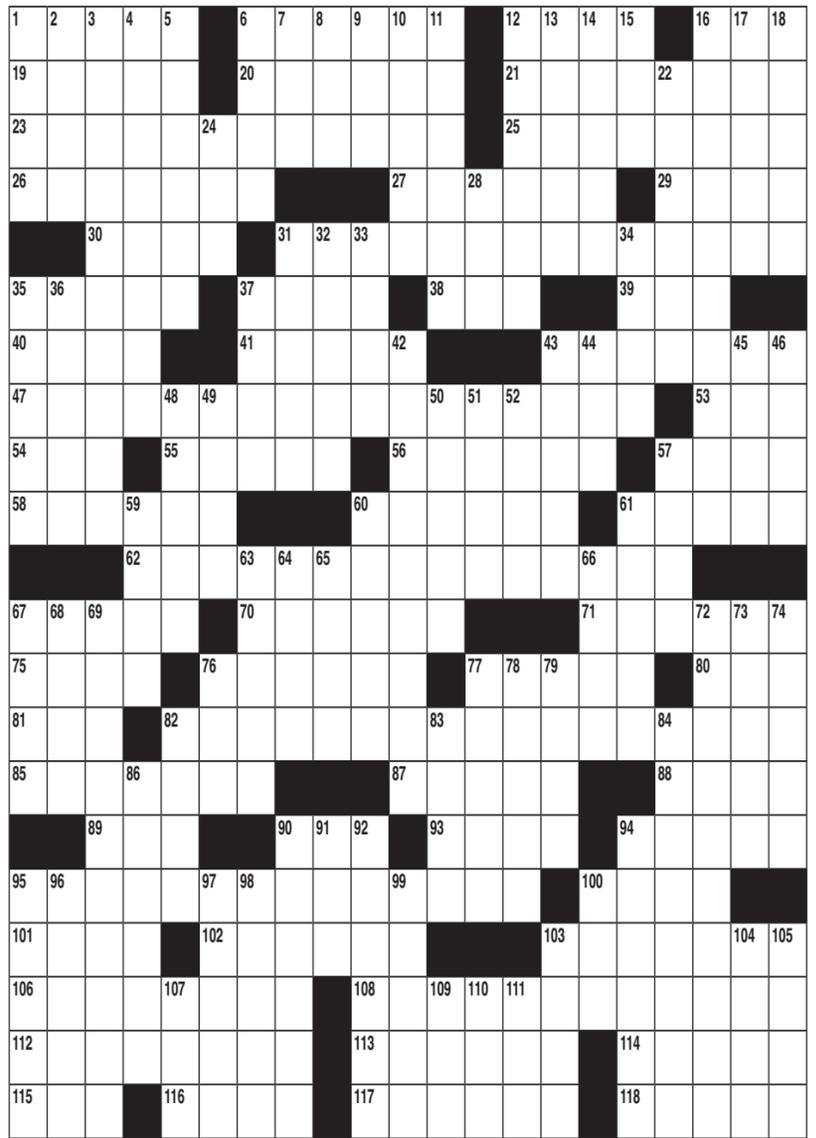
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Ask the Fool

Market Expectations

I began investing a few years ago, and my first investments' gains have averaged around 30 percent. I suspect this won't last. What average annual returns I can expect over a 10-year period — maybe 15 percent? — T.B., Baton Rouge, Louisiana

There's no way to know exactly how any stock or the overall market will do in any time period. Over decades, though, the stock market has averaged close to 8 or 10 percent annually — more than that with dividends reinvested. Over your particular investing years, you might average 6 percent, or 12 percent, or something else.

A market-topping average is hard to achieve over the long run. Yes, Apple stock has averaged annual gains of about 30 percent over the past 20 years, but IBM has averaged 5.7 percent and Johnson & Johnson has averaged 9 percent.

Since trying to beat the market is so difficult, superinvestor Warren Buffett has recommended low-cost broad-market index funds for most people. They offer an easy way to roughly match the market's return.

Where can I study and compare mutual funds? — P.L., Grand Rapids, Michigan

The internet is great for that.

Morningstar.com is a major mutual fund resource, offering details about thousands of funds' performance, fees, taxes, holdings and much more.

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If you focus on only one, you might end up buying overvalued shares of a terrific company, or seemingly bargain-priced shares of a troubled or doomed business. Investors have lost a lot of money doing either or both of those things.

Many good companies are rather apparent, but a close examination is wise. You can discern quality by assessing a company's profitability, growth and health via measures such as sales and earnings growth rates, profit margins, return on equity (ROE), return on assets (ROA), inventory turnover and market share, among other things. Management quality and candor is also important.

Once you find a great prospect, it can be tricky to figure out at

what price it's a good buy. Price-related measures help you determine whether a stock is overpriced, underpriced or priced just right. They address a company's valuation or stock price and include its market capitalization, enterprise value, price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio and price-to-sales ratio.

It's easy to think that as long as the company is wonderful, the stock price doesn't matter much. You might assume that if an overvalued company keeps growing, it'll eventually grow into and surpass its current price. That could take a long time, though, and instead, the stock might fall closer to its fair value. Even if the stock grows, it might not do so briskly, if it's already overvalued. To reduce your risk and have a better chance of realizing solid gains, aim to buy into stock only at attractive prices. That's what value investors do, and they call it seeking a margin of safety.

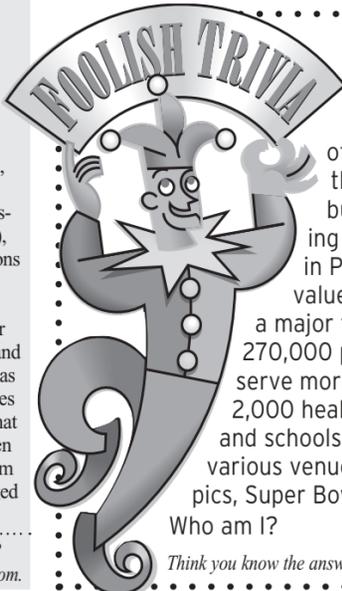
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Reverse Splits

I should have known better, but I took investment advice from a rag that repeatedly failed me. More than half the companies I invested in had reverse splits of 1-to-10 or 1-to-20. After those splits, most of them went down the drain completely. — J.H., online

The Fool Responds: Ouch. Too many investors don't sufficiently understand what stock splits and reverse splits are and mean.

With a regular stock split, such as a 2-for-1 split, if you have 100 shares of a stock priced at \$50 per share (total value: \$5,000), post-split you'll have 200 shares priced around \$25 apiece (total value: \$5,000). Splits lower share prices, but investors' stakes remain the same.

There's little reason to rejoice or lament a regular stock split, but a reverse split is usually a red flag, signaling a company in trouble. With a 1-for-10 split, 100 shares valued at \$5 per share would become 10 shares valued at \$50. Reverse splits can be used to inflate a stock's price so that it looks less worrisome.

Be careful with any investing newsletter — make sure that its record is available and impressive. (You can access some rankings of newsletters at hulbertratings.com.) Ideally, make your investment decisions based on your own research, perhaps with the help of a good newsletter — or just stick with low-fee, broad-market index funds. They instantly and easily set you up to earn the stock market's approximate return.

LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

I trace my roots all the way back to a paint ingredient company in 1866. In 1873, I introduced my first paint, raw umber, in oil, and in 1877, my founder patented a re-sealable tin paint can. By the 1880s I was selling ready-mixed paint. I introduced a water-based paint in 1941 and a latex paint in 1950. Over the years I also made items such as insecticide, synthetic resins, automobile lacquer and linseed oil. Today, based in Cleveland and with 4,200-plus stores, I'm America's largest specialty paint retailer. My brands include Krylon, Valspar and Pratt & Lambert. Who am I? (Answer: Sherwin-Williams)



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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

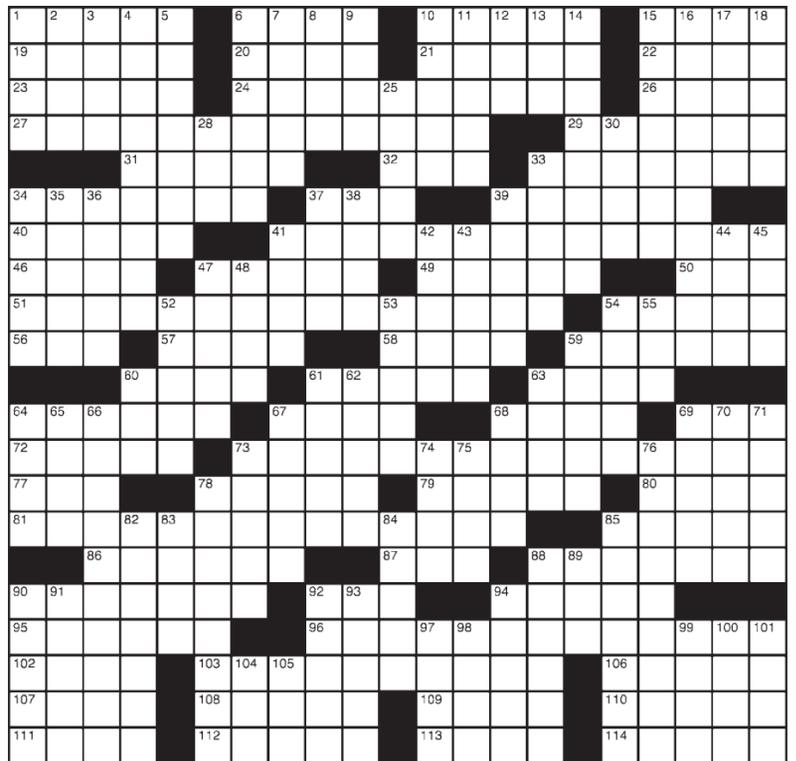
LOAF AFFAIR

By Mike Torch

- ACROSS**
- 1 Breaks off
  - 6 Window framework
  - 10 Kicks off
  - 15 Cake-finishing artist
  - 19 Dugout, for one
  - 20 Either of matching words, in a way: Abbr.
  - 21 Home to the Palazzo della Ragione
  - 22 Pew area
  - 23 Flopped financially
  - 24 '60s protest slogan
  - 26 In
  - 27 Bread worshippers?
  - 29 In a dishonorable manner
  - 31 Makes serious demands on
  - 32 \_\_\_ Geo: cable channel
  - 33 Source of intolerance
  - 34 Frequent savers
  - 37 Time div.
  - 39 "One of Ours" Pulitzer-winning author
  - 40 Kick out
  - 41 Musical composition about a bread-loving pack animal?
  - 46 Cooped-up critters
  - 47 Arms carriers?
  - 49 Concerns
  - 50 Adjective for rapper Kim
  - 51 Bread joke-teller's trait?
  - 54 Diet including wild fruit
  - 56 Vote in favor
  - 57 Music and art genre
  - 58 "Lemme \_\_\_!"
  - 59 Confines
- DOWN**
- 1 Doctor's order
  - 2 Part of TTFN
  - 3 Most eligible for service
  - 4 Ineffective
  - 5 Put a price on freedom?
  - 6 Fine furs
  - 7 Writer Nin
  - 8 Reasonable
  - 9 "Fixer Upper" network
  - 10 Verdi creation
  - 11 L.A.-based brewery
  - 12 Tokyo, formerly
  - 13 O.T. book
  - 14 Religious observances
  - 15 Fretful
  - 16 Bread that only appears for a short time?
  - 17 Harmful aspects
  - 18 Try a new shade on
  - 25 Salon coloring
  - 28 Program file suffix
  - 30 Masseuse's target
  - 33 "See ya!"
  - 34 Architect Frank
  - 35 Yellow-and-white daisy
  - 36 Sleep study subject
  - 37 Soybean paste
  - 38 "Do \_\_\_ you must"
  - 39 PC insert
  - 41 Nursery sch.
  - 42 Sharp
  - 43 Mentions specifically
  - 44 Place
  - 45 Disaster movie?
  - 47 U.S. security
  - 48 Norwegian capital
  - 52 Option for a return
  - 53 Precarious
  - 54 Prefix with frost
  - 55 Mandela's org.
  - 59 Bell sounds
  - 60 Like the Oz woodsman
  - 61 Singing voice, informally
  - 62 Looney Tunes stinker
  - 63 Soften in feeling
  - 64 Hop-jump link
  - 65 Art Deco artist
  - 66 Bread with a winelike aroma?
  - 67 Breathes hard
  - 68 Ocean feature
  - 69 Worship
  - 70 15-Across co-worker
  - 71 Dermatologists' concerns
  - 73 Refines
  - 74 "Good buddy"
  - 75 Pick up
  - 76 Blues musician's "harp"
  - 78 Literally, Greek for "bad place"
  - 82 Lost Colony's island
  - 83 Big biceps, at the gym
  - 84 Chef's supply
  - 85 London football club
  - 88 Aromatic herb
  - 89 Part of MoMA
  - 90 Span
  - 91 The senior Saanen
  - 92 Ear bone
  - 93 Opposites of squeakers, in sports
  - 94 Davis with an Oscar, Emmy and two Tonys
  - 97 Employed
  - 98 Luxor's river
  - 99 Cook Paula
  - 100 B-school course
  - 101 Rebel against
  - 104 Diplomatic bldg.
  - 105 Pop artist Lichtenstein

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

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GOREN BRIDGE

GOOD THINKING

Both vulnerable, South deals

- NORTH**  
 ♠ A J 5 2  
 ♥ 9 7 2  
 ♦ J 3  
 ♣ Q 10 7 2
- WEST**  
 ♠ 10 6 4 3  
 ♥ K 10 4  
 ♦ 10 6  
 ♣ K J 9 3
- EAST**  
 ♠ 9 8  
 ♥ J  
 ♦ K 9 8 7 5 4 2  
 ♣ A 6 4
- SOUTH**  
 ♠ K Q 7  
 ♥ A Q 8 6 5 3  
 ♦ A Q  
 ♣ 8 5

The bidding:  
 SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST  
 1♥ Pass 2♥ 3♦  
 4♥ All pass

Opening lead: Ten of ♦

Would you have bid three diamonds with the East hand? Many would make that bid, hoping to find a fit. When you end up defending, however, the overall stands as a lead director. Absent the overcall, an aggressive West might have found the club lead to defeat this contract. West cannot be faulted for leading a diamond after the overcall.

South in today's deal was expert Barnet Shenkin. Shenkin is from Scotland, but he relocated to South Florida many years ago. Shenkin played low from dummy at trick one as East unwisely played the nine. The lead now looked like a doubleton and allowed Shenkin to place East with a seven-card diamond suit. Looking at two club losers, the contract seemed to rely on holding the trumps to one loser.

Shenkin won the diamond opening lead with his queen and cashed the ace of hearts, noting the fall of the jack from East. Should the trumps be splitting 2-2, another round of hearts would bring home the contract. Playing East for a seven-card diamond suit, however, Shenkin expected East's jack of hearts to be a singleton. He turned his attention to spades and cashed the king and queen. He led a spade to dummy's ace, and when East discarded, he continued with the jack of spades to discard a club from his hand. One club loser and two heart losers left declarer with 10 tricks and his contract. Well played!

(Bob Jones welcomes readers' responses sent in care of this paper. Please send your e-mail responses to [tcaeditors@tribpub.com](mailto:tcaeditors@tribpub.com))

CRYPTOGRAMS

CRYPTOGRAMS FISHERMAN'S FOLLY by Myles Mellor

1. P D O O A X Z V D W E S Q Y G E O C - E Y ' T  
 J Z Q A Z S T A Y K F Z E C G P E T G S T Y G Z A  
 G S J Z Y G Z E Q K F O T V S W Z T . X Z Q P Z V Y !
2. I Y W O W Q S P S M S P I Z R C L Y I S I I Y W  
 P W S R T T N O W P I S B O S M I . I Y O W W R C P Y  
 L T I E S I I W O W N . M T Q I Y W Z ' O W T M S  
 E B M !
3. Z Y F V ' T V Y H O H T V P M T D B E C S F W  
 F W A K H S ? V Y H S H ' T W C R C M O V F E K Q  
 E D T Y H S P F W F K Z F Q T W H H R T  
 T C P H V Y D W A B F V B Y Q !
4. E Y F S I A Z A U R R Y B I N J P R B ' R  
 J Y Q I T P N U L A R P E Y K P F R N T A L U F N ?  
 I X Q P I A R K S Y X Y R R Z A P N Y T !

PUZZLE ANSWERS

(Puzzles on previous pages)



JUMBLE

Answer :

- HEALTH GUTTER ORNERY  
 MONKEY SECEDE UNFOLD

The changing of the guard has been a regular occurrence since before the —

TURN OF THE "SENTRY"

1. Funny peculiar thing- it's very easy to weigh fish as they have their own scales.  
 Perfect!
2. There was a nasty fight at the seafood restaurant. Three fish got battered. Now they're on a bun!
3. What's the best music for an angler? There's no doubt a fly fisherman always needs something catchy!
4. Can you guess a hot fish's favorite musical instrument? Obviously a bass guitar!

HOLIDAY MATHIS HOROSCOPES

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). People will find out who you are through your actions, your stories or because you share your preferences. So you really don't have to worry about telling them who you are. You're already showing them.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You're gutsy. You forget that sometimes. Or rather, you take it for granted, believing that everyone else is gutsy, too. Not true! You're lucky when you recognize the quality and make it count today.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Before a mutually satisfying deal can be struck, the others will want to understand your story. So let them know where you were, what happened, and why they need to know. That should do it.  
**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Self-sufficiency is among your many attractive qualities. You won't ask your friends to help you unless you truly can't do on your own. In that case, a Taurus is your ideal support.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Like the cat your sign is named for, you are choosy about who you like, and then obsessively loyal to your chosen ones. Also like a cat, curled up and cozy will be your default mode today.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). People have their own agendas, but they might adopt yours if it is appealing enough. People are usually willing to forgo their plan when there's something more interesting, attainable, lucrative, fun, urgent or important to do.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). If you stop saying yes so often, people will take notice. They will value your time and services a little more, seeing them as limited commodities that others also want.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You love to know what's really going on in people's lives, but mostly they show you what their lives look like instead of what they feel like. Good thing you never go strictly by appearances.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your compassion is an enormous strength. You will ideally use it to be helpful, to teach others and/or be the catalyst for their growth. What you don't want is to enable others or "fix" them, which never works.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Aim for the middle of the road. You'll hit the perfect note: surprising, but not obvious; spontaneous, but not impulsive; romantic, but nobody's fool.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If "play" is an art form, you're a fine artist indeed today. You'll be so involved in your process of curious enjoyment that you won't even think to stop and commemorate it. This is living.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). In friendship, you'll deal with the other person's flaws or be kind enough to look the other way. But you're stricter when your heart's on the line. There are standards that must be met before you give your trust.  
**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Aug. 19). "We are all lions," said the poet Rumi, "but lions on a banner: because of the wind they are rushing onward from moment to moment." This solar return, you'll seize your moment, marching forward for your cause, a purpose that brings out your most regal characteristics.  
 Windfall months: September and June. Cancer and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 30, 2, 21 and 16.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

7 LITTLE WORDS

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

- | CLUES                              | SOLUTIONS |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1 Crush competitor (7)             | _____     |
| 2 Sit 'n Spin maker (9)            | _____     |
| 3 jam band from Vermont (5)        | _____     |
| 4 cereal with a spokes-rabbit (4)  | _____     |
| 5 hosting site for short blogs (6) | _____     |
| 6 Hershey's bar with rice (7)      | _____     |
| 7 Meghan Trainor's footwear (8)    | _____     |

AY	TR	OL	EC	ST
KEL	HE	SU	TUM	IX
ISH	SK	PL	BLR	KR
SKO	NKI	RS	AC	PH

Today's Answers: 1. SUNKIST 2. PLAYSKOL 3. PHISH 4. TRIX 5. TUMBLR 6. KRACKEL 7. SKECHERS

JANRIC CLASSIC SUDOKU

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and 3x3 block. Use logic and process elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

3	1	7			9	5		2
	2				3			
	5		7			1		
	6			9				
7				5				9
				3			4	
		5			8		2	
			9				8	
8		2	3			4	1	6

Rating: GOLD

Solution to 8/19/18

3	1	7	4	8	9	5	6	2
9	2	6	5	1	3	8	7	4
4	5	8	7	6	2	1	9	3
2	6	3	1	9	4	7	5	8
7	4	1	8	5	6	2	3	9
5	8	9	2	3	7	6	4	1
1	3	5	6	4	8	9	2	7
6	7	4	9	2	1	3	8	5
8	9	2	3	7	5	4	1	6

DEAR ABBY

Toxic family members cast doubt on couple's future marriage plans

**DEAR ABBY:** I am in my late 20s and dating a man in his mid-30s whom I am crazy about. We have been dating for a year and are starting to discuss marriage and children. He's kind, hard-working, gives back to the community, and does everything he can to make me happy.



Dear Abby

My problem is his family. His mother curses and yells at him every few months, usually around the holidays when he tells her he's splitting his time between his family and mine. She breaks him down any way she can, such as finding fault with me or bringing up mistakes he made 10 or 15 years ago.

His sister tells him often that she doesn't like me because of things she claims I said or did. She has also attacked me on social media. The rest of the family gets involved in the drama and even blackmailed him (insinuating they would get him fired) when he tried to ignore them. A week or so after these outbursts occur, his family pretends nothing happened.

He admits his family has "issues," but he still wants a

relationship with them. I try to limit my time with them, but I'm worried about our future. He would make an amazing husband, but I am unsure how — or if — I can get past his toxic family. Any words of wisdom would be appreciated. — HAPPILY EVER AFTER?

**DEAR HAPPILY:** I can see why you would question a future with a man from a family that guilts, manipulates and lies to the degree that his does.

Whether you can overcome the baggage he will carry after you leave the altar is debatable.

It might help if the two of you discuss this not only with each other, but also with a clergyperson who can give you unbiased premarital counseling. If you do get married,

consider moving farther away from his family to secure your independence.

He may also have to find another job if he's under their thumb financially.

**DEAR ABBY:** My teenage son came to us because he feels lonely and like no one cares. He says he knows his family is there for him and loves him, but he's looking for that special girl. I talked to him and tried to let him know that right now he needs to focus on himself and where he wants to go with his life, and eventually he will meet someone.

He has now told me that he has had thoughts of hurting himself and wants to talk with a counselor. We have made an appointment for him.

My question is, is it a good sign that he is seeking help now before he has done anything?

He hasn't harmed himself in any way, doesn't use drugs, doesn't drink or engage in risky behavior.

I want to believe that since he is asking early, all will be OK. — VERY CONCERNED MOM IN ARIZONA

**DEAR MOM:** It's appropriate to believe that. Kudos to your son.

The people you have to worry about are the ones who hide their sadness and pretend everything is OK when it really isn't.

I assume that you made an appointment for your son with a licensed mental health professional.

When your son goes, encourage him to be as open with his therapist about his feelings as he can, so he can get the help he is asking for.

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HELOISE

**Dear Readers:** Trying to get everybody ready for school in the morning can be frenetic and stressful. Use these hints to make mornings calmer and more orderly.

— Ask your children to collect their school materials and place them in their backpacks the night before, so there will not be a dramatic search for their stuff in the morning.

— Make certain your older children decide what they are going to wear the next day. For younger kids, you can select their outfits and lay them out at night.

— Set the breakfast table before you go to bed. Put dishes, silverware and a box of dry cereal on the table.

— Heloise

**Dear Heloise:** I bought a pair of shoes on sale, and they are too tight. Is there any way I can stretch them?

— Emily from Kansas

**Dear Emily:** Yes, you can! Use a shoe stretcher along



Hints from Heloise

with a shoe-stretcher spray. Buy these at a shoe-repair shop. First, spritz the spray inside the shoes and then add the stretcher. If this does not work, get the shoes to a shoe-repair shop, which has a stretching machine, which might or might not work.

You can prevent this problem by not being tempted to buy shoes just because they're on sale and are a great bargain, especially ones that are bit too small. They may not ever fit right. — Heloise

**Dear Readers:** Does your family love to eat bacon? And do you hate to cook it because it splatters grease everywhere? Well, today it does

splatter more because commercially sold bacon is cured in liquid brine. In the past, it was cured with dry salt.

Here's how to stop that icky grease from flying out of the frying pan and onto the stove and elsewhere.

1. Dunk the bacon into flour.
2. Start frying the bacon in a cold skillet.
3. Maintain the heat on medium.
4. Get rid of the fat as the bacon cooks. — Heloise

**Dear Heloise:** We have several wonderful pieces of wood furniture that have been in our family for years. I have noticed scratches and small cracks on them. Is there any way I can correct the flaws?

— Steve from Connecticut

**Dear Steve:** Yes, wood furniture needs a good polish from time to time so it doesn't dry out and develop these problems. Age and use contribute to cracks and scratches. If you have big problems, get

the pieces to a furniture professional. For smaller issues, here's how to cover or contain them:

Purchase wax sticks at big box or hardware stores. You can match the wax stick color to your wood finish. These sticks will cover cracks or deep scratches in the wood. Rub the stick into the crack until it is even with the surface. Take a putty knife and heat it in hot water. Use the flat side of the knife to run across the area filled with the wax to be sure there's a smooth and even surface. — Heloise

**Dear Readers:** When you pull off duct tape, it can leave a sticky residue that's hard to remove. Here's how to get it off: Pour a bit of baby oil or vegetable oil on the sticky areas, rub it in with your fingers and leave it on for 30 minutes. Pat cornmeal in the oil and use a plastic scrubber to rub in circles until the residue balls up and you can remove it. — Heloise

KENKEN THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

EASY

12x	2÷		1
	2-	5+	
2		2-	2÷
3-			

CHALLENGING

11+	3	40x		5-
	3-		2	2÷
2÷	1-	3÷		5
		3÷	5-	3÷
1-			5	10+
5-		2-		

**RULES**

- 1 Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 4 (easy) or 1 through 6 (challenging) without repeating.
- 2 The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.
- 3 Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

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TODAY'S ANSWERS

JUMBLE

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Kneure

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

HHLATE  
YONMEK  
TRUGET  
EEEDCS  
NOYERR  
LUFOND

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# Thousands await rescue amid deadly south Indian floods

By **AIJAZ RAHI**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TRIVANDRUM, India — Thousands of stranded people were waiting to be rescued Saturday and officials pleaded for more help as relentless monsoon floods battered the southern Indian state of Kerala, where more than 190 have died in a little over a week and much of the state is partially submerged.

Heavy rains hit parts of the state again Saturday morning, slowing attempts to deploy rescuers and get relief supplies to isolated areas. Many have seen no help for days and can only be reached by boat or helicopter.

More than 300,000 people have taken shelter in over 1,500 state-run relief camps, officials said. But authorities said they were being inundated with calls for assistance, local media reported.

“We are receiving multiple repetitive rescue requests,” the office of the state’s top official, Pinarayi Vijayan, said Friday in a tweet, asking those in need to provide their exact location and nearby landmarks so rescuers can find them.

Officials have called it the worst flooding in Kerala in a century, with rainfall in some areas well over double that of a typical monsoon season.

The downpours that started Aug. 8 have triggered floods and landslides and caused homes and bridges to



AP PHOTO

**An Indian woman and a child wade past floodwaters after heavy rainfall in Ahmedabad, India, Friday. India receives its annual rainfall from June-October.**

collapse across Kerala, a picturesque state known for its quiet tropical backwaters and beautiful beaches.

Officials estimate more than 6,200 miles of roads have been damaged. One of the state’s major airports, in the city of Kochi, has been closed.

Meteorologists expect the rains to ease up over the next few days.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi met Saturday with the state’s top officials, promising more than \$70 million in aid. While the central government has dispatched multiple military units to Kerala, state officials are pleading for additional help.

“Please ask Modi to give us helicopters, give us helicopters. ... Please, please!” state legislator Saji Cherian said on a Kerala-based TV news channel, the Indian Express newspaper reported.

Modi said 38

helicopters had been deployed for search and rescue operations in the state, which has a population of more than 33 million.

“We all pray for the safety and well-being of the people of Kerala,” he said in a tweet.

Initial storm damage estimates were nearly \$2.8 billion, Vijayan said.

India’s navy said it airlifted a pregnant woman from the floods on Thursday in Kerala and she gave birth to a boy shortly after the rescue. A doctor was lowered to assess the woman before she was lifted into a helicopter, the navy said.

At least 194 people have died in the flooding and 36 more are missing, according to Kerala’s disaster management office.

More than 1,000 people have died in seven Indian states since the start of this year’s monsoon season, including more than 300 in Kerala.

# UK’s Farage vows to end Brexit ‘sell-out’

LONDON (AP) — In Britain, there is a growing sense of Brexit déjà vu.

Two years after the country voted to leave the European Union, emotional arguments about membership in the bloc are raging as fiercely as they did during the 2016 referendum.

With seven months until Britain officially leaves the bloc, negotiations faltering, chances are rising of an acrimonious divorce — and the one thing that pro- and anti-EU forces have in common is that they are both unhappy.

Former U.K. Independence Party leader Nigel Farage announced Saturday that he was returning to

political campaigning in a bid to derail British Prime Minister Theresa May’s plan for future ties with the EU.

Farage, the right-winger who helped lead the successful “leave” campaign in 2016, wrote in the Daily Telegraph that he would join a cross-country bus tour by the group Leave Means Leave to oppose May’s “cowardly sell-out.”

Referring to U.K. politicians and civil servants, he said “unless challenged, these anti-democrats will succeed in frustrating the result” of the referendum.

Negotiations on future relations between the U.K. and the bloc have faltered, largely due to divisions within May’s

Conservative government over how close an economic relationship to seek with EU.

Last month the government finally produced a plan, proposing to stick close to EU regulations in return for free trade in goods. That infuriated Brexit-backers such as Farage and former Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson, who say it would leave the U.K. tethered to the bloc and unable to strike new trade deals around the world.

Opponents of Brexit say that, even if the EU accepts May’s plan — which appears unlikely — it would still erect barriers between Britain and the EU, its biggest trading partner.

# Hundreds of neo-Nazis march in Berlin, protected by police

BERLIN (AP) — Hundreds of neo-Nazis waving flags with the colors of the German Reich are marching through central Berlin, protected from counter-protesters by police in riot gear.

Berlin police spokesman Thilo Cablitz said officers had to physically remove some left-wing demonstrators who had staged sit-down protests along the route of Saturday’s march.

He added that stones and bottles were thrown at some of the far-right protesters, but couldn’t immediately say how many people were injured.

The far-right protesters wore white shirts to commemorate the 31st

anniversary of the death of high-ranking Nazi official Rudolf Hess and carried banners with slogans such as “I regret nothing.”

Hess, who received a life sentence at the Nuremberg trials for his role in planning World War II, died on Aug. 17, 1987.



AP PHOTO

**People carry a banner reading 'I don't regret anything' during a demonstration commemorating the 31st death anniversary of Hitler's deputy Rudolf Hess in Berlin Saturday. Hess died 1987 in a prison in Berlin.**

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## Stunning Sebring lake front home

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This home is at 2881 Lakeview Drive in Sebring. It is priced for \$660,000 and is listed with Dawn Dell and Justin Hartt with Heartland Real Estate Corp.

This private executive four-bedroom, three-and-a-half bath home with a detached three-car garage is on premier Lake Jackson. The property is situated on approximately one acre of waterfront close to town.

Wander down the long circular private driveway to the front entry and detached three-car garage. Landscaping along the sides of the property lines lends to a private retreat feel.

The property underwent renovations in 2014 that included the detached oversized three-car garage. The garage is connected to the home with a breezeway. Once you step into the home through the double doors from the recently renovated front stoop area you will walk into a

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The property has more than 90 feet of waterfront on Lake Jackson with a seawall and a deck is out by the water.

### DIRECTIONS

**2881 Lakeview Drive, Sebring**

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## Gorgeous Lake June Pointe home

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This home is at 574 Sunset Pointe Drive in Lake Placid. It is priced for \$545,000 and is listed with The Elliott Team at Keller Williams Realty.

Nestled in the executive gated community of Lake June Pointe, this stunning home sits on 109 feet of frontage on highly coveted Lake June and features a new roof.

What a gorgeous home, property and community. This home boasts more than 2,300 square feet of living space with luxurious amenities such as crown molding, plantation shutters, tray ceilings and more.

The sprawling split floor plan features both a living room and a family room. The solid surface island kitchen is beautiful with cherry cabinets and stainless steel appliances. A quaint breakfast bar overlooks the breakfast nook area, which has a bay window and offers gorgeous

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### DIRECTIONS

**574 Sunset Pointe Drive, Lake Placid**

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## Resort-lifestyle home in Highlands Ridge

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This home is at 3261 E. Anglers Stream in Avon Park. It is priced for \$199,500 and is listed with Kim Reed and Helen Ferry of The Reed-Ferry Team with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Properties Group. An open house will be held today from 1-3 p.m.

Looking for a home in an active adult community that offers a relaxed, low-maintenance lifestyle? Look no further than Highlands Ridge! This two-bedroom, two-bath, two-car plus golf cart garage home could be just the ticket.

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### DIRECTIONS

**3261 E. Anglers Stream, Avon Park**

From U.S. 27 in Sebring, turn onto Sebring Parkway. Turn left onto Scenic Highway. Turn right onto Manatee Drive. Turn left onto State Road 17 North. Turn right onto Power Line Road. Turn left into Highlands Ridge onto South Clubhouse Boulevard. Turn right onto East Fairway Vista Drive. Turn left onto East Anglers Stream. The home is on the right.

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**Dawn Dell is with Heartland Real Estate Corp. Call 863-381-0400.**



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views of the pool and lake. The soaring ceilings and wall of slider doors — with windows overhead too — offers a million-dollar panoramic view of Lake June and lets in a ton of

natural light. The luxurious master bedroom has a spa-style master bath. Enjoy his-and-hers vanities and a large garden soaking tub with a wall of glass blocks behind it. Behind these glass blocks is a huge walk-in shower. The covered lanai is an awesome entertaining space. The brick paver

pool patio and soaring vaulted screen encloses the heated salt-water pool and overlooks Lake June. The home and property also feature an indoor laundry room, attached two-car garage, dock and boathouse. For more information, call The Elliott Team at 863-658-3780.



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lushly landscaped private backyard! Tastefully finished inside, this home has high ceilings and decorator features giving it an open feeling. The spacious 17 by 18 living room boasts plenty of room for entertaining and is open to the kitchen and huge Florida room beyond. The kitchen features new wood laminate flooring, white cabinets, solid surface counter tops, planning desk, pantry, plant ledges plus plenty of storage and counter space. At 10 by 18, it has plenty of room for all the chef's in the family. The cozy breakfast nook is the perfect place for casual meals, with lots of light from the bay window overlooking the lushly landscaped private backyard. You'll enjoy relaxing in the air-conditioned 16 by 22 Florida room, with windows making it truly

a four-season room. It is accessible from the living room and breakfast area by sliding glass doors and is large enough to use part of it as an office or formal dining room. It is painted a soothing shade of green making it the perfect place to relax and enjoy nature or serve as a quiet place to read a favorite novel. Step outside to the park-like back yard! You won't find a more beautiful setting with the gorgeous landscaping, which includes pavers, plantings, a dining area and the most relaxing view. The spacious owner's suite boasts vaulted ceilings, two walk-in closets, a large walk-in shower, double vanity, private water closet and plenty of natural light. This home is a split floor plan offering privacy for both owner and guests. The spacious guest room is adjacent to the other bath, which includes a jetted tub. The laundry room acts

as a mud room between the house and garage and offers plenty of cabinets and counter space. This well-maintained home just screams pride of ownership and offers 1,819 square feet of air-conditioned living space with 2,482 total square footage. The two-car plus golf cart garage has plenty of room for cars while still leaving room for storage. The low homeowner's association fee covers lawn mowing and edging, allowing the home owner plenty of time to enjoy the many amenities this beautiful community has to offer. Highlands Ridge has two championship golf courses, restaurants, two pools, library, fitness center, pickle ball, tennis and more. To schedule a private viewing of this lovely home, call Reed at 863-381-6575 or email Kimbreed@comcast.net or call Ferry at 863-381-1089 or email Hbferry@comcast.net. Ask about MLS 248410.



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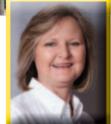
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# Distinguishing mortgage shopping sites from gotcha sites

By **JACK GUTTENTAG**  
MORTGAGE PROFESSOR

A mortgage-shopping site is designed to allow a potential borrower to select the best offer from a competing group of lenders before contacting one, avoiding the sales process. Shopping sites are multi-lender but not all multi-lender sites are shopping sites. A site can provide information about multiple lenders without providing the tools and information needed to shop them effectively.

A mortgage-gotcha site is one designed to induce the user to contact a lender, at which point a one-on-one sale process can begin. That process aims to convert users into customers while dissuading them from looking elsewhere.

In sum, a shopping site is designed to facilitate competition while a gotcha site is designed to avoid it.

All single-lender sites and most multi-lender sites are gotcha sites. While they differ widely in the quality of information they offer users, they

all have the same objective: to induce the user to contact one lender and stop looking elsewhere.

These thoughts are prompted by a recent visit I made to Bankrate.com, a heavily trafficked consumer site. When I last visited some years ago, it was a very simple multi-lender gotcha site. The current version is light-years better, more information on mortgage features is provided, and it now looks like a mortgage shopping site – but is it one? That depends on whether or not it now meets the requirements of a shopping site.

**Required features of shopping sites**

**Posted Prices:** Shopping sites display prices obtained directly from or consistent with each lender's internal pricing system. The alternative is to have prices entered independently of the lender's pricing system, perhaps by loan officers, which may or may not be valid. This was the case with the earlier version of the Bankrate site, which was highly vulnerable to "low-balling" – the

practice of setting prices below the market to snare unwary borrowers, then raising them later on one or another pretext. The current version of Bankrate displays posted prices and is not subject to low-balling.

**Real-Time Prices:** Prices on a shopping site should always be live. This means that whenever a lender posts new prices on its own site or for its loan officers, prices on the multi-lender site change automatically and simultaneously. As far as I can determine, Bankrate displays real-time prices.

**Complete Prices:** Prices on a shopping site should include all charges that affect borrowers. Bankrate does show charges expressed as a percent of the loan (points), and fixed-dollar charges. On adjustable rate mortgages (ARMs), however, Bankrate doesn't show the current value of the rate index used by the ARM, the lender's margin, rate adjustment caps, and maximum and minimum rates. This is critical information for anyone contemplating an ARM.

**Fully-Adjusted Prices:** Prices on a shopping site must be adjusted for all transaction features that affect the price. This includes loan purpose, property value, down payment, loan amount, property zip code, credit score, property type, occupancy type, lock period, and escrow waiver. For a borrower, fully adjusted prices makes the price quotations from different lenders comparable – and therefore shoppable.

This is where Bankrate falls short. It does not adjust the prices it displays for different property types, for occupancy versus investment, for cash-out versus no-cash refinances, for different lock periods, or for escrow waivers. To obtain a completely adjusted price quote, the user must request it from a selected lender and provide contact information to that lender. On providing contact information, the user is told "One of our experts will follow up shortly to provide a FREE personalized rate quote..." This is a gotcha feature.

On the other hand, Bankrate does help the user select that one lender. Bankrate shows the APRs of every lender based on the transaction features entered by the user and (presumably) a set of standardized assumptions for those features that users cannot specify. The APR is not the best way to do this, but it does assure that the prices of the lender chosen are favorable relative to the other lenders on the site. This is a shopping feature – the only shopping feature.

Note that the standardized assumptions are without doubt the most favorable available. For example, the property assumed in pricing the loan is single-family, not 4-family or condo, which would be priced higher.

**Missing functionality**  
**Price Monitoring:** An effective shopping site allows the user to monitor the price of the selected lender until it is locked, which might take a few days, or a few weeks. Until the loan is locked, the price will float with the market, and the user

who cannot monitor the price changes cannot verify that the locked price is identical to the price the lender is currently quoting on identical new loans. Bankrate does not offer price monitoring.

**Decision Support:** Many borrowers need help in making decisions about the type of mortgage, and the combination of upfront fees and interest rate that best meets their needs. Borrowers should have information on the impact of different mortgage options on their future wealth. Bankrate does not provide this.

In sum, Bankrate is a much-improved site and has added a useful shopping feature, but it remains more of a gotcha site than a shopping site. Full disclosure department: I have a mortgage shopping site which can be viewed as competitive with Bankrate.

*Jack Guttentag is professor emeritus of finance at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Comments and questions can be left at mtgprofessor.com.*

# July housing starts up a slight 0.9 percent as tariffs bite

By **JOSH BOAK**  
AP ECONOMICS WRITER

WASHINGTON — U.S. housing starts ticked up just 0.9 percent in July, a sign that higher construction costs might be weighing on homebuilders.

The Commerce Department said Thursday that housing starts last month rose to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.17 million, not nearly enough to reverse the steep 12.9 percent plunge seen in June as rising lumber, land and labor costs appeared to constrain new construction. Lumber prices have shot up by about \$7,000 per home since the start of 2017, largely due to tariffs on Canadian softwood lumber by the Trump administration, according to the National Association of Home Builders.

"It looks like U.S. homebuilders are finding it increasingly difficult



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This May file photo shows a house under construction in Roseville, Calif. On Thursday, Aug. 16, the Commerce Department reports on U.S. home construction in July.

to get into the groove," said Jennifer Lee, a senior economist at BMO Capital Markets.

Still, housing starts have risen 6.2 percent

year-to-date. Solid job growth and a dearth of existing homes for sales have increased demand for new properties.

Prices are also a factor

for would-be buyers, who are facing higher mortgage rates this year. The average interest on a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage was 4.53 percent this

week, up from 3.89 percent a year ago, according to the mortgage company Freddie Mac.

Ground breaking fell last month in the two

priciest regional markets: the West and Northeast. But starts increased in the more affordable markets of the Midwest and South.

These regional differences caused Stephen Stanley, chief economist at Amherst Pierpont Securities, to suggest that weather might be a source of the slowdown. The West is coping with wildfires and heat waves, while the Northeast dealt with severe rainfalls, he said.

Building permits, an indicator of future construction, rose 1.5 percent in July.

But Robert Dietz, chief economist for the National Association of Home Builders, noted on Twitter that there has been a sharp increase in single-family homes being authorized but never started, which indicates that projects are being delayed because of higher building materials costs.

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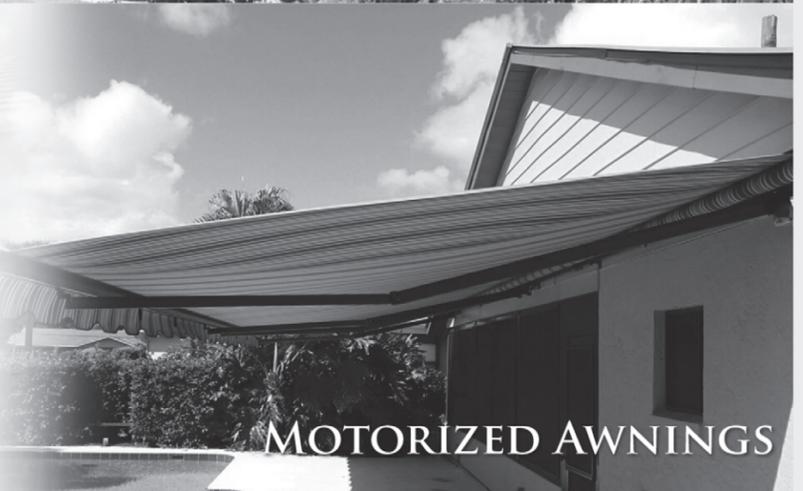
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# Coats joins Heartland Real Estate

SPECIAL TO HIGHLANDS NEWS-SUN



COATS

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"We are very happy to have Jane join the HREC family," said Jimmy Wohl, HREC president/broker. "As an experienced realtor who is dedicated to her clients, Jane is a perfect fit for our real estate office."

Coats was born and raised in Michigan where she began her successful

career in real estate working for a golf course development. Two children and many years later she sold property in Deer Valley, Utah and then worked in Colorado handling foreclosure properties. Happy to be settled here in Sebring, she is dedicated to helping others buy and sell their homes and properties.

"Whether you are buying or selling any type of property anywhere in the Central Florida area, our team is not only

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# Average US mortgage rates fall 30-year at 4.53 percent

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WASHINGTON — Long-term U.S. mortgage rates fell this week for the second straight week, with relatively lower rates continuing to fail to spark home sales.

Mortgage buyer Freddie Mac says the average rate on 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages dipped to 4.53 percent from 4.59 percent last week. Long-term loan rates have been running at their highest levels in seven years. The average benchmark 30-year rate reached a high this year of 4.66 percent



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This May photo shows a home for sale in Gibsonsia, Pa. On Thursday, Aug. 16, Freddie Mac reports on the week's average U.S. mortgage rates.

on May 24. By contrast, the rate stood at 3.89 percent a year ago.

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# DELL

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formal living room/dining room combination. The room has glass sliding glass doors overlooking the backyard.

You will notice the lush, landscaped backyard with grandfather oak trees and lake views. Continue through the doorway into the updated kitchen/family room combo. You are greeted with soaring high ceilings and transom windows that create a lot of natural light.

The kitchen was recently updated and is sure to please any master chef and serves as the heart of this home. There is plenty of space on the gorgeous white quartz counter tops and you will love the double bowl farmhouse sink.

The great room has wood flooring and a gas fireplace and is a perfect space for entertaining. The family room also offers lake access through glass sliders.

All of the glass sliders in the home have sliding plantation shutters too.

This adds to the element of privacy. All the windows are also adorned with custom plantation shutters.

Off of the great room is a laundry room styled after the kitchen and has an access door leading to the breezeway. Another bathroom and bedroom is in the front of the home, which allows access to the front foyer without accessing the main home. This space could be converted into an office or a mother in-law quarters and by adding a kitchenette to the laundry room you could make it private.

From the great room is a tri-level stairway. Steps up from the great room is the owner's suite and down one level are two secondary bedrooms and one-and-a-half baths.

The owner's suite has a closet fit for a queen and her king! Enjoy stunning views of the lake from the private balcony. The owner's bath has a glass enclosed walk-in shower, additional large soaker tub and quartz counters with double vanity.

With a little



COURTESY PHOTO

The great room has wood flooring and a gas fireplace and is a perfect space for entertaining.

imagination, the space where the two secondary bedrooms are could easily be configured to add a third bedroom, making it a five-bedroom home.

The bath in this area is ideal for multiple users, with two toilet vanity areas that share a tub/shower room. One vanity area has access from the hall and the other has a private entrance. One bedroom has access to the lake through glass sliders and the other larger bedroom has spectacular lake views through a huge window.

Walk out from the great

room, formal living room or secondary bedroom to a covered rear open lanai that overlooks the lush backyard. The backyard faces to the south and has some of the best views of the lake.

The property has more than 90 feet of waterfront on Lake Jackson with a seawall and a deck is out by the water. Lake Jackson is a 3,212-acre lake located in the city limits. It is a sandy ridge bottom clear lake known for recreation but also has great bass and speck fishing. A health trail runs around the entire exterior of the lake and has approximately 10 miles of continuous sidewalk all the way around for walking or bicycles.

Sebring is located in the heart of Highlands County and is the county hub. It is approximately two hours to either coast and within 90 miles of 90 percent of the state's population, without the crime rate and traffic. This is a great home to view for any lake front buyer.

For more information, call Dell at 863-381-0400 or Hartt at 863-443-1274. View the virtual tour at heartlandre.net. Search for MLS 248328.

# 9 expenses to pack in your moving budget



CHRIS DUNN/YORK DAILY RECORD VIA AP

In this July 13, 2012, file photo, people load a U-Haul truck with boxes while they prepare to move in York, Pa. Moving to a new place can be taxing, emotionally and financially. Preparing a budget can help.

By LAUREN SCHWAHN  
NERDWALLET

Moving comes with a long, expensive to-do list.

The average cost for a local move from a two-bedroom apartment or three-bedroom house ranges from \$400 to \$1,000, according to HomeAdvisor's True Cost Guide. While you're choosing a place to live and deciding what to pack, having a plan for expenses can ensure your budget doesn't get lost in the shuffle.

"It's very easy to overlook minor details because when you're moving, you're looking at getting your stuff from point A to point B," says Jessica Nichols, a director at Avail Move Management, a relocation and transportation service in Evansville, Indiana.

Preparing for moving costs can help alleviate emotional and financial strain. Consider these less-obvious expenses.

## 1. PEAK SURCHARGES

Many moving and truck rental companies raise rates during busy times like summer and weekends. If you have the flexibility, relocate in an off-peak period to save money.

## 2. PACKING MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

Buying items like boxes, bubble wrap and packing tape can add up. For example, U-Haul sells large moving boxes for \$1.63 to \$1.99 each, depending on how many you buy. Be realistic about the number you need. Or seek free materials from friends or online.

Additionally, consider the items you'll need to safely transport your belongings, including furniture covers, hand trucks and bungee cords. If your movers don't provide them, or you aren't hiring professionals, renting or borrowing is more

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This home is at 2881 Lakeview Drive in Sebring. It is priced for \$660,000 and is listed with Dawn Dell and Justin Hartt with Heartland Real Estate Corp.

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# MOVING

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affordable than buying.

### 3. EXCESS CARGO

The more stuff you schlep, the more you'll pay. Movers usually factor the number and weight of items into the bill. Expect additional fees for valuable or large items like pianos that require extra time, space or labor.

Hauling everything yourself? A bigger load can require a larger vehicle or more gas-guzzling trips. To save money, donate or sell what you can before you move.

### 4. CLEANING

You'll likely need to tidy up your current place, especially if there's a security deposit at stake.

Housecleaning services typically charge \$200 to \$300 for a one-time cleaning, according to HomeAdvisor. You'll save money by doing some or all of the work yourself.

### 5. UTILITIES

Watch for deposits, taxes, and connection and installation fees when setting up utilities at your new address. These could range from \$10 to \$200 or more. Ask power, internet and other service providers about charges in advance.

### 6. FOOD

Food expenses can pop up, too. Think snacks for the road, restocking the refrigerator and pantry, and feeding friends who've helped. Shopping wholesale clubs could be a smart strategy to feed a crowd.

### 7. LOST OR DAMAGED ITEMS

Some belongings might not survive the journey. Depending on what you're transporting and how far, it may be worth

purchasing protection to repair or replace property.

"Nobody wants to think about their items getting broken. Ideally that would never happen, but in the real world that's something you need to plan for," says Nichols.

Most movers provide basic valuation coverage, which limits their liability to 60 cents per pound, per item. For a 40-pound TV valued at \$500, that's \$24. Top-tier options and separate insurance plans offer higher or full values, but it will cost extra. If you have homeowners or renters insurance, you likely have some coverage. Check your policy.

### 8. TIPS

Movers appreciate tips after a long day of heavy lifting. Give tips based on your satisfaction level, but a good rule of thumb is 5 percent of the total bill.

### 9. STORAGE

If you can't immediately move your possessions into your new home, you might have to rent a



DEAN KNUTH/ARIZONA DAILY STAR VIA AP

**In this Aug. 17, 2011 file photo, Tony Lang carries a box while moving in to the new Likins Hall dorm at the University of Arizona in Tucson, Ariz. Moving to a new place can be taxing, emotionally and financially. Preparing a budget can help. Aside from the cost of hiring movers, consider less-obvious expenses like packing materials, furniture covers and storage.**

self-storage unit. Costs vary by size and location. Public Storage units in Austin, Texas, for example, range from about \$30 to \$300 per month. The less time and space you need, the less expensive the unit.

Make your budget move-in ready

Mentally walk through your moving process from start to finish.

Outline the potential items and services you'll need at least a month ahead. Then, research prices and get multiple estimates for the best deals and service, Nichols says.

Leave wiggle room for unexpected costs and take your time purchasing new home furnishings, says Daria Victorov, a certified financial planner at Abacus Wealth Partners in San Mateo, California. Remember, you don't have to buy everything at once.

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## BIG LEAGUE DREAMS

A number of Major League Baseball Players have taken part in the Little League World Series. **Page 2**

## NFL

# Jaguars defeat Vikings 14-10

By **DAVE CAMPBELL**  
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Minnesota and Jacksonville had the top two defenses in the NFL last season, a major reason why the Vikings and Jaguars reached their respective conference championship games.

Two joint practices and one exhibition game produced yet more evidence of the exceptional skill and sound scheme each team has on that side of the ball. Yannick Ngakoue

had an 11-yard sack that helped Jacksonville hold Kirk Cousins and Minnesota's starting offense to three completions and three points, before the Jaguars reserves rallied for a 14-10 victory over the Vikings on Saturday.

"The defense got after them pretty good, and their defense got after us pretty good," Vikings coach Mike Zimmer said. "That's kind of how it looked all week."

Cousins was crisp in his only series last week, but the Vikings went

three-and-out on two of their four possessions with their new quarterback. Latavius Murray's second fumble, stripped by Malik Jackson and recovered by Calais Campbell, stopped another drive. Cousins finished just 3 for 8 for 12 yards.

"Frankly, I think that's what we need and maybe want at this time of year," Cousins said. "Nobody feeling comfortable."

About all the ever-demanding Zimmer was pleased with was that the Vikings didn't actually

win.

"It kind of looked like we didn't practice this week, to be honest with you," he said.

Minnesota's defense was closer to midseason form, with an interception by Harrison Smith of Blake Bortles and another sure pick by Mackenzie Alexander that was bobbled and dropped.

Bortles played the entire first half and went 12 for 20 for 159 yards, producing a touchdown run by



AP PHOTO/BRUCE KLUCKHOHN

Jacksonville Jaguars wide receiver Marqise Lee is tackled by Minnesota Vikings defensive back Xavier Rhodes, right, during the first half of an NFL preseason football game, Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018, in Minneapolis.

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## BASEBALL

# Price goes 7, Martinez hits 38th HR; Red Sox beat Rays

By **KEN POWTAK**  
Associated Press

BOSTON — David Price pitched seven solid innings, J.D. Martinez hit his major league-leading 38th homer after Boston jumped to a quick lead and the Red Sox beat the Tampa Bay Rays 5-2 on Saturday night for their 17th victory in 20 games.

Mitch Moreland added an RBI double during Boston's four-run first inning. The Red Sox, who own the majors' best record, improved to a season-high 52 games over .500 and maintained their 10 1/2-game lead over the second-place New York Yankees in the AL East.

C.J. Cron hit a two-run homer for the Rays. Tampa Bay fell to 4-11 against Boston this season.

Price (13-6) gave up  
SEE RAYS, A3



AP PHOTO/MICHAEL DWYER

Tampa Bay Rays' Tyler Glasnow pitches during the first inning of a baseball game against the Boston Red Sox in Boston, Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018.

## AUTO RACING

# Kurt Busch steals spotlight from younger brother at Bristol

By **JENNA FRYER**  
Associated Press

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Kurt Busch stole the spotlight from his younger brother Saturday night at Bristol Motor Speedway to grab an overdue short-track victory.

Busch won for the

first time this season but sixth on the 0.533-mile bullring he once dominated. But that was before younger brother Kyle Busch learned his way around the place, and Kyle Busch has been the master of the Tennessee track.

Kyle Busch, winner of seven career Cup races

at Bristol, chose the song "All I Do Is Win" by D.J. Khaled to play as he was introduced before the race. The crowd responded with a thunderous boo, and Kyle Busch's eventful evening was off to a roaring start.

Kyle Busch triggered a 15-car accident just

two laps into the race. He fell two laps off the pace, came back to race Martin Truex Jr. for second, and moved Truex out the way late in the race. A frustrated Truex kicked his car in anger.

As Kyle Busch was

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## NFL: PRESEASON ROUNDUP

# McCarron hurt in Bills win over Browns

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Buffalo quarterback AJ McCarron sustained a potentially serious shoulder injury, throwing the Bills' quarterback situation into total disarray, during a 19-17 win over the Cleveland Browns on Friday night.

McCarron, who signed with Buffalo as a free agent for a chance to start after four years as a backup in Cincinnati, completed just 3 of 6 for 12 yards during four series.

The 27-year-old didn't show any obvious signs of being hurt — he was hit hard from behind by

Myles Garrett and sacked by Larry Ogunjobi — and the Bills didn't disclose his injury until the fourth quarter.

McCarron is competing with Nathan Peterman and rookie Josh Allen for Buffalo's starting job.

Allen, the No. 7 overall pick, out-performed McCarron and Peterman rallied the Bills (2-0) with a late touchdown pass to tight end Nick O'Leary.

Rookie Nick Chubb and Carlos Hyde had touchdown runs for the Browns (1-1).

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## GOLF

# Snedeker leads Wyndham with play held up due to weather

By **JOEDY MCCREARY**  
Associated Press

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — Brandt Snedeker held a three-stroke lead Saturday in the Wyndham Championship when the third round was suspended because of severe weather.

Snedeker was 16 under for the tournament with 11 holes left in the round at the final event of the PGA Tour's regular season.

Brian Gay was 13 under through 12 holes, and Trey Mullinax, Keith Mitchell, C.T. Pan and D.A. Points were another

stroke back at varying stages of their rounds.

Thirty players were still on the course when play was halted during the mid-afternoon with thunder booming and a threat of lightning. After a 3-hour, 23-minute delay, organizers chose to hold things up overnight and resume the round at 8 a.m. Sunday.

When things resume, Snedeker — who opened with a 59 to become the first tour player this year and just the 10th ever to break 60 — will look to keep himself in position

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**PICK 2**

Aug. 18N .....	2-6
Aug. 18D .....	9-4
Aug. 17N .....	8-6
Aug. 17D .....	2-7
Aug. 16N .....	7-0
Aug. 16D .....	4-0

**PICK 3**

Aug. 18N .....	2-1-1
Aug. 18D .....	3-5-9
Aug. 17N .....	6-1-2
Aug. 17D .....	2-0-2
Aug. 16N .....	5-9-4
Aug. 16D .....	2-8-0

**PICK 4**

Aug. 18N .....	7-7-6-5
Aug. 18D .....	7-8-3-4
Aug. 17N .....	6-7-8-2
Aug. 17D .....	9-9-7-2
Aug. 16N .....	5-5-9-0
Aug. 16D .....	7-9-0-3

**PICK 5**

Aug. 18N .....	7-6-1-6-0
Aug. 18D .....	8-3-2-7-8
Aug. 17N .....	6-3-0-4-8
Aug. 17D .....	4-0-7-2-4
Aug. 16N .....	8-9-4-4-1
Aug. 16D .....	9-7-1-2-4

D-Day, N-Night

**FANTASY 5**

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Aug. 17 .....	7-11-18-30-31
Aug. 16 .....	14-16-24-28-33
Aug. 15 .....	2-4-5-7-20

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PAYOFF for Aug. 17

0.....	5-digit winner \$0
337	4-digit winners \$555.000
9,794	3-digit winners \$14.50

**CASH FOR LIFE**

Aug. 16.....	9-25-28-29-48
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Cash Ball ..... 1

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PAYOFF FOR Aug. 16

**SPORTS ON TV**

**AUTO RACING**  
1 p.m.  
FS1 — IMSA, WeatherTech SportsCar Championship, Michelin GT Challenge at VIR, at Alton, Va.  
2 p.m.  
NBCSN — IndyCar, ABC Supply 500, at Long Pond, Pa.  
2 p.m.  
FS2 — IMSA, WeatherTech SportsCar Championship, Michelin GT Challenge at VIR, at Alton, Va.  
**BASEBALL**  
9 a.m.  
ESPN — Little League World Series, double-elimination game, Seoul (South Korea) vs. Matamoros (Mexico), at Williamsport, Pa.  
11 a.m.  
ESPN — Little League World Series, double-elimination game, Staten Island (N.Y.) vs. Houston, at Williamsport, Pa.  
Noon  
ESPN2 — Junior League World Series, championship game, Taoyuan (Taiwan)-Reynosa (Mexico) winner vs. Lufkin (Texas)-Manhattan Beach (Calif.) winner, at Taylor, Mich.  
1 p.m.  
ESPN — Little League World Series, double-elimination game, Arraijan (Panama) vs. Kawaguchi (Japan), at Williamsport, Pa.  
ESPN — American Legion World Series, Massachusetts vs. Delaware, at Shelby, N.C.  
2 p.m.  
ABC — Little League World Series, double-elimination game, Grosse Pointe Woods (Mich.) vs. Honolulu, at Williamsport, Pa.  
4 p.m.  
ESPN — American Legion World Series, Michigan vs. Idaho, at Shelby, N.C.  
7:30 p.m.  
ESPN — American Legion World Series, Nevada vs. North Carolina, at Shelby, N.C.  
**BEACH VOLLEYBALL**  
4:30 p.m.  
NBC — AVP Pro Tour, Manhattan Beach Open, semifinals & finals, at Manhattan Beach, Calif.  
**DRAG RACING**  
Noon  
FS1 — NHRA, Lucas Oil Nationals, qualifying, at Brainerd, Minn. (taped)  
2 p.m.  
FS1 — NHRA, Lucas Oil Nationals, finals, at Brainerd, Minn.  
**GOLF**  
7 a.m.  
GOLF — European PGA Tour, Nordea Masters, final round, at Gothenburg,

0.....	5-5 CB \$1,000/Day
0.....	5-5 \$1,000/Week
2.....	4-5 CB \$2,500
10.....	4-5 \$500

**LUCKY MONEY**

Aug. 17.....	6-28-33-37
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Lucky Ball..... 10

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PAYOFF FOR Aug. 14

0.....	4-of-4 LB \$800,000
3.....	4-of-4 \$1,675.00
33.....	3-of-4 LB \$333.50
457.....	3-of-4 \$70.50

ESTIMATED JACKPOT \$1 million

**LOTTO**

Aug. 15.....	2-17-27-32-33-52
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PAYOFF FOR Aug. 15

0.	6-digit winners \$4 million
10	5-digit winners \$8,368.50
761...	4-digit winners \$72.00

ESTIMATED JACKPOT \$4.5 million

**POWERBALL**

Aug. 15.....	12-15-28-47-48
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Powerball..... 16

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PAYOFF FOR Aug. 15

0.....	5-5 + PB \$40 Million
0.....	5-5 \$1 Million
1.....	4-5 + PB \$50,000
20.....	4-5 \$100

ESTIMATED JACKPOT \$50 Million

**MEGA MILLIONS**

Aug. 17.....	1-31-32-47-56
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Mega Ball..... 3

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PAYOFF FOR Aug. 17

0.....	5 of 5 + MB \$88 Million
0.....	5 of 5 \$1 Million
0.....	4 of 5 + MB \$10,000
12.....	4 of 5 \$500

ESTIMATED JACKPOT \$102 Million

**SWEDEN**

1 p.m.	GOLF — PGA Tour, Wyndham Championship, final round, at Greensboro, N.C.
3 p.m.	CBS — PGA Tour, Wyndham Championship, final round, at Greensboro, N.C.
7 p.m.	GOLF — Champions Tour, Dick's Sporting Goods Open, final round, at Endicott, N.Y.
4:30 p.m.	FS1 — USGA, U.S. Amateur Championship, championship match, at Pebble Beach, Calif.
5 p.m.	GOLF — LPGA Tour, Indy Women in Tech Championship, final round, at Indianapolis
7 p.m.	GOLF — Web.com Tour, WinCo Foods Portland Open, final round, at North Plains, Ore.

**GYMNASTICS**  
8 p.m.  
NBC — U.S. Championships, women's competition, at Boston

**HORSE RACING**  
4 p.m.  
FS2 — Saratoga Live, Summer Colony Stakes, at Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

**MLB BASEBALL**  
1 p.m.  
TBS — Toronto at N.Y. Yankees  
7 p.m.  
ESPN — N.Y. Mets vs. Philadelphia, at Williamsport, Pa.

**SOCCER**  
8:30 a.m.  
NBCSN — Premier League, Manchester City vs. Huddersfield Town  
11 a.m.  
NBCSN — Premier League, Brighton & Hove Albion vs. Manchester United  
11:55 a.m.  
ESPNEWS — Serie A, Torino vs. AS Roma  
7:30 p.m.  
FS1 — MLS, New England at D.C. United

**SURFING**  
3 p.m.  
FOX — Red Bull Signature Series, Volcom Pipe Tour, at Oahu, Hawaii (taped)

**TENNIS**  
2 p.m.  
ESPN2 — WTA World Tour & U.S. Open Series, Western & Southern Open, women's final, at Cincinnati  
4 p.m.  
ESPN2 — ATP World Tour & U.S. Open Series, Western & Southern Open, men's final, at Cincinnati

**WNBA BASKETBALL**  
7 p.m.  
ESPN2 — Washington at Minnesota

**BASEBALL**

**Stone Crabs defeat Cardinals in 10**

Staff reports

A big first inning for Charlotte helped establish an early cushion, but Palm Beach was resolute and kept battling back Saturday evening at the Charlotte Sports Park. The Stone Crabs won a hard fought contest 8-7 in 10 innings.

The game was delayed by rain, but it didn't deter the Stone Crabs from playing heads up baseball. Rene Pinto got the Stone Crabs on the board, with a sacrifice

fly to center field, plating Vidal Brujan. Cardinal pitching would once again have problems with their control, allowing the Stone Crabs to take advantage of the opportunities, with Miles Mastrobuoni scoring on a wild pitch. Tristan Gray would walk, one of three bases on balls he would draw in the game, on a wild pitch, this time allowing Jake Fraley to score. Jermaine Palacios would add to the scoring, delivering an RBI single, plating Gray.

The Stone Crabs would come back with a 3-run 4th inning, with Brujan doubling to center, driving in Palacios. Rene Pinto would reach on a throwing error, allowing Eleardo Cabrera to score. Fraley's sacrifice fly to right field would cap the inning's scoring.

However, a 7-4 lead was hardly secure, and the Cardinals began chipping away, tying the game in the 9th inning.

Charlotte would have to go an extra frame to earn the win, with

Cabrera's infield single plating Gray with the winning run.

Brujan and Palacios had two hits each for the Stone Crabs, who also stole three bases Saturday night, with Brujan, Mastrobuoni and Fraley successfully adding to their theft totals.

Former USF Bull Brandon Lawson started for the Stone Crabs, in a game that saw Charlotte use five relievers, with fireman Trevor Charpie pitching a scoreless 10th inning to earn the win, raising his record to 3-1.

**FOOTBALL: COWBOYS 21, BENGALS 13**

**Bengals top Cowboys behind Prescott**

By SCHUYLER DIXON  
AP Pro Football Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Dak Prescott and the Dallas Cowboys had another efficient pre-season showing.

Andy Dalton bogged down a bit with his Cincinnati Bengals.

Prescott led a pair of scoring drives in three possessions, capped with a scrambling 6-yard scoring pass to Terrance Williams before the Bengals rallied after halftime for a 21-13 exhibition victory Saturday night.

The Bengals had just one first down in four Dalton-led possessions a week after he threw for two touchdowns with an offense that was revamped after finishing last in the NFL. The lone first down was on Dalton's 13-yard scramble



AP PHOTO/MICHAEL AINSWORTH

**Dallas Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott (4) and wide receiver Terrance Williams (83) celebrate after they connected on a pass for a touchdown against the Cincinnati Bengals.**

after the Bengals (2-0) started with a pair of three-and-outs.

A week after throwing a 30-yard touchdown to rookie Michael Gallup on his only drive of the preseason opener in San Francisco, Prescott was 10 of 15 for 86 yards. The TD drive for a 10-0 lead was kept alive by an

8-yard slant to Gallup, who reached out for a nice catch inside the Cincinnati 10.

The concern for the Cowboys (0-2) was the status of four-time Pro Bowl guard Zack Martin, who left early on what would have been his last drive with a knee injury. There was no immediate

update on the severity of the injury, which happened when Martin bent down to block cornerback Dre Kirkpatrick in the open field on a run by Rod Smith.

Dalton's final possession ended when Dallas defensive end Taco Charlton forced a fumble on a short completion to Tyler Boyd, with cornerback Byron Jones getting the recovery.

Dalton was 5 of 7 for 41 yards.

The Cowboys forced two turnovers after getting three against the 49ers. The highlight was Chidobe Awuzie's leaping interception, which he tipped to himself along the sideline late in the first half.

Cincinnati's first points came on backup kicker Jonathan Brown's 55-yard field goal in the third quarter.

**BASEBALL**

**Big leap up: from Williamsport to majors**

By TOMMY BUTLER  
Associated Press

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Some talented, young baseball players have competed at the Little League World Series over the last 71 years. Fifty-four have gone on to realize another dream — making the majors.

Three of those Little League veterans will be on hand when the Mets play the Phillies in Williamsport on Sunday night: Scott Kingery, Todd Frazier and Michael Conforto.

To mark what's being called the MLB Little League Classic, here are some of the notable players who have made the jump from the LLWS to the majors.

KINGERY: Twelve

years ago, Kingery played for the Ahwatukee All-Stars from Phoenix. Now the rookie Philadelphia shortstop is the most recent LLWS player to get to the majors.

"It's going to be cool to go back there and bring back some memories," he said. "It's going to be a good chance to talk to the kids there now, because I know what they're going through, and I know what they feel like. They're probably a little nervous and excited, too, so it'll be good to go watch a game, hang out with some Little Leaguers and play a big game."

What was it like for him in South Williamsport?

"The (memory) that sticks out is the first time we got off the bus and I stood on top of the hill and saw the fields we

were going to be playing on," Kingery said. "When I get there, it's probably going to hit me that that was me in 2006. It's pretty crazy."

FRAZIER: The Mets third baseman has drawn a lot of attention for his Little League connection.

In the 1998 Little League World Series, Frazier led Toms River, New Jersey, with his bat and his arm — he was a pitcher then — and his team beat Japan for the championship. In the big leagues, Frazier helped bring the New York Yankees to the ALCS in 2017.

CONFORTO: The young outfielder played for the Redmond, Washington, team in 2004. His team did not make it out of pool play.

Still, Conforto is one of only three players to

participate in the Little League World Series, College World Series (with Oregon State) and MLB World Series. Making the majors in 2015 with the Mets, the year they lost to the Kansas City Royals in the World Series, Conforto was named an All-Star in 2017.

BOOG POWELL: The longtime Orioles star appeared in the 1954 Little League World Series, playing for the Orange Little League team out of Lakeland, Florida. His club lost to eventual champions New York 16-0 in their first game.

Powell spent 16 years in the majors, winning two World Series titles with Baltimore. He was named an All-Star four times and won the 1970 AL MVP.

**GOLF**

**Salas takes advantage of Park's mistake to grab LPGA lead**



AP PHOTO/DARRON CUMMINGS

**Lizette Salas reacts after making a putt on the sixth green during the third round of the Indy Women in Tech Championship golf tournament, Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018, Indianapolis.**

By MICHAEL MAROT  
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Lizette Salas waited patiently for Sung Hyun Park to make a rare mistake Saturday.

When the South Korean mishit her approach shot into the water on the par-4 16th, Salas capitalized quickly.

She rolled in her birdie putt then watched Park make double bogey — a three-shot swing that gave Salas the lead and the momentum heading into the final round of the Indy Women in Tech Championship. Salas closed out her 8-under 64 with a birdie on No. 18 to reach 21 under — two shots ahead of Park and Amy Yang.

"I have been striking

the ball really well, and I just had to stay patient," Salas said. "And yeah, putts dropped for sure. I just really felt comfortable."

If she keeps it up one more day, Salas could be celebrating her first tour win since the 2014 Kingsmill Championship and her second overall. With five of the next six players on the leader board ranked in the world's top 30, Salas knows it won't be easy.

The changing weather conditions weather may not help, either. If the forecast for mostly sunny conditions Sunday holds, the soft greens that have kept scores at near record-lows through the first three rounds could suddenly become quicker and less forgiving.

But the 29-year-old Californian seems to have the perfect touch for this course, which weaves around and inside the historic Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

She shot three sub-par rounds and finished tied for fifth last year here. This year, she has three more sub-par rounds including a course record-tying 62 on Thursday and has been atop the leader board each of the first three days.

"I have been so confident the whole year," Salas said. "I have a different mentality, I'm a different player. So I'm just going to go out and play as if I'm behind."

Salas' toughest challenge still could from Park, who spent most of

Saturday flirting with a 54-hole scoring record.

She birdied the last four holes on the front side and made back-to-back birdies on Nos. 13 and 14 to reach 21 under with a chance to become the sixth LPGA player to ever finish three rounds at 23 under.

The miscue at No. 16 changed everything.

She never really recovered after dropping two shots, settling for par on the final two holes for a 66 after shooting 68 and 63 the first two days. Yang finished with a 65 after going 68 and 64.

"I was a little weary with right-to-left wind," Park said. "I think a little bit of weariness got to me, but overall, it's OK."

## RAYS

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two runs on five hits, striking out eight, walking two and hitting a batter. He is 3-0 with a 1.35 ERA in his five starts since the All-Star break.

Tyler Glasnow (0-1), making his fourth start since being acquired from Pittsburgh at the non-wavier trading deadline, gave up five runs, four earned, and three hits. He walked three and struck out four in 6 2/3 innings.

Craig Kimbrel got the final three outs for his 37th save.

The Red Sox took advantage of Glasnow's wildness to jump ahead 4-0 in the first. Moreland's RBI double made it 1-0 before Martinez and Xander Bogaerts walked to load the bases. The righty then walked Ian Kinsler, forcing in a run.

First baseman Jake Bauers then fired Brock Holt's grounder into left field attempting a force at second and two runs scored, making it 4-0.

In the third, Martinez homered into Boston's bullpen.

Cron's homer cleared the Green Monster and left Fenway Park completely in the sixth.

### HEADS UP

Tampa Bay's Carlos Gomez advanced to third

when it was left uncovered on a popup that was caught between first and the plate in the first inning.

### NOT HEADS UP

With Kinsler on second and Holt on first in the first, Kinsler got caught trying to steal third too quickly when Glasnow stepped off and got him in a rundown. Holt was unsure where to go, standing between first and second before he was tagged out in a rundown for an inning-ending double play.

Three innings later, Tampa Bay's Tommy Pham was doubled off second on a fly ball to the left-field warning track.

### FRIENDLY FENWAY

The Red Sox improved their home record to a majors' best 44-15.

### TRAINER'S ROOM

Rays: C Jesus Sucre missed his fourth straight game with a sore right wrist.

Red Sox: Ace lefty Chris Sale was placed on the 10-day disabled list for the second time in nearly three weeks with mild inflammation in his left shoulder. "It's definitely less than it was last time," Sale said. LHP Eduardo Rodriguez (DL since July 15, sprained right ankle) is scheduled to make a rehab start on Monday.

Minnesota's offensive line, with guards Nick Easton (neck) and Joe Berger (retirement) gone. The new right side, Mike Remmers and Rashod Hill, was held out with ankle injuries. Center Pat Elflein is still recovering from offseason shoulder and ankle surgeries.

The Vikings failed to move the chains on all 12 of their third-down attempts.

### SPARANO TRIBUTE

The wife (Jeanette), daughter (Ryan) and son (Tony Jr.) of former Vikings offensive line coach Tony Sparano, who died suddenly last month of heart disease, were honored before the game. The entire Vikings offensive line joined the family at midfield for the coin flip. Tony Sparano Jr. is the assistant offensive line coach for the Jaguars. Sparano's other son, Andy, was unable to attend. Berger blew the ceremonial Gjallarhorn kickoff.

### NATIONAL ANTHEM

Last week, four Jaguars players remained in the locker room during "The Star-Spangled Banner," cornerback Jalen Ramsey, linebacker Telvin Smith and running backs Leonard Fournette and T.J. Yeldon. Ramsey was not at this game, left at home like Dante Fowler for disciplinary reasons related to the fight at practice last week between Fowler and Ngakoue. Fournette and Yeldon were spotted on the sideline during the anthem, though Smith was not.

### INJURY REPORT

Jaguars: Left guard Andrew Norwell, the team's premier free agent addition, was held out for the second straight game because of a calf injury, as was rookie defensive end Taven Bryan (abdomen). Center Brandon Linder (knee), strong safety Don Carey (hamstring) and left guard Chris Reed (knee) were injured during the game. Reed started for Norwell.

Vikings: Alexander, who's competing with rookie Mike Hughes to play the slot position in the nickel package, hurt his ankle on his dropped interception.



AP PHOTO/WAIDE PAYNE

Kevin Harvick (4) and Kyle Larson (42) lead the field on a restart during a NASCAR Cup Series auto race, Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018, in Bristol, Tenn.

## NASCAR

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tending to his wounded race car, older brother Kurt battled Stewart-Haas Racing teammate Clint Bowyer for the

lead. Kurt Busch was relentless on the restart and got his Ford to the front, then Kyle Busch spun to bring out a ninth caution.

Kurt Busch had a good restart but Kyle Larson, on fresher tires, was

desperately trying to catch him for the win. Kurt Busch held him off and Larson, winner of the Xfinity Series race on Friday night, finished second in his bid for the Bristol sweep. Kyle Busch wound up 20th.

UP NEXT: The Cup Series is off next weekend and races again Sept. 2 in the Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway in South Carolina. Denny Hamlin won last year's race.

## GOLF

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position to contend for his ninth victory on tour and his first since the 2016 Farmers Insurance Open.

The 2012 FedEx Cup champion won the tournament in 2007, the year before it moved across town to par-70 Sedgefield Country Club.

Snedeker's final 11 holes of the round could wind up being telling: In seven of the 10 previous years since the tournament's move to this course, the third-round leader or co-leader has gone on to win.

And every leader who finished the third round here at 16 under or better has wound up winning, including Henrik Stenson (16 under) last year and Si Woo Kim (18 under) in 2016.

Snedeker started the



AP PHOTO/CHUCK BURTON

Brandt Snedeker watches his tee shot on the second hole during the third round of the Wyndham Championship golf tournament at Sedgefield Country Club in Greensboro, N.C., Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018.

day off strong, rolling in a 60-foot chip for birdie on the par-4 second hole, then pushed his lead to three strokes with a birdie on No. 5 that moved him to 16 under. But after he

sank a short par putt on the seventh, thunder boomed and the horn sounded to stop play.

Gay was 12 holes into a second consecutive strong round when the delay struck. After

shooting a 63 in the second round, he had four birdies and an eagle on the par-5 fifth hole. He placed his 200-yard second shot 10 feet from the flagstick and sank the putt.

## NFL

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### PANTHERS 27, DOLPHINS 20

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Christian McCaffrey had 120 yards from scrimmage in the first half, including a 71-yard touchdown run and Carolina defeated Miami.

McCaffrey had 92 yards rushing on five carries and caught four passes for 28 yards for Carolina (2-0).

Cam Newton overcame an early interception and two sacks by Robert Quinn to finish 9 of 12 for 89 yards, including a 27-yard touchdown pass to speedy rookie tight end Ian Thomas to give Carolina a 13-9 lead before exiting near the end of the first half.

Ryan Tannehill was an effective 14 of 17 for 100 yards despite playing without wide receivers DeVante Parker and Kenny Stills, but Miami (0-2) struggled to finish drives and settled for three field goals in the first half. Kenyan Drake had 54 yards rushing on eight carries.

### CHIEFS 28, FALCONS 14

ATLANTA (AP) — After a dismal showing in the first preseason game, Matt Ryan and Atlanta found their offensive rhythm. Ryan guided the

Falcons right down the field for a touchdown on their first possession, hooking up with Austin Hooper on a 4-yard scoring pass, and led another impressive drive before calling it a night in a loss to the Kansas City Chiefs.

Ryan finished 5 of 7 for 90 yards, looking very much like the quarterback who won the MVP during the 2016 season even though two of his top weapons, receiver Julio Jones and running back Devonta Freeman, were held out for the second week in a row. It was certainly an encouraging contrast to the preseason opener, when the Falcons (0-2) were blanked 17-0 by the New York Jets and Ryan played only one brief series.

Kansas City's new starting quarterback, Patrick Mahomes, had an up-and-down game. The second-year player was intercepted on a deep throw by Falcons safety Damontae Kazee, who drifted over from the middle of the field to pick a ball intended for Sammy Watkins.

Mahomes caught a break when another ill-advised throw into the end zone was dropped by Falcons cornerback Bliidi Wren-Wilson, allowing the Chiefs to salvage a field goal.

But, with just 17 seconds left in the first half, Mahomes made the most of his final pass. Three

Atlanta defensive backs inexplicably allowed Tyreek Hill to get behind them, and Mahomes delivered the pass in stride for a 69-yard touchdown.

Mahomes was 8 of 12 for 138 yards.

### GIANTS 30, LIONS 17

DETROIT (AP) — Davis Webb took advantage of his opportunity to play for Eli Manning, throwing a go-ahead touchdown in the second quarter to help New York beat Detroit.

Webb was 14 of 20 for 140 yards with an 8-yard TD pass to Wayne Gallman Jr., who scored for a second time later in the game. Webb showed poise in the pocket and touch down the field, connecting on a perfectly lofted 40-yard pass to Russell Shepard to set up Aldrick Rosas' 55-yard field goal in the second quarter.

Webb, a 2017 third-round pick, bounced back from a poor performance last week. He was 9 of 22 for 70 yards, sailing passes over open receivers in the preseason opener against Cleveland to raise some concerns about whether he's ready to be the team's No. 2 quarterback.

The Lions started Matthew Stafford after sitting him in last week's game at Oakland and he had a shaky game behind a porous offensive line.

Stafford was 2 of 5 for 51 yards and was sacked twice and hit once as he threw.

Jake Rudock replaced Stafford in the second quarter and finished 23 of 30 for 171 yards with a TD. Rudock came back in the fourth, reliving veteran Matt Cassel, who threw an interception.

### CARDINALS 20, SAINTS 15

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Free-agent acquisition Sam Bradford and 10th overall draft choice Josh Rosen combined to provide a promising outlook for Arizona's quarterback situation.

After Bradford completed all six of his passes for 61 yards, Rosen went 10 of 16 for 107 yards, including a 13-yard touchdown to rookie Christian Kirk in a preseason victory over New Orleans.

David Johnson bowled his way into the end zone for a 9-yard touchdown to give the Cardinals the game's opening score, capping a six-play, 61-yard drive led by Bradford.

Kirk finished with four receptions for 49 yards, and Chad Williams caught three passes for 44 yards for Arizona.

Saints quarterback Drew Brees sat out the entire game, as he also did when the Saints won their preseason opener in Jacksonville last week.

## VIKINGS

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Leonard Fournette on one of his seven series, the last of three possessions the Vikings starters were still in the game.

The Vikings, who led the league with the fewest yards and points allowed in 2017 while the Jaguars finished second, gave Bortles trouble during drills in practices on Wednesday and Thursday at Minnesota's suburban facility.

"We've still got some things to fix," Bortles said.

The Vikings had six sacks, two by Ifeadi Odenigbo. Mike Boone, in a stiff competition for the No. 3 running back spot, had 13 carries for 91 yards and a score.

T.J. Yeldon helped his cause to be Fournette's backup with five catches for 73 yards and 10 carries for 39 yards. With a 57-yard punt return by Rashad Greene to set up the touchdown just after the two-minute warning, Jacksonville took a late lead on a short run by Brandon Wilds.

### FLAGS FLY

The Jaguars were called for 13 penalties for a whopping 140 yards, including 10 infractions in the first half. Ngakoue celebrated his sack with an incendiary hip-thrusting dance, taking one of the 15-yarders.

"Penalties cost you games," Ngakoue said. "We still were lucky enough to win today, but we've got to clean it up."

Cornerback A.J. Bouye was singled out for the NFL's new targeting rule, for lowering his helmet on a tackle attempt.

"Both of our heads were lowered," Bouye said. "I think they should offset, but I've just got to learn from it."

Vikings linebacker Antwone Williams was also flagged for unnecessary roughness, negating a sack of Cody Kessler for driving him into the turf, another point of emphasis this year for officials on the field. Zimmer initially argued, but said afterward he thought the call was correct.

### ON THE LINE

Left tackle Riley Reiff was the only starter from last year suited up on

# MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION		W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
TEAM										
Boston	88	36	.710	—	—	8-2	W-2	44-15	44-21	
New York	77	46	.626	10½	—	6-4	W-2	44-20	33-26	
Tampa Bay	62	61	.504	25½	12	5-5	L-2	34-24	28-37	
Toronto	55	68	.447	32½	19	4-6	L-3	29-32	26-36	
Baltimore	37	86	.301	50½	37	3-7	W-1	21-40	16-46	

CENTRAL DIVISION		W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
TEAM										
Cleveland	70	52	.574	—	—	8-2	L-1	38-24	32-28	
Minnesota	58	63	.479	11½	15	6-4	W-4	37-24	21-39	
Detroit	50	73	.407	20½	24	3-7	L-4	32-30	18-43	
Chicago	45	77	.369	25	28½	4-6	L-1	23-39	22-38	
Kansas City	38	85	.309	32½	36	4-6	W-1	18-44	20-41	

WEST DIVISION		W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
TEAM										
Houston	74	49	.602	—	—	3-7	L-2	33-29	41-20	
Oakland	74	49	.602	—	—	7-3	W-2	37-24	37-25	
Seattle	70	53	.569	4	4	5-5	L-1	36-25	34-28	
Los Angeles	62	62	.500	12½	12½	6-4	L-2	33-30	29-32	
Texas	55	69	.444	19½	19½	6-4	W-2	28-37	27-32	

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION		W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
TEAM										
Atlanta	68	53	.562	—	—	6-4	L-2	34-26	34-27	
Philadelphia	68	55	.553	1	—	4-6	L-1	41-21	27-34	
Washington	62	61	.504	7	5½	4-6	W-2	31-28	31-33	
New York	53	69	.434	15½	14	6-4	W-1	24-37	29-32	
Miami	48	76	.387	21½	20	1-9	L-6	28-35	20-41	

CENTRAL DIVISION		W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
TEAM										
Chicago	71	51	.582	—	—	6-4	L-1	38-23	33-28	
St. Louis	68	56	.548	4	—	9-1	W-2	34-27	34-29	
Milwaukee	68	57	.544	4½	½	3-7	L-3	36-24	32-33	
Pittsburgh	62	62	.500	10	6	4-6	W-1	34-31	28-31	
Cincinnati	54	69	.439	17½	13½	5-5	W-2	30-35	24-34	

WEST DIVISION		W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
TEAM										
Arizona	68	55	.553	—	—	6-4	W-3	32-29	36-26	
Colorado	66	56	.541	1½	1	6-4	W-2	31-27	35-29	
Los Angeles	66	57	.537	2	1½	4-6	W-2	32-30	34-27	
San Francisco	61	63	.492	7½	7	4-6	L-3	34-26	27-37	
San Diego	48	77	.384	21	20½	3-7	L-5	22-42	26-35	

## ROUNDUP/MATCHUPS

**Athletics 7, Astros 1:** Trevor Cahill pitched one-hit ball for seven shut-out innings and the Athletics tied Houston for the AL West lead. **Mets 3, Phillies 1:** Jacob deGrom pitched his first complete game of the season and lowered his major league-leading ERA to 1.71. **Yankees 11, Blue Jays 6:** Giancarlo Stanton hit one of New York's four homers, Luis Severino struck out eight while pitching into the sixth inning and the Yankees beat Toronto. **Orioles 4, Indians 2:** Alex Cobb pitched a five-hitter for his first complete game in five years, and the Baltimore Orioles snapped Cleveland's six-game win streak. **Red Sox 5, Rays 2:** David Price pitched seven solid innings, J.D. Martinez hit his major league-leading 38th homer after Boston jumped to a quick lead and the Red Sox beat

the Tampa Bay Rays for their 17th victory in 20 games. **Reds 7, Giants 1:** Matt Harvey took a no-hit try into the sixth inning, and Jose Peraza and Dilson Herrera backed him with home runs. **Pirates 3, Cubs 1:** Joe Musgrove cruised through seven innings, and the Pittsburgh Pirates snapped a five-game losing streak. **Cardinals 7, Brewers 2:** Marcell Ozuna homered and Miles Mikolas tossed six effective innings to lead St. Louis. **LATE** Miami at Washington Colorado at Atlanta Detroit at Minnesota Kansas City at Chicago White Sox L.A. Angels at Texas Arizona at San Diego L.A. Dodgers at Seattle

## BOX SCORES

### ATHLETICS 7, ASTROS 1

HOUSTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	AVG.
Springer cf	3	0	0	0	0	0	.248
a-Tucker ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.154
Bregman 3b	3	0	0	0	1	2	.277
Correa ss	3	0	0	0	0	1	.253
Gonzalez 2b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.239
Gurriel 1b	3	0	1	0	0	1	.281
Gattis dh	3	0	0	0	2	2	.236
Reddick rf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.245
Stassi c	3	0	0	0	0	0	.237
Kemp lf	3	1	1	0	0	0	.280
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>		

NEW YORK	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	AVG.
Rosario ss	4	1	1	0	0	0	.242
McNeil 2b	4	1	2	1	0	0	.278
Flores 1b	4	0	1	1	0	0	.272
Conforto lf	4	0	0	0	2	2	.238
Frazier 3b	3	0	2	0	0	0	.233
Jackson cf	4	0	0	0	0	4	.287
Bautista rf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.200
Mesoraco c	4	1	1	1	0	1	.219
deGrom p	4	0	0	0	0	3	.115
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	

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<b>OAKLAND</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>003</b>	<b>02X</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>

a-popped out for Springer in the 9th. LOB—Houston 1, Oakland 6. 2B—Davis 2 (24), Olson 2 (26), Piscotty 2 (33), Phegley 2 (6). HR—Kemp (5), off Petit. RBIs—Kemp (25), Davis 2 (95), Olson (58), Piscotty (53), Phegley 3 (13), SB—Gurriel (5). Runners left in scoring position—Houston 1 (Reddick) Oakland 4 (Semien 2, Piscotty, Phegley). RISP—Houston 0 for 1 Oakland 5 for 15. Runners moved up—Pinder, Piscotty. GIDP—Correa. DP—Houston 1 (Gonzalez, Correa, Gurriel) Oakland 1 (Semien, Olson).

PHILADELPHIA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	AVG.
Hernandez 2b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.260
Hoskins lf	4	0	2	0	0	2	.257
Santana 1b	4	0	1	0	1	1	.217
W.Ramos c	4	0	0	0	0	1	.304
Williams rf	4	1	1	0	0	0	.265
Franco 3b	3	0	2	0	0	0	.282
Herrera cf	3	0	0	0	0	0	.268
Kingery ss	2	0	0	0	0	1	.225
b-Cabrera ph-ss	1	0	0	0	0	0	.269
Arrieta p	1	0	0	0	0	0	.135
a-Quinn ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	.275
Garcia p	0	0	0	0	0	0	---
E.Ramos p	0	0	0	0	0	0	---
c-Bour ph	1	0	0	0	1	2	.227
Neris p	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
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Kchel, L, 9-10	5.2	9	5	1	4	85	3.59	
Harris	1.0	0	0	0	1	14	4.34	
Peacock	1.2	2	2	1	2	25	3.23	
<b>OAKLAND</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>	<b>NP</b>	<b>ERA</b>
Cahill, W, 5-2	7	1	0	0	1	7	100	3.12
Familia	1	0	0	0	2	14	2.96	
Petit	1	1	1	0	0	19	3.46	

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Mullins cf	4	2	2	1	0	0	0	.357
Villar 2b	3	1	1	1	2	2	0	.263
Mancini lf	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	.235
Rickard lf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.221
Trumbo dh	4	0	0	0	1	2	0	.260
C.Davis 1b	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	.162
Nunez 3b	4	0	2	0	0	1	0	.254
2-Peterson pr-3b	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.199
Beckham ss	4	0	0	0	2	2	0	.223
Gentry rf	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	.238
Wynns c	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	.286
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>		

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# SCOREBOARD

## PRO BASEBALL

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

All times Eastern

EAST DIVISION	W	L	PCT.	GB
Boston	88	36	.710	—
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Tampa Bay	62	61	.504	25½
Toronto	55	68	.447	32½
Baltimore	37	86	.301	50½
CENTRAL DIVISION	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	70	52	.574	—
Minnesota	58	63	.479	11½
Detroit	50	73	.407	20½
Chicago	45	77	.369	25
Kansas City	38	85	.309	32½
WEST DIVISION	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	74	49	.602	—
Oakland	74	49	.602	—
Seattle	70	53	.569	4
Los Angeles	62	62	.500	12½
Texas	55	69	.444	19½

**Friday's Games**  
 Cleveland 2, Baltimore 1  
 Boston 7, Tampa Bay 3  
 Texas 6, L.A. Angels 4  
 Chicago White Sox 9, Kansas City 3  
 N.Y. Yankees 7, Toronto 5, 7 innings  
 Minnesota 5, Detroit 4  
 Oakland 4, Houston 3, 10 innings  
 L.A. Dodgers 11, Seattle 1  
**Saturday's Games**  
 N.Y. Yankees 11, Toronto 6  
 Baltimore 4, Cleveland 2  
 Oakland 7, Houston 1  
 Boston 5, Tampa Bay 2  
 Kansas City 3, Chicago White Sox 1  
 Detroit at Minnesota, late  
 L.A. Angels at Texas, late  
 L.A. Dodgers at Seattle, late  
**Today's Games**  
 Tampa Bay (TBD) at Boston (Sale 12-4), 1:05 p.m.  
 Toronto (Borucki 2-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Happ 13-6), 1:05 p.m.  
 Baltimore (Cashner 4-10) at Cleveland (Clevinger 8-7), 1:10 p.m.  
 Detroit (TBD) at Minnesota (Odorizzi 5-7), 2:10 p.m.  
 Kansas City (Fillmyer 1-1) at Chicago White Sox (Lopez 4-9), 2:10 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels (Barria 8-7) at Texas (Colon 7-10), 3:05 p.m.  
 Houston (Verlander 11-8) at Oakland (Manaea 11-8), 4:05 p.m.  
 L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 5-5) at Seattle (Elias 2-4), 4:10 p.m.  
**Monday's Games**  
 Baltimore at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.  
 Chicago White Sox at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.  
 Cleveland at Boston, 7:10 p.m.  
 Kansas City at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.  
 Texas at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.  
 Houston at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

All times Eastern

EAST DIVISION	W	L	PCT.	GB
Atlanta	68	53	.562	—
Philadelphia	68	55	.553	1
Washington	62	61	.504	7
New York	53	69	.434	15½
Miami	48	76	.387	21½
CENTRAL DIVISION	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chicago	71	51	.582	—
St. Louis	68	56	.548	4
Milwaukee	68	57	.544	4½
Pittsburgh	62	62	.500	10
Cincinnati	54	69	.439	17½
WEST DIVISION	W	L	PCT.	GB
Arizona	68	55	.553	—
Colorado	66	56	.541	1½
Los Angeles	66	57	.537	2
San Francisco	61	63	.492	7½
San Diego	48	77	.384	21

**Friday's Games**  
 Philadelphia 4, N.Y. Mets 2  
 Washington 8, Miami 2  
 Cincinnati 2, San Francisco 1, 11 innings  
 Colorado 11, Atlanta 5  
 Chicago Cubs 1, Pittsburgh 0  
 St. Louis 5, Milwaukee 2  
 Arizona 9, San Diego 4  
 L.A. Dodgers 11, Seattle 1  
**Saturday's Games**  
 N.Y. Mets 3, Philadelphia 1  
 Pittsburgh 3, Chicago Cubs 1  
 Cincinnati 7, San Francisco 1  
 St. Louis 7, Milwaukee 2  
 Miami at Washington, late  
 Colorado at Atlanta, late  
 Arizona at San Diego, late  
 L.A. Dodgers at Seattle, late  
**Today's Games**  
 San Francisco (Suarez 4-8) at Cincinnati (Castillo 6-10), 1:10 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs (Quintana 10-9) at Pittsburgh (Tallion 9-9), 1:35 p.m.  
 Colorado (Marquez 10-9) at Atlanta (Sanchez 6-3), 1:35 p.m.  
 Miami (Lopez 2-3) at Washington (Gonzalez 7-9), 1:35 p.m.  
 Milwaukee (Chacin 12-4) at St. Louis (Gant 5-4), 2:15 p.m.  
 Arizona (Greinke 12-8) at San Diego (Kennedy 0-2), 4:10 p.m.  
 L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 5-5) at Seattle (Elias 2-4), 4:10 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets (Vargas 2-8) vs. Philadelphia (Pivetta 7-9) at Williamsport, Pa., 7:10 p.m.  
**Monday's Games**  
 Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.  
 San Francisco at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.  
 Cincinnati at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m.  
 St. Louis at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

## PRO FOOTBALL

### NFL PRESEASON

All times Eastern

AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA
New England	2	0	1	0.000	63	37
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	42	45
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	30	15
Miami	0	2	0	.000	44	53
SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA
Houston	1	0	1	0.000	17	10
Indianapolis	1	0	1	0.000	19	17
Jacksonville	1	1	0	.500	34	34
Tennessee	0	1	0	.000	17	31
NORTH	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA
Baltimore	2	0	1	0.000	50	23
Cincinnati	2	0	1	0.000	51	40
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	37	29
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	65	65
WEST	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	38	31
Oakland	1	1	0	.500	31	29
L.A. Chargers	0	1	0	.000	17	24
Denver	0	1	0	.000	28	42

### NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	1	1	0	.500	40	37
Washington	1	1	0	.500	32	39
Dallas	0	2	0	.000	34	45
Philadelphia	0	2	0	.000	34	68
SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA
Carolina	2	0	1	0.000	55	43
Tampa Bay	1	0	1	0.000	26	24
New Orleans	1	1	0	.500	39	40
Atlanta	0	2	0	.000	14	45
NORTH	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA
Green Bay	2	0	1	0.000	82	51
Minnesota	1	1	0	.500	52	42
Detroit	0	2	0	.000	27	46
Chicago	0	2	0	.000	43	47
WEST	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA
Arizona	2	0	1	0.000	44	32
San Francisco	1	0	1	0.000	24	21
L.A. Rams	1	1	0	.500	26	48
Seattle	0	1	0	.000	17	19

### WEEK 2 Thursday's Games

New England 37, Philadelphia 20  
 Washington 15, N.Y. Jets 13  
 Green Bay 51, Pittsburgh 34  
**Friday's Games**  
 N.Y. Giants 30, Detroit 17  
 Kansas City 28, Atlanta 14  
 Buffalo 19, Cleveland 17  
 Carolina 27, Miami 20  
 Arizona 20, New Orleans 15  
**Saturday's Games**  
 Jacksonville 14, Minnesota 10  
 L.A. Rams 19, Oakland 15  
 Cincinnati 21, Dallas 13  
 Tampa Bay at Tennessee, late  
 San Francisco at Houston, late  
 Chicago at Denver, late  
 Seattle at L.A. Chargers, late  
**Monday's Games**  
 Baltimore at Indianapolis, 8 p.m.

### WEEK 3 Thursday, Aug. 23

Philadelphia at Cleveland, 8 p.m.

### Friday, Aug. 24

New England at Carolina, 7:30 p.m.  
 N.Y. Giants at N.Y. Jets, 7:30 p.m.  
 Denver at Washington, 7:30 p.m.  
 Seattle at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
 Detroit at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.  
 Green Bay at Oakland, 10:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Aug. 25**  
 Kansas City at Chicago, 1 p.m.  
 Houston at L.A. Rams, 4 p.m.  
 Tennessee at Pittsburgh, 4 p.m.  
 San Francisco at Indianapolis, 4:30 p.m.  
 Atlanta at Jacksonville, 7 p.m.  
 Baltimore at Miami, 7 p.m.  
 New Orleans at L.A. Chargers, 8 p.m.  
**Sunday, Aug. 26**  
 Cincinnati at Buffalo, 4 p.m.  
 Arizona at Dallas, 8 p.m.

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

### AMWAY PRESEASON COACHES TOP 25 POLL

The preseason Amway Top 25 football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, 2017 final records, total points based on 25 points for first place through one point for 25th, and last year's final ranking (LYR):

REC.	PTS.	LYR
1. Alabama (61)	13-1	1621
2. Clemson (3)	12-2	1547
3. Ohio State (1)	12-2	1458
4. Georgia	13-2	1452
5. Oklahoma	10-2	1288
6. Washington	10-3	1245
7. Wisconsin	13-1	1243
8. Miami (Fla.)	10-3	1091
9. Penn State	11-2	1050
10. Auburn	10-4	1004
11. Notre Dame	10-3	892
12. Michigan State	10-3	870
13. Stanford	9-5	768
14. Michigan	8-5	752
15. Southern California	11-3	691
16. Texas Christian	11-3	530
17. Virginia Tech	9-4	524
18. Mississippi State	9-4	407
19. Florida State	7-6	328
20. West Virginia	7-6	310
21. Texas	7-6	265
22. Boise State	11-3	261
23. Central Florida	13-0	259
24. Louisiana State	9-4	254
25. Oklahoma State	10-3	168

**Others receiving votes:** South Carolina 138; Florida 135; Oregon 105; Utah 81; Northwestern 67; Texas A&M 67; Kansas State 35; Florida Atlantic 27; Boston College 23; Memphis 23; North Carolina State 22; Arkansas State 19; Troy 19; Appalachian State 16; San Diego State 15; Iowa 8; Iowa State 8; Kentucky 8; Washington State 7; South Florida 6; Duke 5; Fresno State 4; Louisville 3; Arizona 2; Houston 2; Army 1; Northern Illinois 1.

## ODDS

### PREGAME.COM LINE MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

**Today**

National League	FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
at Cincinnati	-105	San Francisco	-105	
at Pittsburgh	-117	Chicago	+107	
at Washington	-220	Miami	+200	
at Atlanta	-125	Colorado	+115	
at St. Louis	-116	Milwaukee	+106	
Arizona	-185	at San Diego	+170	
at Philadelphia	-180	New York	+165	
American League	FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
at Boston	Off	Tampa Bay	Off	
at New York	-230	Toronto	+210	
at Cleveland	-270	Baltimore	+240	
at Minnesota	Off	Detroit	Off	
at Chicago	-141	Kansas City	+131	
at Texas	Off	Los Angeles	Off	
Houston	-145	at Oakland	+135	
Interleague	FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
at Seattle	Off	LA Dodgers	Off	

### NFL PRESEASON

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## TRANSACTIONS

### BASEBALL

**American League**  
**BOSTON RED SOX** — Placed LHP Chris Sale on the 10-day DL, retroactive to Wednesday, Aug. 15. Recalled RHP Brandon Workman from Pawtucket (L).  
**National League**  
**COLORADO ROCKIES** — Reinstated RHP Antonio Senzateola from the 10-day DL. Optioned INF Pat Valaika to Albuquerque (PCL).  
**SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS** — Activated RHP Hunter Strickland from the 60-day DL. Transferred INF Pablo Sandoval to the 60-day DL.  
**American Association**  
**CLEBURNE RAILROADERS** — Released OF Matt Helms.  
**ST. PAUL SAINTS** — Released C Connor Olson.  
**TEXAS AIRHOGS** — Acquired OF Javion Randle from San Rafael (Pacific Association).

### FOOTBALL

**National Football League**  
**CLEVELAND BROWNS** — Placed WR Josh Gordon on the active/non-football injured list. Signed TE Stephen Baggett. Waived-injured TE Julian Allen. Waived DB Micah Hannemann.  
**GREEN BAY PACKERS** — Signed RB LeShun Daniels. Placed RB Akeem Judd on the reserve/waived list.  
**WASHINGTON REDSKINS** — Signed OT Kendall Calhoun, DB Dariusz Hillary and WR Allen Zaire Stagers. Waived-injured RB Martez Carter. Waived LB Jeff Knox and DE Jalen Wilkerson.

### COLLEGES

**FREDONIA STATE** — Named Angela Pucciarelli assistant director of athletics/senior woman administrator; Matt Johnson women's tennis coach; Jay Martinez and Troy Trzyna assistant athletic trainers; Derek Fife sports information assistant; Ben Chadley and Taylor Chwalinski assistant swimming coaches; Reid Lesswing men's assistant hockey coach; Ryan Ross men's assistant soccer coach; Madison Spaichner women's assistant volleyball coach and Meghann Kilgallon assistant diving coach.  
**LSU** — Suspended junior WR Drake Davis indefinitely following his arrest for allegedly hitting and threatening a woman he was dating.

## GOLF

### PGA TOUR WYNDHAM CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday's leaders at Sedgwick Country Club, Greensboro, N.C. **Purse:** \$6 million. **Yardage:** 7,127; **Par:** 70 (35-35)  
**PARTIAL THIRD ROUND**  
 Michael Thompson 66-70-63-199  
 Jamie Lovemark 66-70-64-200  
 Rory Sabbatini 69-67-64-200  
 Martin Laird 69-66-65-200  
 Sangmoon Bae 67-67-66-200  
 Webb Simpson 68-68-66-200  
 Hideki Matsuyama 69-68-64-201  
 Kevin Tway 67-69-65-201  
 Tom Hoge 69-66-66-201  
 Matthew Fitzpatrick 70-67-65-202  
 Rafa Cabrera Bello 68-69-65-202  
 Shawn Stefani 68-68-66-202  
 Patrick Rodgers 68-67-67-202  
 Chris Kirk 69-65-68-202  
 Hudson Swafford 67-70-66-203  
 Joaquin Niemann 68-69-66-203  
 Scott Piercy 70-67-66-203  
 Sam Saunders 66-70-67-203  
 Johnson Wagner 70-66-67-203  
 Mackenzie Hughes 68-68-67-203  
 William McGirt 69-68-67-204  
 Danny Lee 68-69-67-204  
 Roberto Diaz 68-69-67-204  
 Jonas Blixt 67-68-69-204  
 Dylan Meyer 66-69-69-204  
 Harold Varner III 66-69-69-204  
 Lanto Griffin 69-68-68-205  
 Billy Hurley III 68-69-68-205  
 Bill Haas 69-68-68-205  
 Sam Ryder 72-64-69-205  
 Chesson Hadley 68-68-69-205  
 Martin Flores 66-69-69-206  
 Blythe Barber 68-69-70-206  
 Ricky Barnes 68-67-70-206  
 Stephan Jaeger 67-68-71-207  
 Graeme McDowell 64-73-70-207  
 Xijie Schniederjans 68-67-72-207  
 Xinjun Zhang 71-66-71-208  
 Julian Suri 69-68-71-208  
 Jason Kokrak 68-69-72-209  
 Richy Werniski 68-69-72-209  
 Conrad Shindler 69-68-73-210

### LEADERBOARD

NAME	PAR	THRU
1. Brandt Snedeker	-16	7
2. Brian Gay	-13	12
3. Trey Mullinax	-12	12
3. Keith Mitchell	-12	8
3. C.T. Pan	-12	7
3. D.A. Points	-12	6
7. Michael Thompson	-11	15
7. Ryan Armour	-11	15
7. Ryan Moore	-11	13
7. Sergio Garcia	-11	9
11. Jamie Lovemark	-10	F
11. Rory Sabbatini	-10	F
11. Martin Laird	-10	F
11. Sangmoon Bae	-10	F
11. Webb Simpson	-10	F
11. Denny McCarthy	-10	16
11. Jim Furyk	-10	13
11. Nick Taylor	-10	11
11. Brett Stegmaier	-10	10
11. Harris English	-10	9
11. David Hearn	-10	7

### LPGA TOUR INDY WOMEN IN TECH

Saturday's leaders at Brickyard Crossing Golf Club, Indianapolis. **Purse:** \$2 million. **Yardage:** 6,456; **Par:** 72 (36-36) (a-denotes amateur)

NAME	SCORE
Lizette Salas	62-69-64-195
Amy Yang	68-64-65-197
Sung Hyun Park	68-63-66-197
Lexi Thompson	68-68-64-200
Mina Harigae	69-67-65-201
Nasa Hataoka	64-69-68-201
Jing Yuan Ko	65-66-70-201
Angel Yin	64-69-69-

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Marshall

## Marshall returns most starters but must replace Litton

By JOHN RABY  
Associated Press

The shock of Chase Litton's departure for the NFL draft has transferred into uncertainty at quarterback for Marshall entering the 2018 season.

The position appears to be the one of the few question marks on a team that has nine starters back on each side of the ball as Marshall goes after its first Conference USA championship since 2014.

Litton, a three-year starter, threw for a career-high 3,115 yards and 25 touchdowns last season, then surprisingly opted to skip his senior season and went undrafted.

The attention at quarterback has turned to Alex Thomson, a graduate transfer from Wagner of the Championship Subdivision. The 6-foot-5 Thomson missed most of last season with a shoulder injury and Marshall coach

Doc Holliday has limited his work in preseason practice. Thomson threw for 2,436 yards and 16 touchdowns with five interceptions in 2016.

Marshall also entered fall camp with junior Garet Morrell and sophomore Isaiah Green. Morrell is the only one among the pair with playing experience. He threw for four touchdowns and three interceptions in five games during the 2016 season.

Marshall also has a new offensive coordinator. Tim Cramsey arrived from Sam Houston State, which led the Championship Subdivision in scoring and total offense and passing yards. Cramsey replaced Bill Legg, who resigned last December and was hired at an offensive consultant at Mississippi State.

Marshall is looking to improve on an 8-5 record from last season, which



FILE - In this Aug. 7, 2018 file photo, Marshall coach Doc Holliday oversees a drill during the NCAA college football team's practice in Huntington, W.Va.

included a win over Colorado State in the New Mexico Bowl.

Holliday, who enters his ninth season, is looking for a few more players to add depth at wide receiver and cornerback.

"We're the deepest we've ever been since I've been here," Holliday said.

Other things to know about the Thundering Herd, who open the season Sept. 1 at Miami (Ohio):

## OFFENSIVE STARS

While it will take time for the new starting quarterback to get acclimated, look for Marshall to rely heavily on running backs Tyler King and Keion Davis. Each surpassed 800 rushing yards a year ago, and Davis returned a pair of kickoffs for touchdowns against Miami last season. Top receiver Tyre Brady also returns. He had 62 catches for 942

yards and eight scores last season and was a Conference USA first team selection.

## DEFENSIVE PROMISE

Marshall's defense is anchored by last year's top two tacklers, senior linebacker Chase Hancock and junior safety Malik Gant.

The Thundering Herd allowed just 19.9 points per game last season, the 17th best in the Bowl Subdivision. Defensive coordinator Chuck Heater left for Maryland in January and Adam Fuller was promoted from linebackers coach.

## KICKERS NEEDED

Kaare Vedvik, who handled punting, place-kicking and kickoffs last season, is gone. Junior college transfer Justin Rohrwasser is likely to take over on field goals and extra points with sophomore Robert

Lefevre and walk-on Shane McDonough battling it out for punting and kickoff duties.

## SOLID O-LINE

Marshall's offensive line returns all five starters. Greg Adkins joins Marshall as offensive line coach this season. He held the same job at Oklahoma State in 2015 and 2016. Adkins also was an assistant at Marshall from 1991 to 1995.

## SCHEDULE

Marshall's tough nonconference schedule includes a Sept. 15 trip to South Carolina and a Sept. 22 home game against North Carolina State. After that, the Thundering Herd could make a run at a league title but has tough tests at home Oct. 5 against Middle Tennessee and Oct. 20 against defending champion Florida Atlantic.

## AUTO RACING

## Power goes for 3rd straight win at Pocono to aid title shot

By DAN GELSTON  
Associated Press

LONG POND, Pa. — Will Power flirted with the idea of hurling a baseball much like a cricket bowler would throw the ball toward a batsman.

Power, an Australian former rugby and cricket player, had second thoughts as he took the mound to throw the first pitch before a recent Philadelphia Phillies game.

"I'd probably get booed," he said, laughing.

Even Aussies know what triggers the official sound of contempt in Philly.

Power might have heard worse had fans tagged him as bad luck when he left in the fifth inning of Philadelphia's 24-4 loss to the New York Mets.

"I felt bad. I was like, whew, this is a tough gig," Power said.

Power finds himself behind on the scoreboard as well, when IndyCar returns from a two-week hiatus for Sunday's race



Will Power looks out from his pit box before a practice session for Sunday's IndyCar series auto race, Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018, in Long Pond, Pa. (AP PHOTO/MATT SLOCUM)

at Pocono Raceway.

The Indianapolis 500 champion is fourth in the standings, 87 points behind leader Scott Dixon. With four races left this season, Alexander Rossi is second in the points race and defending series champion Josef Newgarden is third.

"It's quite a points deficit to come back from," Power said. "But it's not impossible."

Power's run toward a second IndyCar championship — to pair with his 2014 title — shifts into another gear at Pocono, where he's won the last two races and has an

average finish of fourth in the five races since the series returned to the mountains in 2013. He got a nice boost Saturday when he won the pole to match A.J. Foyt for second on the career list with 53.

Power was forced to pit early in last season's race to repair a broken wing and rallied from a lap down to win. He held Mikhail Aleshin at bay after a final restart to win at the track in 2016.

He's had a few missteps in the No. 12 Chevrolet for Team Penske this season that left him looking up at Dixon in the title picture. Power's wins at Indy and Iowa have been offset in the standings a bit by crashes that prevented him from finishing four races.

Dixon, who just signed a contract extension with Chip Ganassi Racing, has been about flawless this season. At 38, he's leading the series in pursuit of his fifth IndyCar title. Dixon has three wins this season and leads Rossi by 46 points in the standings.

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Southern Mississippi

## New faces, same expectations for Southern Mississippi

By DAVID BRANDT  
Associated Press

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — Southern Mississippi faces the daunting task of replacing its star running back, top two receivers and multiple talented defensive players. Probably the quarterback, too.

From an outside perspective, it looks like the Golden Eagles might be in for a rebuilding year.

Third-year coach Jay Hopson isn't buying that argument.

"There's always a few spots where we need to stay healthy, but I'm pleased. This team has a lot of talent," Hopson said.

"We just need to keep pressing and get better."

Sophomore Jack Abraham is the Golden Eagles' likely starting quarterback after senior Kwadra Griggs was suspended indefinitely earlier this month "pending resolution of a student conduct matter."

Hopson has not elaborated on Griggs' suspension or if he expects him to be eligible at any point during the season.

Griggs threw for 1,879 yards last season and was the only quarterback on the roster with FBS experience.

Abraham threw for nearly 3,000 yards last year at Northwest Mississippi Community College before transferring to Southern Miss.

"I'm just going out there and showing I can do the right thing every day," Abraham said.

"Putting the ball in the right spots."

Southern Miss hopes that seniors Tez Parks and George Payne can help fill the void at running back after Ito Smith left for the NFL.

The defense will lean on an experienced group of linebackers, including Racheem Boothe, Jeremy Sangster and Paxton Schrimsher.

"We've got guys in certain spots where it's their time to learn it and learn it quick," Hopson said.

"That's always a battle in coaching. Sometimes you have everybody back, sometimes you've got to replace a few guys."

Some other things to know about the Golden Eagles in 2018:

## REPLACING ITO

The Golden Eagles must replace several good players from last year's team, but the toughest to do without might be running back Ito Smith.

The 5-foot-9, 195-pounder was taken in the fourth round of the NFL Draft by the Atlanta Falcons after a stellar college career that included 4,538 yards rushing, 1,446 yards receiving and 49 total touchdowns.

## ANOTHER CHANCE VS THE SEC

Southern Miss is just two years removed from its last win against Southeastern Conference competition when it beat Kentucky 44-35 to open the 2016 season. The Golden Eagles get

another chance for an SEC win when they travel to face Auburn on Sept. 29

## BACK ON TRACK

Southern Miss is going for its fourth straight winning season — a minor miracle considering how badly the program cratered earlier in the decade. The Golden Eagles went 0-12 in 2012 under coach Ellis Johnson before slowly rebuilding the program under Todd Monken, who went 1-11 in 2013, 3-9 in 2014 and then 9-5 in 2015. Hopson's been able to sustain that success through his first two seasons.

## WELCOME BACK PICASSO

The Golden Eagles should get a boost in the secondary thanks to the return of senior Picasso Nelson.

The 5-foot-10, 195-pounder missed all of last season because of an injury, but made more than 130 tackles over three seasons from 2014-16.

## SCOUTING THE SCHEDULE

Southern Miss opens with Jackson State on Sept. 1 and has some difficult road games in the season's first half against Appalachian State, Auburn and North Texas.

The Golden Eagles have a crucial three-game stretch in November against Marshall, UAB and Louisiana Tech. All three of those programs are expected to be C-USA title contenders.

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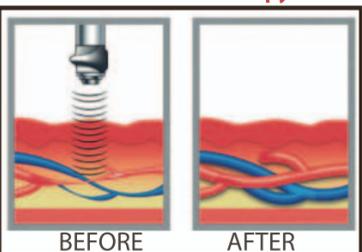
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## 4 Places to Find Last-Minute Scholarships

By ANNA HELHOSKI  
NERDWALLET

Only a few weeks — or maybe even days — remain until college campuses reopen, but there may still be time to get a scholarship and reduce the amount of student loans you have to borrow.

Here are four resources to find a scholarship to help pay for college before classes begin.

### 1. YOUR COLLEGE'S FINANCIAL AID DEPARTMENT

Contact your school's

financial aid department to find out if any institutional scholarships are left. There may be money left behind from a student who decided not to attend. Or a financial aid department may have inside information on available award opportunities.

At the University of San Francisco, Christopher Simpson, associate director of the school's financial aid and veteran student services, recently heard from an administrator at the East Bay College Fund. The nonprofit couldn't find a recipient that fit

its scholarship's profile: a student from Southern California attending a school in Northern California and not living on campus.

"By chance, I had a student who I could pass along the resource to," says Simpson.

### 2. YOUR EMPLOYER OR YOUR PARENTS' EMPLOYER

Ask your parents if their employers have scholarships available. One in 10 companies has employer-sponsored scholarship programs for

members of their employees' families, according to the 2018 Survey of Benefits by the Society for Human Resource Management, a trade association.

If you're working yourself, even part-time, find out if there is a scholarship program for employees.

### 3. SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH ENGINES AND CONTESTS

Find late-deadline scholarships using search engines like the U.S. Department of Labor's CareerOneStop scholarship finder, College Board



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In this Nov. 9, 2017, file photo people walk by Old Main on the Penn State University main campus in State College, Pa. Only a few weeks, or maybe even days, remain until college campuses reopen, but there may still be time to get a scholarship and

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## The 411 on 529s



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In this May 10, 2018, file photo students walk near the Martin Luther King Jr. Student Union building on the University of California at Berkeley campus in Berkeley, Calif. A 529 is a tax-advantaged investment plan that was originally designed to pay for higher education expenses. But recent changes the tax law have increased their flexibility. They now may be used to pay for private-school tuition from kindergarten through high school or transferred to accounts to pay for expenses of disabled youth.

### Few people are aware of 529 savings plans

By SARAH SKIDMORE SELL  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It's back-to-school time and let's face it — education can be expensive.

The College Board reports that the average cost of in-state tuition, fees, room and board at a public four-year college in the U.S. was \$20,770 last year. And that's just a starting point

— out-of-state tuition, private universities or graduate school can greatly increase that bill.

Yet relatively few people are aware of 529 savings plans, which can help cover costs. A recent survey by Edward Jones found that 71 percent of Americans don't even know what they are.

A 529 is a tax-advantaged

investment plan that was originally designed to save for higher education expenses. Recent changes in the tax law have increased their flexibility, and they now may be used for private-school tuition from kindergarten through high school, or transferred to other accounts to pay expenses for disabled youths.

HOW THEY WORK

While anyone can set up a 529 plan, typically they're opened by parents or grandparents with a child as the beneficiary.

Contributions to the plan grow free from federal income tax, and withdrawals are tax-free when used for qualified expenses. It costs very little to get started and

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## BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

### Using common social media tactics to subvert US elections

NEW YORK — The latest efforts to disrupt the U.S. midterm elections through Facebook manipulation seem to be following a persuasion playbook refined by legitimate companies and organizations, but with a twist. Their aim is to draw in as many people as possible with emotional appeals and then spur them to action. In this case, though, the action is public protest rather than affinity marketing, and the goal is to sow dissension rather than to build brand awareness.

### Turkish leader talks big, but can be pragmatic in crises

ISTANBUL — The Turkish president is handling the country's currency crisis and feud with the United States with the same combative rhetoric that powered him through other grave challenges in his 16 years as the increasingly authoritarian leader of a key NATO ally. But Recep Tayyip Erdogan is also a pragmatist who badly needs a way out of a standoff that threatens his outsized ambitions for the once-thriving Turkish economy.

### Royal Bank of Scotland fined \$4.9B for housing bubble role

Royal Bank of Scotland will pay a \$4.9 billion fine to settle allegations it misrepresented the types of mortgages it sold to investors during the housing bubble that ultimately led to the 2008 financial crisis. The Justice Department says in a statement Tuesday that the penalty is the largest it has imposed for financial crisis-era misconduct at a single company.

### Home Depot roars back in the second quarter

ATLANTA — Home Depot handily beat expectations during the second quarter,

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## Nu-Hope Sebring Thrift Store reopens

The Nu-Hope Thrift Store celebrated its grand re-opening Monday at its new location, 3504 Office Park Road in Sebring, behind Dunkin' Donuts on U.S. 27 South. Included in the new store is a special area called "Marabel

Man Cave." The store hours at the new location are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. The phone number is 863-314-4441.



Steve Marabel accepts a plaque in recognition of a new area in the Nu-Hope Thrift Store in Sebring. Ingra Gardner, executive director of Nu-Hope Elder Care Services, said the new area is called Marabel Man Cave.

COURTESY PHOTO

Nu-Hope of Highlands County board members were on hand Monday morning to cut the ribbon marking the re-opening of the agency's thrift store. On hand are, from left, board members Robert Layne, Luis Fresquez and Shawn Martz along with Executive Director Ingra Gardner, and board members Jeri Canale and Cora Schwingel.



The new Nu-Hope Thrift Store of Sebring has relocated to 3504 Office Park Road, behind Dunkin' Donuts on U.S. 27 South.

# SAVINGS

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often can be done online. "There is no better place to save for college than a 529 college savings plan," said Ric Edelman, founder of Edelman financial services in Fairfax, Virginia. The plans are run at the state level. While you don't need to use your state's plan, there are sometimes state-level tax incentives for doing so.

**HOW TO USE THEM**  
Money in these accounts can be used at virtually any accredited college in the country and may be used to pay for tuition, books, supplies or other expenses. They can also be used to pay for technical schools and other professional programs.

The recent federal tax law overhaul expanded their use beyond higher education. Users can now withdraw up to \$10,000 per year and per beneficiary to pay tuition expenses from kindergarten through 12th grade.

It seems like a great

option for families paying for private school. But not all states allow use of these accounts for K-12 expenses, so withdrawals might be exempt from federal tax but subject to state tax. Financial experts also recommend you think twice before doing so, because the primary benefit of a 529 plan is that the money grows on a tax-deferred basis.

That means the money needs time to grow, Edelman said. Given the exorbitant cost of higher education, most families will "need to start putting money in when the baby is born and not touch it until the kid is a senior in college."

Another new change for 2018 is that money in a 529 account can be rolled over penalty-free into an ABLE account. ABLE savings accounts are relatively new and look very similar to a 529, but the assets are used to help pay expenses for young people with disabilities.

**HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OF THEM**

You don't have to be an

expert to get started. The plans are professionally managed and sign up and investment choices are easy to manage, said Jim DiUlio, chair of the College Savings Plan Network.

Starting early is best, but it's never too late to start, DiUlio said.

"If you have cash in hand in savings, those are dollars you don't have to borrow and pay for at the other end," DiUlio said.

The savings can be transferred to another family member or you can use it yourself. But if you don't spend it on education, you will pay a penalty and taxes.

Laurie Beth Baird, a wealth strategist for PNC Wealth Management, said that families worried about setting too much aside should aim to save 50 to 80 percent of their costs.

Contribution limits are set at a state level but experts say it's not really an issue as the limits are rarely reached. And there is no limit on how many accounts may be set up per child, meaning anyone can help save.

# Your house isn't a piggy bank

Your home equity could keep you afloat in retirement or bail you out in an emergency — but not if you spend it first.

U.S. homeowners are sitting on nearly \$6 trillion of home value they could tap as of May 2018, according to data provider Black Knight. Lenders are eager to help many do just that through home equity loans, home equity lines of credit and cash-out refinancing.

The rates are often lower than other kinds of borrowing, and the interest may still be deductible, despite last year's tax reform changes. But you can lose your home to foreclosure if you can't pay back the loan, which is why financial planners generally frown on using equity for luxuries, investing or consolidating credit card debt.

Many planners point to the foreclosure crisis that started a decade ago as an example of what can



**NERD WALLET**  
Liz Weston

go wrong when people binge on home equity debt.

"Having equity in your home is a huge financial advantage that can provide for significant flexibility, security and peace of mind," says Howard Pressman, a certified financial planner in Vienna, Virginia. "It is not an ATM that can be used to supplement your lifestyle."

**YOU MAY NEED THAT MONEY LATER**

Retirement experts predict many Americans will need to use home equity to support them

when they stop working. They may do that by selling their homes and downsizing or by using a reverse mortgage, which doesn't require payments. Reverse mortgages give people 62 and older access to their equity through lump sums, lines of credit or a series of monthly checks, and the borrowed money doesn't have to be paid back until the owner sells, dies or moves out.

Home equity also can be used to supplement emergency funds, planners say. Pressman recommends home equity lines of credit to his clients who don't have debt problems and who are disciplined and won't spend the money frivolously.

**PUT YOUR OWN LIMITS ON BORROWING**

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# SCHOLAR

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Big Future scholarship search tool, Scholarships.com, FastWeb, FinAid and Peterson's. You can filter by due date or find ones that accept applications year-round. You may also search for scholarships on social channels, using hashtags.

Monthly scholarship contests may pop up on search engines, too. They're simple to enter and often don't require an essay. Typically, awards are around \$1,000.

Never enter a contest or apply for a scholarship

online if you're required to submit money or private information, like your Social Security number; that may signal a scam.

## 4. LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

Find organizations in your hometown that award scholarships. These tend to be less competitive than national awards because recipients usually must be local. Start by inquiring with your high school's guidance office or college career center to find community-based scholarships that have gone unclaimed.

"Local organizations often won't have a

recipient, so they'll extend their deadline and they don't always advertise that," says Jennifer Horner, director of financial aid at Eastern Connecticut State University in Windham, Connecticut.

Reach out to community organizations, foundations and charities in your hometown or state to find out if they have scholarships still available. On scholarship search engines, you can usually filter awards by geographic location to find nearby awards.

You can also look for career- or major-related scholarships through professional associations

and national student organizations. These may be tougher to get at the eleventh hour, but are still worth a shot.

## GET YOUR DUCKS IN A ROW

To make the late-scholarship-application process easier, polish your resume and have a basic essay template on hand. The template should include information about yourself, why you're attending school and why you need the money.

"If you can have those things on hand, in your mind or written down somewhere, then in most cases you've got most

of your essay done and you're just tying it back to the objective of that particular organization," says Simpson.

## WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU GET A SCHOLARSHIP

Once you receive a scholarship award, contact your school's financial aid office. Scholarship money is factored into your entire aid package. If you receive more gift aid than your determined financial need, it can impact need-based aid you receive and may even reduce institutional scholarships you've already been awarded.

If you have student

loans, a scholarship can help you lower how much you need to borrow. Ask your financial aid office about returning loan money that could now be covered by your scholarship.

## MAKE A SCHOLARSHIP PLAN FOR NEXT YEAR

Plan ahead to apply for scholarships to pay for the spring semester or the next academic year. Apply for renewable and large-dollar scholarships to reap the biggest benefits. Track upcoming deadlines so you won't have to scramble for last-minute awards next year.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

Highlands County Hospital District  
**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
 September 30, 2017  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**

**ASSETS**

**CURRENT ASSETS**

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 628,749
Investments, at Fair value	4,074,745
Interest Receivable	20,203
Prepaid Insurance	4,634
Total Current Assets	4,728,331

**CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	132,079
Capital Assets Net of Accumulated Depreciation	855,825
Total Capital Assets	987,904
Total Assets	5,716,235

**LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION**

**CURRENT LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 6,351
Current Portion of Unearned Lease Revenue	430,537
Total Current Liabilities	436,888

**LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

Unearned Lease Revenue - Less Current Portion	3,249,318
Total Liabilities	3,686,206

**NET POSITION**

Investment in Capital Assets	987,904
Unrestricted	1,042,125
Total Net Position	\$ 2,030,029

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
 YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

**OPERATING REVENUES**

Lease Revenue	\$ 483,870
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**OPERATING EXPENSES**

Administrative and Fiscal Services	195,079
Insurance	6,360
Depreciation	117,626
Contributions	200,000
Total Operating Expenses	519,065

**OPERATING LOSS** (35,195)

**NONOPERATING REVENUES**

Investment Income, Net of Investment Fees of \$24,407	1,298
Change in Net Position (49,493)	\$ 2,079,520
Net Position - October 1, 2016	\$ 2,079,520
NET POSITION - SEPTEMBER 30, 2017	\$ 2,030,029

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
 YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

Cash received from Lessee	\$ 320,000
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	(198,693)
Cash Payments for Contributions	(200,000)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	(78,693)

**CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES**

Purchase of Investment Securities	\$ (1,471,044)
Proceeds from Sale and Maturities of Investment Securities	1,260,000
Earnings on Investments	84,503
Fees for Investments	(24,409)
Net Cash Used by Investing Activities	(150,950)

**NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS** (229,643)

Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	858,392
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR	\$ 628,749

**RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH USE BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

Operating loss	\$ (35,195)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:	
Lease Revenue Amortization	(163,870)
Depreciation	117,626
Increase in Prepaid Insurance	(1,055)
Increase in Accounts Payable	2,851
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	\$(78,693)

**NONCASH INVESTING CAPITAL, AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES**

Decrease in Fair Value of Investments	\$ (75,064)
August 19, 2018	

**INVITATION TO BID**  
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**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT**

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

Central Florida Health Care is soliciting bids for a qualified General Contractor to construct the expansion (4375 SF) of an existing structure located at 950 C.R. 17-A West in Avon Park Florida. The addition will house Pediatric Medical and Pediatric Dental services.

A meeting will be held on August 28th at 10 AM at the Avon Park Clinic: 950 C.R. 17-A West Avon Park, Florida

The scope of the Project and a site walk thru will be conducted at the meeting.

Sealed proposals will be received by Central Florida Health Care until 2:00PM September 21, 2018, at the Central Florida Health Care Administration Office, 47 5th Street, NW, Winter Haven, FL 33881, for the following:

**Avon Park Clinic Expansion Project**

Sincerely,

Central Florida Health Care

Lawrence Best  
 Chief Operations Office

8/13/18  
 Aug. 17,18,19,20,21,22,23, 2018

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE**  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
 Case No. 15000556GCAXMX  
**DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR SAXON ASSET SECURITIES TRUST 2007-2 MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-2,**  
 Plaintiff,  
 vs.

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 22

**ELNORA SCOTT SANDERS, et. al.,**  
 Defendants.  
**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated **June 28, 2018**, entered in Case No. **15000556GCAXMX** of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Highlands County, Florida, wherein Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as trustee for Saxon Asset Securities Trust 2007-2 Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2007-2 is the Plaintiff and The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Lienors, Creditors, Trustees, and all other parties claiming interest by, through, under or against the Estate of Elnora Scott Sanders a/k/a Elnora Sanders, Deceased; Zeeyue Hippias are the Defendants, that I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the courthouse, 430 South Commerce Ave, Sebring, FL 33870, beginning at 11:00 AM on the **30th day of August, 2018**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**LOT 14, BLOCK "F", OF TULANE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 61-A, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this **9th day of July, 2018**.

Robert Germaine  
 As Clerk of the Court  
 By: /s/ **Cyndi S. Dassinger**  
 As Deputy Clerk

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## NOTICE OF SALE 30

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 CIVIL DIVISION  
 CASE NO.: **28-2017-CA-000286**  
**PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC;**  
 Plaintiff,  
 vs.

**TRACY GROVER; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TRACY GROVER; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 IN POSSESSION OF THE PROPERTY; UNKNOWN TENANT #2 IN POSSESSION OF THE PROPERTY;**  
 Defendants

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
 NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **June 28, 2018**, in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM of the Court-house, located at 430 S. COMMERCE AVE., SEBRING, FLORIDA 33870, at 11:00 AM on **August 30, 2018**, the following described property:

**LOT 1019, SEBRING HILLS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 2, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

Property Address: **403 S. EGRET STREET, SEBRING, FL 33870**

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

Dated: June 28, 2018

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**ROBERT W. GERMAINE, CLERK**  
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 As Deputy of Court  
 (COURT SEAL)  
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## HELP WANTED 2001

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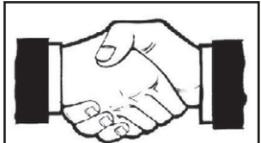
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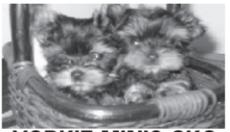
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## Turnover: Preventing it and dealing with the aftermath

By **JOYCE M. ROSENBERG**  
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NEW YORK — A tight labor market and a shrinking pool of talented workers make “I’m quitting” some of the most dreaded words a small business owner can hear.

Staff turnover is a fact of life, but it’s particularly painful at small companies competing with larger businesses for workers. Owners learn they must make staff retention efforts a priority — including mentoring or changing workplace policies — and do some soul-searching if turnover increases.

When five out of 22 staffers left Dash Design last year, owner David Ashen understood that some naturally wanted to move on to new challenges. But he also discovered after talking to employees that they felt the culture in his New York-based interior design company had changed since he brought in a new business partner. Ashen realized he needed to help employees feel more connected to the business, and focused on mentoring younger staffers.

“We ask them, where do you want to be in six months or three years, and create a path to do that. When we failed to do that, people were less satisfied in their work,” he says. Ashen has also started letting workers have flexible schedules and bring their dogs to the office.

Many companies find that a staff can be stable for some time, and then several employees leave at once. And with fewer employees, small businesses aren’t as able as big corporations to



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**In this Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2018, photo Dash Design’s founder David Ashen works in his office in New York. When five out of 22 staffers left Dash Design last year, owner Ashen understood that some naturally wanted to move on to a new challenge. But he also discovered after talking to employees that they felt the culture in his New York-based interior design company had changed since he brought in a new business partner. Ashen sought help from a team-building expert to help employees feel more connected to the business, and he focused on mentoring younger staffers.**

shuffle assignments when people leave.

At The SEO Works, a digital marketing company in Sheffield, Britain, five staffers out of 30 left in a short period last year for a mix of professional and personal reasons, managing director Ben Foster says.

When staffers who are on teams leave, co-workers can pitch in while a replacement is hired, Foster says. But when employees who work by themselves quit, the managing director “just had to step up and take on two roles,” he says.

The company has been changing its policies to try to improve retention, and recently also introduced flex time.

Owners find that one big thing they can do is be clear with younger workers who want to know there’s a chance for them to grow and develop new skills. Jeff Rizzo and business

partner Matt Ross aim for each of their 10 staffers at product review website RIZKNOWS to understand what they need to do to win a promotion or a raise.

“If employees do not see a clear career path or opportunity for advancement, chances are they’ll look elsewhere after a year or two,” Rizzo says.

Many of the employees at the Reno, Nevada-based company have been hired straight out of college. Rizzo is philosophical about young people wanting to try something new eventually — but, he says, “we’re going to fight like heck to keep them.”

Companies that want to reduce turnover need to let employees know they’re valued and that what they do matters, says Leigh Branham, owner of Keeping the People, a human resources consultancy.

“People want to feel

their job is meaningful,” Branham says. He suggests telling staffers, “I want you to know why you do what you do — and why it’s important to this company.”

Staffers also need regular feedback, and not have to wait for an anxiety-provoking annual review, says Nina Velasquez, a senior vice president at North 6th Agency, a public relations firm based in New York and with offices in Toronto and Boulder, Colorado. North 6th Agency gives its nearly 60 employees monthly feedback that is intended to be part of their training and development.

The company also has a rewards system allowing staffers to accumulate points in return for good performance. The points can be redeemed for perks including cash, commuting passes,

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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM PAGE 1D

bouncing back from a slow start to the year when terrible weather cooled construction projects. The world’s biggest home improvement retailer boosted its full-year profit and revenue forecasts Tuesday. Higher mortgage rates combined with steadily rising real estate prices have dampened home sales this summer despite the robust economy and job market, but Americans continue to plow money into the places where they live.

### EPA challenged rationale for administration mileage freeze

WASHINGTON (AP) — Internal documents show the Environmental Protection Agency privately questioned the Trump administration’s finding that freezing

Obama-era mileage standards would make drivers safer. In announcing the mileage proposal, the administration said the freeze would save 1,000 lives a year. But in a June email, the EPA told the Department of Transportation that it would slightly increase highway deaths.

### German economy defies trade gloom with strong growth

BERLIN (AP) — Official data show that the German economy accelerated slightly in the second quarter to grow by 0.5 percent compared with the previous three-month period, performing a little better than economists had expected. Germany’s economy, Europe’s biggest, grew 0.4 percent in the first quarter — a figure that was revised upward Tuesday from the initial reading of 0.3 percent given in May. Economists had forecast a 0.4 percent increase this time.

### Coca-Cola investing in sports drink maker BodyArmor

NEW YORK — Coca-Cola is taking an ownership stake in sports drink maker BodyArmor. It’s the latest move by the world’s biggest soda maker to diversify its offerings and keep up with changing tastes. The company also owns Powerade, while rival PepsiCo makes the more popular Gatorade.

### Kroger to sell its goods to Chinese shoppers through Tmall

NEW YORK — Kroger will start to sell some of its products to Chinese shoppers through a website owned by internet giant Alibaba. It’s the latest move by the Cincinnati-based super-market chain to boost its digital business as it works to catch up with Walmart and Amazon.

com, which bought grocer Whole Foods last year. In recent months, Kroger launched an online delivery service, upped its investment in a British online grocer and agreed to buy a meal-kit company.

### Tinder founders, execs file suit against IAC and Match Group

NEW YORK — The founders of the dating app Tinder, along with current executives and some of its employees, filed a lawsuit Tuesday against IAC/InterActiveCorp and its Match Group subsidiary for allegedly bilking them by manipulating financial information to create a lowball estimate of Tinder’s value. They are seeking at least \$2 billion in the lawsuit against Match and IAC, which is controlled by media mogul Barry Diller. IAC and Match are calling the lawsuit “meritless.”

## HOME FROM PAGE 2D

Recession, several lenders allowed people to borrow over 100 percent of their home’s value. These days, the maximum is typically 80 percent. (Black Knight used this 80 percent loan-to-value standard to calculate how much tappable equity people have, based on current home values and existing home loans. The answer: \$5.8 trillion.)

Homeowners would be smart, though, to set their own limits lower to ensure they still have access to equity in an emergency and are able to pay off all of their mortgage debt

before retirement. **IS THE POTENTIAL BENEFIT WORTH THE RISK?**

Financial planners generally frown on using equity for luxuries such as vacations, high-risk ventures such as investing in the stock market or starting a business, or for debts that should be paid off more quickly. (The typical mortgage lasts 30 years, while home equity loans and lines of credit can stretch for 20 or more years.)

“If the money is being used to pay down credit cards or buy a car, then think twice about doing it at all,” says Monica Dwyer, a certified financial planner in West

Chester, Ohio. “Those kinds of debts should be paid off in the short term, not with long-term borrowing.”

Many people use home equity to pay college bills for their kids, but planners urge caution since it’s easy to overspend on higher education. In general, parents shouldn’t borrow more for college than they can pay off before retirement, and the debt shouldn’t prevent them from saving enough for that retirement. Federal education loans may be a better option, since they have fixed rates and consumer protections such as forbearance and deferral.

Investing in home

improvements can be a good use of home equity, financial planners say, as long as the projects add value to the home. (The IRS has said that interest on home equity borrowing may still be deductible if the taxpayer itemizes deductions and the money is used to “buy, build or substantially improve the taxpayer’s home that secures the loan.”)

Even then, Kristin Sullivan, a certified financial planner in Denver, likes her clients to have a plan to pay off the loan within five years. That’s “a reasonable time period to pay off something you don’t really need,” she says.

# TURN

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groceries and time off. Small businesses that hire freelancers, particularly those that don't offer steady work, also struggle with turnover. TrivWorks, which runs trivia contests for corporate entertainment and team-building exercises, uses freelancers to emcee and produce between 50 and 100 events a year. The events require skills like running something akin to a game show, and the people who have them are hard to find, owner David Jacobson

says. His approach is to treat these workers as if they were employees. "I pay excellent wages, work to advance their career goals/development, and will basically bend over backward to keep them happy," says Jacobson, who is based in Los Angeles and also has events in New York. When staffers say they're leaving, some owners will try to persuade them to stay, offering money or benefits like flextime and working remotely. Sometimes it works, but Casey Hill, who uses freelance artists, graphic designers and videographers for

his board game manufacturer, Hill Gaming Co., finds the opposite is true. "By the time staffers inform you they are leaving, 95 percent of the time it is too late," says Hill, whose company is based in Camarillo, California. His suggestion: Always know what your next step is when a worker leaves. Hill has a team of three or four backups, and he also hires people who have multiple skill sets. "We need to have cross-pollination of skills so we don't have substantial downtime on products," he says.

## BUSINESS NEWS BRIEFS

### Google clarifies it tracks users who pause location history

SAN FRANCISCO — Google has changed a help page that erroneously described how its "Location History" setting works, clarifying for users that it still tracks their location even if they turn the setting off. The change comes days after an Associated Press investigation revealed that several Google apps and websites store user location even if users

have turned off Location History.

### Kroger begins testing driverless grocery deliveries

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Kroger is testing grocery deliveries using driverless cars near Phoenix. The biggest U.S. grocery chain began the project Thursday at a Fry's supermarket, which is owned by Kroger. Shoppers can order groceries online or via a mobile app for same-day or next-day delivery to their home. After the order is placed, a

driverless vehicle delivers the groceries curbside, requiring customers to be present to fetch them.

### Walmart sees sales rise at stores and online, raises outlook

NEW YORK — Walmart raised its financial outlook for the year after beating Wall Street's expectations for the quarter and seeing the strongest growth in more than a decade in sales at established stores. Its shares rose nearly 10 percent.

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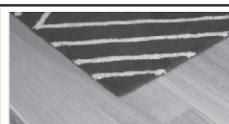
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BOOT!

**THE LOCKHORNS**  
BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER

"IT'S YOUR MOTHER OR SOMEONE TRYING TO MAKE US FEEL GUILTY FOR NOT VISITING HER."

"GENTLY, LEROY... SO PEOPLE WON'T HEAR THE CHANGE RATTLE."

"I HOPE YOU DIDN'T STRAIN YOUR EYES FROM ALL THE OGLING."

"NO WONDER I FEEL BURNED OUT... YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT."

"I WANT LEROY TO MAKE MORE OF A COMMITMENT... HE ANSWERS ALL MY TEXTS WITH SHRUG EMOJIS."

**Hi and Lois**  
by BRIAN and GREG WALKER

SIGH...

REMEMBER HOW UPSET YOU WERE WHEN THEY STARTED PLAYING CHRISTMAS MUSIC LAST SEPTEMBER?

AND ALL THE HOLIDAY DECORATIONS WERE UP AT THE MALL BEFORE HALLOWEEN?

AND "BLACK FRIDAY" STARTED ON THANKS-GIVING?

WHAT'S YOUR POINT?

IT'S TOO EARLY FOR BACK-TO-SCHOOL SHOPPING!

THERE'S ONLY A FEW WEEKS LEFT.

**MARY WORTH**

"THE TRUTH IS RARELY PURE AND NEVER SIMPLE."  
- OSCAR WILDE

THERE WAS A TIME I WAS ADDICTED... I WAS A DEALER... I WAS IN PRISON...

NOW I'M DETERMINED TO STAY OUT OF TROUBLE... AND LIVE CLEAN AND SOBER!

AFTER TOMMY CONFESSES HIS TROUBLED PAST... TOMMY, AS LONG AS YOU'RE COMMITTED TO LIVING WITHOUT ALCOHOL OR DRUGS...

AND AS LONG AS THERE'S LOVE BETWEEN US...

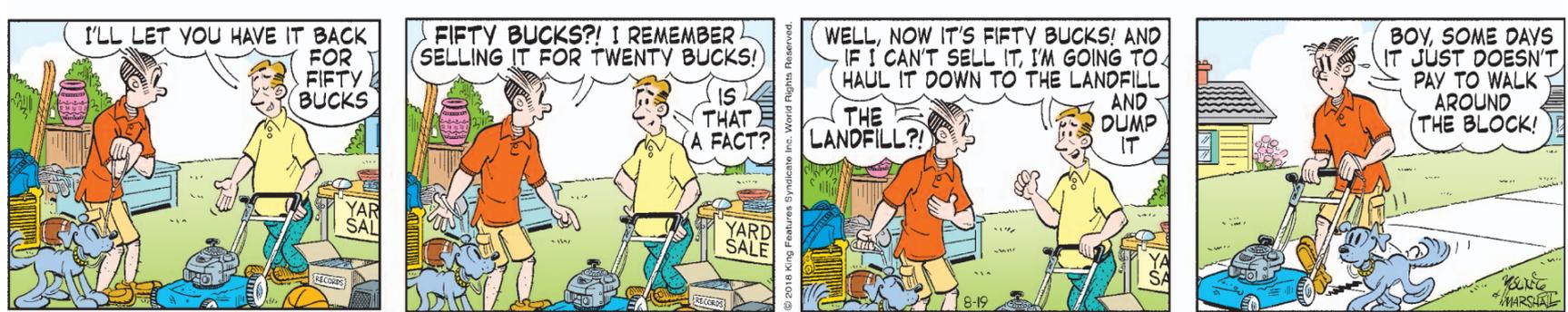
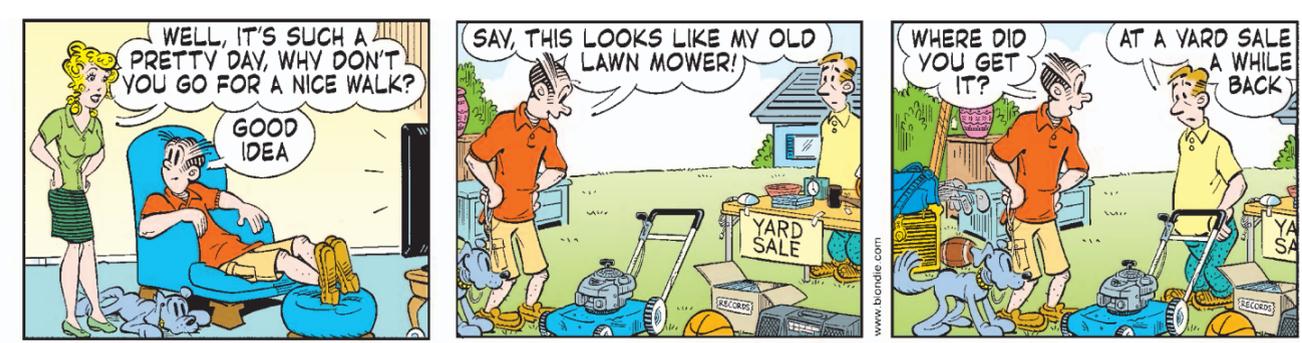
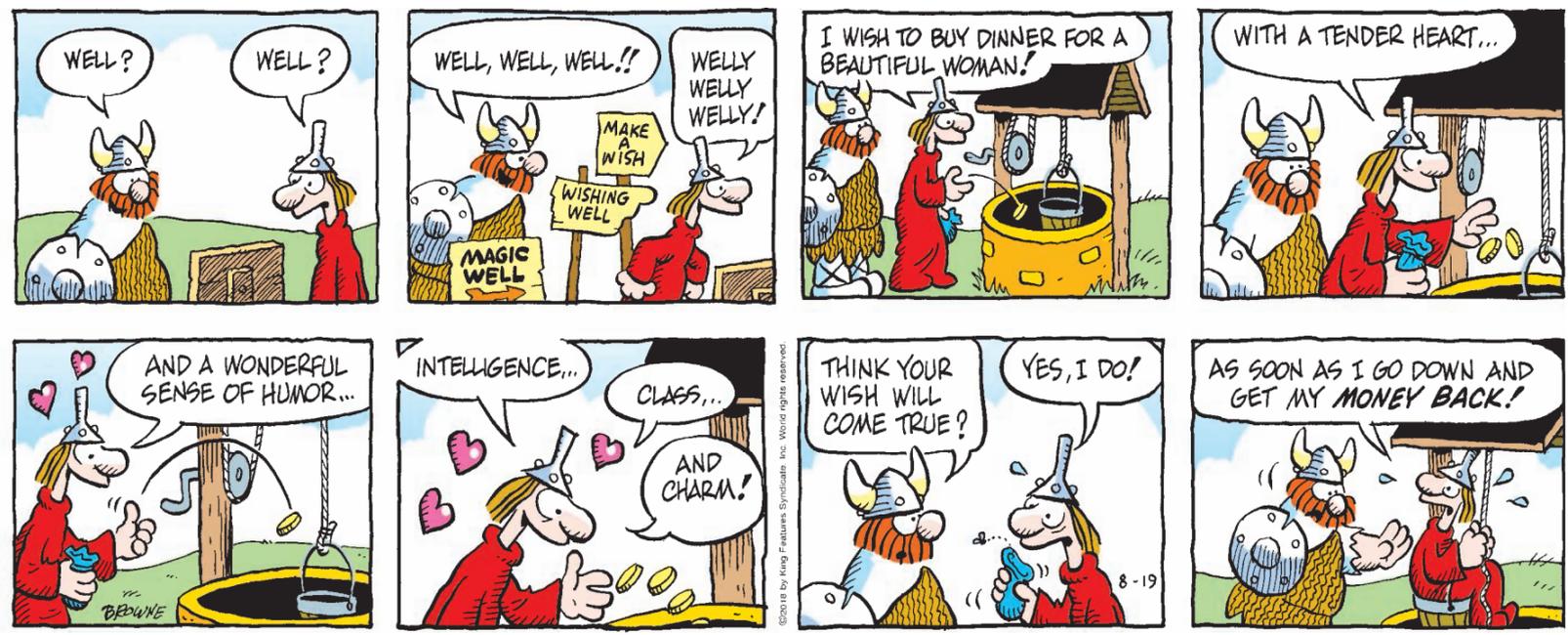
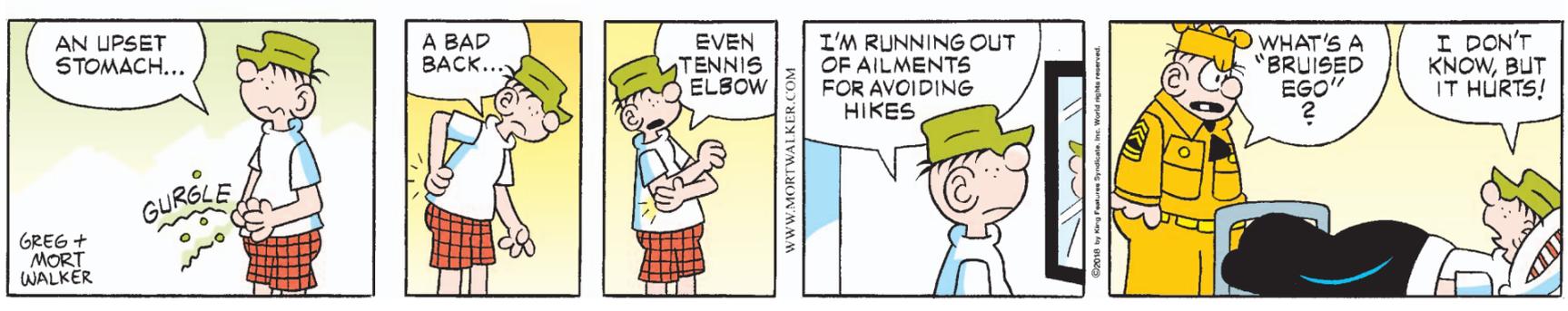
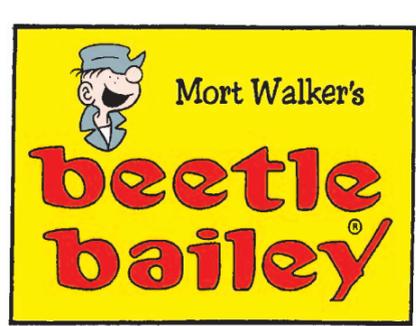
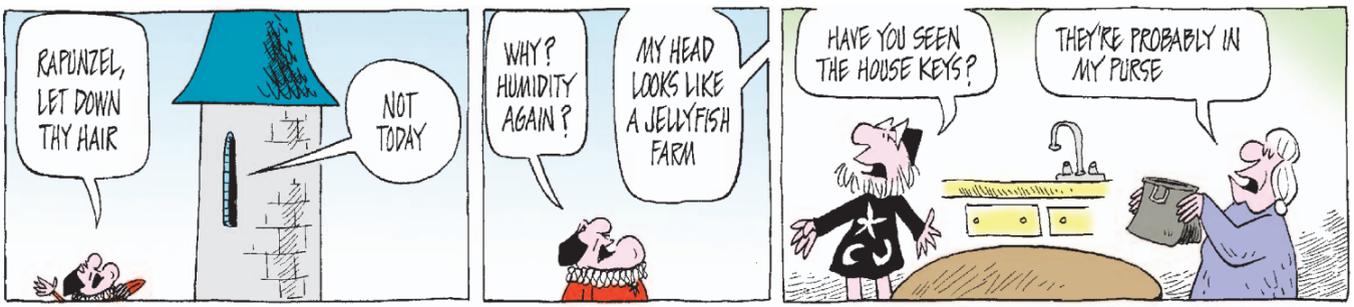
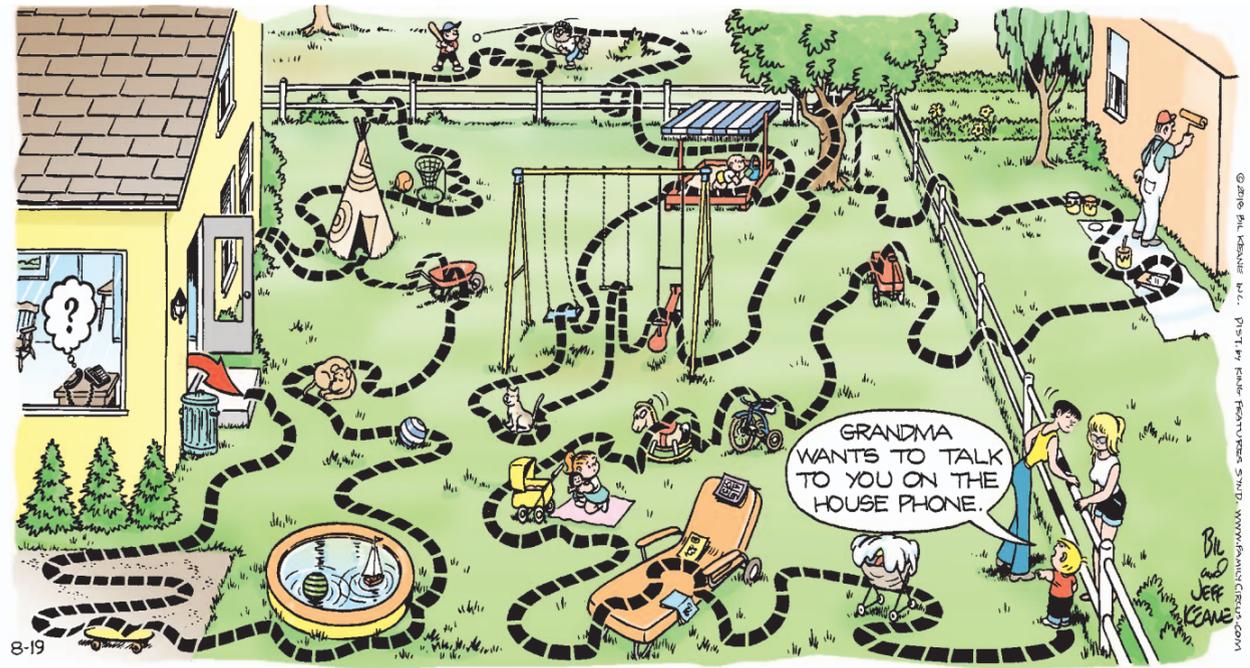
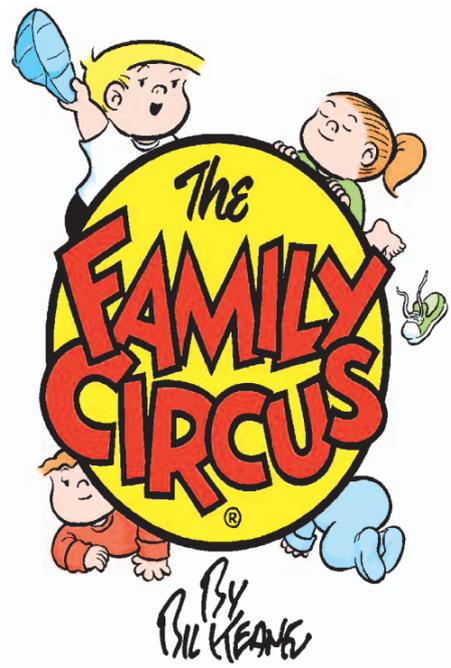
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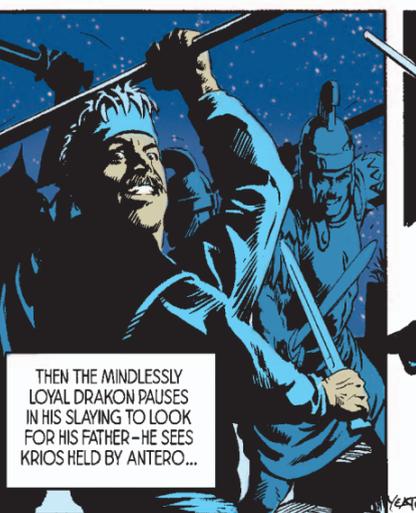
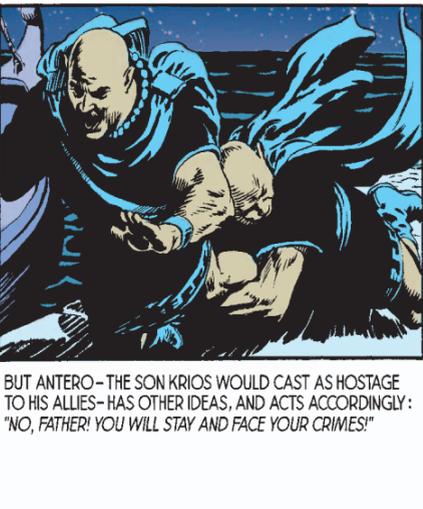
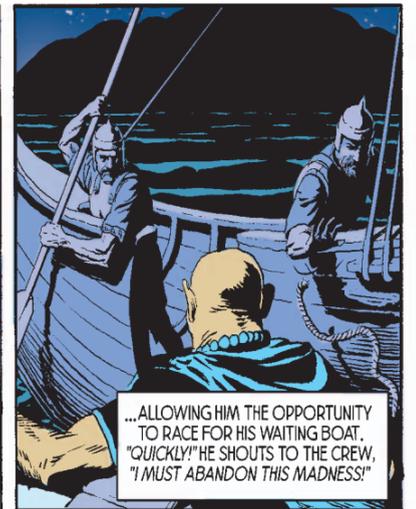
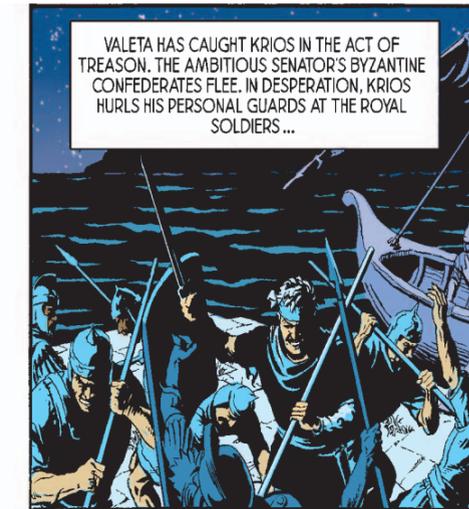
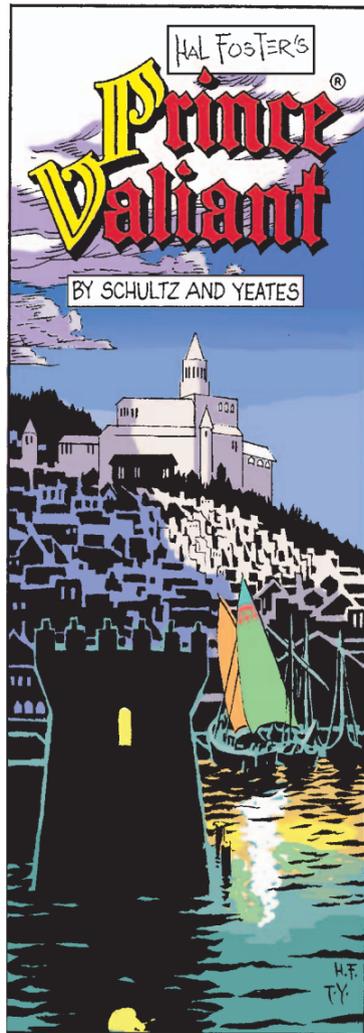
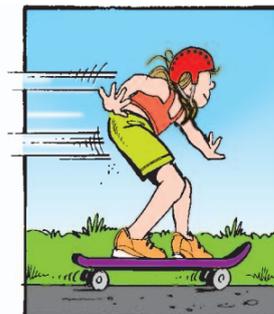
I WANT TO GIVE US A CHANCE!

THANK GOD! I WON'T LET YOU DOWN, BRANDY!

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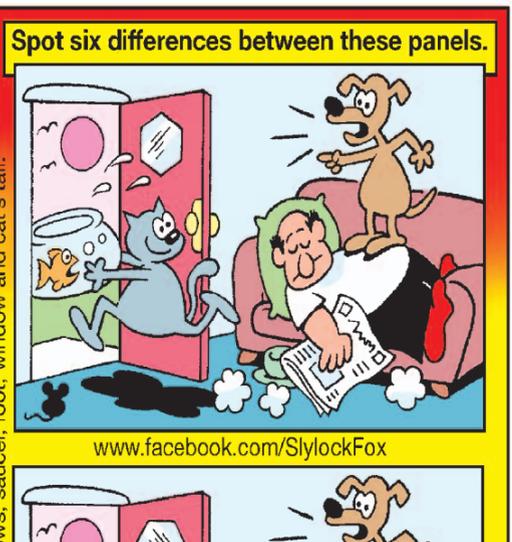
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HOW WAS JEREMY TODAY?

CATEGORY FOUR.

# JEFF MACNELLY'S SHOE

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ROZ! AS USUAL, I MUST CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR GARLIC AND ONION SALAD TOPPED WITH BLUE CHEESE DRESSING!

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# PICKLES

by BRIAN CRANE

Dinner is in the freezer

OPAL IS VISITING HER SISTER, BUT SHE LEFT THIS FROZEN DINNER.

LET'S SEE... REMOVE FILM FROM DESSERT.

CUT SLIT IN FILM OVER CHICKEN AND POTATOES. MICROWAVE ON HIGH FOR 4 MINUTES.

TURN BACK FILM, REARRANGE CHICKEN AND STIR POTATOES. REPLACE FILM.

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HEAT ON HIGH FOR 2 MINUTES. LET COOL FOR 1 MINUTE.

ORDER PIZZA.

# THE BORN LOSER

by Art & Chip Sansom

COACH KEEPS MOVIN' ME AROUND TO FIND A POSITION I CAN HANDLE.

COACH STARTED ME OUT AT CATCHER, BUT I COULDN'T CATCH FASTBALLS.

SO HE MOVED ME TO THE INFIELD, BUT THIRD BASE WAS TOO CLOSE TO THE PLATE FOR HOT GROUNDERS.

THEN HE TRIED ME A LITTLE FARTHER FROM HOME PLATE, AT SECOND BASE, BUT I STILL COULDN'T HANDLE GROUND BALLS THERE.

SO COACH PUT ME OUT IN LEFT FIELD, BUT TOO MANY FLY BALLS CAME MY WAY.

NOW, HE HAS ME HERE IN RIGHT FIELD, BECAUSE NOT AS MANY BALLS ARE HIT THIS WAY.

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COACH SAYS IF I CAN'T PLAY THIS POSITION, MY NEXT SPOT IS GONNA BE BEHIND THE OUTFIELD FENCE!

# TIGER

BY BUD BLAKE

SAWHORSE

LUMBER

NAILS

TOOLS

ALL SET- I'VE GOT PLENTY OF WOOD AND NAILS. WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE ME MAKE?

A HOT FUDGE SUNDAE!

BUD BLAKE  
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# BABY BLUES

RICK BY JERRY KIRKMAN / SCOTT

**FWEEEEEEET!**

**ADULT SWIM! KIDS OUT OF THE POOL!**

**AWW!**

**GRRR...**

**NO FAIR!**

**GRUMBLE GRUMBLE GRUMBLE**

**I NEED A BETTER DISGUISE.**

**TRY A BIGGER BRAIN.**

**THAT INCLUDES YOU TOO, HAMMIE!**

**BARNEY GOOGLE and SUNS FIFTH**

BY JOHN ROSE

**HMMM... SNUFFY'S ON A CAMPIN' TRIP WIF LUKEY...**

**JUGHAID'S EATIN' AT JAMEY'S...**

**AN' TATER'S VISITIN' SNUFFY'S MAW !!**

**IF IT'S ENNYTHIN' I HATE, IT'S EATIN' ALONE.**

**BUT I GUESS I HAVE NO CHOICE...**

**ZING!**

**BY MASTROIANNI AND HART**

**WHAT ARE YOU DOING?**

**HOPING THIS THING ISN'T REAL.**

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**FUUUUUUUUUUUP**

**TIE TIE**

**EARLY HUMAN ONLY EXPELLED HYDROGEN.**

# SALLY FORTH

by Francesco Marciuliano

**THAT'S BRILLIANT, HIL!**

**YOU KNOW WHAT WOULD REALLY CRANK UP THE FUN WITH THIS SLIP 'N SLIDE?**

**I KEEP TELLING YOU - WE CAN'T ADD A LOOP. THAT ONLY WORKS WITH HOT WHEELS TRACKS.**

**FORGET ABOUT THAT. BUT WHAT IF WE MADE A "TIME-SLIP 'N SLIDE"?**

**A WHAT NOW?**

**A "TIME-SLIP 'N SLIDE"! JUST THINK - ONE MOMENT YOU'RE HAVING A BLAST SLIDING ON WET PLASTIC, AND THE NEXT MOMENT YOU'RE SLIDING INTO MEDIEVAL TIMES! OR ANCIENT EGYPT! OR EVEN THE PREHISTORIC ERA!**

**OF COURSE, THOSE TIMES WON'T HAVE A TIME-SLIP 'N SLIDE TO BRING US BACK, SO WE'LL HAVE TO BRING AN EXTRA ONE. AND WE'LL NEED TO BRING PLUMBING FOR THE HOSE. AND A HOSE. AND THERE'S ALWAYS THE CHANCE WE WIND UP IN POMPEII ON VOLCANO DAY. BUT JUST THINK OF THE PHOTO OPS!**

**I...I...I CAN'T. FAYE, IF YOU PLEASE...**

**I ASSUME YOU HAVEN'T FIGURED OUT ANY OF THE SCIENCE BEHIND THIS AND YOUR BRAIN IS SIMPLY FRIED FROM THE SUMMER SUN?**

**WE DON'T HAVE TO FIGURE IT OUT NOW! THAT'S FOR "FUTURE HILARY" TO GET RIGHT!**

**TEN YEARS LATER...**

**ARE YOU STILL WORKING ON THAT TIME SLIDE?! IF WE'RE LATE AGAIN, THE COFFEE SHOP WILL FIRE US FOR SURE!**

**OH, I GAVE UP ON THAT SLIDE LONG AGO YESTERDAY. BUT HEAR ME OUT - YOU KNOW HOW "LEGOS" AND "EGGOS" NOT ONLY SOUND ALIKE BUT BOTH HAVE INDENTS FOR INTERLOCKING?...**

# CRANKSHAFT

BY BATIUK & DAVIS

**COUNTY FAIR**

**IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT IT'S COUNTY FAIR TIME ALREADY.**

**I KNOW.**

**ITALIAN SAUSAGE**

**CORN DOGS**

**RIDE TICKET**

**HERE**

**SINCE YOUR DAD SOLD ALL OF THE PRODUCE FROM HIS GARDEN...**

**8-19**

**WHAT'S HE GOING TO ENTER FOR THE COUNTY FAIR JUDGING?**

**FRESH FRENCH**

**I DON'T KNOW... BUT HE SAID HE HAD SOMETHING IN MIND...**

**JUDGING**

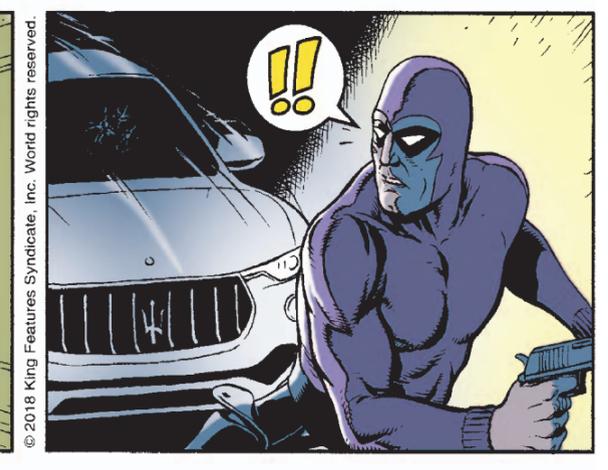
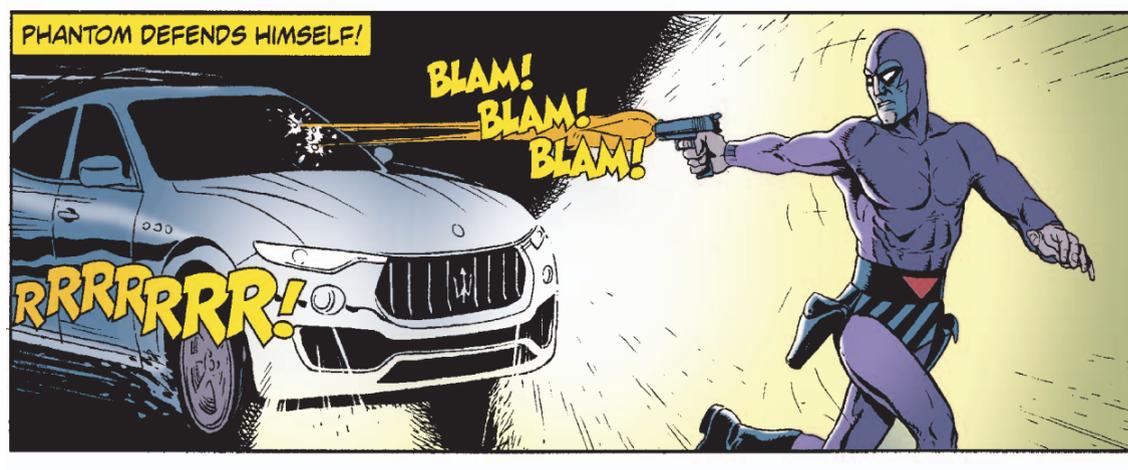
**JUST A DOGGONE MINUTE... THESE ARE PLASTIC!**

**BATIUK & DAVIS**



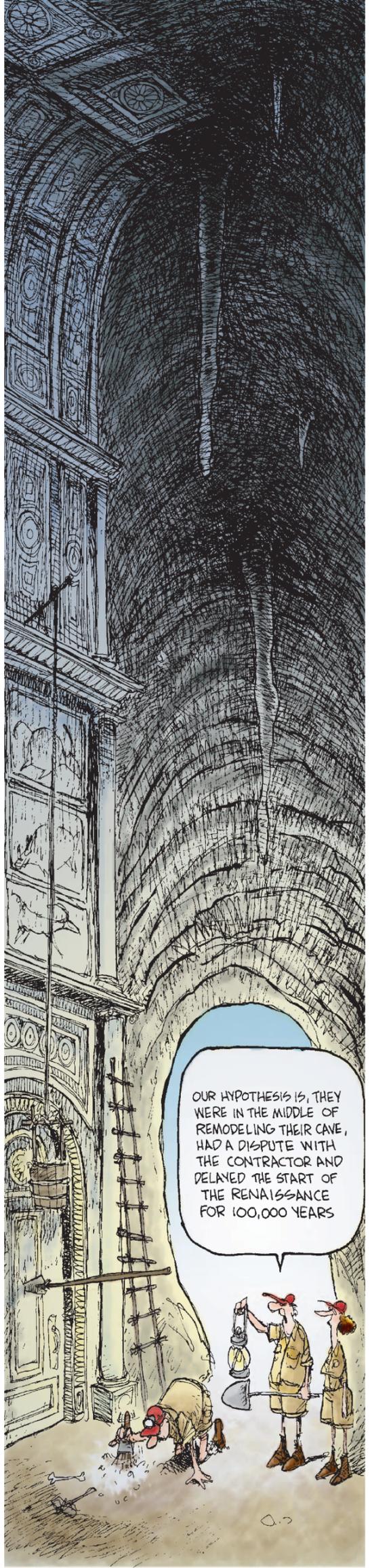
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