

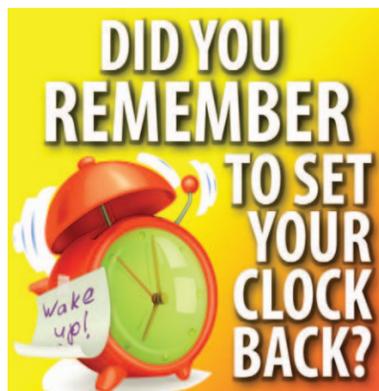
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Local Rabbi plans synagogue massacre memorial

By MARC VALERO
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — An event in memory of the Jews murdered in the Pittsburgh synagogue massacre, hosted by Sebring Rabbi Adam Nesenoff and his wife, Chana, will be held at noon, Nov. 18 at Inn on the Lakes in Sebring.

Nesenoff said Friday, "This was a unique attack; this was the single worst attack on Jews in this country's history; there has never been an attack like this; there have been people who write anti-Semitic comments on the sides of buildings or whatever, but this is the worst attack on Jews in this country's entire history."

The event's flyer titled "Transforming Darkness" states: "When 11 pure souls are taken from us we must gather to combat the evil in the word by fighting the darkness with light."

Someone in Sebring told him, "I am sorry for your loss," Nesenoff said. It affected him in a very powerful way because though he didn't personally know any of the victims from Pittsburgh it was a loss for him in a sense that if affected every Jewish community.

It could have been any synagogue, he said. It should affect every person because it brings terrorism to a new level.

In other countries, such as countries in Europe, they have metal detectors in places of worship, Nesenoff said. But, America is not really at that stage.

"Even though I am a Rabbi, if someone went into any kind of denomination of a church and just opened fire, it would horrify me, also," he said. "Because, it just shows that houses of worship, which classically don't have the most tremendous amount of armed security because everyone is welcome in them, could get this kind of attack."

Speaking of the Nov. 18 event at Inn on the Lakes, Nesenoff said, it is not just a Jewish/Israel event. All are encouraged to come to show support for the Jewish community and to stand against anti-Semitism and hate in the world.

It's a memorial event for those who were killed as well as a gathering of people of all faiths and community leaders and officials to stand strong against this kind of hate, he added.

The event is open to all, but RSVP required. RSVP to: SebringJewishMemorial@gmail.com.

Rollin' on Red Water

Local man builds 'first-ever' motorcycle-powered paddle wheeler

By PHIL ATTINGER
STAFF WRITER

LAKE PLACID — If you've been out around Little Lake Red Water and saw a paddlewheeler tooling around the water, your eyes aren't deceiving you.

If you thought you saw a motorcycle mounted to the deck being used as a captain's chair and wheel, you were right again. You may not have

noticed, though: That's also the engine.

Jerry Windsor, 67, lives along the lake behind a friend's house in a camouflage RV, has a flat black Harley-Davidson motorcycle parked behind it and moors his homemade paddlewheeler, "Wataulooknat," in a break in the bulrushes out back.

Windsor said he had two



PHIL ATTINGER/STAFF

Jerry Windsor, 67, of Lake Placid tools around Little Lake Red Water under 'hog' power in his homemade paddle wheeler, 'Wataulooknat.' If the captain's chair looks like a Harley-Davidson, it's because it's a stripped-down 1993 FXDL, bolted to the hull and converted to chain drive for the paddle wheel. Windsor hopes to set a Guinness World Record for speed in a new category for motorcycle-powered paddle boat.

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Getting IT done

County tech needs squeezed by budgets

By PHIL ATTINGER
STAFF WRITER

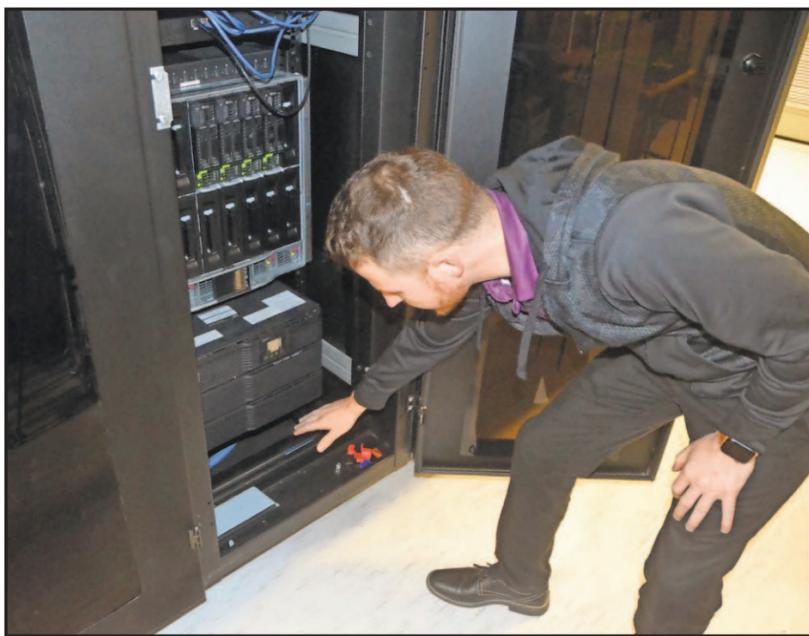
SEBRING — Every time you pay for your car tag, or get a house renovation permit or even a yard sale permit, you've used information technology.

The same holds true if you watch a government meeting live on the internet, file something at the Highlands County Courthouse or get a speeding ticket: Governments run on computers, but those computers run on trained professionals, called the Information Technology Department, or "IT."

Thomas Haralson Jr., IT director for the Highlands County Clerk of the Courts Office, said those skills are much in demand, even more so now. "We have an 'internet of things,'" Haralson said.

He said the "consumerization" of technology into mobile phones and even internet-connected refrigerators has changed the way people think about what their devices can do, and has added demands to the networks.

As more people move to Highlands County, they demand the ability to pay for car tags or apply for permits online, even through mobile devices.



PHIL ATTINGER/STAFF

Thomas Haralson Jr., information technology director for the Highlands County Clerk of the Courts examines equipment in one of several server cabinets that serve Highlands County government. The county always needs new equipment as population and data management needs increase. However, Haralson said he will also need more people to handle the maintenance, and county budgets can't match that need.

Adding those functions to the existing system, and then maintaining it with every other current function requires more work from IT, he said. His team already handles every thing from user requests, such as updating or finding passwords, to the tasks of upgrading entire servers and protecting them against glitches, viruses or hackers.

Most requests for a fix may be marked "urgent" or "urgent of the urgent," but not all of those are "important," Haralson said, and they keep

his team from the daily maintenance.

"People get in IT to facilitate business objectives and goals, but we're trapped managing the plumbing," Haralson said.

That's still important, though. Constituents can see and touch a road or a new fire engine, but Haralson said it's not possible to show them everything his team "touches" in a day.

"If you printed it out and piled it on desks, you could see the workload,"

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Adventures in bear sitting

By ROBERT MILLER
NEWS CLERK



ROBERT MILLER/STAFF

Carly Joles offers a bite of her cookie to Annie as classmate Ryan looks on. Annie has been a part of Trinity Tots Preschool for 20 years.

Bears are not an uncommon occurrence in the town of Lake Placid. Most residents don't want a bear anywhere near their property, let alone in their child's school. But that's exactly what the staff at Trinity Tots Preschool have dealt with for the past 20 years.

The bear has become part of classes for the 4-year-old children. Annie, as she is called, sits in on snack time,

watches them during lessons and even participates in Halloween activities. And every Friday, one child gets to take Annie home for the weekend and have adventures together.

But Annie isn't a real bear. For the safety of the children, and the bear, Annie is a stuffed bear puppet.

Preschool Director Susan Norris started the activity of taking Annie home about 20 years ago. It was a class

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Haralson said. "Nobody sees (if) the servers are not patched."
And like plumbing or electricity, he said IT is hidden behind walls, and people don't think about it until it breaks.

Keeping that from happening costs money in equipment, software and work hours, and salaries to attract good people.

Deputy Clerk of the Courts Jerome Kaszubowski said the department has lost five people since 2011 — approximately one every 18 months — to higher-paying jobs in the private sector and/or outside Highlands County.

Haralson said it's difficult to get people to take an IT job in Highlands County that pays less than on the coast or than most commercial sector IT jobs. Most of his staff were already in-county, he said, or have roots here.

Right now, out of all local government offices, the Clerk's Office is covering the most IT, followed closely by the Highlands County Sheriff's Office.

The Clerk's Office handles all IT for the Highlands County Courthouse and Board of County Commission departments and most "back-end," or behind scenes functions and data management for the Supervisor of Elections Office, Tax Collector's Office and even the Property Appraiser's Office, which has an IT budget and full-time IT staff member.

The Highlands County Sheriff's Office has a five-member IT staff of its own to manage what Sheriff's Public Information Officer Scott Dressel calls a "data-heavy" agency. Haralson's team coordinates with them to keep that office connected as seamlessly as possible with all other offices.

All this is expensive. Haralson said he requested \$1.88 million to stay ahead of needed upgrades and workloads.

Clerk of the Courts Bob Germaine sent a \$1.76 million request to the county commission.

Trying to keep budgets in line with this year's 1.97 percent property tax increase, county commissioners asked Germaine to cut it to \$1.69 million.

Haralson said he'll work with that, as best as possible. Germaine warned commissioners during budget hearings that his IT department can't take another year of cuts, especially given all the other offices that depend on them.

Haralson said, with curtailed budgets, IT departments have to decide how much risk they want their offices to have in old or unprotected servers.

He and Kaszubowski said that should be a consideration, and administrators should seek advice from IT when setting budgets.

"The risk level should be decided at the executive level, not the IT level," Kaszubowski said.

Whether IT is in-house or outsourced, it's in the budget.

Tax Collector Eric Zwyer said he budgeted approximately \$28,000 for Fiscal Year 2018-19 to pay the Clerk for IT: \$15,536 for service/maintenance



PHIL ATTINGER/STAFF

Thomas Haralson Jr. and some of the servers that provide the functions everyone depends on in Highlands County Government. Each cabinet has its own backup batteries and separate air-conditioning, to keep the servers cool and working. Haralson and his boss, Deputy Clerk of the Courts Jerome Kaszubowski, say county allocations to information technology will have to increase to keep up with the need.

and \$12,286 for the Microsoft Office lease.

Other than that, Zwyer has outsourced a software package to handle daily functions: Tax collections, billing, tax deed sales, accounting, cashiers' stations, interfacing with the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles — for driver's licenses and car tags — gun licenses, birth certificates and even SunPass sales.

That software bundle costs Zwyer \$100,000 per year — \$125,000 less than the software he had beforehand.

Property Appraiser

Raymond McIntyre has his own IT staff — Shawn Nickell — with a budget of \$450,000 per year. Nickell handles all kinds of requests and maintenance duties for them, McIntyre said, including updating the website.

However, McIntyre said the Clerk manages data his office uses daily.

The Highlands County Sheriff's Office has a five-person IT unit to network and maintain technology for the "data-heavy" agency, as described by Public



A peek through a door shows where the Clerk of the Courts Information Technology Department has set up shop in a conference room, until their new office space is complete. The team handles user requests to fix computer glitches, but their primary purpose is making sure the equipment that provides data for all government offices stays running.

Information Officer Scott Dressel. They handle everything from in-car computers and mobile phones to data transfers between the 911 Central Dispatch Center and Highlands County Public Safety crews, such as ambulances and fire engines.

"They have their hands full. There are several components to those

systems," Dressel said.

The system also has "back-ups upon back-ups," Dressel said.

"There's nothing on paper anymore," Dressel said, except traffic tickets, but they can be handled digitally, too.

Their IT budget is not very far behind the Clerk's, Dressel said: \$1.02 million.

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SFSC hosts Veterans Day remembrance

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AVON PARK — South Florida State College (SFSC) will host a Veterans Day remembrance ceremony to honor the men and women who served their country in war and peace. The ceremony, which also commemorates the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I, will be held Monday, Nov. 12, at 10:45 a.m., at the flagpoles on the SFSC Highlands Campus in Avon Park. The public is invited to join SFSC students, staff, faculty, and administrators for this annual ceremony.

Colonel Mike Borders, a U.S. Army veteran, will deliver the keynote speech. Born into an army family, he earned his commission through the ROTC program at St. Mary's University in San Antonio, Texas. He went on to serve in the army for 30 years as a signal officer and Latin American foreign area officer. Upon his retirement from active duty, Borders worked for over six years at the National Defense University in Washington, D.C. and moved to Sebring in mid-2014. He serves locally on several military- and veteran-related boards, councils, and committees.

Two SFSC students will offer remarks in honor of all who served their country. U.S. Army Reserve Spc. Levi Lambert is the class leader of the Criminal Justice Academy's Basic Law Enforcement Class 257, and Cpl. Vicente Moore, a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, is pursuing his Associate in Science in Business.

Larissa Meagher, a senior at Sebring High School, will perform a



Cadets Gibson and Peaden receive the MOAA award from Col. Mike Borders

musical tribute. The Avon Park High School Air Force JROTC color guard will present the American flag. After the ceremony, the Knights of Columbus, Assembly 3203, will lead a Remembrance Walk through a portion of the SFSC Highlands Campus. Visitors will find the

flagpoles at SFSC adjacent to the circular driveway on the west side of the Alan Jay Wildstein Center for the Performing Arts, accessible through Entrance 3 on College Drive.

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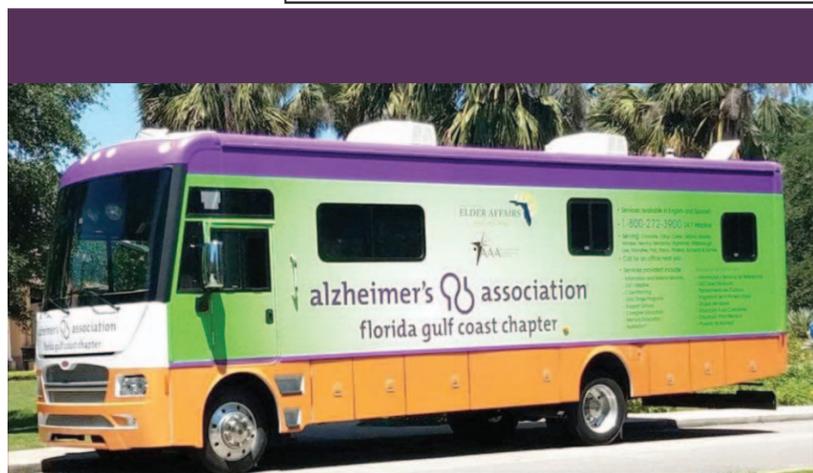
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project that ended up taking off and becoming a school tradition. Her name was voted on by the students. Annie was the people's choice.

"It teaches the children responsibility," said Norris, "and early literacy skills as well as language communication."

One child gets to take Annie home on Friday, they have her all weekend long and they bring her back on Monday. Each child is assigned a different weekend. During long breaks, such as Christmas break, Annie stays at the school, "Over long weeks she stays at school and rests," Norris said.

Annie has her own backpack (Care Bears of course) that holds her outfits, accessories and a journal to record their adventures in. With their parents helping, the child can write in their adventures with Annie and even add drawings or photos.

The backpack also contains a note with rules for caring for Annie, including Annie being afraid of the dark so don't leave her outside alone and that Annie doesn't like the water. So, instead of taking her in the pool, let her lay out and sun beside the pool instead.

When the children return Annie to school on Monday, they get to stand in front of the class and talk about what they've done with her over the weekend. With the journal they are dictating to their parents what to put in there and they're watching their parents write. Both of



ROBERT MILLER/STAFF

Jennifer Baucom, VPK teacher at Trinity Tots Preschool and her class spend the day with Annie. From left to right: Howie, Jennifer Baucom, Cali, Kinsly, Carly, Annie the bear, Wynn, McCoy, Ryan, Braxton, Bryson and Peyton.

these activities help the children learn, and it promotes working together as a family.

When Annie comes back to school, Norris takes her home and cleans her up, puts her in a new outfit and the process starts again the next Friday. Annie's adventures occur every weekend through January.

According to Norris, Annie's been all over. On an airplane to Utah, on a boat she's even been to

St. Augustine to attend a wedding. "She came back with this gorgeous wedding dress on," said Norris.

Over the past three weeks, Annie visited the pumpkin patch and the Fall Festival in Lake Placid. While at the Festival, Annie was recognized by a former student of Norris. The young man remembered having taken Annie for a weekend 13 years ago. He even posed for a photo with Annie and her

current child adventurer.

McCoy Hatton recently had a turn with Annie, taking her to a friend's house and visiting the Fall Festival. He also helped Annie learn fire safety just like he did in class. "I showed her fire safety," Hatton said, "and I took her to the Festival."

Kids find new clothes and accessories for Annie with each adventure and those get added to her backpack. Recently, Annie came back with new sunglasses. Norris says she's even had to change out Annie's outfits over the years as fashions change.

Susan Norris is happy that it's lasted this long and hopes Annie sticks around for a while. "It's been a fun activity and I hope it continues."



Susan Norris, preschool director at Trinity Tots Preschool, holds Annie the bear who has had some incredible adventures over the past 20 years.

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Car crashes are a leading cause of death for teens

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By **MELISSA MAIN**
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — Car crashes caused approximately one-third of teenage deaths (ages 13-19) in 2010, according to DoSomething.org.

"In 2016, 2,433 teens in the U.S. ages 16-19 were killed and 292,742 were treated in emergency departments for injuries suffered in motor vehicle crashes," the Center for Disease Control and Prevention reported.

DoSomething.org reported that 56 percent of teens said that they talk on their phones while driving, but they lose this ability to speak when someone is scaring them with reckless driving. Only 44 percent of teens said they would speak up about someone's irresponsible driving behavior.

Chatting on a cell phone doubles the likelihood of an accident, the organization reports. The response time of a teens slows to that of a 70-year-old driver.

Teens relish spending time together and making memories, but some of these special moments come at cost, especially when they are made sharing a ride. For 16 and 17-year old drivers, death rates increase for each additional passenger.

Although Florida does not place restriction on teens riding together, 15 states and the District of Columbia will not allow teens to drive with another teenager, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

"We have found that distracted driving causes most crashes involving teen drivers and



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For 16 and 17-year old drivers, death rates increase for each additional passenger. Fifteen states and the District of Columbia prohibit teens from riding with each other.

surprisingly, that teen passengers are the top distraction," Florida Public Affairs Director for AAA Matt Nasworthy said.

Scott Dressel, public information officer for the Highlands County Sheriff's Office, said, "Setting a limit on who can ride with your teen may be a good step until they become a more seasoned driver."

Fifty-six percent of teens are taught how to drive by their parents, DoSomething.org states, and Lake Placid Police Chief James Fansler believes that parents should make the most of those teachable moments.

Fansler said, "Parents should always encourage their children to drive safe. They first must set a good example by exhibiting conduct they would want their teen drivers to follow. "It is hard to request teen drivers not to text and drive, or play with CD player if the parent is always doing so," Fansler said.

Dressel agreed. "One of the best things parents can do, though, is to set a good example. If your kids see you texting while driving, driving under the influence, being an aggressive

driver or having road rage, they are much more likely to do the same thing."

Fansler had some words of advice for teens. "Be safe and responsible while driving. Take driving seriously. Stop showing off for friends. Leave a few minutes early so you don't have to drive so fast. Pay attention. Leave the phone alone. Driving is not something that anyone should multitask while doing; it requires your full attention."

"You may be a great driver, but you also have to be aware there are some not-so-good drivers traveling right along with you," Fansler said. "You must look out for them as well."

Although teens may see themselves as experts of the roadway, research suggests otherwise. According to the Florida Highway Patrol, "Florida teens make up approximately 5 percent of Florida's licensed drivers; however, in 2017, teen crashes made up almost 12 percent of all crashes."

How can parents help their teens drive more safely on the road? The CDC has several

suggestions:

1. Limit the number of teens riding with your teen, preferably to zero.
2. Make sure your teen is off the road at night. Fatal crashes are more likely to occur during this time.
3. Practice night-time driving with your teen.
4. Require your teen to always buckle up.
5. Don't allow your teen to be a distracted driver. Prohibit talking on the cell phone, eating, texting or playing with the radio.
6. Make sure your teen doesn't drive drunk or drowsy.
7. Ensure that your teen follows the speed limit and adjust the car's speed for road conditions. Even though the posted speed is 55 mph, it may not be safe to drive that speed in a driving rainstorm.
8. Be a good role model.

Dressel said, "A lot of teens have almost a sense of immortality. They think it can't happen to them. But any first responder can tell you that it can indeed happen to teenagers."

"Teens need to know that it only takes a second of distraction for them to be in a serious crash, Dressel said. "I would suggest parents do some research online to look for some of the great tools that are available to help them learn the best way to talk to their teenager about distracted driving."

"The thrill of independence that teens get when they get to take to the road alone for the first time is a part of growing up," Dressel said. "But most teens over-estimate their driving ability and don't realize how much they don't know."

John E. Murray



John E. Murray, 74, of Lake Placid, Florida went home to be with his Lord on Friday night, Oct. 26, 2018 at Florida Hospital Lake Placid. John was the son of Isabell Wilkie and John G. Murray. He was born on Sept. 25, 1944 in Newton, Massachusetts. John served his country in Vietnam with honors in the U.S. Air Force. After his discharge from the Air Force, John went to work with the Miami-Dade Police Department where he retired after 35 years of service in the bomb squad. John has been a

resident of Lake Placid for the past 15 years moving here from South Miami. John was of the Catholic faith. He enjoyed fishing the local lakes and rebuilding cars, especially the classic cars. John loved to spend time with his family and friends, especially his grand and great-grandchildren.

John is survived by his loving daughters, Karen Disalvo, Lynda Murray, and Donna Haney; eight grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

In keeping with John's wishes, a service to celebrate his life will be private for his family. Words of comfort to the family can be made by visiting www.scottfuneralservices.com. Services entrusted to the Scott Funeral Home 504 W. Interlake Blvd., Lake Placid, Florida; 863-465-4134.

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ANOTHER VIEW

A tangible threat

At last year's annual Southeast Florida Regional Climate Leadership Summit, we were encouraged when business leaders not only acknowledged the threat sea level rise poses to the region but the role they needed to play in addressing it.

It was a major step forward in attracting the financial and political muscle needed to prepare the region for rising waters.

A year later, the three major chambers of commerce from Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade counties are looking to make good on that promise. Earlier this year, the business groups signed an agreement to "act and collaborate as a region" on the issue of sea-level rise, Dennis Grady, president and CEO of the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches, recently told the Post Editorial Board.

"As business organizations, we realized that we could no longer afford to get bogged down by parochialism, not on this issue," Grady said. "Sea-level rise is a regional problem . and we are all in agreement that we need to attack it that way; with a laser point, not a shotgun blast."

Adding that the message of the collaborative series — The Invading Sea — by the Miami Herald, South Florida Sun-Sentinel, the Palm Beach Post and WLRN Public Radio "was not lost on us," Grady said, "From a regional standpoint, we now know that sea level rise has to be at the top of our thought process in terms of future business growth and development."

That should please the scores of climate science and government leaders attending the leadership summit held last week at the Miami Beach Convention Center. It was hosted by the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact.

You'd hardly be blamed for thinking that the bulk of the business community had been napping on the biggest existential threat facing our region. Real estate is a multibillion-dollar industry in South Florida.

... When it comes to sea-level rise, however, our region is the tip of the spear. As we've said previously, predictions show South Florida is due for 1 to 2 feet of sea level rise by 2060, endangering more than \$14 billion of real estate, according to the nonprofit research group Climate Central. Of the 25 U.S. cities most vulnerable to sea level rise, 22 are in Florida.

The threat from rising seas is not only real and visible but tangible when it comes to our tax dollars. Enter the Climate Change Compact, now beginning its 10th year, a collaborative effort between Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade and Monroe counties created in response to this environmental and economic threat. The idea was to get the four Florida counties — and their municipalities — with arguably the most to lose to work together on resilience, mitigation and adaptation strategies.

And there has been success — mostly on the government side. Through its still relatively new Office of Resilience, Palm Beach County has been a guiding force for its municipalities; encouraging them to use the the Compact's research and strategies to help counter the effects of sea level rise and storm surge. But to adequately address sea-level rise issues the right way, local governments must work hand-in-glove with local businesses. To that end, Grady — who addressed last week's summit — says we should see more action and input from the Greater Fort Lauderdale and Greater Miami chambers, as well as his own.

"We're beyond issue proclamation time," he said. "We're committed to going to Washington, Tallahassee, wherever we need to get this issue in front of the right people: that our region is at great risk from sea level rise."

That's a welcome start.

An editorial from the Miami Herald.

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Memo to Trump: Price controls are not the way to go

COLUMNIST

Peter Roff

President Donald Trump, Secretary of Health and Human Services Alex Azar, and the rest of the administration deserve considerable thanks for the creativity they've employed in developing work arounds for some of the worst parts of Obamacare. Up to a point.

Regrettably, the recently announced plan for bringing down the cost of prescription drugs down is so heavily dependent on government-imposed price controls as to render it anathema to anyone serious about using market-based reforms to bend the cost of healthcare downward.

Azar's department is already taking comments on a potential rule tying the price for what Medicare Part B pays for certain drugs to what they cost in other countries. To the people who think drugs are cheaper in Canada because the government charges less for them, that might sound like a good idea. It is in fact hogwash, and the only comment people should be sending into HHS is to drop the initiative in its entirety before someone gets hurt.

The key reason the price consumers pay for drugs in other countries are cheaper than they are in the United States is because the bureaucrats in a country like Canada that runs a single-payer healthcare systems dictate to manufacturers the price they're willing to pay. Companies that refuse to play along run the risk of being shut out of the market altogether — which isn't great for patients — or of having carbon copies of supposedly patent-protected drugs suddenly appear on the market at a much lower cost as if by magic.

Neither of these outcomes are good for patients or consumers. They're also bad for U.S. manufacturers and investors — which means a chilling effect on innovation can't be far behind. How does a CEO justify an investment of millions or more into research and development of new drugs when government dictates on price virtually guarantees the money won't be recouped to any kind of reasonable degree before a patent

expires and generics flood the market? People sometimes forget the first pill is the most expensive one to manufacture: After that it's all downhill, production and distribution costs generally being negligible by comparison.

The Wall Street Journal put it well earlier this week, when it editorialized on the subject by explaining how cheaper European drugs weren't necessarily better. "Of 74 cancer drugs launched between 2011 and 2018, 70 (95 percent) are available in the United States. Compare that with 74 percent in the U.K., 49 percent in Japan, and 8 percent in Greece. This should cure anyone of the delusion that these countries will simply start to pay more for drugs. They're willing to deny treatments if it saves money."

A chief complaint about Obamacare in its nascent stage, before Nancy Pelosi and Harry Reid rammed it through Congress without knowing what was in it (because few if any members of Congress would admit to having read it), was that rationing of care would be an almost certain result. Well, the

same is true of price controls. They also lead to rationing — remember the 1970s anyone — and leave too much power in the hands of the bureaucrats who set them while disempowering consumers. Markets should set prices by sending signals about what they should be. It's not a job for an SES level federal bureaucrat working just off Capitol Hill looking at a spread sheet showing what they cost in Europe.

The president and Secretary Azar would be well advised to drop the whole idea, quietly and let it just fade from memory. Price controls never work. The desire to use them is not helpfully as a matter of policy or politically: they play to the liberal/left narrative that Trump is an autocrat intent on doing everything his way or not at all.

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YOUR VIEW

School security

All the news of late has been politics and the election is of vital importance, but other items keep coming up that need attention.

Two weeks ago, two 11-year-old girls in Polk County went to school with knives, intent on doing harm to other girls. They were stopped because another student reported them. No harm was done.

A few days ago, two teenagers got in a fight in the hallway of a school in North Carolina and the one boy pulled out a gun and killed the other. Three things come to mind. First, why did the boy have a gun? Second, where did he get the gun?

Third, how did the gun get into school?

Local authorities have struggled with ideas about how to prevent school shootings but these incidents keep happening. According to the internet, there have been 286 school shootings since 2009 all over the country. A squad car in the parking lot, officers at the doors and cameras all over the schools do not seem to be the answer. The shootings have been students shooting students, not outside individuals coming into the schools.

Are we not ignoring the obvious that the weapons are coming to school either on a student's person or in his/her backpack? Parents could be

the first line of defense by checking the child's pack before school, but barring that, a random bag inspection could be done at the school. This is not an invasion of a student's privacy, but possibly a method to insure school safety.

Just an idea folks, nothing else seems to be working.

Hal Graves
Sebring

Where is the country's future?

I am very worried about our country's future. We have to the point where our president called Andrew Gillum a thief without any proof. Mr. Trump, please tell us what

he stole.

Mr. Trump apologies to Judge [Brett] Kavanaugh and his family for the ordeal they went through. Dr. [Christine Blasey] Ford is still waiting for her apology.

Trump is beginning to sound like Hitler. Blame everything on someone.

Now, Mr. Trump claims he can sign an order about citizenship. Remember Hitler took away German citizenship for the Jews. Since they were no longer citizens they were not protected under the laws.

Can we afford two more years under Trump? Vote on Tuesday and vote with your heart and not party lines.

Cliff McDonald
Lake Placid

RED

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motorcycles and "I couldn't ride both of them at once," so he decided to make something unique with one of them.

In 2016, when he was 65 and still living in Fort Lauderdale, Windsor placed the motorcycle, stripped of its wheels, struts and fenders, on a plywood platform, itself mounted on four pontoons fashioned from 18 food-grade 55-gallon drums.

Each drum has a car tire valve stem, he said, so he can inflate them to 20 psi (pounds per square inch) for better buoyancy.

Windsor said he transfers power from the motorcycle engine via the stock transmission converted to a chain drive. A 530 motorcycle chain wraps around a 40-inch, 200-tooth sprocket on the 5-foot-tall and 6-foot-wide paddle wheel.

Sealed-bearing wheel spoke hubs, seven total with two on the paddle, help with the moving parts, Windsor said.

The paddle raises and lowers into the water via a

hand-held remote. It came in handy when Windsor had the boat trucked up from the coast when he moved in three months ago.

Whenever possible, he's used automotive parts or used marine parts for his components.

And, like 19th-century paddle wheel steamboats, "Wataulooknat" is boarded from the front by way of a hinged, pulley-lowered gangplank. The main difference is Windsor's is motorized and run by remote control.

Auxiliary power comes from a 1984 15hp Evinrude-Johnson outboard engine, mounted in a permanent forward position in a cowl in front of the "captain's chair." Windsor said he modified the foot brake on the right side of the motorcycle to switch among the Evinrude's three gears: Forward, neutral and reverse.

The handlebars tie into a four-rudder, hidden-cable mechanism, and the twist throttle still accelerates the motor.

Thus far, Windsor said, he's only taken the boat around the lake at idle speed, which the motor

does at a good clip with ease.

"It hardly burns any gas at idle," Windsor said. "I'm not into speed. I don't really care how fast it goes. It's the only Harley-Davidson stern paddle wheeler on the planet Earth."

His best guess is the boat will run 15-18 mph at "top speed," which is the fastest he can advance the throttle without damaging the paddle wheel.

When he contacted the Guinness Book of World Records and was told there is no category for fastest speed by a motorcycle-driven stern-mounted paddle wheel boat.

So he'll need help documenting it — at least six people, some of them in at least two chaser boats to document his speed.

After he sets that record, he hopes to sell the boat to someone who doesn't mind the attention of gawkers.

"If this was an event," Windsor said Thursday, "all the people would come to shore to watch this boat go by."

Anyone who wants to help him document the record can in touch with him by email, he said: jazzridez@hotmail.com.



PHIL ATTINGER/STAFF

Jerry Windsor, 67, makes a circuit Thursday morning on Little Lake Red Water in Lake Placid in 'Wataulooknat,' a homemade paddle wheeler powered by a 1993 Harley-Davidson FXDL, bolted to the deck beside him and tied into the paddle wheel via chain drive. Windsor hopes to set a Guinness World Record for speed in a new category for motorcycle-powered paddle boat.

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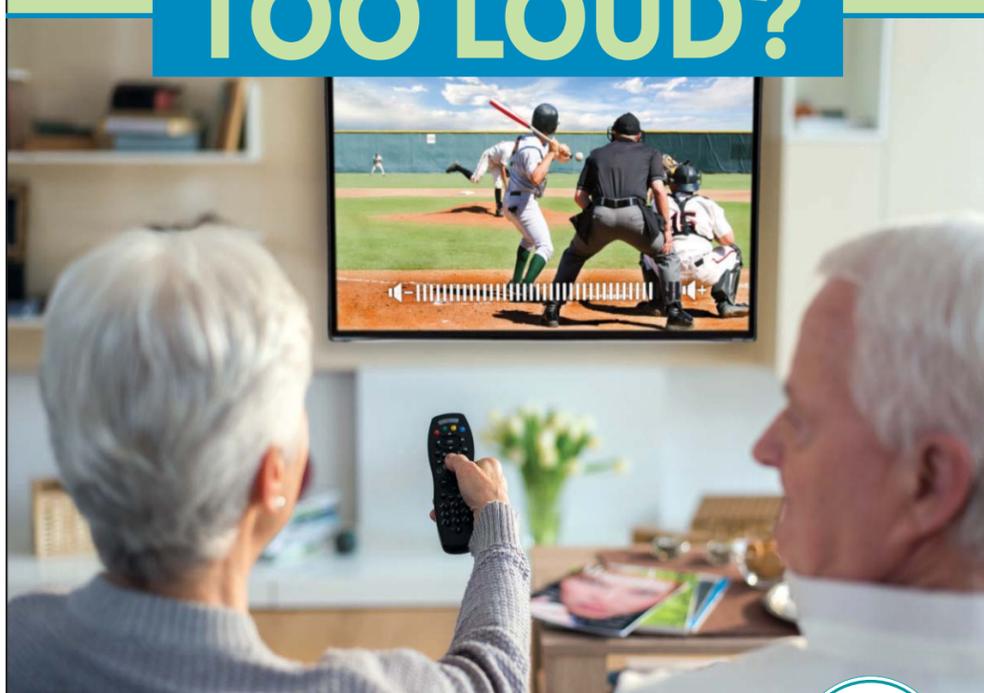


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Green Dragons edge Red Devils

Lake Placid beats Avon Park in season finale

By **JIM TAYLOR**
CORRESPONDENT

LAKE PLACID – The Lake Placid Green Dragons held off the Avon Park Red Devils fourth quarter comeback to finish the season with a 24-19 victory in an emotional and highly competitive game.

For Lake Placid, which improved to 6-4, it was seeing their former coach

on the opposite side for the Red Devils, who have suffered key injuries that has seen their 5-1 start spiral down to a 5-5 regular season record.

“It was a good win for us,” said Lake Placid Head Coach Andy Juhda. “It has been an emotional season for us, it is good to finish with a win. Now we wait to see if we made the playoffs.”

Avon Park found

themselves the victims of bad long snaps on their first two drives, the first recovered by Lake Placid’s Javarie White on the Red Devils 32-yard line.

Lake Placid took advantage of the opportunity on their first offensive play, breaking out the hook and ladder for a 32-yard touchdown. Shamar Mitchell threw the ball to Erskin Tolliver, who then tossed it to

Katwan Ward, who ran down the let sideline for the touchdown.

White converted the two point run as Lake Placid took an 8-0 lead.

Avon Park’s second possession ended with the long snap sailing past the punter, who was tackled in the end zone for a safety by Lake Placid’s Cade Simmons as



PHOTO BY JIM TAYLOR/CORRESPONDENT

Lake Placid’s Katwan Ward (3) breaks away from a host of Avon Park players during Friday night’s game. The Green Dragons beat the Red Devils by a score of 24-19.

DRAGONS | 3B



HIGHLANDS BASS ANGLER
Dave Douglass

New moon makes for great fishing

The Freshwater Fishing Forecast for the first week of November gives anglers the new moon phase and ideal fall weather forecast which will produce one of the two best fishing weeks of the month.

Anglers take note; fish are now operating on standard time, adjust your strategies accordingly.

All fishing factors considered, anglers can expect above average fishing results as factors align to cause fish to adjust and feed daily in greater amounts.

Today through Thursday greater solar energy levels will occur daily, along with daily wind speed and direction changes. Water temperatures are ideal, enabling fish to feed-at-will as dissolved oxygen levels reach optimum levels for annual high digestion rates.

Anglers will have no negative fishing-factors this week if the weather forecast holds true—Wednesday and Thursday wind speeds might be less than ideal.

Wednesday the new moon occurs eight days after the lunar perigee which occurred Oct. 31. This means it’s at less than half strength when compared to the full moon this month occurring four days before the lunar perigee, making it the best fishing week this month—January will produce a super full moon phase.

Bait colors which have been producing consistently have been red, gold, brown, black, blue and junebug. Spinnerbait with gold blades (dark colored skirts for dark water and light colored skirts for light water) are producing well when slow-rolled over submerged vegetation.

Top water baits work well if retrieved very slowly with several pauses, followed by a subtle shaking of the rod-tip to produce a bait action on the surface which mimics a stressed tired state.

This slow retrieve-action tactic attracts the larger fish and conversely, a steady faster retrieve-action attracts the younger smaller fish, which still chase-down their prey.

Best Fishing Days: Tuesday through Thursday’s sunrise, noon and sunset periods will produce well above average feed

MOON | 7B

Blue Streaks overpower Mustangs



RUTH ANNE LAWSON/STAFF

Sebring’s Norris Taylor is brought down by the face mask in Friday night’s game against Merritt Island. The Blue Streaks defeated the Mustangs in the final game of the regular season.

Sebring beats Merritt Island in regular season finale

By **RUTH ANNE LAWSON**
STAFF WRITER

MERRITT ISLAND – Sebring cruised past the Merritt Island Mustangs with ease Friday night by a final score of 42-3. The Blue Streaks end their regular season with a record of 8-2.

“I am always happy with a win,” said Coach LaVaar Scott. “They came in here and did the work. I feel like it was a little bit lackluster but we will look at the film and see how we really did. The execution was not what we wanted going into the playoffs. Everyone is healthy for the most part and if not they will get treated all weekend.”

In the first quarter Sebring quarterback DJ Williams got loose for a 47-yard touchdown. The extra point gave the Blue Streaks a 7-0 lead with 7:33 left in the first quarter.

Merritt Island’s next possession ended with Sebring’s Roger Yarde intercepting a pass that

he returned for a 55-yard touchdown. The extra point made it 14-0 midway through the second period.

After forcing a Mustang punt, Sebring’s Williams ran the ball 35 yards for another touchdown. The extra point extended the lead to a commanding 21-0 with :34 seconds left in the half.

“We started off a little slow but we did pick it up in the second half,” said quarterback DJ Williams. “We should have been doing way better than we were. I felt like I wanted to give other people big plays. I think the coaches are great. They make us disciplined and hard-working. I try to lead by example. With playoffs coming up we are going to work hard and get back at it.”

The Mustangs attempted an onside kick but it went straight into the arms of Sebring’s J’darien Barrett. Sebring scored again to make it 28-0 with

SEBRING | 6B



Sebring quarterback DJ Williams jumps over a Merritt Island player in Friday night’s win. The Blue Streaks defeated the Mustangs 42-3.

Sheriff’s bass tournament reels ‘em in

Great support for important fundraiser

By **JERRY MEISENHEIMER**
CORRESPONDENT

SPRING LAKE — Fishing is a sport with a lot of variables and challenges. One-hundred-and-four fisherman found how true that is on Sunday morning, Oct. 28. At first light, about 7:15 a.m., 52 bass boats motored out onto Lake Istokpoga. Their goal was to take home prize

money in the second annual Highlands County Sheriff’s Office Bass Tournament.

According to Sheriff Paul Blackman, who fished in the tournament too, the proceeds from the event go to sending 72 Highlands County children to the Sheriff’s Youth Ranch for a week at camp next summer. “Many of them would never

get the opportunity. We do that for them,” said Blackman.

The weather has a lot to do with whether the fish cooperate. Once the anglers left the Istokpoga Park Boat Ramp, and headed into open water, they were greeted with rough seas, wind and the coolest temperature of the season. But, fisherman are brave souls and were

determined to come back with either the heaviest three fish or the biggest bass.

Many of the boats had extra passengers as well. Up to two children were allowed on board to get a glimpse of what fishing is all about. Luckily, the sun warmed things up. But, unfortunately, the fish didn’t seem to care.

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These volunteers weighed the fish in at the tournament. From left; Deputy Jason Mulligan, Sebring PD SRO Wilma Tindell, Deputy James Brimlo and Explorer Gabrielle Ouverson.

Paul Miller Racing earned GTD title

Strong results key to successful season

SPECIAL TO HIGHLANDS NEWS-SUN

The No. 48 Paul Miller Racing Lamborghini Huracán GT3 co-driven to the 2018 IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship GT Daytona (GTD) title by Bryan Sellers and Madison Snow finished on the podium eight times in 11 races, including a run of five straight podiums to start the season.

It won twice, at the Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring Presented by Advance Auto Parts and the Northeast Grand Prix at Lime Rock Park. It finished inside the top five 10 times. And it needed every single one of those results to win a closely contested championship battle over the No. 86 Meyer Shank Racing Acura NSX GT3 and its lead driver, Katherine Legge.

"I had a number of people say to us, 'You know, with all the points you guys have accumulated, you should have put this thing away two races ago,'" said Team Owner Paul Miller. "The reality is that the 86 guys just did a great job. They just did not let up. They had a great car and they just kept coming at us."

Going into the 10-hour Motul Petit Le Mans season finale at Road Atlanta on Oct. 13, the No. 48 team had a six-point lead over Legge. However, two races earlier following the eighth round of the season, the margin was

18 points, before Legge and her co-driver, Alvaro Parente, whittled down the lead with a third-place performance in the Michelin GT Challenge at VIRginia International Raceway and a victory in the America's Tire 250 at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca.

"I was kidding with people that I didn't know whether I was going to have a heart attack or a stroke the weekend of Petit, because there was so much pressure," Miller said. "You knew you had to be on the podium to really protect the championship lead; the little, slim lead we had. It was a real nail-biter."

But their performance in the race put the team's mind at ease. In the end, they finished third in the race, one position behind the No. 86. That gave them the championship by four points.

"We had an increasingly better car over the course of the race, so we had good pace and we were competitive and able to run really good times," Miller said. "So, the last couple of hours when we were just following Parente, we could have pushed harder, we could have even tried to pass them, but there was no point in doing that. We just had to keep focused on the objective."

"It made it all that much more exciting, but it also took a few days to even have it sink in because there was just so much pressure. I think our whole team,

it literally took until the middle of that week following the race for people to start to really be able to breathe and feel like, 'Wow, we can actually enjoy this. We've actually come away with this thing.'"

It marked the culmination of several years of strong performance in the WeatherTech Championship GTD class. The team had finished "on the podium" in the GTD standings in each of the first three years of the WeatherTech Championship with a runner-up performance in 2014, followed by back-to-back third-place finishes in the 2015 and 2016 championship standings.

After an uncharacteristic eighth-place showing in the 2017 final standings, the team came back with a vengeance right out of the gate in 2018 with a third-place showing in the Rolex 24 At Daytona ahead of their victory at Sebring.

"A big key to this year was doing so well at Daytona and Sebring," Miller said. "I mean, coming out of the box with the first two critical races really set the tone for the whole season. Usually, if you go back and you look at our record, we'll have a seventh or ninth in there and we'll have some issues or we'll have some unfortunate incident that will set us back and then we just won't have the points accumulations that we had this year."

"That was a huge, huge factor in our season, coming out of Daytona with a third. Then, to be able to win at Sebring, really, really put us in a great position to make a real run at it."

The team took the GTD points lead after Sebring. While the margin got close a few times – all the way down to one point coming out of the Sahlen's Six Hours of The Glen – the No. 48 squad never relinquished the lead for the rest of the year.



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The No. 48 Paul Miller Racing Lamborghini Huracán GT3 won the 2018 IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship GT Daytona (GTD) title and finished on the podium eight times in 11 races.

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DRAGONS

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the Green Dragons lead hit double digits at 10-0. Toward the end of the first quarter, Avon Park was plagued with long snap problems again, this time the loose ball was recovered by Lake Placid on their own 32.

Lake Placid responded with an eight-play drive for 68 yards that went into the second quarter. The drive was highlighted by a 34-yard pass from Mitchell to Tolliver. Ward capped off the drive with a 6-yard run to put the Green Dragons up 17-0.

Avon Park responded with an eight-play drive that covered 57 yards. Xavier Holdman completed two passes to Javarius Smith, the first for 32 yards and the second for a 17-yard touchdown that made the score 17-6 at the half.

After a scoreless third quarter, Avon Park slashed the Green Dragons lead to four points, 17-13, after a 2-yard touchdown run by Jalen Turner.

Avon Park seemed to gain the momentum of the game, forcing a third and 22 on the Green Dragons until Lake Placid went back to the play that started the game or them. A hook and ladder from Mitchell, this time to White who tossed to Tolliver for a 46 yard pick-up to the Avon Park 31.

Two plays later, White carried the ball in from 15 yards out to give Lake



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Lake Placid's Cade Simmons gets flipped upside down as Erskin Tolliver tries to avoid the Avon Park defense during Friday night's game.

Placid back an eleven point lead at 24-13.

With less than a minute let in the game, Avon Park added to the final score with a 17-yard touchdown pass from Holdman to Earl Collins that made the final score 24-19.

"With the loss of some key players and leaders," said Avon Park Head Coach Jerry Hudnell. "We seemed to have lost the confidence to win. We need to change that before next Friday."

James Satine led the Red Devils with 144 yards on 12 carries and Holdman completed 8 o 16 or 117 yards, two touchdowns and two interceptions.

White led the Green Dragons with 68 yards on 12 carries and a touchdown. Mitchell completed 8 o 16 for 150 yards and a touchdown.

Both teams are waiting at this time on their playoff fate.



Lake Placid's Katwan Ward (3) meets Avon Park's Antwan Gavin during Friday night's game.



Lake Placid's Erskin Tolliver breaks off a big gain during Friday night's win over Avon Park.



Lake Placid's Shamar Mitchell puts pressure on Avon Park's Xavier Holdman during Friday night's game.

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BASS

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A few boats came back in early with nothing in their live-boxes.

Meanwhile, Sergeant Ross Porter, who supervises the school resource deputies, and organized the tournament with the help of his staff, waited patiently on shore for the weigh-in at 1 p.m. Then one by one, followed by a flotilla of boats, the excitement started to build. Each captain was asked, "Do you have any fish?"

Much to the surprise of family members and onlookers, the scale showed some nice numbers. Kevin Cheatwood, accompanied by his grandson Clay Sartori, a 7th grader at Lake Placid Middle School, fished with JR Corbin. They had a total of 11 pounds of bass, (first place) with

one of them being 7.3 pounds. That one turned out to be the 'big bass' of the day.

Father and son team, Darrell Kindrick and Bubba Kindrick, brought in a 6.1-pound lunker; but, it wasn't quite enough for the prize money. As each boat weighed in, the numbers were radioed to the 'command post' and written on the winner board.

In spite of some disappointment with their catches, the participants knew their entry fees were going to make a difference in a kid's life next summer.

Sponsors helped to make the charity a success. In addition to the prize money, there was a raffle for two huge ice coolers, and even an AR-15 rifle. In return, their names were printed on the back of the t-shirts each fisherman received.

No event like this could send people home hungry. So, Highlands County Sheriff's Department staff and police explorers cooked up burgers and hot dogs. Members of the Sebring Police Department also pitched in to make this year's tournament bigger and better than last year.

If you would like to help with sending a child to camp next summer, just call the Highlands County Sheriff's Office at 863-402-7200 and have Sgt. Porter contact you.



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K-9 Officer Jack Morgan, with the Seminole Tribe Police Department, and his son, Josh, 12, enjoyed a burger and a hot dog after being out on the water all morning.



The biggest bass (7.3 pounds) was displayed by Clay Sartori. It was caught by his grandfather, Kevin Cheatwood.



Darrell Kindrick and his son, Bubba, only caught one bass, but it was a nice 6.1-pounder.



Sheriff Paul Blackman was one of the fisherman. He said the proceeds of the tournament will go to send 72 Highlands County kids to the Sheriff's Youth Camp next summer.

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Best fantasy players for week 9

Six NFL teams are on bye weeks

By **BRANDON C. WILLIAMS**
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Halfway through the season, fantasy owners should know who to trust on a weekly basis. Draft position is meaningless at this point — players are either producing or they're not.

Fantasy's midpoint also signals some players who have been on the outer edge of a breakthrough. A handful of talents that have flown under the radar or benefited from the trade deadline will use this week as a jumping off point.

START: Latavius Murray, RB, Vikings: By now, trusting Dalvin Cook is a fool's errand. The Minnesota ground game hasn't missed Cook as Murray has scored four touchdowns in the last three games and faces a Lions run defense that is 26th in fantasy points allowed per game to opposing running backs. Cook may play but will be limited, whereas Murray makes for a solid RB2 who also happens to average 5.1 yards per carry in his home confines.

SIT: Phillip Rivers, QB, Chargers: The Seahawks are downright selfish when it comes to defending the pass, not only ranking first in fewest fantasy points allowed to opposing quarterbacks, but also third in fewest receiving



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Minnesota running back Latavius Murray (25) celebrates after rushing for a touchdown against the New York Jets. Murray is an excellent start in today's game against the Detroit Lions.

yards allowed. It's certainly a tough call to sit Rivers, who has thrown multiple touchdowns in each game this season, yet the Chargers are on the road and there are better matchups to exploit.

START: Courtland Sutton, WR, Broncos: The departure of Demaryius Thomas to the Texans sets up the path for Sutton to become Denver's top wideout. Sutton has yet to be targeted more than six times in a game but expect the big rookie to hit double digits for the first time. Houston does come into the Mile High City with a five-game win streak, but a pass defense that is 19th in yards allowed and has given up 15 touchdowns will be suspect. Sutton has just 17 catches, but eight have been for better than 20 yards. He's a great flex option whose

upside will push him into must start territory soon.

SIT: Isaiah Crowell, RB, Jets: In the three games since rushing for 219 yards against the Broncos, Crowell has managed only 94 yards on 37 carries, averaging 2.54 yards per attempt. Facing the Dolphins with the league's worst run defense should be the type of game that perks up Crowell, yet there's little reason to believe he'll snap out of his funk. The rise of Trenton Cannon is starting to close the window opened for Crowell upon the loss of Bilal Powell.

START: O.J. Howard, TE, Buccaneers: In the first three games Ryan Fitzpatrick started this season, Howard averaged 20.1 yards per catch while catching 11 of 14 targets. Howard has a chance to put up a huge afternoon feasting

on a Panthers defense that is last in fantasy points per game allowed to opposing tight ends. Contending with Mike Evans and DeSean Jackson is more than a handful as is, but the thought of Howard getting favorable matchups and utilizing his speed is why he should be a strong TE1.

SIT: Dak Prescott, QB, Cowboys: The addition of Amari Cooper will help bolster a Dallas passing game that is 29th in yardage, good news for Prescott, who has used his running skills to put together his two best fantasy outings in consecutive weeks. The good times may pause Monday night against a Titans run defense tied for third with only three rushing touchdowns allowed. Don't expect Cooper to make an immediate impact, either.

START: Devin Funchess, WR, Panthers: Few receivers put up solid numbers against the Ravens defense, so Funchess and his three receptions for 27 yards last week can be forgiven. Funchess has better prospects this week against a Buccaneers defense 30th in passing yards allowed and last in the league with 20 touchdown passes allowed. Funchess has yet to hit the 100-yard mark this season.

SIT: LeSean McCoy,

RB, Bills: It's hard to tell if McCoy's decline is simply a case of a decade of usage finally catching up to him or if the Buffalo offense is that bad. The truth lies somewhere in the middle, but that's no reason for fantasy players to wheel out McCoy against a Bears run defense that is third in yards allowed and remains the league's only team to not allow a rushing touchdown. McCoy will get his share of touches, but bad touches become worse touches as the numbers climb.

START: Joe Flacco, QB, Ravens: Coming off his worst outing of the season, Flacco gets a great rebound opportunity against a Steelers team that he carved up for 363 yards and two touchdowns in Week 4. Pittsburgh is 16th in net passing yards allowed but has allowed 17 touchdowns. The Steelers have also given up 29 completions of 20 or more yards.

SIT: Aaron Jones, RB, Packers: Green Bay's dependence on the pass and a timeshare with Jamaal Williams makes Jones a risky play despite the potential of a Sunday night slugfest against the Patriots. Jones ran for 86 yards on just 12 carries last week against the Rams and would be a high-end RB2 if fantasy owners knew he would get 18-20 touches.

MacNeil overcomes elements in Monza

Posts win in Ferrari Challenge Championship

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Showcasing skill and experience, Cooper MacNeil navigated a slippery racetrack in Monza to secure his ninth Ferrari Challenge North America victory of 2018 and as a result, his first championship in the series.

The title has been a long time coming for MacNeil, who began racing part time in Ferrari Challenge in 2011 and ran a full season for the first time in 2017. In addition to the nine wins through 13 rounds in 2018 — one of which he was forced to miss due to a conflicting IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship race — MacNeil also owns nine pole positions and seven fastest laps with one race remaining.

"Anytime you win a championship, it's fantastic and the Ferrari Challenge championship is no exception," MacNeil said. "There's some strong competition that kept the pressure on all year and didn't make it easy for me. We had to work for it, especially with missing a race."



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Sebring's Shareal Taylor (2) and Jaray Harrison (9) celebrate after Taylor intercepted the ball in Friday night's victory against Merritt Island.

SEBRING
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10:54 left in the third quarter. Sebring's Jordan Rose sacked the quarterback and Devion Littles intercepted the ball but a penalty flag against the Streaks gave the ball back to the Mustangs. Merritt Island made a field goal cutting the

deficit to 28-3 with 3:45 left in the third quarter. Merritt Island kicked off and Sebring's Yarde returned the ball for an incredible 82-yard touchdown. The extra point gave the Blue Streaks a 35-3 lead late in the third quarter. Yarde ran for 137 yards on the night for the Blue Streaks. In the fourth quarter, Sebring drove into Mustang territory and

Williams powered his way into the end zone for another Blue Streak touchdown. Sebring kicked the extra point to make it 42-3. Williams rushed for an impressive 127 yards in the game. Sebring's JC Crenshaw made several crucial hits for the Blue Streaks and the defense kept the Mustangs from scoring. "It started off fun," said JC Crenshaw. "The

defense started off strong and shutdown their run game a little bit. It was fun to get some hits in. It's my senior year and I just want to go out there and have some fun with the boys for one last time. Do all you can do because it's the last year and we want to make it fun. I am trying to be a role model on and off the field. Making good grades and teaching the

upcoming freshmen because they will be replacing us. I hope to play in college. I love my team, we are good and we have a good bond. We are going to watch film, get healthy, and study for the playoffs." The Sebring Blue Streaks will be in the Class 6A state playoffs beginning Friday, but don't know who their opponent will be yet. "Everyone is special

and they worked together to win the game," said Scott. "I am proud of them. They worked from the off season. We are 8-2 and they could have easily been 10-0 and they know that. We are young up front but they are growing up and it is a new season now. We are going to get healthy, watch films and get ready for the playoffs."



Sebring quarterback DJ Williams powers his way into the end zone during Friday night's win over Merritt Island.

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Man posed as customer, killed 2 women in Tallahassee yoga studio

By GARY FINEOUT and BRENDAN FARRINGTON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — What was supposed to be a routine Friday night ritual of socializing, dining and exercising in an upscale shopping center a few miles from Florida's Capitol turned into a chaotic scene after a gunman shot two women to death and wounded five other people at a yoga studio before killing himself.

Tallahassee police say 40-year-old Scott Paul Beierle shot six people and pistol-whipped another after walking into the yoga studio that sits on the second floor of the small shopping plaza. Tallahassee Police Chief Michael DeLeo said some in the studio showed courage and tried to stop him.

Witnesses at the shopping

center described how people who had been in the studio, including one who was bleeding, ran away, seeking shelter in nearby bars and restaurants as shots rang out.

Police responded within a few minutes, but by then Beierle had fatally shot himself, leaving police to search for a motive and a community to wonder what prompted the violence near the city's fashionable midtown neighborhoods.

"It's a place that brings my joy and peace, and I think it's ruined," said Katie Bohnett, an instructor at the yoga studio who skipped her normal Friday practice to meet a friend for dinner. "This monster ruined it."

Police said Beierle acted alone but they were still looking into what prompted the shooting. He had been in the military and was a graduate of nearby



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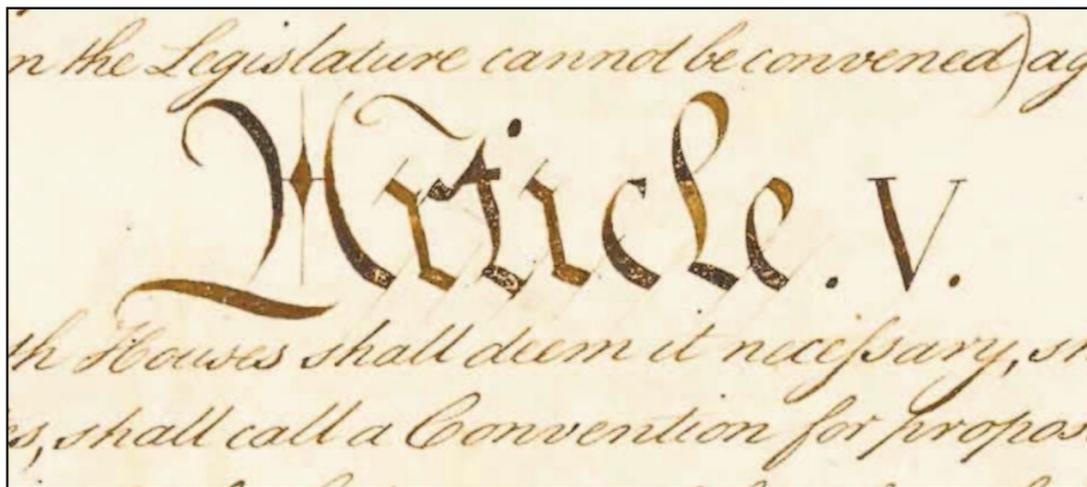
Police investigators work the scene of a shooting, Friday, in Tallahassee, Fla. A shooter killed two people at a yoga studio in Florida's capital before killing himself Friday, officials said.

Florida State University, but was living in Deltona, a town in

central Florida east of Orlando. Authorities in that county were

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Could states move and amend US Constitution?



NATIONAL ARCHIVES VIA AP

This photo made available by the U.S. National Archives shows a portion of the United States Constitution with the title of Article V. For the past two centuries, constitutional amendments have originated in Congress, where they need the support of two-thirds of both houses, and then the approval of at least three-quarters of the states. But under a never-used second prong of Article V, amendments can originate in the states.

Forget midterms, some conservatives eye a bigger unprecedented political contest through Article V

By MATT SEDENSKY
AP NATIONAL WRITER

NEW YORK — Whatever success Republicans have amassed in taking control of all three branches of U.S. government, and whatever fate awaits them as midterm elections near, some on the right are working to cement change by amending the Constitution. And to the mounting alarm of others on all parts of the spectrum, they want to bypass the usual process.

They're pushing for an unprecedented Constitutional convention of the states. While opponents are afraid of what such a convention would do, supporters say it is the only way to deal with the federal government's overreach and ineptitude.

"They literally see this as the survival of the nation," said Karla Jones, director of the federalism task force at the conservative American Legislative Exchange Council, which represents state lawmakers and offers guidance and model legislation for states to call a convention under the Constitution's Article V.

Among the most frequently cited changes being sought: amendments enforcing a balanced federal budget, establishing term limits for members of Congress, and repealing the 17th Amendment, which put the power of electing the Senate in the hands of the public instead of state legislatures.

For the past 229 years, constitutional amendments have originated in Congress, where they need the support of two-thirds of both houses, and then the approval of at least three-quarters of the states.

But under a never-used second prong of Article V, amendments can originate in the states. Two-thirds of states — currently, 34 — must call for a convention at which three-fourths of states approve of a change.

The particulars of such a convention, though, are not laid out. Do the states have to call for a convention on the same topic? Must they pass resolutions with similar or identical wording? The U.S. Supreme Court may have to decide whether the threshold of states has been reached and, ultimately, the

parameters of a convention and the rules delegates would be governed by.

A bill introduced in the U.S. House last year would direct the National Archives to compile all applications for an Article V convention.

Some believe enough states have already passed Article V resolutions, pointing to votes over the years across the country on a variety of potential amendment topics. Others contend the highest possible current count of states is 28 — the number of states with existing resolutions on the most common convention topic, a balanced budget amendment. Others point to lower total counts based on states that have passed near-identical resolutions.

Regardless, proponents of a convention believe they have momentum on their side more than any other time in American history.

"That second clause of Article V was specifically intended for a time like this, when the federal

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It's Trump vs. Jimmy Buffett as Florida enters campaign push

By TERRY SPENCER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — While Florida Republicans waited for President Donald Trump in one corner of the state Saturday, Margaritaville king Jimmy Buffett took musical shots at him and Gov. Rick Scott in another as the state's tight Senate and gubernatorial races reached the final week-end of campaigning.

Performing at a West Palm Beach campaign rally for U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, who is being challenged by Scott, and Tallahassee Mayor Andrew Gillum, who is running for governor, Buffett urged more than 1,000 people to vote Democratic by tweaking the lyrics of two of his most popular songs.

First, to take a dig at Trump, he changed the wording of "Come Monday" to "Come Tuesday, things will change. Come Tuesday, we're making a change. It's been two insane years and it's time to really switch gears..." The performance was 3 miles from Trump's Mar-a-Lago resort and frequent winter hangout.

Then using "Margaritaville," he criticized Scott for the state's environmental problems: "Some people say there's a red tide to blame, but I know that it's all Rick Scott's fault." Red tide algae have killed millions of fish off the southern Florida coasts over the

last several months — it occurs naturally but some scientists say pollution makes it worse. Buffett, who lives in Palm Beach, is an outspoken environmentalist, founding the charity "Save the Manatee" in 1981.

Trump will appear later Saturday in Pensacola with Scott and former U.S. Rep. Ron DeSantis, who is running against Gillum. Trump also campaigned for Scott and DeSantis on Wednesday near Fort Myers as both races appear tight heading into Tuesday's election. Nelson is seeking his fourth term, but Democrats have not won the governor's race since 1994.

Both Scott and Gillum resumed campaigning Saturday after briefly returning to Tallahassee to visit victims and their families of Friday night's mass shooting at a yoga studio that left two women and the gunman dead and five injured.

Gillum referenced the shooting in his West Palm Beach address, first asking the crowd to keep the victims in their prayers. He then said such mass shootings have become "too familiar" in Florida. In February, 17 died in a shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in nearby Parkland. In 2017, five died at Fort Lauderdale's airport. And in 2016, 49 died at an Orlando nightclub. Gillum said

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Who pays for out-of-state power crews, equipment, supplies?

By **PATRICK MCCRELESS**

PANAMA CITY NEWS HERALD

PANAMA CITY — Gulf Power has a disaster fund to pay for the thousands of out-of-state linemen and extra equipment needed to rebuild Bay County's electrical system after Hurricane Michael.

But whether that fund can cover the whole recovery cost isn't yet known.

"None of that has been thought about yet," Jeff Rogers, spokesman for Gulf Power, said of the total cost to restore electricity. "We've been focused only on restoration ... but over the next couple of weeks we'll get more information."

Rogers said the company has a disaster fund set up with the state to pay for situations like the hurricane, which knocked out power in the county three weeks ago. Money for the fund comes from portions of customers' electricity bills, Rogers said.

"If there isn't enough in the fund, we may go to the state to ask for more," Rogers said.

Rogers said power companies across the country have similar disaster funds that pay for visiting repair crews and equipment.

"It's always the host company that pays for it," Rogers said of disaster recovery. "Like when we travel, the host company picks up the tab."

Robert Barnes, a Panama City native who now lives in Vernon,



NEWS HERALD VIA AP

In this Oct. 13, 2018 photo Public Service Company of Oklahoma utility trucks deliver utility poles and trucks in Panama City, Fla.

said he saw people on the social media site Facebook complaining about Gulf Power but praising visiting crews. Thinking that Gulf Power was being unfairly criticized, Barnes asked The News Herald through its Bay Asked, We Answered series: "Who pays for all of the out-of-state power company crews, equipment and supplies?"

"I wanted to get some factual information out there about what they've done," Barnes said about Gulf Power. "They've done a hell of a job getting things back up and running."

Rogers said that to date, power was restored to almost everyone in the county who can receive electricity. Still, there's an estimated 15,000 customers

whose homes and buildings are too damaged to accept power, he said.

"There's destroyed equipment, it's all over ... mostly in the hardest hit areas," Rogers said. "But, we've got people getting repairs every day."

Rogers noted that with the major restoration complete, most of the visiting linemen had left the county. More than 7,000 people from power companies across the country were in the county at the peak of the repair effort.

"We've probably got about 1,500 now," Rogers said. "Now we're in the cleanup phase, making sure repairs were done correctly and checking for possible weak points."

HEADLINES AROUND THE STATE

Teenager charged with strangling, burying mother

DAYTONA BEACH (AP) — Authorities say a 15-year-old Florida boy was charged in his mother's strangulation death after her body was found buried at a nearby church.

Volusia County Sheriff Mike Chitwood told news outlets the teenager was arrested early Saturday after the body of 46-year-old Gail Cleavenger was found under a church fire pit. Investigators say the boy killed her after they argued about his school grades.

Chitwood says he faces murder charges. It was unclear Saturday if he has a lawyer to represent him. The Associated Press typically does not identify juveniles charged with crimes.

After the killing, authorities say the boy called friends to help him make it look like someone had burglarized the home. The boy initially told deputies his mother was missing.

The two 17-year-old friends face multiple charges.

Woman gets 45 years for son's beating death

DAYTONA BEACH (AP) — A Florida woman has been sentenced to 45 years in prison for fatally beating her 4-year-old son.

The Daytona Beach News-Journal reports that 27-year-old Mikkia Sharda Lewis was sentenced Friday after pleading no contest to second-degree murder. She had previously been facing a

first-degree murder charge and possible death sentence.

Lewis's boyfriend, 38-year-old Joe McCaskell, called 911 in April 2013 to report that Ke'Andre Coleman wasn't breathing. A paramedic said the child was already in rigor mortis when first-responders arrived at the home, meaning he had been dead for some time. Lewis later told police that she had apparently "whooped him too much."

McCaskell was sentenced to 30 years in prison in May after a jury convicted him of third-degree felony murder.

Mom arrested after son found trick-or-treating alone

MAITLAND (AP) — A Florida woman has been arrested after authorities say her 6-year-old son was lost and dehydrated while trick-or-treating alone on Halloween night.

The Orlando Sentinel reports a couple found the child around 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, dressed like an astronaut and wandering about a half-mile from his home.

Orange County Jail records show 38-year-old Jessica Ann King bonded out of jail after being charged with child neglect. King told investigators she was sick and let the child go out alone.

An arrest report says the boy knew his address but not how to get there. The couple took him home, and called police.

The Department of Children and Families turned the boy over to the care of a neighbor at the request of King's family.



AP PHOTO

In this Oct. 1, photo, children sit in front of moldy bread in their shelter, in Aslam, Hajjah, Yemen. In a plastic washtub, the children's mother collects hard bread crumbs even those covered with mold, then mixes with water, adds salt, and gives to her four children.

UN agency urges open access for aid to Yemen

By **MAGGIE MICHAEL**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAIRO — The regional chief of the U.N. children's agency said Saturday that Yemeni authorities are making it difficult to deliver much-needed humanitarian aid and warned that impeding relief efforts could plunge the country into famine.

Geert Cappelaere told The Associated Press in an interview from Yemen that recent U.S. calls for a cease-fire are imperative to ending the nearly four-year war, which pits a Saudi-led coalition against Iran-aligned rebels known as Houthis.

He visited the Red Sea port city of Hodeida and the rebel-held capital, Sanaa, over the past two days as clashes and airstrikes intensified. He said both the internationally-recognized Yemeni government and Houthi rebels "are not enabling us to do our work as fast as we should."

Cappelaere said he can't bring the best nutrition experts to the country because of delays in granting visas and that aid agencies face bureaucratic impediments the delay the import of supplies.

He criticized authorities with "other interests"

for creating delays in the arrival and distribution of supplies, without elaborating.

Most aid agencies operate in Houthi-held areas where they face movement restrictions. The rebels manipulate aid distribution by providing lists of beneficiaries and sometimes divert aid to their supporters.

Cappelaere's visit came shortly after the United States called for the cease-fire within 30 days. He said the situation is deteriorating, with millions unable to meet their basic needs.

Yemen has been at war since March 2015, when Houthis occupied northern Yemen, forcing the government into exile.

Since then, a Saudi-led coalition supporting the government has blockaded the rebel-held north and waged a devastating air campaign. The U.S. has sold billions of dollars' worth of arms to Saudi Arabia and provides logistical and other support to the coalition.

"An end to the conflict is ... a much-needed step but it needs to be complemented with investment and governance of this country that puts the interest of the people at the center and the interest of the children at the core of politics,"

Cappelaere said.

Three-quarters of Yemen's 29 million people are food insecure, 1.8 million children suffer from malnutrition and 400,000 children under age 5 are at risk of death from starvation. Every 10 minutes a child dies of preventable diseases, according to UNICEF.

Around 40 percent of the 400,000 are located in and around Hodeida, which has been the target of a stalled coalition offensive in recent months. The port is a key entry point for food and humanitarian aid, but the coalition says the Houthis also use it to import weapons.

During a visit to Hodeida's main hospital, Cappelaere said he saw children suffering from severe malnutrition and others paralyzed by complications from diphtheria, an epidemic fueled by the breakdown of health services. He says many families in Hodeida cannot make it to hospitals because of airstrikes and shelling, or because they cannot afford transportation.

"It's high time for authorities from both sides to take responsibility and enable that assistance without any conditions, without any hurdles," he said.

Christians in Egypt bury their dead after attack

By **SAMY MAGDY**
and **HAMZA HENDAWI**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MINYA, Egypt — Hundreds of Egyptian Christians attended a funeral service Saturday after seven people were killed in an ambush by Islamic State militants of buses carrying pilgrims to a remote desert monastery.

The service at Prince Tadros church in the central city of Minya was held amid tight security. Minya's top cleric, Anba Makarios, led prayers over a row of six white coffins, all victims from the same family. A separate funeral was held for the seventh victim, a bus driver.

Relatives of the victims cried and held each other for support. Some rested their heads on the coffins and wept. A list of the victims' names released by the church said a 15-year-old boy and a 12-year-old girl were among the dead. Nineteen were wounded in the attack, according to the church.

Aida Shehata, who

was shot in her legs, said masked men opened fire on three buses from different directions. Two of the buses were able to speed away and reach the monastery, but the militants stopped the third one and killed the driver and six of the passengers, including her husband and his brother.

"The driver tried to go to the monastery but they (the militants) were faster," Shehata told a Coptic TV network.

An Islamic State affiliate based in the restive northern Sinai Peninsula claimed the attack, calling it revenge for the imprisonment of "our chaste sisters," without elaborating.

The attack cast a shadow on one of President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi's showpieces — the World Youth Forum — which opens Saturday in the Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheikh. The forum is drawing thousands of local and foreign youth to discuss a wide range of topics, with Egypt's 63-year-old leader taking center stage.

In an apparent effort to keep the attack from overshadowing the start of the three-day conference, two state-owned newspapers ran front-page banner headlines about the forum. Akhbar al-Youm ran a large photo of el-Sissi cycling in Sharm el-Sheikh. Its reference to the attack lower down in the page made no mention of casualties.

IS has repeatedly targeted Egypt's Christians as punishment for their support of el-Sissi, who led the military's 2013 ouster of an elected but divisive Islamist president.

El-Sissi, who has made security among his top priorities since taking office in 2014, wrote on his Twitter account that Friday's attack was designed to harm the "nation's solid fabric" and pledged to continue fighting terrorism.

Friday's attack was the second to target pilgrims heading to the St. Samuel the Confessor monastery in as many years, indicating that security measures put in place since then are inadequate.

HEADLINES AROUND THE WORLD

'Insider attack' kills US service member in Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — The U.S. military in Kabul says a U.S. service member has been killed in an apparent "insider attack" in the capital Kabul.

Sgt. 1st Class Debra Richardson, a Resolute Support spokeswoman, said Saturday in a statement that another U.S. service member was wounded in the attack.

The statement said the attacker was a member of the Afghan security forces and initial reports indicate the assailant was immediately killed by other Afghan forces.

The two U.S. service members were medically evacuated to Bagram

Airfield, where the wounded service member is undergoing medical treatment and is in stable condition, it said.

The incident is under investigation.

Richardson said the name of the service member who was killed would be withheld until next of kin is notified.

Nigerian army deletes tweet that quoted Trump on protesters

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — Nigeria's military is facing criticism after sending out a tweet that appeared to use President Trump's comments as justification for shooting and killing protesters in the West African nation.

The tweet, which

has since been deleted, referenced a video of Trump where he suggested that U.S. soldiers on the country's southwestern border may open fire if migrants throw rocks at them. Trump insisted Friday that he meant that rock-throwers would be arrested.

The tweet on the Nigerian army's Twitter account stated: "Please Watch and Make Your Deductions."

The military did not return calls seeking comment on the deleted tweet.

Nigeria's main Shiite Muslim movement says the army killed at least 50 of its members who were protesting this week. Nigeria's military said it killed six people and claims the protesters had fired first.

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Police: Teen fatally shot 6-year-old boy in backyard

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Police in Louisiana's capital have arrested a 13-year-old boy accused of fatally shooting a 6-year-old boy in a backyard.

Baton Rouge police spokesman Sgt. Don Coppola Jr. told local news media Saturday that the unnamed 13-year-old had been booked into a juvenile detention center on charges of second-degree murder and illegal possession of a firearm by a juvenile.

The dead boy was Jahiem Holliday. His grandmother, Kendra Holliday, says he was in the second grade.

It's unclear what led up to the shooting or if it was intentional. Investigators say the children had been playing in the yard.

Residents say the home was a common place for children in the neighborhood to gather and play.

Ohio Boy Scout leader faces child pornography charges

CLEVELAND (AP) — Federal prosecutors say a Boy Scout leader recorded boys changing clothes before and after swimming at a YMCA, his home's bathroom and inside teepees at an Ohio scout reservation.

Thirty-nine-year-old Thomas Close, of Shelby in central Ohio's Richland County, was arrested and indicted Thursday on sexual exploitation of children and receiving and distributing child pornography charges.

An affidavit submitted by Homeland Security Investigations says cybercrime investigators focused on Close after linking him to videos found on the internet. The affidavit says Close told investigators he recorded the videos starting in 2011. Around 5 terabytes of child pornography was found on his home computer.

A message seeking comment was left Saturday with Close' public defender.

Shelby is roughly 70 miles north of Columbus.

Jewish temple defaced with anti-Semitic graffiti

NEW YORK (AP) — Police have arrested a 26-year-old Brooklyn man for scrawling anti-Semitic graffiti throughout a Jewish temple.

James Polite was charged Friday with criminal mischief as a hate crime, and making graffiti.

Police say he entered the temple in the Prospect Heights neighborhood on Thursday evening and used a black marker to deface its walls with racial slurs such as "Kill all Jews" and "Jews better be ready."

He also is charged with setting arson fires in Brooklyn's Williamsburg section, including one at a Jewish banquet hall.

The suspect reportedly was admitted to a hospital psychiatric ward for observation.

Temple administrator Ross Brady told the New York Daily News that the hate crime has spurred the house of worship to move ahead with most of its programs and services.

About 100 gather for 'healing service' outside synagogue

By RAMESH SANTANAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PITTSBURGH — Parents clutched their children, couples leaned on each other and bystanders wept as about 100 people gathered in a steady drizzle outside the desecrated Tree of Life synagogue for what a former rabbi called a healing service one week after the worst attack targeting Jews in U.S. history.

Rabbi Chuck Diamond led a service of prayers, songs and poetry and reminisced about some of the worshippers killed, as Show Up For Shabbat services honoring the 11 dead and six wounded were held at synagogues across the United States.

"I almost expected Cecil to greet me this morning," Diamond said of Cecil Rosenthal, 59, killed along with his brother, David, 54, in the Oct. 27 shooting at Tree of Life synagogue in the city's Squirrel Hill neighborhood.

Diamond called the victims "angels given to us, full of love and life."

In the past week, people told him of weddings, bar mitzvahs and other ceremonies they've held at the synagogue. "This is a place, a building that has stood for joy, but now it is forever stained," Diamond said. But the shooting "cannot overshadow (that) this building is and will



AP PHOTOS

Colleen Cooper, of Shaler in suburban Pittsburgh, lays a single rose on each of the memorials for the eleven people fatally shot last week at the Tree of Life Synagogue after a service, on Saturday, in Pittsburgh. About 100 people gathered in a cold drizzle for what was called a "healing service" outside the synagogue that was the scene of a mass shooting a week ago.

be into the future a place of joy."

He said he took great comfort in seeing people of all faiths come together since the shooting and for his prayer vigil on Saturday.

"It's important to come and take care of your community when something like this happens. I want to be in solidarity," said Andrew Allison, who attended Saturday's service.

Before coming to the outdoor service, Steve Irwin, 59, and a friend stopped by a Squirrel Hill coffee shop. "When we went to pay, we were told

all the coffee was paid for by the Sandy Hook community," referring to Newtown, Conn., where a gunman killed 26 people at Sandy Hook Elementary School in 2012.

"It brought tears to my eyes," Irwin said, standing outside Tree of Life on Saturday with his dog. "It shows how incumbent it is upon us to pay it forward to the next community this happens, which we hope never happens, but we know it will happen."

The outdoor service "gives you a sense of normalcy, which is impossible

to find right now," he said.

Meanwhile, the pews were packed at Central Synagogue in New York City, where Jews and non-Jews alike gathered for a special Show Up for Shabbat service.

"It's such a tragedy that happened in Pittsburgh, and I was touched by the calling of the Jewish community to welcome non-Jews into their synagogues today, so I couldn't resist and I came," said Steven Kent, an Episcopalian. "It was a wonderful feeling."

The suspect, Robert Bowers, 46, pleaded not guilty Thursday to federal charges that could result in a death sentence.



Kerry Smooke, center left, and daughter Molly Feinberg, right center, attend a Shabbat morning service by Rabbi Chuck Diamond outside the Tree of Life Synagogue Saturday, in Pittsburgh.



Rabbi Chuck Diamond, center, a former Rabbi at the Tree of Life Synagogue, hugs a woman after leading a Shabbat service outside the Tree of Life Synagogue, Saturday.

Twitter study finds coordinated pattern in fake voter fraud posts

By DUNE LAWRENCE
BLOOMBERG NEWS (TNS)

NEW YORK — Researchers have identified what they called a coordinated network of Twitter accounts that's pushing false and misleading stories about election integrity with hashtags like #VoterFraud.

They found a core of 200 accounts that posted on Twitter or were mentioned in posts more than 140 million times in the past year, according to a research report published Saturday.

The findings don't necessarily reflect a reprise of the Russian influence efforts in the 2016 election, nor are the posts clearly driven by automated bots, researchers say. But the network of accounts, which sounds off at relatively regular intervals — even at times when there's nothing about the topic in the news — has helped create an echo chamber to justify state-level ballot restrictions despite little evidence of voter fraud.

"There is a tragically ironic relationship between the perception that large groups of people are voting illegally," while a small group of Twitter accounts is "wielding massive influence to spread disinformation, affecting the public's understanding of voter fraud," the report says. It was prepared by a volunteer group of researchers and technologists led by Guardians.ai, a New

York startup focused on protecting pro-democracy organizations from information warfare and cyberattack.

Researchers couldn't identify who was behind the coordination and said the patterns they found suggest that online influence operations have changed in subtle ways that avoid detection.

"We set out to provide a new way for the public to understand how influence works," the report says. "Today a small group of people can wield increasingly more powerful AI, big data, and psychological targeting to influence society, and we feel that it's a fundamental right to know who's influencing you, how it's happening and why."

A spokesman for Twitter couldn't be reached for comment Saturday.

In mid-September, researchers at Guardians.ai began digging into the hashtag #VoterFraud.

Brett Horvath, one of the company's three founders, got into online organizing more than a decade ago, helping launch an app that allowed people in Washington state and Arizona to register to vote from their Facebook profiles. His co-founders, Zachary Verdin and Alicia Serrani, worked together at New Hive, a multimedia publishing platform for artists. Partners at San Diego Supercomputer Center's Data Science Hub (part of the University of California at San Diego) and Zignal Labs in San

Francisco also contributed to the report.

Horvath and Serrani found spikes in the hashtag on two days in August, when mentions jumped from hundreds a day to more than 6,500. They looked back 12 months, and then three years, and found the pattern of increases repeating so regularly that the graph looked like a heartbeat.

They didn't find much news to explain the spikes, but looking at the accounts using the hashtag, they noticed the same handles again and again. They also found similar spikes — and a core of the same accounts — mentioning related hashtags like #VoterID and #ElectionFraud.

"It's not just like, oh there's these kind of suspicious accounts that tweet about normal stuff, and just happen to all tweet about voter fraud on the exact same day," Horvath said. "They're accounts that operate at the same time, in the same ways, and are also involved in influencing other divisive narratives."

Accounts in the network have promoted the idea that billionaire George Soros is funding the migrant caravan "invasion"; issued warnings about buses of undocumented immigrants being paid to vote; and fueled "false flag" theories that Democrats orchestrated last month's rash of package bombs to make President Donald Trump look bad.

In 2016, voter fraud

became one of the newly elected Trump's first obsessions, when he claimed without evidence that millions of illegal votes gave Democrat Hillary Clinton the edge in the popular-vote count.

The liberal-leaning Brennan Center for Justice in New York calls voter fraud extraordinarily rare. The conservative Heritage Foundation, which maintains a database of election-fraud cases meant to demonstrate the dangers, lists 1,165 instances and 1,011 criminal convictions over about 40 years. (Heritage points out that those cases involve far more than 1,165 ballots, and says its list is not meant to be comprehensive.)

The specter of undocumented immigrants and

phantom dead people casting ballots has driven legislation to tighten voting requirements in many states. Over the past two years, Arkansas and North Dakota passed voter ID bills while Georgia, Iowa, Indiana, New Hampshire and North Carolina enacted new restrictions, according to the Brennan Center.

Once the researchers noticed the heartbeat pattern and identified the accounts that pushed the spikes, they had questions. The accounts don't look like fakes and many included photos of real people in their bio sections. Some have been around for many years, posting without much attention or many followers, though not necessarily always about politics.

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2nd man found dead in partial collapse of Amazon warehouse in Baltimore

By **JUSTIN FENTON** and **JESSICA ANDERSON**

THE BALTIMORE SUN (TNS)

BALTIMORE — Firefighters recovered the body of a second man Saturday from an Amazon.com distribution warehouse, which partially collapsed the night before.

Chief Roman Clark said a 50-foot wall collapsed at the Amazon Fulfillment

Center in Southeast Baltimore as a storm swept through the area. He said one man was found under debris Friday night and taken to a hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Clark said a second man who was unaccounted for Friday night was found around 7:30 a.m. Saturday. Clark said firefighters used heavy equipment to remove debris to find the

second man.

An Amazon official said the two people killed weren't employees of the online retail giant, but worked for an outside company.

The victims' names were withheld pending notification of family. No other injuries were reported.

Images taken from outside the facility showed a badly damaged truck and

a knocked over light pole, among other damage.

Roads around the facility were filled with debris. On nearby Interstate 95, on the north side of the Fort McHenry tunnel, a tractor trailer also overturned.

Two survey teams are expected to evaluate the area near the Amazon center, as well as Mount Airy, which also experienced severe storm

damage, to determine whether a tornado touched down, said Cody Ledbetter, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service office in Sterling, Va.

If a tornado is confirmed, the deaths would be the first tornado-related deaths in Maryland since 2002. Three people were killed when a tornado hit La Plata.

STUDIO

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searching his residence there.

Witnesses told police that Beierle posed as a customer to gain entrance to the studio, then started shooting without warning. Police have not yet said what kind of gun he used. Bohnett said that those at the studio Friday were yoga devotees. She said she did not recognize Beierle.

The two slain Friday were a student and faculty member at Florida State University, according to university officials. The department identified them as Dr. Nancy Van Vessel, 61, and Maura Binkley, 21. Online records show Binkley was from Atlanta. Police said two other victims were in stable condition, and three had been released from the hospital.

Van Vessel was an internist who also served as chief medical director for Capital Health Plan, the area's leading health maintenance organization.

"To lose one of our students and one of our faculty members in this tragic and violent way is just devastating to the Florida

State University family. We feel this loss profoundly and we send our deepest sympathies to Maura's and Nancy's loved ones while we pray for the recovery of those who were injured," FSU President John Thrasher said in a statement.

Court and FSU records show that Beierle had been previously arrested for grabbing women — and had once been banned from FSU's campus.



BEIERLE.

Beierle was charged by police with battery in 2016 after he slapped and grabbed a woman's buttocks at an apartment complex pool. Records show that the charges were eventually dismissed after Beierle followed the conditions of a deferred prosecution agreement.

Beierle was also charged with battery in 2012 for grabbing women's buttocks in a university campus dining hall. A FSU police report shows that Beierle told police he may have accidentally bumped into someone, but denied grabbing anyone.



TALLAHASSEE DEMOCRAT VIA AP

A person is transported from scene of the shooting, Friday, in Tallahassee, Fla.

In 2014, Beierle was charged with trespassing at FSU. He had been seen following an FSU volleyball coach near the campus gym and was told that he was banned from campus. A month later police found him at a campus restaurant.

The plaza where the shooting took place is home to popular restaurants, a jewelry store, a framing shop, a hair salon and other businesses.

The restaurant's owner came by a short time later, asking if anyone was a doctor, Wesson said. His step-daughter is an emergency room nurse and helped

paramedics for about an hour, he said.

Melissa Hutchinson said she helped treat a "profusely" bleeding man who rushed into a bar after the incident. She said three people from the studio ran in, and they were told there was an active shooter.

The people who came in were injured, including the bleeding man who was pistol-whipped while trying to stop the shooter. They told her the shooter kept coming in and out of the studio. When he loaded his gun, people started pounding the studio's windows to warn people.

CAMPAIGN

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voters need to "send an unapologetic message to the NRA that their time is up in Florida" and called for tighter gun laws, including tougher background checks and a ban on convicted domestic abusers owning guns.

"We can celebrate what it means to have

the Second Amendment and celebrate safety and security in our homes, in our neighborhoods, in our schools, in our houses of worship at the same time," Gillum said.

Trump takes frequent digs at Gillum and accuses him of running a violent city as he campaigns for DeSantis and Scott. DeSantis won the Republican nomination after receiving Trump's

endorsement, in large part for his appearances on Fox News praising the president's policies and denouncing the probe led by Robert Mueller into possible Russian interference in the 2016 election. Scott is a longtime friend of the president, entering politics in 2010 as a tea party opponent of the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare. "Rick Scott always

delivers for the people of Florida," Trump told Wednesday's crowd.

Polls show both races to be close and the campaigns targeted their bases with their major events Saturday, holding them in party strongholds. Palm Beach County is heavily Democratic, a legacy of its history attracting retirees from New York and elsewhere in the Northeast. The party has a 3-to-2

margin over Republicans and Hillary Clinton beat Trump 56 to 41 percent there in 2016.

Pensacola's Escambia County, near the Alabama border, has a large population of active and retired military members and is heavily Republican. The party holds a 4-to-3 margin over Democrats, and Trump beat Clinton 57 to 37 percent there in 2016.

CONSTITUTION

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government gets out of control and when the Congress won't deliver to the people what they want," said Mark Meckler, a tea party leader who now heads Citizens for Self-Governance, which runs the Convention of States Project calling for an Article V convention. Legislation promoted by the group calls for a convention focused on the federal government's budget and power, and term limits for office holders. It has passed 12 states and one legislative chamber in another 10.

The Convention of States Project says 18 other states are considering the measure.

Meckler, like other backers of a convention, believes there's no reason why it can't be limited in scope. Others aren't so sure. Four states that previously had passed resolutions calling for a convention have rescinded them in recent years, often citing wariness over a "runaway" convention.

Karen Hoberty Flynn, president of Common Cause, has sounded alarms on a possible convention and portrays the coast-to-coast emergence of resolutions on the issue "a game of Whack-a-Mole."

"This is the most dangerous idea in American politics that most people know nothing about," she said.

Nancy MacLean, a Duke University historian and author of "Democracy in Chains: The Deep History of the Radical Right's Stealth Plan for America," views the prospect of an Article V convention with fear — the next chapter of decades of work on the far right transforming the federal judiciary and supporting cases that go on to make broad constitutional points, all while suppressing votes and gerrymandering districts.

"The ultimate project," MacLean said of conservatives, "is to transform our primary rules book, which is the Constitution."

There are proponents of an Article V convention on the left who see it as a possible way to overturn the Citizens United campaign finance decision, pass the Equal Rights Amendment and otherwise address what they see as a stacked deck that has helped the GOP get an unfair advantage. But with more red states than blue ones, it seems an unlikely path to abolishing the Electoral College, reengineering apportionment of the Senate or otherwise devising a democracy they believe is more reflective of the American public's views.

In that view, it's baffling to some observers that conservatives are the ones pushing a convention.

"I don't know what exactly they're unhappy with. When I look at the current politics, it seems to me things for them are going really well," said constitutional law professor Michael Klarman of Harvard University. "They're already getting what they want from the Supreme Court. Gerrymandering is fine. Unlimited money in politics is fine. The Electoral College is OK. Voter purges, photo ID laws are OK. So I don't know exactly what they're looking for."

Meckler acknowledges the loudest voices calling for a convention are conservative. ("You look at our website, it's all right-wingers," he says.) But he sees that as a reflection of a conservative culture in which the Constitution is more frequently discussed, not a reflection of the politics of it.

It's not the first time a convention has been proposed.

In the 1890s, when the Senate refused to take up the issue of direct election of senators, states pursued a convention, falling just short. Eventually, the 17th

Amendment passed in the usual way, fulfilling that aim. In the 1960s, states sought a convention over a Supreme Court decision dictating how legislative districts were apportioned.

But convention opponents have always feared that once one has been launched, it could tear up the Constitutions in all sorts of ways.

What's to stop a convention from passing an abhorrent affront to the Founders, like an outright ban on Muslims, Klarman asks. He points to a 2009 Swiss referendum that resulted in outlawing the construction of minarets, the towers found beside mosques.

"It's a dangerous route and an unpredictable one," said Laurence Tribe, another Harvard University constitutional law expert.

Jones said such fears are "misguided" and that "so many stopgaps" would prevent a "runaway" convention.

"That suggests a failure of institutions that is so massive that the last thing we need to worry about is a constitutional amendment," she said. "That would suggest that Congress failed in its duty to say, 'Look, you dealt with an issue that is not contained in the resolution.' That would require the judiciary to also not step in. It would require a failure of all of our democratic institutions and it would require a failure of the American people not to rise up."

Still, several states have rescinded previous calls for a convention as lawmakers grew fearful of what it could bring.

Over the years, Nevada lawmakers have made various calls for a convention to consider a ban on abortion, to prohibit racial integration of schools and to abolish the 17th Amendment.

But when Democratic state Sen. Tick Segerblom saw how close advocates were to hitting the 34-state mark, he realized the idea was no longer far-fetched

ALMANAC

Today is **Sunday, Nov. 4**, the 308th day of 2018. There are 57 days left in the year.

Today in history

On **Nov. 4, 1979**, the Iran hostage crisis began as militants stormed the United States Embassy in Tehran, seizing its occupants; for some of them, it was the start of 444 days of captivity.

On this date

In **1879**, humorist Will Rogers was born in Oologah, Oklahoma.

In **1922**, the entrance to King Tutankhamen's tomb was discovered in Egypt.

In **1939**, the United States modified its neutrality stance in World War II, allowing "cash and carry" purchases of arms by belligerents, a policy favoring Britain and France.

In **1942**, during World War II, Axis forces retreated from El Alamein in North Africa in a major victory for British forces commanded by Lt. Gen. Bernard Montgomery.

In **1956**, Soviet troops moved in to crush the Hungarian Revolution.

In **1980**, Republican Ronald Reagan won the White House as he defeated President Jimmy Carter by a strong margin.

In **1985**, to the shock and dismay of U.S. officials, Soviet defector Vitaly Yurchenko announced he was returning to the Soviet Union, charging he had been kidnapped by the CIA.

In **1991**, Ronald Reagan opened his presidential library in Simi Valley, California; attending were President George H.W. Bush and former Presidents Jimmy Carter, Gerald R. Ford and Richard Nixon — the first-ever gathering of five past and present U.S. chief executives.

In **2001**, Hurricane Michelle roared across Cuba, forcing the government to shut down power for much of the communist island and evacuate 750,000 people.

In **2007**, King Tutankhamen's face was unveiled for the first time to the public more than 3,000 years after the pharaoh was buried in his Egyptian tomb.

Ten years ago: Democrat Barack Obama was elected the first black president of the United States, defeating Republican John McCain. California voters approved Proposition 8, a constitutional amendment outlawing same-sex marriage, overturning a state Supreme Court decision that gave gay couples the right to wed just months earlier. Author Michael Crichton died in Los Angeles at age 66.

Today's birthdays

Actress Loretta Swit is 81. Rhythm-and-blues singer Harry Elston (Friends of Distinction) is 80. Blues singer Delbert McClinton is 78. Former first lady Laura Bush is 72. Actress Ivonne Coll is 71. Actress Markie Post is 68. Rock singer-musician Chris Difford (Squeeze) is 64. Country singer Kim Forester (The Forester Sisters) is 58. Actress-comedian Kathy Griffin is 58. Actor Ralph Macchio is 57. "Survivor" host Jeff Probst is 57. Actor Matthew McConaughey is 49. Rapper-producer Sean "Puff" Combs is 49. Talk show host Bethenny Frankel is 48. Actor Anthony Ruivivar is 48. Soul/jazz singer Gregory Porter is 47. Rhythm-and-blues singer Shawn Rivera (Az Yet) is 47. Celebrity chef Curtis Stone is 43. Actress Heather Tom is 43. Rhythm-and-blues/gospel singer George Huff is 38. Actress Emme Rylan is 38. Actor Chris Greene (Film: "Loving") is 36.

Bible verse

"And Samuel said, Hath the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams." — **1 Samuel 15:22.**

God is not so much concerned about religious ritual as He is about pure obedience to Him. Do what He wants you to do.

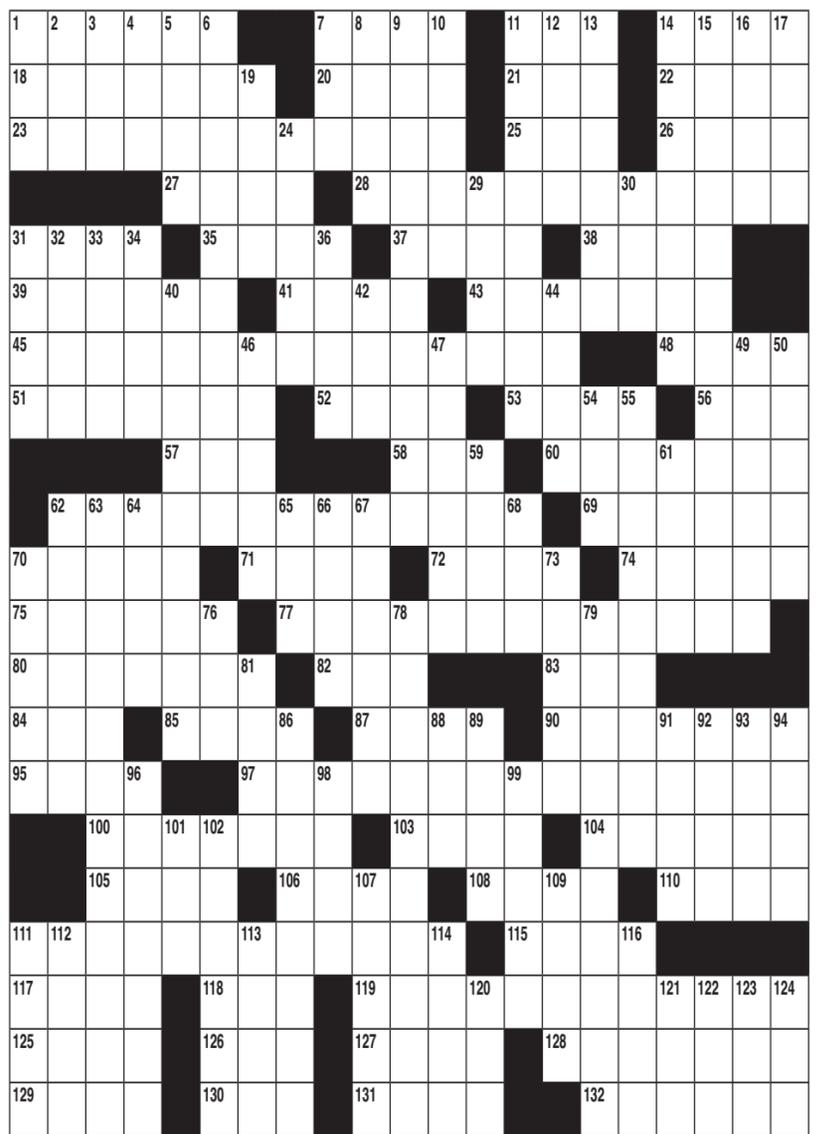
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Ask the Fool

Penny Stocks and Arbitrage

Why wouldn't penny stocks make me rich quickly, when I can buy thousands of them for a few hundred dollars? — B.Y., Hickory, North Carolina

Penny stocks are not just stocks with extra-low prices. Trading for \$5 or less per share, they can be more likely to plummet than skyrocket.

While penny stocks may seem like bargains, they won't necessarily grow faster than other stocks. A \$1 stock and a \$40 one can both go up (or down!) by the same percentage in one day.

Penny-stock investors are often naive beginners looking to get rich quick, but that's not how reliable wealth-building works.

What's arbitrage? — R.W., online

It's when you profit from temporary price differences. For example, perhaps MacDonald Farms Inc. (ticker: EIEIO) is trading at \$55 per share on a U.S. stock market and at \$55.10 per share on a foreign market.

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When investing in the stock market, you can actively study and select your own investments, such as managed mutual funds and individual stocks.

Over the 15 years ending in June 2018, about 92 percent of U.S. large-cap stock mutual funds lagged the returns of the S&P 500.

As bad as those numbers are, what's even worse is that many

investors fall short of even the subpar returns their funds produce. That's because fund investors often jump in after a fund has generated strong performance, and then get out at the worst possible time — during or after a market downturn or a rough period for the fund.

If you don't have the discipline to stay the course during bad times and hang on to investments you bought after your research suggested they had strong long-term potential, just stick with one or more index funds.

With actively managed funds charging much more in fees than many index funds charge, it's not surprising that most of them fail to match the returns of their index counterparts.

Name That Company

I trace my roots way back to the 1812 founding of the City Bank of New York, which later grew into the National City Bank of New York. I had a network of ATMs in the late 1970s. I became a major credit card issuer after buying Carte Blanche in 1978 and am now the top issuer globally.

Think you know the answer? We'll announce it in next week's edition.



My Dumbest Investment

Great Stock, Bad Moves

My dumbest mistake was buying shares of Netflix at \$17 apiece, hanging on until they hit \$19 (thinking that I was the smartest investor since Warren Buffett), only to panic and sell them all at a loss when they dropped to \$15.

Lesson learned? Have patience, and believe in the business. — P.P., Milwaukee

The Fool Responds: You made a classic beginning-investor mistake: not understanding that individual stocks, like the stock market as a whole, don't rise in value in a straight line.

Long-term believers in Netflix (a stock recommended and owned by The Motley Fool) recently had their faith reinforced when the company reported its third-quarter earnings, exceeding expectations with 34 percent revenue growth, 12 percent operating profit margin, 207 percent earnings-per-share growth and 7 million new members, bringing total membership to 137 million.

Doubters, though, worry that the stock is overvalued, and that in the face of growing competition, the company will have to keep spending so much on original content that profitability will be elusive.

LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

I trace my roots back to the 1970s, when I was founded as A-1 Supply. I later changed my name to Sircoma. My first game patent was for a family video poker game titled Fortune 1 Draw Poker.

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The Motley Fool Take

Gamble on Procter

Judging by the stock's performance over the last five years (as of recently, a paltry 8 percent cumulative gain), investors are in a sour mood about Procter & Gamble's (NYSE: PG) business.

Yet P&G is faring better than its peers in some respects. Its industry-leading profitability relies on an impressive selling infrastructure that's become even more efficient through an aggressive cost-cutting program.

Consider that even if it downsized to 65 brands, more than a dozen of those generate more than \$1 billion in annual sales. As many of P&G's brands are consumer staples, much of its business has proven to be more resilient during economic downturns.

P&G is aiming for faster sales growth this year and is rolling out significant price increases that could boost earnings. Investors are right to be cautious about that bright outlook, but the stock doesn't need head-turning revenue figures to outperform rivals from this low point.

The stock is well worth considering for its stability and solid dividend — which recently yielded 3.2 percent and which has been increased for 62 consecutive years.

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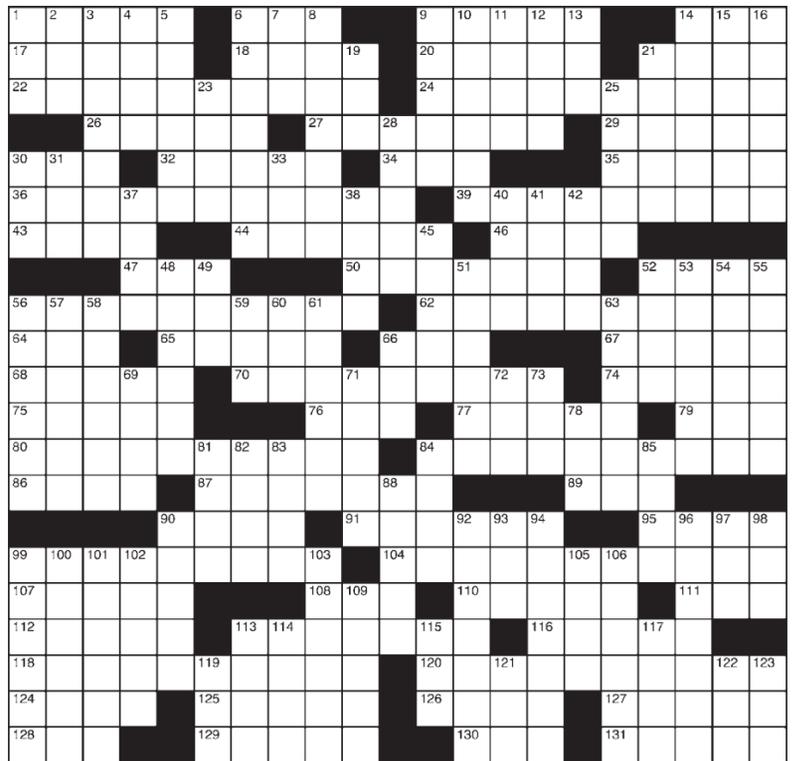
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 - 62 One of three planetary motion principles
 - 64 Menlo Park initials
 - 65 Opera outburst
 - 66 Green-lights
 - 67 ___ Sketch
 - 68 Ward (off)
 - 70 Raised a ruckus, say
 - 74 Song of worship
 - 75 Indulge
 - 76 U.N. workers' agcy.
 - 77 Slow, on scores
 - 79 Humdinger
 - 80 Source of zest
 - 84 What a texter usually expects
 - 86 N.C. neighbor
 - 87 "Sacr  bleu!" kin
 - 89 Extra NHL periods
 - 90 To the ___: maximally
 - 91 Himalayan native
 - 95 Small cells
 - 99 Donut ... or the consequence of eating too many of them?
 - 104 Car on craigslist
 - 107 Jazz pianist Chick
 - 108 Can cover
 - 110 Shop
 - 111 La. neighbor
 - 112 One on a trail
 - 113 Song title words before "for Miles"
 - 116 Connection points
 - 118 Ways to detect fractured trapeziums
 - 120 Restricted parking area, perhaps
 - 124 Top-drawer
 - 125 Nemo's creator
 - 126 Falco of "The Sopranos"
 - 127 Words of domination
 - 128 Waze ways: Abbr.
 - 129 Dot in the ocean
 - 130 Pampering place
 - 131 Components of fences
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Author LeShan
 - 2 Bama's conf.
 - 3 Act the chair
 - 4 Mount from which Moses saw the Promised Land
 - 5 Lorre's
 - 6 Two-time British Open champ
 - 7 Keogh plan rel.
 - 8 Pizzas slices, commonly
 - 9 Age of Reason philosopher
 - 10 Not digital
 - 11 Shower wall item
 - 12 Hang onto
 - 13 OKC-to-Tulsa dir.
 - 14 Muppet prone to eschewing contractions
 - 15 Lawn machines
 - 16 Shakers founder
 - 19 Not a good mark
 - 21 Sun Valley state
 - 23 Soft toy brand
 - 25 BBC time traveler
 - 28 Reef material
 - 30 Hoops stat.
 - 31 Tribute in verse
 - 33 Breakaway nation: Abbr.
 - 37 Crucifix letters
 - 38 Pulls back
 - 40 Brit. police rank
 - 41 Trick
 - 42 "... I ___ wed"
 - 45 "Wall Street" antagonist
 - 48 Stefan of tennis
 - 49 ___ Spiegel: German magazine
 - 51 Arnaz-Ball studio
 - 52 Bygone boomers
 - 53 Li'l Abner drawer
 - 54 Poet Gibran
 - 55 Like England's "the Fens"
 - 56 "Turn on the AC!"
 - 57 Mother ___
 - 58 Low naval rank
 - 59 Fruity spread
 - 60 Egg cells
 - 61 Able or full follower
 - 63 Think tank output
 - 66 Tokyo-born Yoko
 - 69 World Cup skiing champ Lindsey
 - 71 Perry of fashion
 - 72 Due times tre
 - 73 Bus. letter insert
 - 78 Ref's call
 - 81 Send forth
 - 82 ___ sci
 - 83 ___'acte
 - 84 Q&A part, briefly
 - 85 Morales of "Jericho"
 - 88 Israeli prime ministers Barak and Olmert
 - 90 Ticker
 - 92 Works on a lawn
 - 93 Calif. summer hrs.
 - 94 "Anne of Green Gables" setting
 - 96 Pantomimes
 - 97 Pub pint, perhaps
 - 98 ___ symbol
 - 99 Pair in "awaken"
 - 100 "Little grey cells" detective
 - 101 Acting father and son
 - 102 Piece maker?
 - 103 Funny Boosler
 - 105 Buck back?
 - 106 Harry Potter's owl
 - 109 Map within a map
 - 113 More than annoys
 - 114 Poet Sandburg
 - 115 Hurricane feature
 - 117 Cornell founder
 - 119 Driving age in old Rome?
 - 121 Gloss target
 - 122 Div. with Braves
 - 123 Some RPI grads

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GOREN BRIDGE

SUIT OR NO TRUMP?

Both vulnerable, South deals

NORTH
 ♠ K 10
 ♥ A K 7 3 2
 ♦ 8 7 2
 ♣ Q J 8

WEST
 ♠ 7 4 3
 ♥ Q 8
 ♦ 10 5 3
 ♣ 9 7 4 3 2

EAST
 ♠ A 8 6 5 2
 ♥ J 6 4
 ♦ A K 9 6
 ♣ 6

SOUTH
 ♠ Q J 9
 ♥ 10 9 5
 ♦ Q J 4
 ♣ A K 10 5

The bidding:
 SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
 1♣ Pass 1♥ 1♠
 INT Pass 3NT All pass

Opening lead: Four of ♠

Players will usually prefer to play game in an eight-card major suit fit rather than play in no trump. That's a good idea, but when the hand with the five-card major is otherwise balanced and his partner's hand is completely balanced, nine tricks at no trump might prove easier to take. Today's deal is from a game.

At this table, East won the opening spade lead with his ace and shifted to a low diamond, setting up three potential diamond tricks for himself. South won the shift with his queen and led the 10 of hearts to the queen and ace. He crossed back to his hand with a club to lead the nine of hearts. He was hoping West would cover and East would have a doubleton eight, but that hope vanished when West played the eight. Declarer rose with dummy's ace and took his nine tricks — two spades, two hearts, one diamond, and four clubs. Making three!

At the other table, North-South "found" their eight-card heart fit. There were four certain losers and declarer never had a chance. Down one.

No trump is often best when one player has a six-card minor suit. Be on the lookout for hands that might play better in notrump despite a five-three major suit fit. It is almost always right to play in a major with a four-four fit, unless both hands are "mirrored," meaning they have exactly the same length in all four suits.

(Bob Jones welcomes readers' responses sent in care of this paper or icaeditors@tribpub.com)

CRYPTOGRAMS

CRYPTOGRAMS PUNNY PLACES by Myles Mellor

1. VOZX NK RZXO JGJ JRCZVZWR?

AOR VNRWZ JWRAANK XOR TGXKRM,

XORK CZXRWZ KRV TRWARM!

2. VRD OP OW PS BXPD WS FBW OYWS

WRB FZSKOSAP XYG JKOBYGZD

PWXWB SJ JZSKOGX? DSA MXY FBW

ZAMID VOWR WRB IBDP!

3. BTWR QTIILWV UMNHLIUI ALAW'U

ZLOK IKKLWV OTUGBTWAN. UGKR JKHK

IM WKQTZZKA TU JGTU UGKR ITJ!

4. QIQVY SFQJ ZQUUIY! BFKS UQU

SYGGYJJYY? BFKS KZVKGJKJ!

PUZZLE ANSWERS

(Puzzles on previous pages)



JUMBLE

Answer:

SEASON MOSAIC THRIVE
 POTATO DRIVER SHRANK

Building homes on the mountain was difficult, but the developer —

HAD HIS "SITES" SET ON IT

1. What on earth did Delaware? She wore a dress on the jitney, then later a New Jersey!
2. Why is it so easy to get into the glorious and friendly state of Florida? You can get lucky with the keys!
3. Many passing tourists didn't like seeing Kathmandu. They were so nepalled at what they saw!
4. I like this riddle! What did Tennessee? What Arkansas!

HOLIDAY MATHIS HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Argue for your limitations and sure enough they are yours. But today, you'll do the opposite. Believing it's going to be easy for you, you'll magically make it so.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Relax. Life is an easy flow, and all you have to do is go with it. As for your guilty pleasures, consider categorically rejecting the definition. Is there really a good reason to feel guilty about what pleases you?

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You don't have to go out of your way to do something original; just do what comes naturally. You cannot help but make a unique imprint on the world. Being different isn't bad or good; it's just different.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Anyone who is controlling, interrogating or dominating could present an infringement of your emotional space. Widen your boundaries to put more distance between you and intruding energies.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The challenge of the week is to turn your idea into an event that's on everyone's calendar. The magic will happen in the planning stage, which may take more time than the actual event.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The energy of pushing and pursuing just doesn't suit you today. Hang back and play it cool — because the moment a dance becomes a chase, it ceases to be fun for both parties.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Promptness is the unsung virtue of the day, as no one gives awards for being on time. But those who are late cause the next person to be late. So one prompt move can save a lot of people from having to wait around.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You may find yourself attracted to complexity in all things, but especially when it comes to people. You get a spark of excitement from the prospect of figuring out the puzzle.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The twists and turns of this day will make good storytelling fodder later. You've the good fortune to have people in your life who thrill to hear your stories and eagerly anticipate your next one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There is such beauty in simplicity that you cannot imagine why a person might make life more complicated than it needs to be. Get rid of what you won't use, and avoid acquiring what you don't need.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It takes two to have a relationship; therefore, neither party can entirely control how things work out. But by following through on harmonious intentions, much good will be accomplished.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). All that happens in your social life will be to your benefit. Even circumstances that seem unfavorable will prove over time to be beneficial in ways you wouldn't have guessed.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 4). You see real progress in your personal life when it comes to figuring out how to take care of yourself and living in a way that makes you stronger by the day. As you focus on the good, your bad habits become less pervasive, fading away all on their own. Also notable: You'll make marvelous money with a new venture. Gemini and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 6, 20, 17 and 44.

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 be a step ahead of (10)	_____
2 "one small step" astronaut (9)	_____
3 step forward (9)	_____
4 "step on it!" (5)	_____
5 step down (6)	_____
6 in step with (10)	_____
7 steps to another story (9)	_____

UNT	AB	EER	IRC	STR
ONG	HU	IGN	RES	EPT
ICIP	ARM	ACC	ANT	STA
ASE	ATE	RRY	VOL	LE

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Today's Answers: 1. ANTICIPATE 2. ARMSTRONG 3. VOLUNTEER 4. HURRY 5. RESIGN 6. ACCEPTABLE 7. STAIRCASE

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).

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

Rating: SILVER

Solution to 11/4/18

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

DEAR ABBY

Dad threatens to disown his son if he digs into the family's history

DEAR ABBY: I am a 22-year-old, single male who recently graduated from college. I received lots of congratulations in person and by phone, text and social media.



Dear Abby

One of them came from a woman my age named "Bree." When I responded, I didn't recall ever having friended her but learned she's a cousin who lives back east. Apparently, her mother and my father are siblings. When I asked my father about it, he got very defensive and told me whoever it was I spoke to is a complete and total liar. Ordinarily, I might have agreed, but his reaction tells me there's a lot more to this.

I want to find out more. Neither of my parents will say a word about it, and I don't know why. When I told them I plan to travel to the East Coast and meet Bree, I was told I may not be welcomed back if I do! This makes me wonder what horrible thing could have happened that would make a father consider disowning his son.

Because my father won't share the truth with me, I am left with only this option. Pursue this, find part of my family I never knew existed and learn something, but lose the family I have and regret it forever. Any insight? — LOST COUSIN IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR COUSIN: I can offer insight, but not a roadmap for how to proceed. Family secrets can be devastating. That your father reacted so strongly shows how threatened he is that you might uncover something he isn't proud of.

As a college graduate, I am sure you are familiar with the myth about Pandora's box. While you may not lose your father if you delve into this, you may find that when you

do, your image of him may be shattered. If you really feel you will "regret it forever" if you do, then make sure you are prepared for the possible penalty.

DEAR ABBY: My only son and his wife had their first baby recently. My daughter-in-law treats me terribly. She's hypercritical of what I do or say. I am usually so blindsided I don't have much of a reply.

When I attempted to help out with the laundry, cleaning, etc., I was met with more criticism and advice on how to perform those tasks. She also says I don't know how to properly hold an infant.

Abby, I have raised five grown children! How can I change this situation? — PUNISHED FOR WANTING TO HELP

DEAR PUNISHED: Remind your daughter-in-law that you're just trying to help her. She may not have been critical of your efforts as much as trying to convey how she would like those tasks done. However, if you can't please her, take the hint and stop offering.

She may be a nervous new mother, but she appears to have gone overboard to the point of being tactless. The next time she tells you you don't know how to hold a baby, point out that you managed to raise five of them safely to adulthood. Then back off and give her some space because she may be hormonal and need it.

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KEN KEN THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

EASY

4	2÷		2-
2÷		12X	
7+			2
	1	2÷	

CHALLENGING

2	30X	3÷		24X	
15X		11+	2÷	3÷	2÷
	4				
2÷		1-	30X		3
5-			40X		
24X			5	5-	

RULES

- Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 4 (easy) or 1 through 6 (challenging) without repeating.
- 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.
- Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

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TODAY'S ANSWERS

4	2	3	1	2	3
3	1	2	4	2	3
1	2	3	4	2	3
2	3	1	4	2	3
3	1	2	4	2	3
4	2	3	1	2	3

HELOISE

Dear Readers: With the holidays coming soon, you may be holding family gatherings and getting out the good silverware for those parties. Use these hints when washing to keep the silverware in good condition.



Hints from Heloise

Clean sterling silverware by hand in hot, soapy water. Rinse well and dry thoroughly with a soft cloth. You also can put it into the dishwasher, but if the sterling silver is old or valuable, be cautious because the detergent could discolor it with long-term use. Never put hollow-handled pieces into the dishwasher. If you have silver-plate, you can put it into the dishwasher as well, but remove before the drying cycle and dry with a soft towel.

Never place silverware pieces next to stainless-steel flatware in the same basket in the dishwasher. Over time, this can remove the silver. — Heloise

Dear Heloise: With the upcoming holiday events, I will have to wrap a large number of presents for my

extended family. Wrapping paper is so expensive. Do you have any ideas for me to reuse stuff I have in my house? — Deborah from Michigan

Dear Deborah: Just look around your home. Rip out the sheets from unused coloring books or school artwork to wrap gifts for relatives. Save the color comics pages from the newspaper for children's presents. Repurpose a scarf that you are no longer using for a girlfriend's gift. Wrap packages with large pretty scraps of leftover fabric. Always save and reuse ribbon and gift bows. — Heloise

Dear Readers: Children love to play with toys in the bathtub and elsewhere in the house. But they become

slimy and dirty after a while. Here's how to clean them:

Put the toys into a gallon-size container. Fill with water and two cups of vinegar. Soak for a few minutes. Then wipe off with a sponge and rinse in clean water. — Heloise

Dear Readers: Candles create such a lovely glow and add light to any room in your house. But they can be dangerous if left unattended. Take these steps to make sure that does not happen.

—Never leave a room with candles burning in it. Extinguish them all.

—Check all candles before going to bed to be certain that they are fully extinguished.

—Put candles in sturdy candleholders that have space to contain the dripping wax.

—Place candles more than one foot away from items that can catch fire, such as lampshades, curtains or clothing. — Heloise

Dear Readers: Surprise your holiday dinner guests with this recipe that

tastes just like pecan pie (but is actually made with pinto beans)!

Mock pecan pie

- 1 cup cooked unseasoned, canned pinto beans
- 1 1/2 to 2 cups sugar
- 4 ounces butter or margarine
- 4 eggs, well beaten
- 2 tablespoons dark corn syrup
- 3 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1/2 Teaspoon salt
- 1 9-inch pie shell, unbaked
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- Whipped cream or nondairy whipped topping
- 1. Preheat oven to 350 F.
- 2. Drain and mash beans well. In a medium bowl, cream sugar and butter. Add eggs, corn syrup, vanilla and salt. Mix in the beans. Pour into pie shell and sprinkle pecans on top.
- 3. Bake for 45 to 60 minutes until firm. Top with whipped cream. — Heloise

JUMBLE

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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

NAOSSE

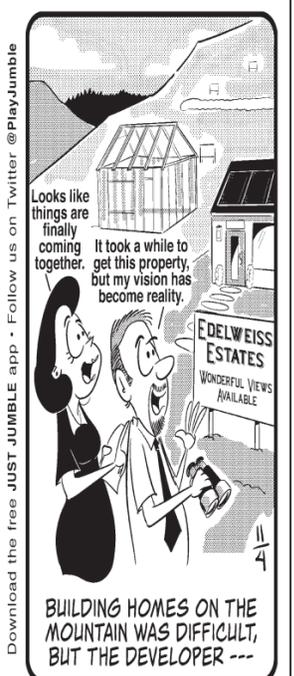
TOOTAP

SOIMCA

VIRRED

RIHIVE

HNARKS



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

PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW

○○○ "○○○○" ○○○ ON ○○

Uber and Zoetis

Dear Mr. Berko: My stockbroker insists that Uber, which is valued at \$120 billion, will come public in the second quarter of 2019. He doesn't have a price yet but promises he could get at least 100 shares at the initial public offering price. He says the stock could double on the first day and thinks I should buy more shares as the price runs up. He's extremely bullish. What do you think? Also, my sister, three of our cousins and I each inherited 227 shares of Zoetis. My broker wants me to sell all of mine. My sister's broker told her to round out her shares to 300. What's your opinion, please? — KC, Oklahoma City

Dear KC: Regarding your first question, he may be right, but I think he's wrong. Uber's ride-hailing service launched in San Francisco in 2011. During the past seven years, Uber, whose 600,000 drivers have given rides to over 70 million passengers, has managed to lose money year after year after year. Frankly, Uber may be unable to make money.

Uber won't publish financial results, but some Uber-watchers say the company lost nearly \$5 billion in 2017, up from a \$2.7 billion loss in 2016. Few companies have grown as quickly and lost so much money (\$11 billion since 2011) in such a short time frame. Could Uber have developed Peter Pan syndrome — reaching a stage of maturity most companies never achieve and becoming deeply in debt and unable to make a profit?

I can't imagine, even in my most bizarre moments, how Wall Street decided that Uber is worth \$120 billion. That amount is a "pump" amount to help Uber, which, as your broker says, may go public by mid-2019. A pump amount is an Arabic numeral with a dollar sign before it that fee-hungry investment bankers pull from their bums to encourage investors who are losing their enthusiasm. In this case, they may even raise it to \$150 billion or \$200 billion — even though Uber has publicly stated that it doesn't expect to be profitable for at least three years. Please tell me, in the name of all things good

and wonderful, how an honest group of people could value a company that has only foreseeable losses at \$120 billion. This sounds like an SEC- and FINRA-approved scam to keep new investors starry-eyed. Now investors will more enthusiastically buy Uber, permitting early investors — Microsoft, Fidelity, Miley Cyrus, Tiger Global Management, Britney Spears, TPG Growth, the Qatar Investment Authority et al., who invested billions with Uber — to get their money back at nuclear returns. Meanwhile, some Uber employees who won't wait for an initial public offering are selling their shares at \$33, which is a monumental discount to Uber's cockamamie \$120 billion valuation. They could be the smart ones; that \$120 billion, all puffery and promise, is about what the Big Three automakers are worth, combined. After the IPO, shareholders may be as mad as a foaming camel with a bad case of piles, though it's also possible they'll be as happy as hogs on ice in the winter sunshine.

For 60 years, Zoetis was the animal health division of Pfizer. Then, in February 2013, Pfizer completed an unexciting IPO at \$25 a share. But Zoetis (ZTS-\$90) is a very exciting company. It develops, manufactures and commercializes animal health medications and vaccines for livestock and companion animals. For 2017, ZTS reported revenues of \$5.3 billion and earned \$3.05 a share. ZTS focuses its research and medications specifically on (livestock) cattle, swine, sheep, poultry and fish and on (companion animals) dogs, cats and horses. Livestock revenues are up 7 percent year over year, and companion animal revenues are up 17 percent. Livestock revenues from anti-infectives, vaccines, parasiticides, medicated feed additives and other pharmaceuticals accounted for 64 percent of ZTS' 2017 revenues. And about 50 percent of ZTS' revenues derive from overseas. In 2018, revenues should come in at \$5.7 billion, with earnings of \$3.12 a share. And impressive net profit margins, plus growing sales, suggest ZTS will have \$6.1 billion in revenues and earnings of \$4.10 by 2021. ZTS has a strong balance sheet, excellent management, a good sales team and highly respected products, and your sister's broker's right.

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Trump administration must face claims by immigrant children

(TNS) LOS ANGELES — The Trump administration lost its bid to throw out a lawsuit by immigrant children who say they are denied access to lawyers or given a hearing to challenge their confinement by the Office of Refugee Resettlement.

U.S. District Judge Dolly Gee at a hearing Friday in Los Angeles denied the government's request to dismiss the lawsuit.

The case was brought by seven children who are detained as unaccompanied minors and who have relatives in the U.S. that want to take care of them. The claim that the U.S. violates their constitutional due process rights could provide an extra legal

hurdle for the Trump administration's plans to get around a 1997 agreement that restricts the government's ability to detain immigrant children.

In a July ruling, Gee denied the U.S.'s request to modify the so-called Flores settlement as "wholly without merit" and faulted the administration for an "ill-considered executive action" that led to the separation of children from their parents when families were apprehended trying to cross into the U.S. at the Mexican border.

The case is Lucas R. v. Azar, 18-cv-05741, U.S. District Court, Central District of California (Los Angeles).



President Donald Trump speaks during a campaign rally at Bozeman Yellowstone International Airport, Saturday, in Belgrade, Mont.

Trump, Democrats vying for support in final midterm push

By KEN THOMAS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump and Democrats are delivering competing closing arguments during the final weekend before Tuesday's elections, but their messages are complicated by a deadly shooting in a politically pivotal state.

Trump aimed to drum up voter turnout with events Saturday in Belgrade, Montana, and Pensacola, Florida, about 200 miles west of Florida's capital, Tallahassee, where two people were shot to death and five others wounded at a yoga studio on Friday night.

Vice President Mike Pence helped embattled Gov. Scott Walker, R-Wis., and then was meeting up with Trump in Florida to rally Republicans behind Rick Scott, who is trying to unseat Democratic Sen. Bill Nelson, and former Rep. Ron DeSantis, who hopes to succeed Scott as governor.

DeSantis has been in a tight contest against Tallahassee Mayor Andrew Gillum, who broke off campaigning after the shooting in his hometown. Gillum had appeared earlier Friday with former President Barack Obama.

Democrats were fanning out across the country to help the party stoke turnout in their effort to capture seats in Congress and win several races for governor. Former Vice President Joe Biden was campaigning in Ohio with former Obama administration official Richard Cordray, who is attempting to become governor in a high-profile contest.

A look at campaign activities on Saturday:

FLORIDA SHOOTING

The final stretch of the campaign was briefly disrupted by the shooting Friday evening at a Tallahassee yoga studio.

Scott and Gillum both rushed back to the state capital after the gunman killed two people and injured five others before killing himself.

Shortly before midnight, Gillum and Scott met with victims who had been taken to a hospital near the shopping center where the shooting took place. Gillum, who has clashed with Scott in the past, thanked the governor for his "care and consideration" by visiting

the victims.

Both Gillum and Scott planned to return to campaigning on Saturday with stops in central Florida. Scott was expected to be with Trump when he holds a rally later in the day in Pensacola, while Gillum was to attend a get out the vote concert with Jimmy Buffett in West Palm Beach.

DeSantis, Gillum's Republican opponent in the governor's race, has repeatedly criticized Tallahassee's crime rate in his campaign speeches. Police have not yet identified a motive behind the shooting.

IMMIGRATION

In Montana, Trump pushed back on criticism that he is focusing too much on immigration rhetoric during the closing days of the election season.

Trump said during his rally that he also talks about economic gains, but can only "go for 4 or 5 minutes." After that, he said, "what I do is talk about some of the problems."

Said Trump: "When we're fixing a problem or fixed a problem there's no reason to go on about it for 45 minutes."

Trump has focused his closing midterm argument on immigration, stoking anxiety about several caravans of Central American migrants traveling to the southern border. He's also threatening constitutionally enshrined birthright citizenship.

GEORGIA ROBOCALL

In Georgia, a robocall apparently paid for by a white supremacist group directly injected racism into a governor's race already fraught with race-laden debates over ballot access and voter suppression.

Democrat Stacey Abrams and Republican Brian Kemp joined together in condemning the automated telephone call that featured a voice impersonating Oprah Winfrey, the billionaire media star who campaigned in Georgia for Abrams Thursday.

The call concluded by saying it was paid for by The Road to Power, a group organized by Scott Rhodes of Idaho, who has been linked to several other incendiary robocalls, including a recent effort in Florida, where Gillum would become



Florida Democratic gubernatorial candidate Andrew Gillum speaks during a rally at CFE Arena on the campus of UCF in Orlando, on Saturday.



Supporters hold up signs as they wait to hear President Donald Trump speak at a campaign rally Saturday, in Pensacola.

the first black governor in state history.

Kemp issued a statement calling the tactic "vile" and "contrary to the highest ideals of our state and country," adding a condemnation of "any person or organization that peddles this type of unbridled hate and unapologetic bigotry."

Abrams' campaign also blasted the move but criticized Kemp and Trump, who will campaign together in Georgia Sunday. The campaign said Trump and Kemp had contributed to a poisonous atmosphere and Kemp has been silent on previous racially loaded attacks on Abrams.

PENCE

Campaigning in Wisconsin, Pence pushed back against the notion that Democrats will sweep to victory in Tuesday's elections.

"I keep hearing about this blue wave," Pence said. "Let's make sure that blue wave hits a red wall in the Badger State."

Pence and Walker addressed more than 500 supporters in northwest Wisconsin, where the two-term governor told them, "I need your help now more than ever." Walker noted that recent polls have shown him tied with Democrat Tony Evers.

Pence pointed to the caravan of immigrants traveling through Mexico toward the U.S. southern border and claimed it was "being driven by the dangerous policies of the Democrats." The audience chanted, "Build that

wall!"

WISCONSIN REPUBLICANS

Hundreds of northwest Wisconsin Republicans huddled together in 40-degree temperatures waiting to enter the shipping warehouse in Hudson, Wisconsin, where Pence rallied supporters for Walker.

Walker is in a fight for his political career just three days before the election. Polls show Walker knotted with Evers, Wisconsin's superintendent of schools.

Walker supporter Sue Hodgson described herself as "nervous, more than excited." "We're here to show our support," Hodgson, of nearby River Falls, Wisconsin, said. "I just hope it's enough."

Walker needs to shore up northern Wisconsin and turn out conservatives in the suburban counties around Milwaukee to overcome intensity among Democratic-leaning voters in Milwaukee and Madison. Walker has defied the odds before, beating a recall election in 2012 mounted after he signed controversial legislation in 2011 stripping public employees of union rights.

"It's going to be very close," said Ronald Godden, who traveled more than two hours north from near LaCrosse to attend the rally. "People know he got us out of the hole. We know he's a Godly man. That's the most important thing to me."

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TWO-FAMILY HOME ON ACREAGE

Special to Highlands News-Sun

This home is at 140 Park Land Drive in Lake Placid. It is priced for \$249,900 and is listed with Carol S. Edwards with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Properties Group.

With room to roam and over 3,100 total square feet, this three-bedroom, three-bath and oversized two-car garage home was built in 1990. It sits on just under five acres, which includes a pond, fencing, nice trees and a detached 14 by 20 garage.

This rare find offers the perfect floor plan suitable for two families or a fabulous guest suite with room to spare. The main area offers an open floor plan with a combined living and dining room. The kitchen offers plenty of cabinets, counter space and a breakfast bar.

The master bedroom is large at 15 by 13 and the master bath has double vanities. The guest bedroom is oversized with a full-size guest bathroom.

The second living area offers a completely functional eat-in kitchen including appliances. The bright 21 by

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DIRECTIONS

140 Park Land Drive, Lake Placid

From U.S. 27 south of Lake Placid, turn west onto State Road 70. Turn left onto Park Land Drive. The home is on the left.



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HOME IS ALL ABOUT LOCATION

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This home is at 1527 Spring Hill Court in Sebring. It is priced for \$169,900 and is listed with Dawn Dell with Heartland Real Estate Corp.

Location is the key to this home. Ever thought about being in the middle of it all yet having a private setting and deeded lake access? Here is that opportunity! Being located on a cul-de-sac also adds to this perfect setting.

The home features a large circular driveway with a triple-arched front porch. When you enter the front door you realize this property is not only larger than it looks but it has also been renovated with all new high demand options.

The open-floor concept has the kitchen as the heart of this home. It has new raised panel maple cabinets with soft closing drawers and upgraded granite with bullnose finish and an upgraded appliance package. The kitchen island makes a great place to congregate and the great room concept allows everyone to be together.

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DIRECTIONS

1527 Spring Hill Court, Sebring

From U.S. 27 in Sebring, turn onto Vicki Drive. Turn left onto Spring Hill Court. The home is around the corner on the left.



COURTESY PHOTO

This home is at 1527 Spring Hill Court in Sebring. It is priced for \$169,900 and is listed with Dawn Dell with Heartland Real Estate Corp.

GREAT LOCATION AND PARTIALLY FURNISHED

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This home is at 3811 Divot Road in Sebring. It is priced for \$159,900 and is listed with Kevin and Teresa Bock with Re/Max Realty Plus.

This two-bedroom, two-bath, well-maintained home is in a great location, is being offered partially furnished and has had many updates. Several of the windows have been replaced. The air-conditioning system was replaced in November 2014 and the roof was replaced in December 2016.

This home has a nice floor plan with plenty of room for all. There is a front living room with the kitchen located in the center of the home. It is open to the breakfast area, family room and bonus area. The kitchen has a nice amount of cabinets and storage space. It also includes some newer appliances and a large pantry for extra storage. The kitchen also has a large breakfast bar accessible from the family room for added seating

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DIRECTIONS

3811 Divot Road, Sebring

From U.S. 27 in Sebring, turn onto Hammock Road. Turn right into the entrance of Golf Hammock onto Golf Hammock Drive. Proceed around the club house and turn right onto Mulligan Road. Turn right onto Divot Road. The home is on the left.



COURTESY PHOTO

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area if needed.

This one-owner home has kept very good maintenance records and a long list of improvements made throughout the years.

Tile flooring is in the entry, kitchen and baths with Berber carpeting throughout the rest of the home. The home has several newer lights and ceiling fans throughout. The nice, split bedroom floor plan offers plenty of privacy and ample closet space.

The two-car garage has space for two cars or one car and a golf cart. It includes a newer garage door opener and springs. Enjoy sitting in the garage



COURTESY PHOTO

The kitchen has a nice amount of cabinets and storage space. It also includes some newer appliances and a large pantry for extra storage.

without the bugs because of the garage skeeter beater screen.

The yard is a perfect place to spend your time in with the rear yard being all fenced. The back yard has a shed included for tools and recreational toys. This is the perfect place to start living the

Florida lifestyle.

Whether you like to golf, jog, bike or just want to live in a nice community, Golf Hammock is a great place to call home.

For more information, call Kevin and Teresa Bock at 863-381-9063 or 863-381-7884 or email Teresa@TeresaBock.com. View all of their listings at teresabock.com; for this property, search for MLS249655.

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This home really has a true family feel to it. The great room consists of a living room, kitchen and dining room. Just off of the great room is the enclosed family room. It is a perfect space for additional entertaining or as an office, which is how it is currently being used.

The master en suite has a remodeled bathroom with a walk-in shower and glass enclosure. All bedrooms have carpet flooring. The home's tile floor has a Tuscan-look design.

For additional convenience there is in house laundry room that is 8 by 6 with additional storage space. Off of the laundry room is a one-car garage.

The back yard is fenced and has a storage shed. There is an open space perfect for barbecuing and outdoor entertaining. You can enjoy deeded

lake access to Sebring's premier Lake Jackson at the end of Vicki Drive, which allows you access to the lake without lake taxes.

The property features 1,438 living square feet (under air-conditioning space) and 2,358 total square feet (total under roof). The home was built in 1976 but do not let that fool you. It has been well maintained and cared for. The roof and drainfield were replaced in 2005. The seller has added extra insulation in the attic for energy conservation.

The property is located just off of U.S. 27 on a dead end road, which offers privacy, and is close to just about everything. You will be in the middle of it all yet feel like you are miles away.

For more information, call Dell at 863-381-0400 or email dawnsdell1@gmail.com. View all of the professional photos at dawnsdell.com. Search for MLS 249830.

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14 living room offers lots of storage and it has a 15 by 11 master bedroom and bath. The two living areas provide privacy and comfort.

This lovely home offers a 12 by 62 covered porch with new screening that runs along the entire back of the house and has access to the porch from each living area. Enjoy the peaceful, relaxing views of the land and pond shaded by the trees.

A new roof and exterior painting was done this year. It is a great property for pets and animals.

For more information, call Edwards at 863-441-2994. To see pictures and take a virtual tour, visit CSEdwards.Net and search for MLS 248917.

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The Re/Max Realty Plus #1 Team participated in the Pink on Parade 5K Run & 1 Mile Walk on Oct. 14. The event was a breast cancer awareness effort put on by Florida Hospital Heartland Foundation. From left: Linda Boring, Maureen Cool, Carl Cool, Lisa Kneram, Danny Cool, Laura Shirley, Sarah Spires, Kevin Back, Johanna Johnston, Samatha Bass, Teresa Bock, Sue Dean and Pam West.

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Looks of rental property make a difference

Are you an owner of a rental property or are you considering becoming one through buying a property and renting it? If your answer is yes, this column should help you.

The first item on your to do list is to research and select a professional Realtor who specializes in rental property in the area you wish to buy. A Realtor will assist you with today's tenant preferences and provide you a rundown of the area's rental prices.

A basic mistake is when owners/landlords do property improvements to their taste and forget that it is the tenant who will be living the property. Another common mistake is a lack of landscape and yard presentation. And a third mistake is a lack of details in a property — the finishing look.

Get a minimum of three estimates of professionals who specialize in remodeling and repairing properties in the area where you want to buy. It is important to prioritize the repairs needed for any home you wish to purchase and keep those repairs in line with your budget. Remember, how much you update a property can make a significant difference of the average market rental income in the area.

When a rental property is attractive to a prospective tenant, the tenant will gladly pay the difference. While yard work and gardening are enjoyed by many homeowners, renters might not so investing in low-maintenance or no-maintenance landscaping for a



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Julio Seda

rental property can give it an extra boost above the local competition.

It motivates your renter to take care of your yard, which can become a burden if your home is in a neighborhood with a covenant or an homeowner's association that mandates yard upkeep. Prevent any kind of future problems by looking at alternative options to grass and plants that need to be regularly maintained. By doing this, you prevent any kind of future issues related to landscaping and potential renters will see a home that only needs minimal outdoor care, which is a win-win for both sides.

Privacy is important in every home, especially in a rental unit. Renters want to know they can feel safe at home. Ways to do this is using blinds, having an alarm and making all doors open with the same key.

When it comes to a rental or income property, make sure your property stands out, especially if you happen to own in a competitive real estate market. While full-blown renovations and remodeling can be daunting (and expensive), small updates can help your property shine. If you've been thinking



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of remodeling your rental property, here are some useful tips to help you decide where to put your funds.

Bathrooms are a necessity in every home. But bathrooms can often be overlooked where renovations are concerned, especially smaller

bathrooms and powder rooms. While renovating or upgrading a master bathroom is on the top of many homeowners' lists, giving the other bathrooms some TLC often falls to the wayside. But it shouldn't.

To help increase the value of your rental property and catch potential renters' eyes, ensure that all bathrooms in the home are functional. Meaning there is ample storage, plenty of countertop space and the bathrooms are clean and don't frighten people away (you can even replace the toilet seat).

For many, the kitchen is one of the most important rooms in an entire house. For a rental property, the kitchen needs to not only be practical in terms of working appliances and ample storage, it also should look nice and updated.

Does this mean you need to put granite countertops and top-of-the-line appliances in your rental's kitchen? No, but it does mean that if

the home was built in the 1980s and the kitchen is original, it's time to upgrade. Not only will upgrading help increase the market value of the home, it will also help attract a new group of potential renters.

With the advent of green movements throughout the country, more and more energy-efficient appliances and items can be found almost anywhere you look. Don't shy away from converting your rental into a more energy-efficient property. Not only do people like knowing they're being energy efficient, many of the new appliances help cut down on operating costs, meaning smaller energy bills for everyone.

While you don't need to go investing in geothermal heating for your rental, consider changing appliances to

energy-efficient ones, installing a programmable thermostat, and changing out any incandescent light bulbs to CFLs LEDs.

Window treatments also help keep heat in or out, depending on the season. Again, you don't have to go wild and put in elaborate silk drapes — adding basic shutters or blinds can definitely help your property stand out from others.

Rental properties are great for extra income for many homeowners, but if you want to have a consistently rented property, you've got to know where to invest your money to get the highest return on your investment. Minor upgrades and renovations not only help boost your rental property's value, but they also attract renters who may not have been interested before.

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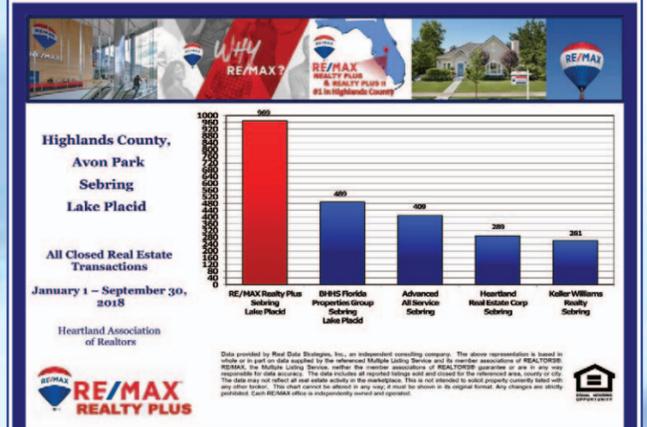


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Through injuries and touting the NBA's worst defense, the Washington Wizards are looking to turn things around after starting the season 1-7.

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■ PREP SPORTS: Golf

Pirates, Southworth learn from states appearance

By JACOB HOAG
STAFF WRITER

HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS — The courses at Mission Inn Resort and Club are known as some of the more challenging in the state.

This weekend's Class 2A high school state championship rounds were no exception for both the Port Charlotte High boys team and individual Meadow Southworth from Lemon Bay.

The elevation change, the tricky pin placement baiting golfers into a trap, it all made for a constant struggle, but one they can learn from.

"I think it was a big wake-up call for them," Port Charlotte coach Rodney Taylor said following the final round. "Conditions yesterday were windy. Conditions today were cold and windy, plus a tough course equals high scores. They experienced that today, but I think all in all they had a great time."

The Pirates entered Saturday's final round in 13th out of 16 teams vying for a state title and exited in the same position. Coming in they knew that was a long shot, but got the chance to play at an elite course with above average competition.

Junior Marc Kaneko-Fujii came into the final round leading the Pirates and tied for 23rd place individually after shooting an 80 on the par-72 El Campeon course. He finished 21-over for the tournament tying him for 33rd place out of 96.

Kaneko-Fujii struggled on Day 2, carding a 13-over 85. Despite making solid tee shots — like putting it feet from the pin on the tight Par-3 8th hole surrounded by water — he couldn't string multiple shots together.

"I'm really relieved that it's over," Kaneko-Fujii said. "There wasn't a whole lot going for me from the start. I had a back injury, I found some errors

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A lasting impact

By BEN BAUGH
SPORTS EDITOR

Recently, in a week's time, I lost three people that I admired, including my Godfather.

What's significant about the passings are the impact these men had on my life.

However, it was the last passing, eight days ago, that resonates deeply, touching the very essence of who I am.

The late turf writer Joe Hirsch paid homage to the only 5-time

Horse of Year, Kelso, and penned "Once upon a time there was a horse named Kelso. But only once."

One of those men, I had written to in the early 1990s, not knowing if I was going to get a response, not necessarily expecting one, and yet a man who in the Thoroughbred industry was larger than life, found time to respond.

That was W. Cothran "Cot" Campbell.

For more than 26 years, my

dream was to be a staff writer for The Florida Horse; and my love for the Sunshine State, Ocala, Hallandale Beach and Oldsmar is palpable. I can remember going to an Ocala Breeders' Sales Company 2-Year-Olds in Training Sale at Calder Race Course in Miami Gardens, and Scott Davis was sitting down at a table, interviewing none other than Mr. Campbell.

When my career as a journalist had become somewhat

static, I went to work for Adena Springs South, a Thoroughbred farm just north of Ocala, in the maintenance division.

One of the places I applied to was the Aiken Standard, in Aiken, South Carolina, the home of Dogwood Stable.

I hated to leave the Ocala area, but there was opportunity in a new market, a place that I would make my home for the next decade. The Aiken Training

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■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Missouri 38, No. 13 Florida 17

Lock burns No. 13 Florida again, Mizzou wins 38-17 in Swamp

By MARK LONG
AP SPORTS WRITER

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Drew Lock picked apart Florida's defense for the second straight year, throwing three touchdown passes to lead Missouri to a 38-17 victory against the 13th-ranked Gators on Saturday.

Lock completed 24 of 32 passes for 250 yards, with scoring throws to Albert Okwuegbunam, Kam Scott and Emanuel Hall that stunned the Swamp.

Fortunately for the Gators (6-3, 4-3 Southeastern Conference), they won't have to face the senior and possible first-round draft pick again.

They might have seen the last of Feleipe Franks, too.

Coach Dan Mullen benched Franks late in the third quarter — the home crowd cheered wildly — and backup Kyle Trask promptly directed a 75-yard touchdown drive in which he converted two



AP PHOTO

Missouri running back Larry Rountree III is tripped by Florida defensive back Chauncey Gardner-Johnson after catching a pass.

fourth downs. Trask found Josh Hammond in the end zone on the second one for a 7-yard score that made it

35-17.

The Tigers (5-4, 1-4) responded with a field goal that essentially sealed their

first SEC win of the season and sent fans scrambling for

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■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL: NC State 47, FSU 28

NC State snaps losing streak with win over Florida State

By Joe Giglio

THE NEWS & OBSERVER
(RALEIGH, N.C.) (TNS)

RALEIGH, N.C. — After back-to-back losses, N.C. State needed a win. Florida State provided the perfect antidote on Saturday.

The Wolfpack got a career game from senior Reggie Gallaspy and three touchdowns from freshman Ricky Person to defeat the Seminoles, 47-28, and qualify for a bowl game in the process.

N.C. State (6-2, 3-2 ACC) had dropped consecutive

ACC games to Clemson and Syracuse after a 5-0 start to the season. The Wolfpack defense had been stretched in those two losses but was able to find some footing.

Mix in 16 penalties (for 121 yards) on Florida State (4-5, 2-5) with a 125-yard performance by receiver Jakobi Meyers and four field goals by Chris Dunn, and N.C. State was able to give coach Dave Doeren his second straight win over FSU (and first in Raleigh) to qualify for the postseason for the fifth straight

year.

The Wolfpack forced two turnovers in the first half and scored on five of its first six possessions to jump out to a 27-7 lead in the second quarter.

Person, who missed the Syracuse game with multiple injuries, had touchdown runs of 1 and 4 yards in his return. He also had a 2-yard touchdown catch in the fourth quarter.

The running game got a boost with Person's return, even though the



AP PHOTO

FSU | 7 North Carolina State's Jakobi Meyers tries to evade a tackle by Florida State's Jaiden Woodbey during the first half of an NCAA college football game in Raleigh, N.C., Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018.

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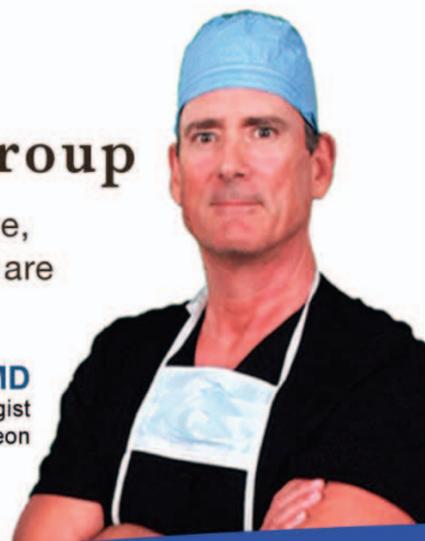
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NBA: Washington Wizards

With NBA's worst D, other issues, Wall's Wizards start 1-7

By HOWARD FENDRICH AP SPORTS WRITER

WASHINGTON — Scott Brooks knows he needs to try something to change the way things are going for his Washington Wizards. The problems are so plentiful, the coach just is not quite sure what to do.

All-Star guards John Wall and Bradley Beal lead the Wizards into their game against the visiting New York Knicks on Sunday with a 1-7 record, including 0-3 at home, and five consecutive losses overall.

"Patience is running low from everybody," Beal said. "We've got to do it more collectively. The only way we're going to get out of this slump is we've got to do it together."

Their defense already was the worst in the NBA, giving up 122.4 points per game, before allowing even more than that in a 134-111 setback against Russell Westbrook and the Oklahoma City Thunder on Friday night.

"It just looks like nobody's on the same page. I mean, like, if one person gets beat or somebody gives up a wide-open shot, nobody is there to help that person or pick that person up. Got to be on one string," Wall said. "You can't teach effort. You can't teach heart. You've got to go out there and compete. That's just something you've got to be born with."

The transition defense, in particular, is absent.

Washington's rebounding isn't much better.

Its second unit — which Brooks often deploys without a starter to lead the way — is slumping and turned a 30-all contest against OKC into a 79-50 blowout by halftime. Turnovers have



AP PHOTO

Washington Wizards guard John Wall (2) goes to the basket against Oklahoma City Thunder forward Paul George during the second half of an NBA basketball game Friday, Nov. 2, 2018, in Washington.

become a real issue, with Beal and Wall combining for 12 on Friday.

So how will Brooks fix all of that?

"Everything's open. We have to figure out ways to play better in all the 48 minutes that we're on the floor, whether it's going with a smaller rotation or it's playing other guys. I have to figure it out," he said. "We can't just keep watching the same thing over and over and over and expect things are going to change."

Against the Thunder, the Wizards led by 10 points in the first quarter, but were run off the court in the second, outscored by 24 in that period alone.

"That's where they killed us," Wall said. "When we're not making

shots, we don't defend at a high level."

The Wizards heard boos from spectators as the Thunder pulled away and piled on.

"We know the fans are getting impatient with it. Ted is probably impatient with it," Beal said, referring to team owner Ted Leonsis. "So we've just got to do it."

Otherwise, this season is on the verge of spiraling out of control.

Last season, when Wall sat out 41 games because of a bad knee, Washington was the Eastern Conference's No. 8 seed and lost in the first round of the playoffs to No. 1 seed Toronto. There were questions about chemistry, defense and rebounding.

Team architect Ernie Grunfeld hoped to help those last two areas by adding center Dwight Howard. But Howard wasn't able to play in a Wizards uniform until Friday after dealing with a sore backside. And while his debut looked promising at the outset — 13 of his 20 points came in the first quarter — the result was the same for the team.

"Dwight," Brooks noted, "was a bright spot."

Those have been few and far between lately for the Wizards during what their coach called "a tough patch."

That might be underselling it.

No one in the NBA has a worse record.

"We can't keep looking

at the negatives, negatives, negatives," Beal said, "because it's just going to continue to brainwash us and kill us mentally."

SPORTS ON TV

AUTO RACING 3 p.m. NBCSN — NASCAR, Monster Energy Series, AAA Texas 500, at Fort Worth, Texas

COLLEGE SOCCER 1 p.m. FS1 — Women, Big East Championship, Butler at Georgetown

3:30 p.m. FS1 — Women, Big 12 Championship, Baylor vs. West Virginia, at Kansas City, Mo.

FIGURE SKATING 1 p.m. NBC — ISU Grand Prix, at Helsinki, Finland (taped)

GOLF 5 a.m. GOLF — European PGA, Turkish Airlines Open, final round, at Antalya, Turkey

3:30 p.m. GOLF — PGA Tour, Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, final round, at Las Vegas

GYMNASTICS 3 p.m. NBC — FIG World Championships, at Doha, Qatar (taped)

MLB BASEBALL 9 p.m. ESPN — 2018 Gold Glove Awards Show

NFL FOOTBALL 1 p.m. CBS — Regional coverage, Kansas City at Cleveland, N.Y. Jets at Miami OR Pittsburgh at Baltimore

4:25 p.m. FOX — LA. Rams at New Orleans

8:20 p.m. NBC — Green Bay at New England

RUNNING 9 a.m. ESPN2 — 2018 TCS New York City Marathon, at New York

3 p.m. ABC — 2018 TCS New York City Marathon, at New York (same-day tape)

SOCCER 6:25 a.m. ESPN2 — Serie A, Lazio vs. Spal

9:30 a.m. FS1 — Bundesliga, Borussia Moenchengladbach vs. Fortuna Dusseldorf

10 a.m. NBCSN — Premier League, Manchester City vs. Southampton

Noon FS2 — Bundesliga, Mainz vs. Werder Bremen

3 p.m. ESPN — MLS playoffs, Eastern Conference semifinal, Leg 1, N.Y. Red Bulls at Columbus

5:30 p.m. ESPN — MLS playoffs, Western Conference semifinal, Leg 1, Seattle at Portland

7:30 p.m. FS1 — MLS playoffs, Eastern Conference semifinal, Leg 1, Atlanta United at N.Y. City FC

10 p.m. FS1 — MLS playoffs, Western Conference semifinal, Leg 1, Sporting Kansas City at Real Salt Lake

NHL: Europe

More afternoon games could boost NHL popularity in Europe

By STEPHEN WHYNO AP HOCKEY WRITER

Aleksander Barkov is quick to point out the NHL is so popular in Finland that tickets to two games in Helsinki sold out in less than five minutes.

"It shows how much they love the game," the Florida Panthers captain said. "There's good reason to do that every year."

The NHL is planning just that after Commissioner Gary Bettman announced initial plans for a 2019 season-opener in Prague, two regular-season games in Stockholm and exhibitions in Germany and Switzerland. The Panthers and Winnipeg Jets played the 24th and 25th regular-season games outside North America on Thursday and Friday at a packed Hartwall Arena in the Finnish capital.

As the league sows seeds of interest in new markets like China, it is also continuing to cultivate interest in established hockey countries like Sweden, Finland and the Czech Republic. And there's a modest proposal for continuing to spread the interest in the sport in Scandinavia and across Europe.

"One thing that I know former players have been talking about is maybe more games earlier on the weekends so they can actually watch," said Washington Capitals center Nicklas Backstrom, who is Swedish. "Prime time here is middle of the night there. To make it more popular in Europe and Sweden, I think more games in the middle of the day on the weekends would be great. That's how you can get it more popular."

A crowded sports calendar in the U.S. with the NFL and college football going on during the first half of the season makes that a challenge. Not counting the three games this season taking place in Europe, just 127 regular-season NHL games — roughly 10 percent of the full schedule — start early enough in North America that fans in places in Western and Central Europe can watch before a late evening bedtime.

Even with games on Thursday, Sunday and Monday nights to fill prime-time spots in the U.S., traditional Sunday afternoon kickoffs have helped the NFL become bigger in Europe. Games at Wembley Stadium in London feature fans in jerseys of just about

every team, not just the two playing, and the influence goes beyond England.

"In Denmark, the NFL (became) quite popular like 10, 15 years ago because they started games in the afternoon, so people could start watching at dinner time and they could just keep watching a new game," Capitals center Lars Eller said. "I would welcome more afternoon games."

The "NHL on NBC" games that start at 12:30 p.m. Eastern on Sunday largely after the American football season ends fit that bill. And with more teams choosing to skip morning skates altogether, afternoon starts wouldn't throw off game-day routines to the point that there's pushback from players.

"Whenever that happens, games at 12 or 1 p.m. Eastern time, it's like 7 o'clock in Finland or (nighttime) in Europe, so people can see," Barkov said. "Of course there's a big audience there."

Bettman said he is not sure hockey can grow more in places like Sweden and Finland where there are already strong domestic leagues and a steady flow of talented players reaching

the NHL.

"What we need to do is continue to work to keep it at the extraordinarily high level that it's at," he said.

Bettman and Deputy Commissioner Bill Daly brushed aside the idea of basing an NHL team in Europe, saying it would need to be a group of teams and that no one has come up with a viable plan. They said staging an outdoor game in Europe is a possibility but not something likely to happen soon.

More likely is a regular schedule of "Global Series" games across Europe. Since the NHL opened the 1997-98 season in Japan, 24 of 31 teams have played overseas. The Philadelphia Flyers, New York Islanders, Dallas Stars, Toronto Maple Leafs, Montreal Canadiens, Vegas Golden Knights and defending Stanley Cup champion Capitals are the only ones left.

Probably not for long. "We're happy to share our game," Bettman said in Helsinki. "We'd like to continue to encourage the enthusiasm, support and development that hockey gets by bringing the world's best players and the world's best league over here."

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■ PREP SPORTS: Cross-country

Lady Tarpons, Coogan and Perez headed for Tallahassee

By **BEN BAUGH**
SPORTS EDITOR

Several local runners will be Tallahassee bound qualifying for States.

The Charlotte Lady Tarpons, the Port Charlotte Pirates' Isabella Coogan and John Perez made the most of the FHSAA Class 3A, Region 3 cross-country meet at The Farm in Punta Gorda, and will continue with their season this Saturday.

The Lady Tarpons finished fifth overall, with Coogan placing fourth individually and Perez eighth, in what was a deep and competitive field.

The Port Charlotte girls team finished ninth, but Sophomore Haley Welgan did establish a Personal Record Saturday morning.

"It's been a pleasure to have her (Coogan) our team this season," said Stefany Sanchez, Port Charlotte girls cross-country coach. "I wish we could have had her sooner. I've had two seniors as well as Bella, that I've seen through since they were Freshmen, Amy Quinones and Jocelyn Ramos. It's been beautiful to watch them develop into the runners that they've become."

The Charlotte Lady

Tarpons, much like Coogan as an individual, have been a model of consistency all year, and Saturday was no exception. Their performance Saturday punched their ticket to Tallahassee.

"The main thing I wanted to improve upon was getting off to a smooth start," said Chris Robishaw, Charlotte girls cross-country coach. "We knew we were going to have to get out fast. I thought we were very smart. We knew the angle we were going to have to take."

And for the fifth time this year, a different Lady Tarpon runner led the way, this time it was Aleecia Collins.

"We walked the course yesterday," said Collins, who finished 21st overall and PR'd. "I had a chance to notice where all the dips were and stuff, so I knew the areas to avoid. I wanted to do it for all the seniors and for the rest of the team because we really wanted to go to States."

The Venice girls team made the most of their opportunity placing 10th, with an unrivaled competitive spirit.

"We did what we had done at every single meet this year," said Brenda Clark, Venice girls cross-country coach. "We weren't going



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Lady Tarpons cross-country team qualified for this Saturday's State meet in Tallahassee.

to quit. We had PRs today. They stepped up. They set their goals and we bonded together as a team. They ran a great race today."

The depth of the region made Saturday's competition one of the most challenging meets of the year, said Ray Chumbley, Port Charlotte boys cross-country coach.

"We tried to give ourselves the best chance to do well here today," said Chumbley. "I feel like we ran some very good times today. There were great efforts from all of our athletes. I

think we did everything we could to run our very best race today, and that's all we could ask for."

The Venice Indians boys cross-country team has a youthful roster brimming with talent, finishing 11th, and found the experience to be beneficial, serving as a foundation for the future.

"We're all coming back next year, we're coming back stronger," said Jason Potter, Venice Indians boys cross-country coach. "I think the kids really enjoyed themselves this year. We're going to really buckle

down and see what we can accomplish next year."

Girls

4. Isabella Coogan, Port Charlotte, 18:57.3

21. Aleecia Collins, Charlotte, 20:29.3

27. Mackenzie Flowers, Charlotte, 20:46.7

30. Hannah Piacitelli, Charlotte, 20:55.2

31. Victoria Simeone, Charlotte, 20:55.3

34. Alexa Roughton, Charlotte, 20:55.9

40. Hannah Luff, Venice, 21:09.6

41. Faith Winkler, Charlotte, 21:09.8

46. Anne Myburg, Venice, 21:17.7

47. Jennifer Lukowski, Venice, 21:20.1

Boys

8. John Perez, Port Charlotte, 16:33.9

22. Joseph Bishop, Port Charlotte, 17:08.1

37. Alberto Teijelo, Venice, 17:22.3

60. Benjamin Sweiderk, Venice, 17:22.3

67. Michael Casella, Venice, 18:03.0

102. Kauhner Mault, Port Charlotte, 18:56.5

103. Calvin Sweiderk, Venice, 18:58.8

STATE FROM PAGE 1

in my swing last week and yeah, I'm just happy it's over."

Nobody on the team knows the challenges this course presents better than him as he's made it to the state finals each of his three years.

"(The course) is super challenging, but it's nothing I can't get," said Kaneko-Fujii, who previously finished seventh as a freshman and 27th as a sophomore.

"I was just stressing way too much, I had a lot of pressure on me. I learned that it's not gonna go your way and you just have to be OK with that. Golf is hard and you don't need to make it even more challenging by being tough on yourself."

Three of the four Pirate golfers bettered their scores in Round 2. Sophomore Zack Starkey finished second on the team and 76th overall with rounds of 96 and 94. Senior Anthony Hodges, playing in his final high

school match, bettered his score three strokes from 98 to 95 and finished third on the team.

Freshman Stephen Lomski and sophomore Ben Goldman rounded out the team with Lomski improving from 114 to 107 and Goldman shooting rounds of 102 and 110.

On the opposite side of the clubhouse on the Las Colinas course, Southworth was working her way through her own struggles.

She teed off in the cold and windy morning and said she struggled to find her stroke putting.

"I couldn't putt to save my life, at all," Southworth said. "It's a tough course, but it was a lot of fun. I really enjoyed it."

Southworth shot 84 for the first round and 89 in the second as she finished in 36rd place out of 93. Though her final match wasn't what she desired or anticipated, she can now reflect on the accomplishments she's earned as a Lady Manta.

"I wish I had the chance to do it again, but unfortunately I don't," she said. "I

feel pretty good about it. I wish I had played well for the last high school event I'll be playing in, but I did finish on a better note.

"I'm pretty proud of what I've done and some of the scores that I've had at Lemon Bay."

Though Southworth won't get the opportunity to get back to the state championships, the majority of the Pirates might.

Losing only Hodges to graduation, Taylor will most likely return four members with state championship experience. Now knowing what it takes, they should come back with an ignited fire.

"I think we have a shot of getting here next year," Taylor said. "And I think this is a great learning experience for them. If we get back next year I think it will be a big difference. They'll know how to take on the practice round better, they'll know what to expect playing this course. The experience alone was great for them."

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Port Charlotte junior Marc Kaneko-Fujii hits out of a bunker on the El Campeon course at Mission Hills. He finished the final round with an 85.



The Port Charlotte High School golf team poses after the final round of the Class 2A state championships on Saturday at Mission Inn Club and Resort.

IMPACT FROM PAGE 1

Track has a deep history, with 40 champions, including the aforementioned Kelso, having trained over the 1-mile oval on Two Notch Road.

One of the benefits of being in Aiken was having the opportunity to talk with those who were involved in the Thoroughbred community, including Cot Campbell.

I would spend many mornings walking the shedrow at the Legacy Stable barn, talking with Cot, Jack Sadler, Ron Stevens and Brad Stauffer.

I would accompany them to the gap and starting gate at the training track, or make my way to the viewing stand to talk with these men, getting a quote or two.

I was fortunate enough to have Mr. Campbell sign my copy of his book, *Lightning in a Jar*, his inscription, "To Ben Baugh — a great friend and a fine sports writer! Cot Campbell."

When I captured first place honors from the South Carolina Press Association for Breaking

News in 2009, it was about Dogwood Stable's Millionaire and Classic winner Summer Squall.

The 1990 Preakness winner had been euthanized at Lane's End Farm in Versailles, Ky., and I was covering a polo game. I had to shift my direction, and Cot made time for me, providing me with ample content through his incredibly well-articulated quotes, playing a large role in my writing one of the best pieces of my career.

I knew his influence played a large role in my success because he understood I loved Thoroughbred racing, more than anything in the world. I didn't come from an affluent, well-connected family, any success I've had, has come from hard work and passion. And Cot understood that. His influence allowed me to cover the Eclipse Awards in Miami Beach at the Fontainebleau, the Preakness in Baltimore, where I had a chance to see Aikenite carry the hopes of a community in the middle jewel of Thoroughbred racing's Triple Crown and to Saratoga Springs, where I walked the shedrow of Todd Pletcher's barn with Cot, to look at a horse in

his stall before the Travers Stakes, the athlete who gave me the biggest story of my career.

There have been many tributes to Cot Campbell, over the past few days; and rightfully so. He was everything that they've said, a visionary, a pioneer, a pillar of the sport. He brought so many new people into Thoroughbred racing. Every time I had the opportunity to hear him speak before an audience, it was as if I was watching a great entertainer perform. He had so much charisma and magnetism. He consistently brought the house down with his stories about racing. There's never been a better raconteur. People left the room laughing and smiling. He was an incredibly bright, extremely well-read and articulate and had an amazing memory. He defined the grace and class so many people have alluded to over the past few days.

Our relationship grew stronger over time. Initially, I had a hard time adjusting, missing Florida and Ocala, but I persevered and even though there were times where we had our differences, Cot made my journey bearable

during those nascent stages. The Dogwood monthly newsletter was an invaluable source of information, and Mary Jane Howell's help and expertise played a large role in my development as a journalist. The conversations Cot and I had about Dogwood Stables' stakes winners Summer Squall, Storm Song, Wallenda, Limehouse, Cotton Blossom, Aikenite and Palace Malice still resonate with me.

Palace Malice gave me the story of my career. I wrote an advance about him, prior to his second career start at Saratoga, a race the son of the 2007 and 2008 Horse of the Year Curlin, would win. There began my greatest journey.

I was in the Aiken Standard newsroom watching the 2013 Belmont Stakes on the large screen television, when Palace Malice won the third jewel of the Triple Crown. The City of Aiken was ecstatic. Cot Campbell went out of his way to make time for me, providing me with content that made my story sing. It's true; he had a smile that was infectious, and a wonderful woman standing behind him, in his

wife Anne. I was fortunate enough to get to know his daughter Lila and granddaughter Campbell Glenn a little, having interacted with them in Aiken. It was great to see Cot and Anne around town at the Blessing of the Hounds in Hitchcock Woods, the Aiken County Historical Museum, the Aiken Thoroughbred Racing Hall of Fame or in Camden at the Colonial Cup.

I still have my Palace Malice button. It was Cot who provided me with access to the walking ring in Saratoga before Palace Malice's start in the Travers.

However, it was our weekly visits at the Dogwood offices on Chaffee Lane in Aiken, that I cherish the most. Cot Campbell always made time for me, one of the Thoroughbred racing's pillars made me feel as if I was as important as any celebrity or person of extreme wealth. He had an ability to make anyone feel comfortable no matter the setting. I will miss him. He changed the complexion of my life.

Just as there will never be another Kelso, there will never be another Cot Campbell.

LOCAL SPORT CALENDAR

TUESDAY

■ Volleyball

Venice — Regional finals match, 7 p.m.
Port Charlotte at Baron Collier, Regional Finals match, 7 p.m.

■ Soccer

Venice Pre-season boys soccer vs. Cardinal Mooney at Sarasota High, 5 p.m.

■ Golf

Charlotte, Becky Davis and Jacob Smith at State tournament at Howey-in the Hills.

WEDNESDAY

■ Soccer

Boys soccer Charlotte at North Port preseason Classic 5:30 p.m.
Boys soccer Lemon Bay at North Port preseason Classic, 7:30 p.m.

■ Golf

Charlotte, Becky Davis and Jacob Smith at State tournament at Howey-in the Hills.

COMMUNITY SPORT BRIEFS

■ Golf

Adolph Migliano recored a hole-in-one Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2018 at Seminole Lakes Country Club in Punta Gorda. The 79-year-old aced the 135-yard hole no. 15, using a 3-wood. It was Migliano's first hole-in-one.

■ Softball

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■ **MLB: Texas Rangers**

Woodward hired as Rangers manager after 3 years with Dodgers

Last-place Texas Rangers hire Dodgers 3rd base coach Chris Woodward as manager

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**
AP SPORTS WRITER

Los Angeles Dodgers third base coach Chris Woodward was hired as manager of the Texas Rangers on Saturday, six weeks after Jeff Banister was fired.

He received a three-year contract with a club option for 2022. He will be introduced at a news conference Monday.

Woodward inherits a team that went 67-95 and finished last in the AL West, with the focus turning to the development of younger players. Texas had its first consecutive losing seasons since 2005-08.

The hiring ended a process during which general manager Jon Daniels and the Rangers interviewed more than 10 candidates, including bench coach Don Wakamatsu after he served as interim coach the final 10 games of the season.

Woodward was interviewed this week after the Dodgers finished their second straight season in which they advanced to the World Series, losing both times. The last team before Los Angeles that appeared in consecutive World Series without winning the title was Texas in 2010 and 2011.

"We interviewed a number of strong candidates during an extensive interview process for our managerial role and believe we have found the right fit in Chris Woodward," Daniels said in a statement released by the team. "We look forward to working with him and everyone on the baseball staff to develop and grow a culture that

will lead to success for many years to come."

Daniels has hired three managers in his 13 seasons as the Rangers GM, and all were first-time MLB managers. Texas won its only American League pennants during Ron Washington's eight seasons before Banister won two AL West titles in his four seasons.

Two candidates Texas interviewed were hired last month as managers by other teams, David Bell in Cincinnati and Rocco Baldelli in Minnesota. The hiring of Woodward left the Baltimore Orioles, who fired Buck Showalter after the season, as the only MLB team with a managerial vacancy.

The 42-year-old Woodward spent the past three years on the staff of manager Dave Roberts, after working for Seattle the previous three years. He started his coaching career as minor league infield coordinator for the Mariners in 2013, then joined their big league staff later that year. He was Seattle's infield coach in 2014 and the first base coach in 2015.

"Chris brings high energy, outstanding leadership and communication skills, a strong knowledge of the game and its evolving strategies, and great integrity — attributes that we feel are vital for our next manager," Daniels said. "We believe these traits will resonate with our players, our staff, and our fans. He has also been a big part of a very successful stretch in Los Angeles."

As a player, Woodward spent 12 seasons (1999-2011) with five teams



AP PHOTO

In this April 3, 2018, file photo, Los Angeles Dodgers third base coach Chris Woodward (45) works the baseline during a game. The Texas Rangers have hired Dodgers third base coach Chris Woodward as their manager, six weeks after Jeff Banister was fired.

— Toronto, the New York Mets, Seattle, Atlanta and Boston. He hit .239 with 33 home runs and 191 RBIs while playing every position except pitcher and catcher.

Woodward was teammates with Adrian Beltre for a short period during the 2009 season with the Mariners. Beltre, who has 3,166 career hits, just completed his 21st big league season and hasn't said yet if he will return to play for the Rangers again next year.

When Beltre went on the disabled list during the 2009 season, Woodward started 13 games at third base in his place. Soon after Beltre's return that August, Woodward was selected off waivers by the Boston Red Sox.

The Rangers went

87-75 in 2009 before their two World Series seasons, then lost in the AL's first one-and-done wild-card game in 2012. They ended the 2013 regular season with a loss to Tampa Bay in a wild-card tiebreaker.

When Banister was fired Sept. 21 with 10 games left in this season, Daniels acknowledged that the decision wasn't based on the record and said instead that it was time for a new voice in leadership. Banister was under contract through next season.

Woodward is a native of Covina, California, as is Michael Young, the Rangers career leader in hits and games played who is now a special assistant to the general manager. They are the same age but played at different high schools.

■ **MLB: Chicago Cubs**

Cubs exercise option on Hamels, trade Smyly to Texas

By **JAY COHEN**
AP SPORTS WRITER

CHICAGO — The Chicago Cubs exercised their \$20 million option on Cole Hamels on Friday, solidifying their rotation for next year, and traded fellow left-hander Drew Smyly to the Texas Rangers.

Hamels, who turns 35 in December, went 4-3 with a 2.36 ERA in 12 starts after he was acquired in a July 27 trade with Texas — a frequent trade partner for Chicago since Theo Epstein took over the Cubs' front office in 2011. Had the Cubs declined the option and paid a \$6 million buyout, the Rangers would have paid the Cubs an additional \$6 million.

The 29-year-old Smyly is heading to Texas after missing his only year in Chicago as part of his recovery from Tommy John surgery in June 2017. The Cubs also parted with a player to be named in exchange for a player to be named.

Smyly signed a \$10 million, two-year contract with Chicago last December. He was healthy at the end of last season, but the contending Cubs ran out of time in terms of bringing him back.

Chicago also claimed infielder Jack Reinheimer off waivers from the New York Mets. The 26-year-old Reinheimer hit .167 in 21 games with New York this year.

Hamels gives manager Joe Maddon a deep group of starting pitchers as the Cubs try for their fifth consecutive playoff appearance. Jon Lester, Kyle Hendricks, Jose Quintana and Yu Darvish also are expected to return, with Mike Montgomery and Tyler Chatwood waiting in the wings.

Hamels, a former first-round pick, made his major league debut with Philadelphia in 2006. He is

156-114 with a 3.40 ERA in 13 big league seasons.

He was working on perhaps the worst season of his career when Chicago got him from Texas for right-hander Eddie Butler, minor league pitcher Rollie Lacy and a player to be named. He was 5-9 with a 4.72 ERA in 20 starts with the last-place Rangers at the time of the trade, but the Cubs felt a change of scenery and a pennant race might help him get back on track.

They were right.

Hamels had an instant impact with Chicago, going 4-0 with a sparkling 0.79 ERA in his first five starts with the team. He was unbeaten with the Cubs until he was hit hard in a loss at Arizona in his 10th start on Sept. 19.

When the NL wild-card game went into extra innings, Hamels made just his second major league relief appearance and responded with two scoreless innings in Chicago's 2-1 loss to Colorado. He is 7-6 with a 3.41 ERA in 17 career playoff appearances.

The option completes the deal Hamels signed with Philadelphia in July 2012, bringing the total value to \$158 million for seven years.

Hamels struck out 13 while pitching a no-hitter at Wrigley Field in his final start with Philadelphia in 2015. He was traded to Texas six days later, and helped the Rangers to two AL West titles.

Earlier this week, the Cubs exercised their \$6.25 million option for Pedro Strop and fellow reliever Brandon Kintzler picked up his \$5 million player option.

Strop, one of the baseball's most consistent relievers since he was acquired in a July 2013 trade with Baltimore, went 6-1 with 13 saves and a 2.26 ERA in 60 appearances last season.

■ **MLB: Boston Red Sox**

Alex Cora arrives in Puerto Rico as fans celebrate win

By **DANICA COTO**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAGUAS, Puerto Rico — Hundreds of arms stretched into the sky in the hometown of Boston Red Sox manager Alex Cora on Saturday as fans took pictures and video of the first man from Puerto Rico to lead a team to a World Series championship.

Cora held up the trophy that he had been cradling in his arms as he arrived in the city of Caguas with pitchers David Price and Eduardo Rodriguez and catcher Christian Vazquez, among others including Red Sox chairman Tom Werner.

The Red Sox beat the Los Angeles Dodgers on Oct. 28 to win their fourth championship in 15 years.

Fans dressed in red and blue had gushed about Cora's visit before his arrival.

"He put us on the map," said 26-year-old Miguel Martinez, who was slow dancing to salsa with his girlfriend as they waited for Cora. "My eyes filled with tears when he won the championship because this is something historic."

Some fans had driven more than an hour to receive the manager and praised how he helped Puerto Rico after



AP PHOTO

JetBlue's Red Sox-themed plane arrives at the Luis Muñoz Marín airport with Manager Alex Cora, players, coaches and executive staff to celebrate the team's 2018 championship season victory, in Carolina, Puerto Rico, Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018.

Hurricane Maria hit more than a year ago amid a 12-year recession.

When 43-year-old Cora negotiated his contract last October, he asked his team to help with relief efforts, and they eagerly pitched in.

"Despite everything that has happened, we have a bit of happiness on the side," said Red Sox fan Arleen Cruz, who drove to Caguas with her husband from the southern town of Humacao to receive the players.

The two have been Red Sox fans since 1972.

"Puerto Rico's name couldn't be held up

higher," said Cruz's husband, Ramon Reyes, who was clad in a Red Sox hat, T-shirt and towel slung over his shoulder.

They mingled with other fans stopping to buy food, beer and merchandise from roadside vendors as the smell of fried empanadillas and other local specialties wafted through the air.

Ronald Lopez-Cepero and his wife, both from Caguas, had already bought T-shirts last week that read "PROUD for Puerto Rico." He recalled how he had about a dozen baseball cards featuring Cora and his

older brother, Joey, a former big-league infielder.

"He's a tremendous person," said the lifelong fan. "He's very humble and helpful."

Cora, who spent 14 years in the majors and batted .243 as an infielder with six teams, steered the Red Sox to a team-record 108 wins in the regular season before Boston topped the 100-win Yankees and Astros in the playoffs.

The Boston Red Sox say they haven't decided whether they will visit the White House if invited by President Donald Trump.



AP PHOTO

In this Aug. 17, 2018, photo, Chicago Cubs starter Cole Hamels pitches to a Pittsburgh Pirates batter. The Cubs face a decision on Hamels' option on Friday, Nov. 2, 2018.

■ **MLB: Washington Nationals**

Nationals sign former Cardinals reliever Trevor Rosenthal

WASHINGTON — The Washington Nationals have signed former St. Louis Cardinals reliever Trevor Rosenthal to a one-year contract with a conditional option for 2020.

General manager Mike Rizzo announced the deal Saturday. The contract guarantees Rosenthal \$7 million, and he can earn an additional \$8 million in performance bonuses.

Rosenthal hasn't pitched since 2017

after undergoing Tommy John surgery. The 28-year-old is a hard-throwing right-hander with 121 career saves in the majors, all with St. Louis.

Rosenthal had a career-high 48 saves in 2015 and was a National League All-Star. He had only 14 saves in 2016 and 11 in 2017 before getting injured.

The Cardinals released Rosenthal in November 2017, a few months after he had surgery.

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WEEK 9 Thursday's Game

San Francisco 34, Oakland 3

Today's Games

N.Y. Jets at Miami, 1 p.m.

Atlanta at Washington, 1 p.m.

Detroit at Minnesota, 1 p.m.

Kansas City at Cleveland, 1 p.m.

Tampa Bay at Carolina, 1 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Baltimore, 1 p.m.

Chicago at Buffalo, 1 p.m.

L.A. Chargers at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.

Houston at Denver, 4:05 p.m.

L.A. Rams at New Orleans, 4:25 p.m.

Green Bay at New England, 8:20 p.m.

Monday's Game

Tennessee at Dallas, 8:15 p.m.

Oper: Indianapolis, Arizona, N.Y. Giants, Jacksonville, Philadelphia, Cincinnati

NFL INJURY REPORT

The National Football League injury report, as provided by the league:

Today

N.Y. JETS at MIAMI - JETS: OUT: TE Neal Sterling

(concussion), DOUBTFUL: CB Trumaine Johnson

(quadriple), LB Kevin Pierre-Louis (foot).

QUESTIONABLE: WR Robby Anderson (ankle), WR Quincy Enunwa (ankle), LB Frankie Luvu

(neck), DT Steve McLendon (ankle), WR Andre Roberts (back), DOLPHINS: OUT: DE Charles

Harris (calf), CB Cordrea Tankersley (knee), QB Ryan Tannehill (right shoulder), QUESTIONABLE:

TE A.J. Derby (foot), CB Xavier Howard (ankle), WR Kenny Stills (groin).

ATLANTA at WASHINGTON - FALCONS: OUT: CB Robert Alford (ankle), K Matt Bryant

(right hamstring), REDSKINS: OUT: WR Jamison Crowder (ankle), RB Chris Thompson

(rib), OT Trent Williams (thumb/shoulder), QUESTIONABLE: LB Ryan Anderson (knee),

RB Kapri Bibbs (shoulder), S Montae Nicholson

(neck/hip), WR Paul Richardson (shoulder/knee), DETROIT at MINNESOTA - LIONS: DOUBTFUL:

LB Jalen Reeves-Maybin (toe/neck), QUESTIONABLE: DE Ezekiel Ansah

(shoulder), G T.J. Lang (hip), CB Darius Slay (knee), VIKINGS: OUT: LB Anthony Barr

(hamstring), G Tom Compton (knee), RB Roc Thomas

(hamstring), QUESTIONABLE: RB Dalvin Cook

(hamstring), WR Stefan Diggs (rib), OT Riley Reiff

(foot), CB Xavier Rhodes (foot), S Andrew Sendejo

(groin), KANSAS CITY at CLEVELAND - CHIEFS: OUT: C Mitch Morse

(concussion), LB Frank Zombo (hamstring), DOUBTFUL: S Eric Berry

(heel), QUESTIONABLE: LB Anthony Hitchens

(rib), LB Justin Houston (hamstring), BROWNS: OUT: LB Joe Schobert

(hamstring), QUESTIONABLE: WR Antonio Callaway

(ankle), OT Desmond Harrison (illness), WR Rashad Higgins

(knee), S Damarious Randall

(thigh), WR Da'Mari Scott (shoulder), CB Tavierre Thomas

(abdomen), C J.C. Tretter (ankle), TAMPA BAY at CAROLINA - BUCCINERS:

OUT: RB Ronald Jones

(hamstring), G Evan Smith (hip), CB M.J. Stewart

(foot), QUESTIONABLE: DE Vinny Curry

(ankle), DT Gerald McCoy

(calf/not injury related), PATHERS: OUT: WR Torrey Smith

(knee), PITTSBURGH at BALTIMORE - STEELERS:

DOUBTFUL: OT Marcus Gilbert

(knee), QUESTIONABLE: CB Artie Burns

(ankle), CB Coty Sensabaugh

(toe), RAVENS: OUT: OT James Hurst

(back), OT Ronnie Stanley

(ankle), LB Tim Williams

(ankle), QUESTIONABLE: G Bradley Bozeman

(calf), RB Alex Collins

(foot), CB Marlon Humphrey

(thigh), S Tony Jefferson

(hamstring), WR Jordan Lasley

(hamstring), G Alex Lewis

(neck), LB C.J. Mosley

(thigh), CHICAGO at BUFFALO - BEARS: OUT: TE Ben

Brauneker

(concussion), G Kyle Long

(foot), QUESTIONABLE: LB Khalil Mack

(ankle), DT Bilal Nichols

(knee), WR Allen Robinson

(groin), BILLS: OUT: QB Josh Allen

(right elbow), DE Trent Murphy

(knee), QUESTIONABLE: QB Derek Anderson

(concussion), LB Tremaine Edmunds

(concussion), L.A. CHARGERS at SEATTLE - CHARGERS: OUT:

DE Joey Bosa

(foot), DE Chris Lindrum

(hip), LB Kyzir White

(knee), QUESTIONABLE: RB Melvin Gordon

(hamstring), SEAHAWKS: DOUBTFUL:

G Jordan Simmons

(calf), CB Neiko Thorpe

(groin), QUESTIONABLE: RB Chris Carson

(hip), S Bradley McDougald

(knee), LB K.J. Wright

(knee), HOUSTON at DENVER - TEXANS: OUT: LB

Zach Cunningham

(knee), QUESTIONABLE: LB Jadeveon Clowney

(groin), CB Aaron Colvin

(ankle), WR Keke Coutee

(hamstring), S Andre Hal

(shoulder), CB Johnathan Joseph

(ankle/knee), BRONCOS: OUT: WR DaeSean Hamilton

(knee), LB Brandon Marshall

(knee), CB Bradley Roby

(ankle), S Darian Stewart

(neck), QUESTIONABLE: RB Royce Freeman

(ankle), L.A. RAMS at NEW ORLEANS - RAMS:

QUESTIONABLE: CB Sam Shields

(illness), SAINTS: OUT: DE Marcus Davenport

(toe), GREEN BAY at NEW ENGLAND - PACKERS:

DOUBTFUL: WR Geronimo Allison

(hamstring/groin), QUESTIONABLE: WR Randall Cobb

(hamstring), LB Nick Perry

(ankle), S Jermaine Whitehead

(back), PATRIOTS: OUT: G Shaq Mason

(calf), OL Brian Schwenke

(foot), QUESTIONABLE: OT Trent Brown

(ankle), OT Marcus Cannon

(concussion), LS Joe Cardona

(shoulder), WR Julian Edelman

(ankle), WR Josh Gordon

(hamstring), LB Nicholas Grigsby

(illness), DL Geneo Grissom

(ankle), TE Rob Gronkowski

(ankle/back), LB Dont'a Hightower

(knee), TE Jacob Hollister

(hamstring), RB Sony Michel

(knee), WR Cordarrelle Patterson

(neck), DE John Simon

(shoulder), Monday TENNESSEE at DALLAS - TITANS: DNP:

LB Derrick Morgan

(shoulder), LIMITED: WR Corey Davis

(hamstring), FULL: LB Will Compton

(hamstring), G Josh Kline

(ankle), G Quinton Spain

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TENNESSEE at DALLAS - TITANS: DNP:

COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Tulane 41, USF 15

USF falters against another conference foe

By **JOEY KNIGHT**
TAMPA BAY TIMES

TAMPA — A collection of casualties and injuries forced USF to piece together a starting lineup on an otherwise glorious afternoon Saturday.

But the Bulls' most significant ailments call for far more than a Band-Aid fix. Its performance — or lack thereof — against sub-.500 foe Tulane made that vivid.

On a day bereft of humidity, the Bulls (7-2, 3-2) seemed mostly absent as well. Besieged again by porous run defense, predictable offensive play selection and overall lethargy, the Bulls let the Green Wave score 34 unanswered points in a 41-15 defeat.

Throw in last weekend's 57-36 loss at Houston, and the Bulls have surrendered 98 total points in their last two games, a program record for back-to-back contests.

Saturday's loss, for all practical (if not mathematical) intents, eliminated USF from contention in the American Athletic Conference's East Division, and ruined any remote aspiration for a New Year's Six bowl appearance.

The only thing the Bulls clinched was another appearance in a

low-tier December bowl game.

USF played without starting middle linebacker Nico Sawtelle (shoulder), tight end Mitch Wilcox (ankle), defensive tackle Kevin Kegler (unspecified) and safety Mekhi LaPointe (unspecified). Top tackler Khalid McGee also was held out, presumably for shoving an assistant coach on the sideline in last week's loss at Houston.

The announced Raymond James Stadium crowd of 31,388, a hearty chunk of which left early in the third quarter, was to left to speculate about how many of the other Bulls showed up.

Tulane (4-5, 2-3), which has lost to the likes of UAB, Wake Forest and SMU, gashed the Bulls for 364 rushing yards, becoming the fifth USF opponent this season to collect 220 or more yards on the ground.

Green Wave backs Corey Dauphine and Darius Bradwell finished with 120 and 134, respectively, both single-handedly out-rushing USF (94).

And seven days after repeatedly getting torched by the deep ball at Houston, the Bulls again proved susceptible against a team that finished with 61 passing yards.



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The look says it all for these USF players, as Tulane dominates from the start Saturday.

The breakdown occurred when left-hander Justin McMillan scrambled from a collapsed pocket and flung a downfield 50-50 ball to Darnell Mooney, who caught it over safety Nick Roberts for a 39-yard gain at USF's 3.

That set up a Green Wave field goal. Less than five minutes later, Bulls freshman Johnny Ford mishandled a punt and fumbled, setting up Dauphine's 21-yard

scoring run two plays later that gave the Green Wave a 24-3 lead.

Dauphine had 110 yards and two touchdowns on only 12 carries at halftime, nearly out-gaining the Bulls (126) by himself to that point. Unable to develop any sort of rhythm, USF went 0-for-6 on third down in the first half.

Then, the mediocrity gave way to madcap.

On the Bulls' second offensive possession of

the second half, veteran receiver Darnell Salomon hauled in a downfield pass from Blake Barnett, but had it knocked loose by safety Tirise Barge. P.J. Hall scooped it up and returned it 17 yards to the Bulls 45.

On the next Bulls possession, a Barnett throw intended for Salomon was deflected and picked by linebacker Zachery Harris. The next play, Bradwell scored on a 73-yard run after the

second, giving Tulane a 34-3 lead.

By that point, it was all academic.

Speaking of academics, USF still has that pre-empt status and membership in the revered Phi Beta Kappa national honor society about which to gloat.

Today, its football team certainly is nothing to brag about.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL: No. 2 Clemson 77, Louisville 16

No. 2 Clemson keeps rolling with 77-16 win over Louisville

By **PETE IACOBELLI**
AP SPORTS WRITER

CLEMSON, S.C. — Travis Etienne rushed for 153 yards and two touchdowns and 350-pound defensive tackle Dexter Lawrence add a 2-yard TD burst as No. 2 Clemson buried Louisville 77-16 on Saturday.

The Tigers (6-0 Atlantic Coast Conference, No. 2 CFP) improved to 9-0 for the third time in four seasons and can wrap up their fourth ACC Atlantic Division title next week at Boston College.

Trevor Lawrence threw a pair of early touchdowns for Clemson. Etienne went over the 1,000-yard rushing mark and scored his ACC-leading 15th touchdown. Tavien Feaster added 101 yards rushing for the Tigers.

Freshman Lyn-J Dixon ran for 116 yards, the second time this season Clemson has had three runners with 100 or more yards. They finished with a season high 492 yards rushing.

Etienne and Feaster put Clemson up 14-0 less than three minutes into the game and the Tigers never let up on Louisville (2-7, 0-6).

Linebacker Isaiah Simmons had a pick-six, the Tigers collected five sacks, coach Dabo Swinney's eldest son Will caught a TD

pass and even "Big Dex," a junior defensive tackle projected as a can't-miss, NFL first rounder got in on the fun in the Tigers' "Fridge Package."

A week ago, Dexter Lawrence led the way for fellow lineman Christian Wilkins to score as a tailback. This time, Trevor Lawrence handed off to Dexter Lawrence as the upback who then bulled his way across the goal.

Clemson's players erupted with joy with Wilkins hoisting the massive Lawrence into the air.

Etienne got the Tigers off to a fast start with a 10-yard scoring run just 75 seconds in and Feaster followed with a 70-yard TD run on the first play of Clemson's next series.

Louisville never had a chance after that. It lost its sixth straight game, its longest losing streak since dropping 10 in a row between the 1997 and 1998 seasons.

Clemson is on a major roll the past month, outscoring its past four opponents 240-36. The wins included turning an undefeated showdown with North Carolina State into a 41-7 rout two weeks ago before scoring the most points ever by an opponent at Florida State's Doak S.

Campbell Stadium in a 59-10 win.

THE TAKEAWAY

Louisville: The Cardinals look like they're playing out the string under coach Bobby Petrino and have a difficult finishing stretch with games at Syracuse, and home contests with North Carolina State and Kentucky left.

Clemson: The Tigers should finally face their first real test since rallying past Syracuse 27-23 back in September when they play at Boston College. A difficult road game could certainly challenge the poise of a young quarterback like Trevor Lawrence.

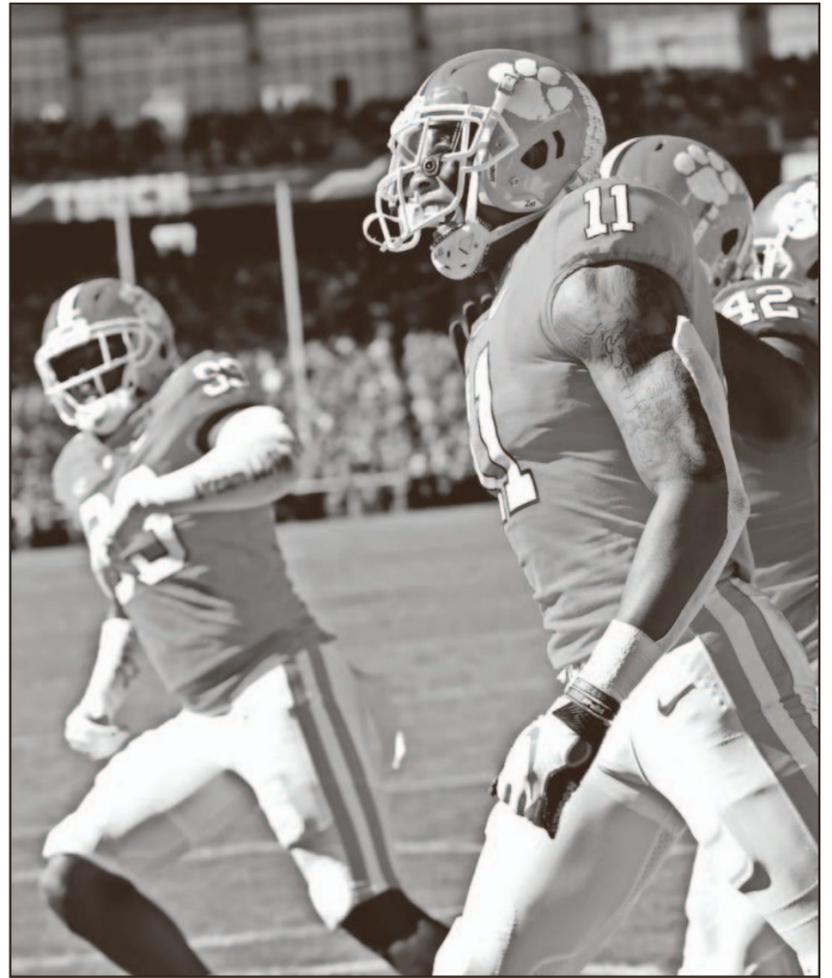
VERY SNAPPY

Clemson left tackle Mitch Hyatt set a program record in the second quarter when he played his 3,362 snap for the Tigers. He surpassed former Clemson center Dalton Freeman, who played 3,361 snaps from 2009-12.

UP NEXT

Louisville wraps up its away schedule at Syracuse next Saturday night.

Clemson plays its final regular-season road game at Boston College on Saturday.



AP PHOTO

Clemson's Isaiah Simmons celebrates after returning an interception for a touchdown during the first half of an NCAA college football game against Louisville, Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018, in Clemson, S.C.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL: No. 6 Georgia 34, No. 11 Kentucky 17

No. 6 Georgia tops No. 11 Kentucky 34-17 to clinch SEC East

By **STEVE MEGARGEE**
AP SPORTS WRITER

LEXINGTON, Ky. — D'Andre Swift ran for a career-high 156 yards and two touchdowns on 16 carries against Kentucky's vaunted defense and No. 6 Georgia beat the No. 11 Wildcats 34-17 on Saturday to wrap up its second straight Southeastern Conference Eastern Division title.

Swift had an 83-yard breakaway in the third quarter that gave Georgia (8-1, 6-1, No. 6 College Football Playoff) a 28-3

lead. He also had a nifty 20-yard scoring run in the second period when the game was close.

Elijah Holyfield ran for a career-high 115 yards on 18 carries, scoring on a 4-yarder in the third quarter.

Georgia rushed for a season-high 331 yards to earn a spot in the SEC championship game Dec. 1 in Atlanta.

"It's huge," Georgia coach Kirby Smart said. "It's not been easy. It's never easy. People I think sometimes get spoiled when you win. These are good programs. These

are good teams. Give our kids a lot of credit because their backs were against the wall kind of two weeks in a row and they came out fighting. They came out scratching and clawing."

Kentucky (7-2, 5-2, No. 9 CFP) has never reached the SEC championship game, which has been played every year since 1992.

"They beat us in all phases," Kentucky coach Mark Stoops said. "They really played a good football game. There's many things we will take from this. We'll learn an

awful lot."

Kentucky entered the weekend with the nation's top scoring defense and hadn't allowed anyone to exceed 20 points all year, but it couldn't slow down Georgia's tandem of Swift and Holyfield.

Before Saturday's game, the only player to rush for as many as 75 yards against Kentucky was Texas A&M's Trayveon Williams, who ran for 138 yards in a 20-14 overtime victory over the Wildcats. Swift and Holyfield were both over the 100-yard mark by the

end of the third quarter.

Kentucky dominated time of possession through the first 1 1/2 quarters, but still trailed 7-3. That's when Swift started to give the Bulldogs some breathing room.

With Georgia facing second-and-17, Swift made a move around a defender at the line of scrimmage, made another move between two Wildcats about five yards downfield and shed a tackle inside the 5 to complete a remarkable 20-yard touchdown run.

Swift's touchdown

gave Georgia a 14-3 late in the second quarter.

Georgia fumbled away a scoring opportunity late in the first half but got the ball to open the second half and extended the lead to 21-3 on Holyfield's touchdown.

On Georgia's next series, Smith raced through a big hole on the left side of the line and didn't appear to get touched on his 87-yard sprint to the end zone. Before that play, Kentucky hadn't allowed a run from scrimmage longer than 34 yards all season.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Auburn 28, No. 25 Texas A&M 24

Stidham-to-Williams lifts Auburn past Texas A&M

By JOHN ZENOR
AP SPORTS WRITER

AUBURN, Ala. — Seth Williams caught an 11-yard touchdown pass from Jarrett Stidham with 1:41 left and Auburn rallied to beat No. 25 Texas A&M 28-24 on Saturday.

The Tigers (6-3, 3-3 Southeastern Conference) sputtered early on offense but finished with a 14-point outburst over the final 5:14 and the defense came up with big stops. Stidham delivered big on both final drives.

Kellen Mond and the Aggies (5-4, 3-3) pushed the ball into Auburn territory on their final drive, converting a fourth-and-5. Then a holding call pushed them back across midfield and Mond's desperation pass into the end zone was incomplete.

Officials put one second back on the clock but Mond was sacked by Nick Coe on the final play.

The Tigers, who had plummeted from a No. 8

ranking, had trailed 24-14 before staging the rally.

Stidham started the final drive with a 47-yard pass to Ryan Davis, who spun away from defenders and raced downfield. Then came Williams' second touchdown catch in the back left corner of the end zone.

Auburn had gotten new life with an interception by Noah Igbinohe. Stidham led the Tigers down the field and completed two straight sideline passes to Darius Slayton to set up Chandler Cox's 1-yard touchdown run, making it 24-21.

The defense held again and Christian Tutt returned a punt to the 42.

Stidham completed 18 of 29 passes for 239 yards. Darius Slayton had eight catches for 107 yards.

Auburn won despite running for just 19 yards on 21 carries. It was the fewest since gaining 18 against Mississippi State in 2000.

Trayveon Williams ran

for 107 yards and two touchdowns for Texas A&M. He caught five passes for 75 yards and a third score.

THE TAKEAWAY

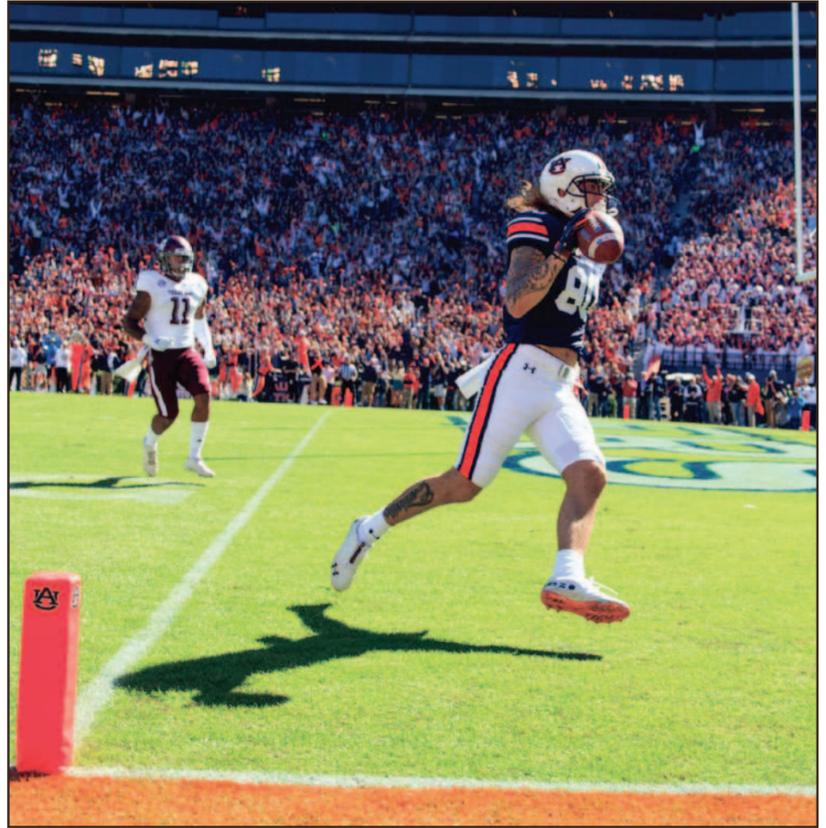
Texas A&M: Didn't complete a pass until the final play of the first quarter, with Auburn unable to stop the run. Dropped its second straight game.

Auburn: Fought back to avoid a tough loss. The Tigers' running game still isn't producing, netting minus 14 yards in the first quarter. Will need to beat either No. 6 Georgia or top-ranked Alabama for a winning regular-season record.

UP NEXT

Auburn visits No. 6 Georgia after upsetting the Bulldogs last season before losing to them in the SEC championship game.

Texas A&M hosts Mississippi to start a closing three-game home stand.



AP PHOTO

Auburn tight end Sal Cannella (80) makes a catch for a touchdown against Texas A&M during the first half of an NCAA college football game, Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018, in Auburn, Ala.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL: No. 8 Ohio State 36, Nebraska 31

No. 8 Ohio State rallies to beat Nebraska 36-31

By MITCH STACY
AP SPORTS WRITER

COLUMBUS, Ohio — J.K. Dobbins ran for three touchdowns and Dwayne Haskins Jr. passed for two more as No. 8 Ohio State rallied in the second half and held off Nebraska 36-31 Saturday.

After Nebraska quarterback Adrian Martinez threw a 17-yard touchdown pass to JD Spielman to pull within five with 3 minutes left, Dobbins pounded away for two first downs to run out the clock.

Before the late Nebraska score, Dobbins broke through the right side and romped for a 42-yard touchdown with 5 minutes left to give Ohio State (8-1, 5-1 Big Ten, No. 10 CFP) breathing room.

The Buckeyes much-maligned running game and defense finally showed up in the second

half. Dobbins rushed for a season-high 163 yards — only his second 100-yard game this season. Running back Mike Weber added 91 yards on the ground.

Down 21-16 at half after the Cornhuskers (2-7, 1-5) turned two Ohio State fumbles into touchdown drives, the Buckeyes forced five straight punts and held Nebraska to a field goal when a drive stalled at the 1.

Dobbins broke off his run between the center and right guard to cap the next series.

Haskins fumbled twice and didn't look sharp at times but nevertheless threw for 231 yards, with a long touchdown pass to Johnnie Dixon and a shovel pass that Parris Campbell turned into a score. He also threw an interception.

Nebraska freshman



AP PHOTO

Ohio State defensive back Jordan Fuller tackles Nebraska tight end Kurt Rafdal during the first half of an NCAA college football game Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018, in Columbus, Ohio. Fuller was ejected from the game for a targeting penalty on the play.

quarterback Adrian Martinez bested Haskins, who was in the Heisman Trophy conversation a month ago. Martinez threw for 266 yards and touchdown and rushed for two more.

THE TAKEAWAY

Nebraska: The Huskers are a different team than the one that got out to an 0-6 start, with Martinez and running back Devine Ozigbo pushing Ohio

State hard. Martinez continues to improve.

Ohio State: The Buckeyes managed to break out after struggling in recent games, particularly in the 40-29 upset loss at Purdue on Oct. 20.

UP NEXT:

Nebraska: hosts Illinois on Saturday, Nov. 10.

Ohio State: visits Michigan State on Nov. 10.

FLORIDA FROM PAGE 1

the exits. Lock and Missouri also torched Florida last year, winning 45-16 just days after the team parted ways with coach Jim McElwain. The Gators went into that one with an array of emotions.

They had no excuses this time around.

But Florida, which was eliminated from the SEC East race with a 36-17 loss against Georgia last week, came out flat and didn't find a spark until it was too late.

Lock had a lot to do with the lopsided affair, showing why he's considered a top NFL talent. His 41-yard throw to Hall down the sideline was perfect, setting up a touchdown run in which Lock held the defensive end before pitching the ball.

And his TD throw to Okwuegbunam came after a pre-snap read and adjustment.

Lock got plenty of help from his experienced offensive line and running backs.

Damarea Crockett ran for 114 yards and a touchdown, and Larry Roundtree added 72 yards and a score.

Roundtree scored three times against the Gators in



AP PHOTO

Florida head coach Dan Mullen, right, reacts on the sideline during the first half of Saturday's game.

2017. Lock completed 15 of 20 passes for 228 yards and three TDs in that one.

He hadn't been nearly as good against the SEC this season, completing 50 percent of his passes for 732 yards, with one touchdown and five interceptions, against Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama and Kentucky.

THE TAKEAWAY

Missouri: The Tigers beat Florida for the fourth time in the last six meetings, including twice on homecoming. All six have been blowouts, with Florida's 21-3 victory in 2015 being the closest contest.

Florida: The Gators opened a three-game homestand with a dud and looked lost on both sides of the ball, ending with the worst loss in Dan Mullen's first year.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

Florida could drop out of the Top 25 poll after back-to-back lopsided losses to Georgia and Missouri.

KEY INJURIES

Mizzou ruled out Okwuegbunam after halftime because of a bruised right shoulder. The Tigers also ruled out backup running back Tyler Badie because of a sprained right foot. ... Florida receiver Freddie Swain was helped off the field at halftime but returned after the break.

UP NEXT

Missouri: Hosts Vanderbilt with a chance to become bowl eligible.

Florida: Continues a three-game homestand against South Carolina.

FSU FROM PAGE 1

freshman finished with only 42 yards. Gallaspy ran 21 times for a career-high 106 yards. The return of right tackle Justin Witt, who also missed the Syracuse loss, helped, too.

Quarterback Ryan Finley completed 21 of 27 passes for 240 yards with three touchdowns and was not sacked. FSU entered the game ranked

in the top 20 nationally in sacks but couldn't get to Finley.

An 8-yard touchdown pass from Finley to receiver Kelvin Harmon gave the Wolfpack a 17-0 lead at 11:33 in the second quarter.

There were still holes in the Wolfpack secondary. N.C. State, which entered the game at No. 126 in the country in pass defense, gave up two 75-yard scoring drives to FSU in the first half.

Sophomore

quarterback James Blackman, in his first start of the season, connected with receiver Tamorriion Terry on a 35-yard pass to cut N.C. State's lead to 17-7.

Blackman also hit running back Cam Akers right before the half on an 8-yard touchdown to cut N.C. State's lead to 27-14.

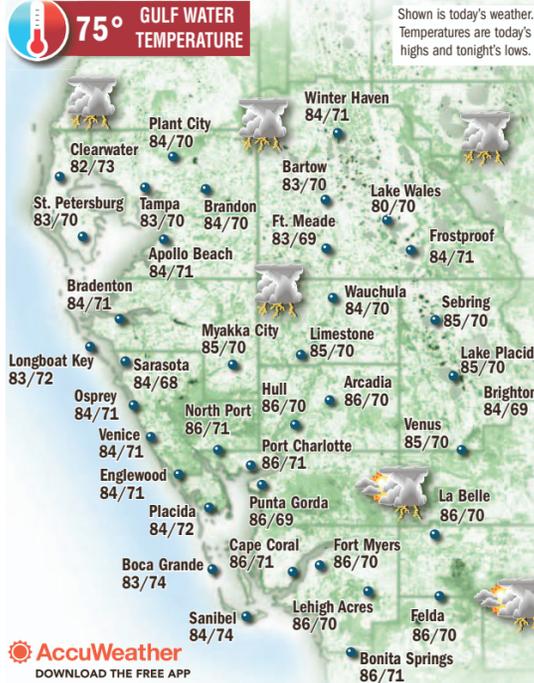
Blackman finished with 421 yards and four touchdowns but it wasn't enough to offset FSU's problems on defense and with penalties.



AP PHOTO

Florida State head coach Willie Taggart directs his players during the first half of an NCAA college football game against North Carolina State in Raleigh, N.C., Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018.

TODAY / TONIGHT	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
A shower and t-storm around	Warm with a blend of sun and clouds	Partly sunny, warm and humid	Partly sunny, a t-storm in the afternoon	Partly sunny, a t-storm possible; warm	Partly sunny with a thunderstorm possible
HIGH 86° 70% chance of rain	87° / 70° 20% chance of rain	86° / 70° 15% chance of rain	87° / 70° 55% chance of rain	88° / 70° 30% chance of rain	86° / 68° 30% chance of rain



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PORT CHARLOTTE
Punta Gorda through 2 p.m. Saturday

Temperatures
High/Low 76°/65°
Normal High/Low 84°/62°
Record High 90° (2015)
Record Low 44° (2014)

Precipitation (in inches)
24 hours through 2 p.m. Sat. 0.18"
Month to date 0.18"
Normal month to date 0.21"
Year to date 59.06"
Record 47.17"
Normal year to date 47.17"
Record 1.50" (1976)

MONTHLY RAINFALL

Month	2018	2017	Avg. Record/Year
Jan.	1.98	0.88	1.80 9.93/2016
Feb.	0.66	0.94	2.52 11.05/1983
Mar.	0.53	0.80	3.28 9.26/1970
Apr.	1.15	1.59	2.03 5.80/1994
May	15.98	2.74	2.50 15.98/2018
Jun.	6.23	14.79	8.92 23.99/1974
Jul.	9.80	9.02	8.22 14.22/1995
Aug.	12.37	13.12	8.01 15.60/1995
Sep.	7.58	12.46	6.84 14.03/1979
Oct.	2.60	2.54	2.93 10.88/1995
Nov.	0.18	0.44	1.91 5.53/2002
Dec.	1.04	1.78	6.83/2002
Year	59.06	60.36	50.74 (since 1931)

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

FLORIDA CITIES

City	Today			Mon.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Apalachicola	73	68	c	78	72	pc
Bradenton	84	71	t	85	71	pc
Clearwater	82	73	t	83	72	pc
Coral Springs	86	75	sh	87	74	pc
Daytona Beach	80	70	t	82	67	pc
Fort Lauderdale	85	75	sh	85	75	pc
Fort Myers	86	70	t	87	67	pc
Gainesville	80	67	t	80	67	pc
Jacksonville	78	66	t	79	67	pc
Key Largo	84	76	sh	84	78	s
Key West	86	78	c	86	77	pc
Lakeland	83	70	t	84	71	pc
Melbourne	84	73	t	85	71	pc
Miami	85	75	sh	86	75	sh
Naples	86	69	c	87	69	sh
Ocala	81	68	t	83	67	pc
Okeechobee	84	69	t	85	68	pc
Orlando	82	70	t	85	68	pc
Panama City	75	66	pc	78	71	pc
Pensacola	73	66	pc	79	69	t
Pompano Beach	85	77	sh	86	76	sh
St. Augustine	78	68	t	79	69	pc
St. Petersburg	83	70	t	84	70	pc
Sarasota	84	68	t	84	68	pc
Tallahassee	72	61	c	78	67	pc
Tampa	83	70	t	85	70	pc
Vero Beach	84	71	t	85	70	pc
West Palm Beach	85	72	sh	86	72	pc

VENICE
Venice through 2 p.m. Saturday

Temperatures
High/Low 75°/64°
Normal High/Low 81°/62°
Record High 88° (1995)
Record Low 44° (2014)

Precipitation (in inches)
24 hours through 2 p.m. Sat. 0.23"
Month to date 0.23"
Normal month to date 0.22"
Year to date 40.56"
Normal year to date 46.56"
Record 1.50" (1976)

SEBRING
Sebring through 2 p.m. Saturday

Temperatures
High/Low 72°/62°

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

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

Hi/Lo	Outlook	Delays
Ft. Myers 86/70	storms	all day
Punta Gorda 86/69	storms	all day
Sarasota 84/68	storms	afternoon

TIDES

Location	Today		Mon.	
	High	Low	High	Low
Punta Gorda	1:37a	6:58a	12:49p	7:10p
Englewood	12:14a	5:14a	11:26a	5:26p
Boca Grande	10:11a	3:48a	10:30p	3:55p
El Jobean	1:09a	7:27a	1:21p	7:39p
Venice	9:41a	3:53a	9:52p	4:05p

MARINE

Direction	Wind	Speed	Seas	Bay/Inland
Cape Sable to Tarpon Springs	ESE	7-14	1-2	Light
Tarpon Springs to Apalachicola	E	8-16	1-3	Light

CONDITIONS TODAY
UV Index and RealFeel Temperature® Today

Time	UV Index	RealFeel Temp
8 a.m.	0	69
10 a.m.	1	77
Noon	1	90
2 p.m.	2	93
4 p.m.	1	86
6 p.m.	0	85

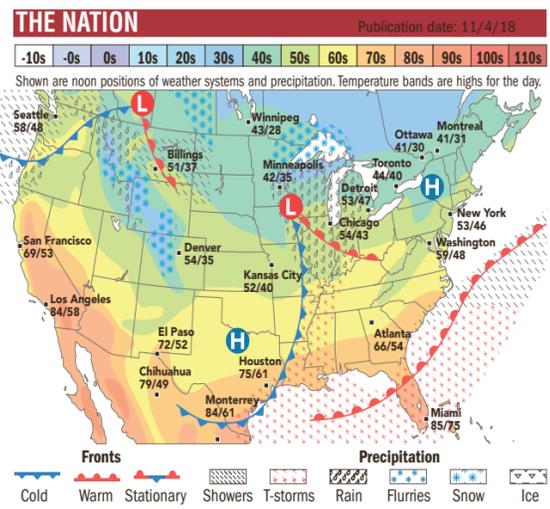
POLLEN INDEX
Pollen Index readings as of Saturday

Category	Readings
Trees	absent
Grass	absent
Weeds	absent
Molds	absent

AIR QUALITY INDEX
Air Quality Index readings as of Saturday

Index	Category
45	Good
50-100	Moderate
101-150	Unhealthy for sensitive groups
151-200	Unhealthy
201-300	Very Unhealthy
301-500	Hazardous

Main pollutant: Particulates
Source: scgov.net



U.S. Extremes (For the 48 contiguous states yesterday)

High 83° at Key West, FL
Low 18° at Aitkin, MN

U.S. Cities

City	Today			Mon.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	61	44	pc	64	39	pc
Anchorage	32	19	s	31	20	s
Atlanta	66	54	s	67	62	c
Baltimore	57	44	pc	60	52	r
Billings	51	37	sh	46	27	sh
Birmingham	69	57	pc	73	64	c
Boise	54	35	r	52	33	c
Boston	53	42	pc	55	49	c
Buffalo	49	41	pc	56	50	sh
Burlington, VT	44	34	pc	48	44	c
Charleston, WV	63	50	pc	68	56	c
Charlotte	65	52	s	66	59	c
Chicago	54	43	r	53	45	c
Cincinnati	62	50	c	63	56	c
Cleveland	56	47	pc	59	52	c
Columbia, SC	70	55	s	73	62	c
Columbus, OH	59	50	pc	62	55	c
Concord, NH	49	27	pc	47	39	c
Dallas	67	54	pc	80	52	c
Denver	54	35	pc	54	28	pc
Des Moines	48	37	r	51	39	r
Detroit	53	47	s	66	59	c
Duluth	42	34	sn	42	35	c
Fairbanks	12	-5	s	10	-3	s
Fargo	45	28	c	45	27	c
Hartford	54	33	s	53	44	c
Helena	50	36	r	45	28	sn
Honolulu	85	74	pc	85	73	pc
Houston	75	61	t	84	69	pc
Indianapolis	59	45	r	58	53	c

World Cities

City	Today			Mon.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Amsterdam	51	43	pc	56	46	pc
Baghdad	66	58	r	72	57	sh
Beijing	56	36	r	52	32	pc
Berlin	54	45	s	61	47	pc
Buenos Aires	79	59	pc	79	57	pc
Cairo	82	63	s	78	63	s
Calgary	50	25	r	33	19	pc
Cancun	86	75	t	86	75	pc
Dublin	55	47	c	53	46	r
Edmonton	39	16	i	26	6	pc
Halifax	49	35	s	45	41	pc
Kiev	58	42	pc	53	37	s
London	56	45	r	61	50	pc
Madrid	62	48	pc	64	42	r

AUTO RACING: In memory

Mari Hulman George, Indy's 'quiet pioneer,' dies at 83

By JENNA FRYER
AP AUTO RACING WRITER

Mari Hulman George, the "quiet pioneer" of auto racing who ordered drivers to start their engines and was instrumental in the expansion of Indianapolis Motor Speedway, died Saturday. She was 83.

Hulman George, the speedway's chairman of the board emeritus, died in Indianapolis with her family at her side, the speedway said in a statement.

"Our mother was such a unique, wonderful

person. She loved her family, friends, auto racing and animals with equal passion," said Tony George, current chairman of IMS. "She was a quiet pioneer in so many ways, from owning a race team in the 1950s and 1960s to overseeing a period of tremendous growth and evolution while chairman of the board at IMS."

Hulman George was IMS chairman from 1988 through 2016. Her father, Anton "Tony" Hulman Jr., purchased the speedway in 1945 and saved it from

demolition after World War II. Racing and the facility became a staple of Mari Hulman George's life.

Indianapolis fans recognized Hulman George as the individual who gave the command to start engines for the Indianapolis 500 and Brickyard 400 from the late 1990s until 2015.

"She was known by millions as the woman who gave the command to start engines for the Indianapolis 500 and other events at the Speedway, but her true legacy will be the generous and kind philanthropy she learned from her parents," George said. "That compassion and desire to help people and animals every day are the true hallmarks of her incredible life."

Hulman George was immersed in auto racing and became friends with many drivers during her teenage and early adult years. She joined with long-time family friend Roger Wolcott to form the HOW racing team, which fielded American Automobile Association (AAA) and United States Auto Club (USAC) Sprint and National

Championship cars for several drivers, including Jerry Hoyt, Eddie Sachs, Tony Bettenhausen, Roger McCluskey and Elmer George, whom she married in 1957.

George won the Midwest Sprint Car title in 1957 and finished third in 1956 and 1958.

Mari Hulman George co-owned an Indianapolis 500 entry in 1962 and 1963 that her husband drove. He finished a career-best 17th in 1962 and received relief help from Paul Russo and A.J. Foyt during that race.

"Racing is filled with passionate people, but you'd be hard pressed to find anyone more passionate than Mari Hulman George," said Tony Stewart, an Indiana native who grew up idolizing the Indy 500 and the speedway.

Born Dec. 26, 1934 in Evansville as Mary Antonia Hulman, she never ventured far from Indiana. Hulman George attended Purdue University and was an Indianapolis community leader with her stewardship of the speedway.

She launched numerous philanthropic efforts,

including benefits for Indiana Special Olympics and complimentary field trips for Indiana's schoolchildren. She focused on the arts, health care and, in particular, animal care.

She served on the board for Hulman & Company, IMS and the IMS Foundation, as well as First Financial Bank, a publicly traded company headquartered in Terre Haute.

Hulman George was especially close to four-time Indianapolis 500 winner Foyt, whom she met a year before his 1958 Indianapolis 500 debut. She and Foyt placed a commemorative "golden brick" into the famous "Yard of Bricks" start-finish line in May 2011 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the inaugural Indianapolis 500 and the 50th anniversary of Foyt's 1961 victory.

She hosted for years two events during the lead-in to the Indianapolis 500. The "Racers Party" took place annually on the opening weekend of the "Month of May" for the entrants of the Indy 500, and a "Friends of the 50s and 60s" event

was held the week between qualifying and the race to celebrate with racing veterans.

She welcomed all drivers to the parties, setting a standard for providing red carpet treatment to all past and present Indianapolis 500 competitors when they came to the track regardless of their stature with the public.

"Mrs. George was committed to the long-term health of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway as a treasured Indiana asset, and her stewardship as chairman set the tone for staff and others involved with IMS," said J. Douglas Boles, president of IMS.

In addition to son Tony George, she is survived by three daughters, a stepdaughter, seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and longtime companion Guy Trollinger. She was predeceased in death by her husband, Elmer, and a stepson.

Funeral arrangements are pending and being handled by Callahan & Hughes Funeral Home in Terre Haute.

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Rising rates, slowing home sales expected to hurt remodelers



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In this July 23 file photo construction workers put down roofing paper on home in Houston. General contractors and other small businesses in the home remodeling industry can expect revenue to slow in 2019, the result of rising mortgage rates and sluggish home sales. That's the prediction of Harvard University's Joint Center for Housing Studies, which last week issued its quarterly report on home remodeling.

By **JOYCE M. ROSENBERG**
AP BUSINESS WRITER

NEW YORK — General contractors and other small businesses in the home remodeling industry can expect revenue to slow in 2019, the result of rising mortgage rates and sluggish home sales.

That's the prediction of Harvard University's Joint Center for Housing Studies, which last week issued its quarterly report on home remodeling. The center's index of remodeling activity projects

spending on renovations and repairs will gradually slow into the third quarter. Spending is expected to rise 7.7 percent in the current quarter compared to a year ago, and 6.6 percent in the July-September 2019 period.

A 6.6 percent gain is healthy, but it nonetheless is a sign that the remodeling boom of the past few years is waning.

Many homeowners renovate and make repairs before they sell and after they buy a house, but spending on remodeling

has largely withstood a dip in home sales over the last year. Home sales have been hurt by an ongoing shortage of houses and apartments on the market. Existing home sales fell over 4 percent over the 12 months, the National Association of Realtors said Friday.

Rising interest rates are affecting both home sales and remodeling. Home mortgage rates are at their highest levels in more than seven years, with the 30-year mortgage close to 5 percent.

Typical monthly payments are up 15.4 percent higher from a year ago, according to real estate data company Zillow, which calculates that it now costs about \$118 a month more to buy the same house today than it did this time in 2017.

Many homeowners borrow to finance major home improvements, so rising rates may deter some of them from starting projects.

Homeowners' reduced

RATES | 2D



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In this Nov. 28, 2008, file photo, a shopper passes a canoe displayed with fleece sleeping bags at the L.L. Bean flagship retail store in Freeport, Maine. L.L. Bean has launched a dedicated Canadian website that smooths out duties and currency fluctuations.

L.L. Bean looks to northern neighbor to boost sales

By **DAVID SHARP**
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FREEPORT, Maine — U.S. retailer L.L. Bean is looking to sell more parkas, sweaters, flannel and mittens in Canada as part of its strategy for a return to sales growth.

The 106-year-old retailer's iconic boot and other products will be sold in 30 stores in Canada this holiday season, and in L.L. Bean-branded stores opening over the next decade. The company also has launched a dedicated website for Canadian customers that incorporates duties and smooths out currency fluctuations.

The deal, inked last week, makes sense because L.L. Bean has a strong customer base in Canada and its cold-weather gear and outdoor focus are a good fit, CEO Steve Smith said.

"There are huge growth opportunities over time," Smith told The Associated Press in an interview. "Let's go after that market, and see what we can do," he said.

Maine-based L.L. Bean is coming off several

SALES | 2D



NERD WALLET
Liz Weston

How to save money on health care

Americans on average spend more on health care than they do on groceries, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' latest Consumer Expenditure Survey. Saving money on medical care is a lot tougher than saving money on food, however. Two big culprits: opaque pricing and ever-changing insurance company rules about what's covered and what's not.

For help in cutting costs, I turned to a uniquely qualified individual: Carolyn McClanahan, an emergency room doctor turned certified financial planner. McClanahan, director of financial planning at Life Planning Partners in Jacksonville, Florida, frequently speaks at industry conferences, teaching other advisors how to help their clients best navigate the health care system.

These are the three questions she suggests everyone ask:

How do I use health care?

McClanahan divides people into low, medium and high health care users. Low users are generally in good health and rarely go to the doctor. High users tend to have chronic health conditions or young children and visit the doctor several times a year. Both can be good fits for high-deductible

HEALTH | 2D

Thinking big



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The Skysource/Skywater Alliance co-founders David Hertz, left, and his wife Laura Doss-Hertz pose for a portrait next to the Skywater 300 Wednesday, Oct. 24, in Los Angeles. The company received the \$1.5 million XPrize For Water Abundance for developing the Skywater 300, a machine that makes water from air.

Making water from air wins couple \$1.5 million XPrize

By **JOHN ROGERS**
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — It started out modestly enough: David Hertz, having learned that under the right conditions you really can make your own water out of thin air, put a little contraption on the roof of his office and began cranking out free bottles of H₂O for anyone who wanted one.

Soon he and his wife, Laura Doss-Hertz, were thinking bigger — so much so that this week the couple won the \$1.5 million XPrize For Water Abundance. They prevailed by developing a system that uses shipping containers, wood chips and other detritus to produce as much as 528 gallons (2,000 liters) of water a day at a cost of no more than 2 cents a quart (1 liter).

The XPrize competition, created by a group of philanthropists, entrepreneurs and others, has awarded more than \$140 million over the years for what it calls audacious futuristic ideas aimed at protecting and improving the planet. The first XPrize,



The XPrize trophy is seen at The Skysource/Skywater Alliance offices Wednesday, Oct. 24, in Los Angeles.

"Laura and I have committed to using it all for the development and deployment of these machines, to get them to people who need the water most."

David Hertz

Winner of the XPrize For Water Abundance

for \$10 million, went to Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen and aviation pioneer

Burt Rutan in 2004 for SpaceShipOne, the first privately financed manned space flight.

So when Hertz learned a couple of years ago that a prize was about to be offered to whoever could come up with a cheap, innovative way to produce clean fresh water for a world that doesn't have enough of it, he decided to go all in.

At the time, his little water-making machine was cranking out 150 gallons a day, much of which was being given to homeless people living in an around the alley behind the Studio of Environmental

Architecture, Hertz's Venice Beach-area firm that specializes in creating green buildings.

He and his wife, a commercial photographer, and their partner Richard Groden, who created the smaller machine, assembled The Skysource/Skywater Alliance and went to work. They settled on creating little rainstorms inside shipping containers by heating up wood chips to produce the temperature and humidity needed to draw water from the air and the wood itself.

PRIZE | 2D



The Skysource/Skywater Alliance co-founders David Hertz, left, his wife Laura Doss-Hertz, right, and project designer Willem Swart pose for a photo with an image of a \$1.5 million prize the company received Wednesday, Oct. 24, in Los Angeles.

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"One of the fascinating things about shipping containers is that more are imported than exported, so there's generally a surplus," says Hertz, adding they're cheap and easy to move around. And if you don't have wood chips to heat them with, coconut husks, rice, walnut shells, grass

clippings or just about any other such waste product will do just fine. "Certainly in regions where you have a lot of biomass this is going to be a very simple technology to deploy," said Matthew Stuber, a professor of chemical and biomolecular engineering at the University of Connecticut and expert on water systems who was one of the panel's judges. He called their

water-making machine a "really cool" merging of rather simple technologies that can be used to quickly deliver water to regions hit by natural disasters, stricken by drought or even rural areas with a shortage of clean water. Hertz and his wife are just starting to contemplate how to accomplish that. Theirs was among 98 teams from 27 countries who entered. Many teams

were bigger and better funded while the couple mortgaged their Malibu home to stay in the game. At one point, they were told they hadn't made the final round of five but then one team that did dropped out and they were back in. "If you say we were the dark horse in the race, we weren't even in the race," Hertz recalled with a smile. He stood near a giant copy of the check in his office while his wife prepared to

leave for a photo shoot and a visitor sampled a glass of their freshly made water. Now, though, they are in for the long, wet haul. "There's no restrictions whatsoever on how it's used," Hertz said of the prize money. "But Laura and I have committed to using it all for the development and deployment of these machines, to get them to people who need the water most."

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spending was reflected in weaker sales last month of building materials and gardening equipment and supplies; they rose just 1.5 percent in September from a year ago, compared to a nearly 5 percent gain in August, according to the Commerce Department.

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years of flat sales and a difficult era of belt-tightening that included a reduction in workforce, a tightening of its generous return policy, and a paring of product lines to refocus on the company's outdoors roots. The company sees international sales as a small but important part of

its growth. L.L. Bean already owns 28 stores, a call center and a distribution center in Japan, where it has operated since 1992. But it'll be doing things differently in Canada, where the company has an agreement with Toronto-based Jaytex Group to distribute L.L. Bean products to Canadian retailers like Sporting Life, Hudson's Bay and Mountain Equipment Co-Op.

Under the agreement, Jaytex also will open L.L. Bean-branded stores in Canada, starting with the first store in the Toronto area in 2019. The goal is to open 20 stores across Canada within 10 years, said Howie Kastner, president of Jaytex Group. Bean will benefit from strong brand awareness, Kastner said, partly because many Canadians have shopped in the company's flagship store in

Maine. "Everybody that I mention L.L. Bean to has a story or a fond memory. There's an emotional attachment to the brand, much like there is in the U.S.," he said. Becoming a wholesaler and letting a partner operate L.L. Bean-branded stores in Canada represents a new way of doing things for L.L. Bean. But partnering with an established company

makes sense because some U.S. retailers, most notably Target, have stumbled in Canada, said Craig Johnson, president of Customer Growth Partners, a retail consulting and research firm in New Canaan, Connecticut. Canada is a tenth the size of U.S. market, but the partnership carries the potential for L.L. Bean "to jump-start sales in a very compatible market," he said.

All told, Canada currently accounts for about 2 percent of Bean's annual sales; the company hopes to double that in three to four years, Smith said. L.L. Bean's sales last year from all channels, domestic and international, were \$1.6 billion. "The upside potential is fantastic. It's still a few percentage points, but a few percentage points in the retail industry is good," Smith said.

HEALTH FROM PAGE 1D

health care insurance, McClanahan says. People who spend a lot on health care will quickly meet a high deductible and often end up spending less overall on high-deductible plans, which have lower premiums. Conversely, people who use very little health care may also spend less on a low-premium, high-deductible plan. It's people in the middle — who do visit the doctor, but likely won't spend enough to meet a high deductible — who should consider lower-deductible plans, she says. One caveat: People who have a high-deductible plan should have enough savings to cover that

deductible. The downside of such plans is that they may discourage people from seeking the care they need. Earmarking cash to cover the deductible can help thwart that tendency. If that's not possible, a low-deductible plan may be better for someone's health. Also, routine services that can detect or prevent illness — such as vaccinations and certain cancer screenings — are free in many health insurance plans, regardless of the deductible. Are you covered in my network? This is a much better question to ask a provider than "Do you take my insurance?" An out-of-network provider may be willing to bill your insurer but can wind up costing

you much more than an in-network provider. Also, insurance companies offer many different plans, and doctors that are in an insurer's preferred provider organization may not be in its high-deductible health plan network. People should ask, "Is this in network?" for every aspect of their health care, from the laboratory that tests their blood to the anesthesiologist who's scheduled for their surgery. Keep a written record of whom you talked to and when, McClanahan recommends. This can give you ammunition to get bills covered or discounted if the information you were given is wrong. For prescription medications, ask your insurer, "How is this covered?" Insurers have formularies

with different co-pays for different drugs, and some may not be covered. Patients can ask their pharmacists if there is a less expensive version available, such as a generic. For some drugs, paying cash is cheaper than an insurance company's co-pay. A 30-day supply of metformin, a drug to treat high blood sugar, may have a \$10 co-pay but be available for \$4 cash at Walmart and other outlets. You also can look for coupons and other discounts at GoodRx.com. Another way to save: Regularly ask your doctor to review the medications you're taking to see if you can stop or swap any for a less expensive version. "Doctors are too quick to throw a pill at you," McClanahan says. "Ask, ask,

ask, and shop around." What else can I do? Sometimes, medications or surgery are less effective than alternative treatments. Treating lower back pain with exercise, cognitive behavior therapy and focused breathing is more effective than the treatments doctors usually prescribe, including rest, surgery and injections, according to articles in the British medical journal The Lancet in March. Doctors may not suggest lifestyle changes because they believe most patients won't make the effort, McClanahan says. But losing weight, exercising and quitting tobacco can lessen symptoms or prevent many diseases. Those with prediabetes, for example, can often avoid developing Type 2 diabetes

with changes in diet and exercise. "If the doctors aren't able to provide that education, ask if they will refer you to someone who will, a nutritionist or physical therapist," she says. Not all doctors welcome empowered patients who ask questions, McClanahan notes. If yours doesn't, she recommends finding one who is more collaborative. "Doctors are not gods. They should work with you," she says. This column was provided to The Associated Press by the personal finance website NerdWallet. Liz Weston is a columnist at NerdWallet, a certified financial planner and author of "Your Credit Score." Email: lweston@nerdwallet.com.

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INVITATION TO BID ("ITB")
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ITB NO. 19-014 Sale of Surplus County Owned Properties

Specifications may be obtained by downloading from our website: www.hcbcc.net, or by contacting: Jamee Soto, Purchasing Agent; 600 S. Commerce Ave, Sebring, Florida 33870-3809, Phone: 863-402-6526; Fax: 863-402-6735; or E Mail: jasoto@hcbcc.org.

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Board of County Commissioners, Highlands County, FL
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NOTICE OF MEETING 26

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

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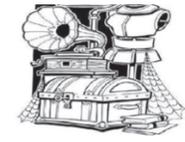
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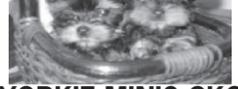
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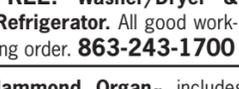
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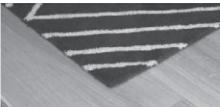


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Getting a mortgage is now easier, but it could backfire

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Clearing the hurdles to qualify for a mortgage used to be much harder. House hunters with too much debt had their home-buying hopes dashed after being denied a mortgage.

That's changing as mortgage lenders ease lending guidelines to expand mortgage credit to more people.

Borrowers with a high debt-to-income ratio now have more leeway than since the subprime mortgage meltdown of a decade ago. Your debt-to-income ratio, or DTI, is the percentage of monthly income you pay toward your monthly debts, including a new mortgage payment. It's a key factor — along with your credit — that lenders use to determine whether you can repay a loan. The more debt you have, the higher your DTI ratio — and that's a red flag for lenders evaluating your potential for risk.

Some consumer advocates worry that borrowers who are already struggling to stay afloat might get in over their heads with today's laxer lending requirements. On the flip side, expanding access to mortgage credit could help creditworthy borrowers in higher-priced housing markets join the homeownership ranks they've increasingly been shut out from.

How getting a mortgage has gotten easier

Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, two government-sponsored enterprises that back most U.S. mortgages, have



eased their lending rules in recent years. Fannie Mae increased its maximum DTI ratio to 50 percent, up from 45 percent, in July 2017. Both agencies allow borrowers to finance up to 97 percent of a home's purchase price, which is considered a high loan-to-value ratio.

Conventional lenders charge higher interest rates on high DTI loans to mitigate their risk. They also require a higher FICO score and more cash reserves.

Raising DTI limits is just one way lenders have made it easier to get a mortgage. LTV ratio increases help borrowers who don't have a large down payment. However, you'll pay private mortgage insurance when you put less than 20 percent down — and you might not be able to borrow as much as you need to buy a home.

Some conventional lenders have rolled out their own low down-payment programs without private mortgage insurance in exchange for a higher interest rate. Government-insured loans

require little to no down payment, and generally have more relaxed credit score requirements than conventional loans.

Mortgage credit standards still tighter than boom times

Borrowers who don't fit into a pristine credit box now have more options, Joel Kan, associate vice president of industry surveys and forecasting with the Mortgage Bankers Association. There's more balance to the lending equation nowadays after the regulatory pendulum swung too far in the opposite direction — a move that shut out otherwise capable borrowers, Kan says.

Although standards have loosened considerably in recent years, today's lending practices are still more stringent than they were before the housing crisis. The days of doling out loans without verifying income or employment are long gone.

"We're still about one-quarter of where we were compared to the pre-housing boom," says

Kan of mortgage credit accessibility. "Standards are looser now than they were from 2010 to 2012 when credit access was the tightest, but it's not subprime."

The share of new, conventional conforming home-loans with a DTI ratio above 45 percent spiked after Fannie Mae raised its DTI limit, according to research from CoreLogic. From early 2012 up until last summer, the share of these high DTI loans held steady between 5 percent to 7 percent. In the first quarter of 2018, that share nearly tripled, jumping to 20 percent, CoreLogic found. The average DTI ratio for these home loans rose by two points to nearly 37 percent from Q1 2017 to Q1 2018.

Even as high DTI loans gain popularity, lenders haven't budged on credit score standards. Borrowers' average credit score for conventional, conforming purchase loans remained unchanged at 755 in the first quarter of 2018 compared to the same period a year ago, CoreLogic found.

"Just because you can get approved for a mortgage doesn't mean you should get one. People got into trouble (in the downturn) because they borrowed up to the hilt and didn't have the capacity to repay."

Jeff Levine
Blueprint Wealth Alliance financial planner

That's significantly higher than homebuyers' average credit score of 705 in 2001 — before the downturn.

Expansion of mortgage credit has its drawbacks

High DTI and LTV loans aren't without risks. A high LTV ratio increases borrowing costs, and you'll likely have to pay mortgage insurance to offset the lender's risk.

For starters, lenders calculate your DTI ratio using your gross monthly income (before taxes and payroll deductions) and debts that appear on your credit report. They're not including monthly expenses like groceries, gas, auto or health insurance, daycare/tuition, utility bills and other recurring bills that can eat up a good chunk of your monthly budget, says Rebecca Steele, CEO and president of the National Foundation for Credit Counseling.

"It puts some borrowers in a more precarious position," Steele says of high DTI loans. "Today, people have significantly less savings in reserve. To have that you need a stable income, and some consumers struggle with that. Most people have little disposable income, especially because rents

are going up."

A job loss or other major financial hardship could land you in a tighter spot than if you had paid down your debt and shored up your emergency savings fund before buying a home. You'll also pay more interest with a high DTI loan, Steele says.

Another key issue that some first-time buyers overlook are the hidden costs of homeownership, says Jeff Levine, a certified financial planner with Blueprint Wealth Alliance in Garden City, New York. When you're stretching your income to cover monthly debt payments, you won't have as much cash on hand for maintenance expenses, homeowners association dues, and major repairs that inevitably pop up, he says.

Borrowers should factor those expenses into the mix and avoid overextending themselves, Levine says.

"Just because you can get approved for a mortgage doesn't mean you should get one," Levine says. "People got into trouble (in the downturn) because they borrowed up to the hilt and didn't have the capacity to repay."

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In this Oct. 2 photo a for sale sign stands outside a home on the market in the north Denver suburb of Thornton, Colo. On Tuesday, Oct. 30, the Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller 20-city home price index for August is released.

US home price gains weaken for 5th straight month

By **CHRISTOPHER RUGABER**
AP ECONOMICS WRITER

WASHINGTON — U.S. home price gains slowed for the fifth straight month in August as higher mortgage rates have lowered home sales.

The S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller 20-city home price index, released Tuesday, increased 5.5 percent in August compared with a year earlier, down from a 5.9 percent gain in the previous month.

The deceleration reflects a broader weakening in the nation's housing market. Sales of existing homes have dropped for six straight months, and sales of new homes have fallen for the past four. Home price increases have run ahead of wage gains for five years and appear to have left many would-be buyers on the sidelines.

Prices rose the most in Las Vegas, San Francisco and Seattle. But price gains have slowed compared with a year earlier in 14 of the 20 cities tracked.

The slowdown in housing shows little sign of becoming a broader crisis similar to what occurred in 2007. David Blitzer, chairman of the index committee at S&P Dow Jones, points out that mortgage defaults, which spiked in the housing bust, remain stable.

Higher borrowing costs have raised monthly payments for new buyers, on top of rising home prices. Some of the biggest increases in mortgage rates occurred in September and October and there aren't reflected in Tuesday's data. That suggests that price gains will likely slow further in the coming months.

The average 30-year

fixed mortgage ticked up to 4.86 percent last week, from 4.85 percent the previous week. A year ago, it stood at 3.94 percent.

"These challenges for buyers will continue to diminish affordability, taking a bite out of home sales and exert more downward pressure on home prices," said Cheryl Young, senior economist at real estate data provider Trulia.

Home prices in Las Vegas jumped 13.9 percent from a year ago and rose 10.6 percent in San Francisco. Seattle's home values increased 9.6 percent, the first time its gains have fallen below double-digits since December 2015.

The slowest increases were in Washington, D.C. and New York City, with 2.8 percent each, followed by Chicago with 2.9 percent.

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Tools and tactics to do your own financial planning

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In one particular chicken-and-egg debate, what comes first is clear: It makes sense to hire a financial adviser only after you can afford one — not in the hopes of building wealth someday.

Financial advisers often require a minimum amount of investable assets (for many advisers that amount is at least \$250,000), and their fees can place financial planning out of reach for many. Fortunately, there are less expensive — even free — resources that make financial planning accessible to most people.

Because time is a powerful ally when it comes to building your money, it's important to get started as soon as possible. Here's how to begin.

Find quality free advice

A good financial adviser asks questions to understand a client's finances and goals; do-it-yourselfers can find tools to replicate those steps. The internet is awash with information, including tools for creating (and keeping to) a budget, seeing how much home you can afford, and calculating loan payments or your readiness for retirement.

The following sources of free financial advice can help you navigate this journey:

Financial institutions
It's hip to talk about personal finance and



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In this June 15 file photo a canning jar filled with currency sits on a shelf in East Derry, N.H. The idea of having enough money to hire a financial adviser seems like a dream for many. Fortunately, there are less expensive, even free, ways to take a do-it-yourself approach to managing and growing your money.

you may have access to tools and other useful information from your current providers. Many banks and credit unions have free budgeting and financial-planning tools. Employers and 401(k) providers offer retirement-planning tools. Online brokers have a variety of educational resources related to investing — TD Ameritrade and Ally Invest are among those that offer such information to anyone for free, with no customer login required.

Reputable resources

Whether you consult a blog or a bank, look for a policy of editorial independence that ensures you're not getting

biased advice. Search for disclosures about how a company or blog makes money, whether content is sponsored by an advertiser or business partnership and for assurances that the people writing reviews aren't influenced by such affiliations.

Specialized organizations

If you've been derailed by a financial issue (such as bankruptcy or tax problems), a number of organizations offer free, or nearly free, advice. For example, the IRS' Taxpayer Advocate Service can help you resolve tax problems, while the Association for Financial Counseling

and Planning Education offers affordable financial coaching to help you to solve money challenges.

Build your foundation

Strive to master these basics as soon as possible:

- Setting a budget.
- Funding a rainy day account to cover emergency expenses. Aim for \$500 to start, then gradually build toward covering a few months' expenses.
- Saving for retirement. If your employer matches part of your 401(k) contributions, grab that free money.

Bring on the robots

Next, focus on

investing money you won't need to tap within five years. Automated services called robo-advisers offer an easy way to get started. The services use computer algorithms to select and manage a portfolio for you. They're attractive for beginner investors for two important reasons: low fees and low minimum balance requirements. Many robo-advisers charge fees ranging from 0.25 percent to 0.50 percent of invested assets, and several providers don't require a minimum amount to open an account.

Robo-advisers offer additional perks, including educational

resources for help with planning for retirement or other financial goals, like buying a house. Many of these companies recognize that customers also want hands-on assistance — and they've included access to a human adviser in the fees you're already paying. Wealthsimple and SoFi Wealth, for example, offer access to human advisers while still meeting low-cost and low-balance thresholds.

Capitalize on compound interest

Compound interest — when you earn interest both on your initial investment and the interest it's already earned — is why you want to begin investing as early as possible. If you invest \$1,000 in your 20s, it will grow to nearly \$10,300 after 40 years assuming a 6 percent rate of return. But wait until your 30s to start and, with only 30 years to grow, that \$1,000 will be just under \$5,750.

As your financial situation becomes more complicated, you may eventually decide that working with a human adviser will best help you to achieve your goals. In the meantime, because time is key to growing wealth, it's important to begin planning your financial future as soon as possible.

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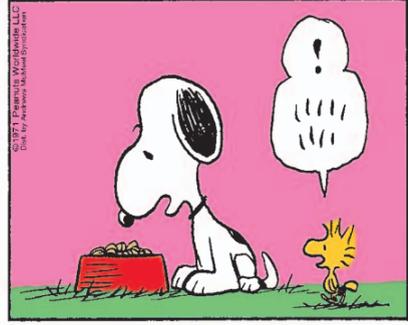
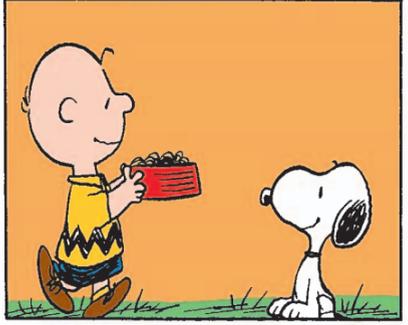
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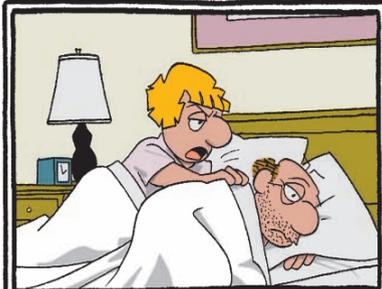
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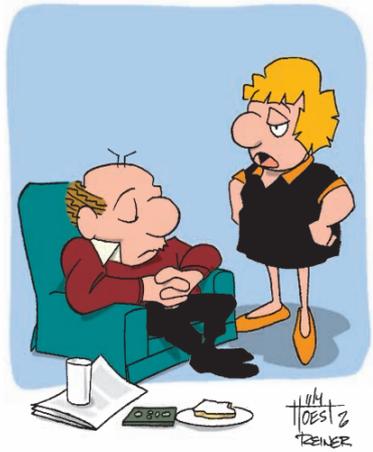
BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER



"WAKE UP, LEROY! I WANT TO DISCUSS SOMETHING YOU SAID TO ME FIFTEEN YEARS AGO."



"NEXT TIME, I'M LEAVING YOU HOME WHEN WE PICK UP MY MOTHER."



"I'M GLAD THE EXTRA HOUR OF SLEEP DIDN'T DISRUPT YOUR ROUTINE."



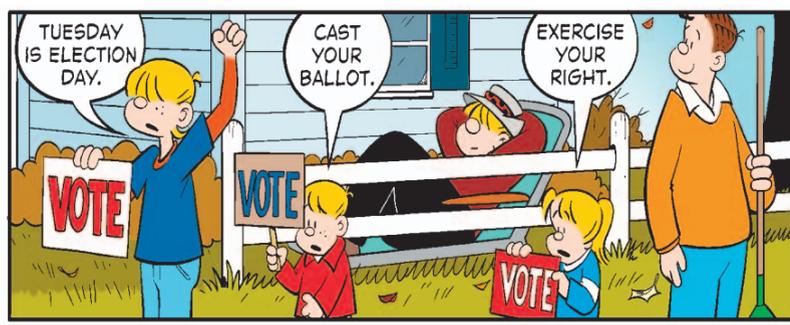
"THERE ARE THREE COURSES... DEPENDING ON YOUR LEVEL OF ENDURANCE."



"I WANT TO HIDE THIS FROM LORETTA UNTIL HER BIRTHDAY... SHE SAYS SHE CAN NEVER FIND ANYTHING IN HER PURSE."

Hi and Lois

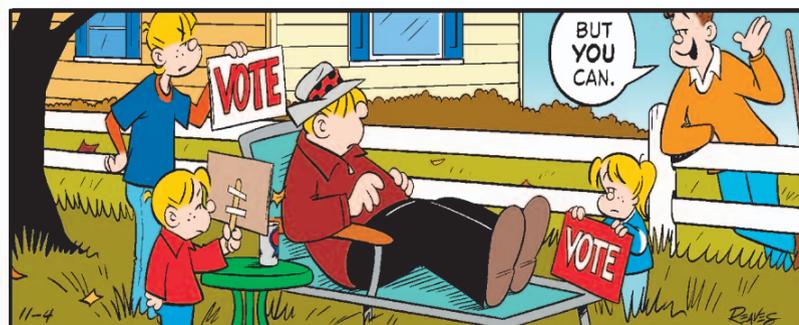
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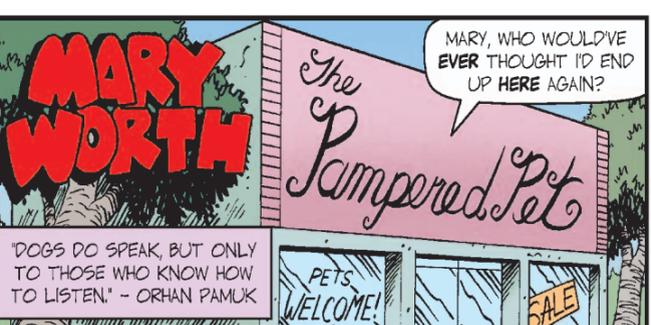
"WHY ARE YOUR KIDS SO POLITICALLY ACTIVE?"



"THEY CAN'T EVEN VOTE."



"TUESDAY IS ELECTION DAY. CAST YOUR BALLOT. EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT. BUT YOU CAN."



"DOGS DO SPEAK, BUT ONLY TO THOSE WHO KNOW HOW TO LISTEN." - ORHAN PAMUK



"MARY, WHO WOULD'VE EVER THOUGHT I'D END UP HERE AGAIN?"



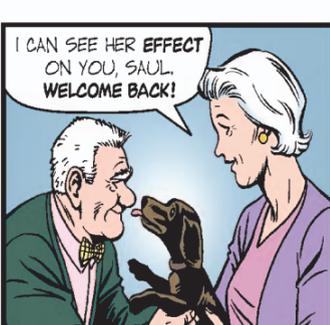
"WONDERS NEVER CEASE!"



"MANY ARE CALLED, FEW ARE CHOSEN."



"I'LL COAX HER OUT OF HER SHELL. SHE STILL SEEMS SUBDUED."



"I CAN SEE HER EFFECT ON YOU, SAUL. WELCOME BACK!"



"MAY BOTH OF YOU HAVE ONLY GOOD DAYS TOGETHER!"

The Family Circus

By **BIL KEANE**

SHOULD I CLIMB UP THE TREE AND SHAKE MORE LEAVES DOWN FOR YOU?

IT'S A GOOD THING YOU HAVE LOTS OF HELP, OR ELSE YOU'D NEVER GET DONE!

PJ ISN'T MUCH HELP-- HE'S ONLY PICKIN' UP ONE LEAF AT A TIME.

IF YOU RAKE UP ANY "STAR WARS" GUYS, THEY MIGHT BE MINE.

LET US KNOW WHEN YOU'RE READY TO PUSH THE WHEEL-BARROW, DADDY, 'CAUSE WE'LL ALL GET IN IT!

WHICH DO YOU LIKE BEST, DADDY-- RAKIN' LEAVES, MOWIN' THE LAWN OR SHOVELIN' SNOW?

IF WE RUN OUT OF LEAVES, THAT'S OKAY-- WE CAN GET LOTS MORE FROM THE ESTRADAS' YARD.

IF GOD WOULD TIE THE LEAVES ON TIGHTER THEY MIGHT LAST ALL WINTER.

THIS IS MORE FUN THAN WATCHIN' FOOTBALL ON TV, ISN'T IT, DADDY?

CAN WE JUMP IN THE PILES?

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Wizard of Id

by Hart, Mastroianni and Parker

GET THE DOCTOR! MY BALANCE IS OFF AGAIN!

IT'S NOT YOU, SIRE, THE CIVIL ENGINEERS ARE STILL ON STRIKE.

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MORNING, SIRE

MORNING, TURNKEY

HALT

GUARD!

LET THAT BE A LESSON TO YOU...

I ABANDONED YOUR POST

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Mort Walker's beetle bailey

IT SURE IS QUIET OUT THERE

LET'S TAKE A RIDE AROUND CAMP, JULIUS

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LET'S STOP STUPID

BACK TO THE OFFICE!

BAN THE SALE OF ALL SPRAY PAINT AND MARKERS IN CAMP IMMEDIATELY!!

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HAGAR the horrible

by DIK BROWNE

WHERE ARE YOU GOING, HAGAR?

THE DUKE WANTS TO SEE ME!

BUT WHY? MAYBE HE WANTS TO BE FRIENDS...

NOT!

THAT WOULD BE HAGAR! I INVITED HIM FOR PORT AND CAKE!

BUT WHY?

I WANT TO ESTABLISH A FRIENDLY RAPPORT SO HE WON'T RAID OUR CASTLE!

THANKS FOR THE INVITE, DUKE! HEY, THAT'S A NICE-LOOKING CHEST!

THANK YOU! IT'S FOR MY HOBBY!

I COLLECT GEMSTONES! EVERYBODY SHOULD HAVE A HOBBY!

YOU'RE RIGHT! I'M STARTING MY OWN GEMSTONE COLLECTION!

SO...DID YOU PREVENT A RAID?

NOT EXACTLY!

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BLONDIE

BY DEAN KUNZ & JOHN MARSHALL

WHAT GIRL?

SHORT SKIRT? WHERE?!

I DIDN'T NOTICE ANY BLUE EYES

LEGS?

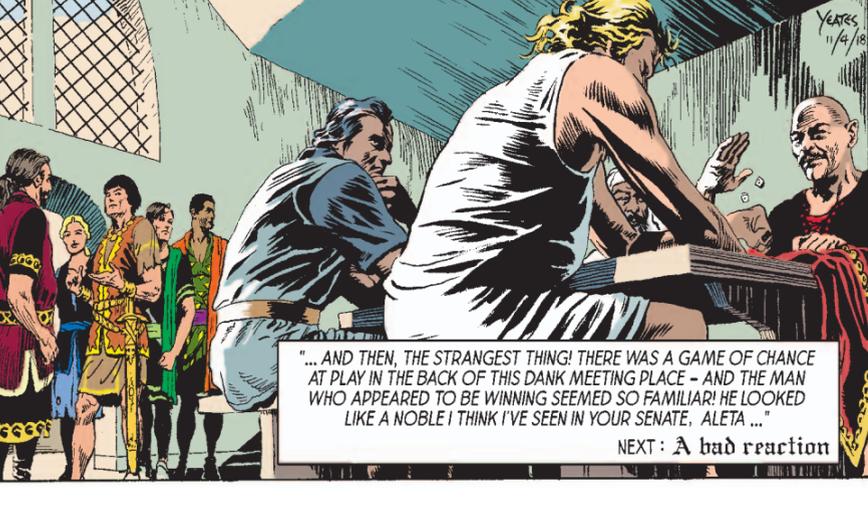
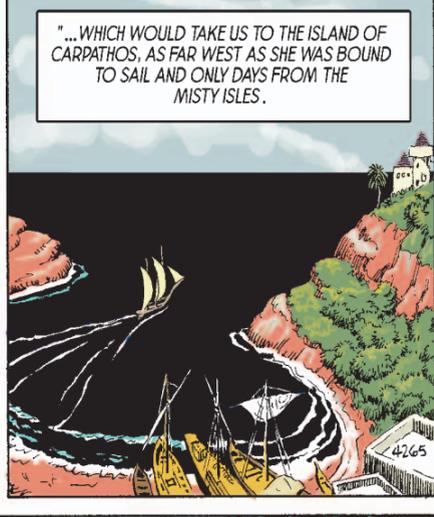
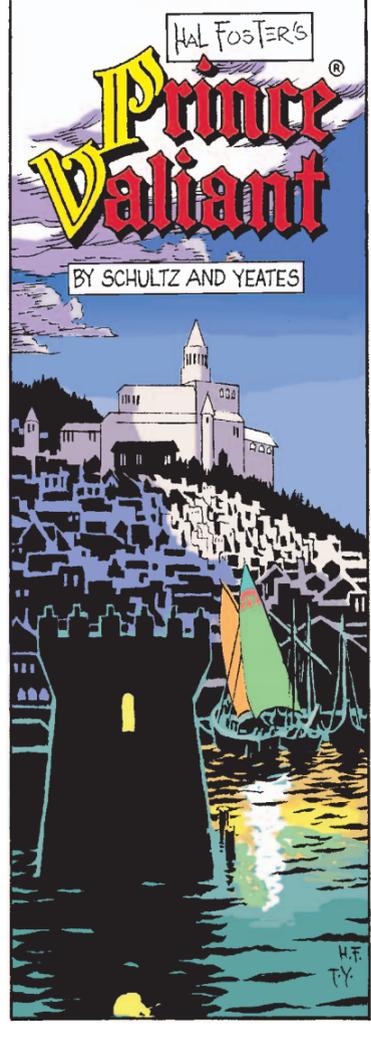
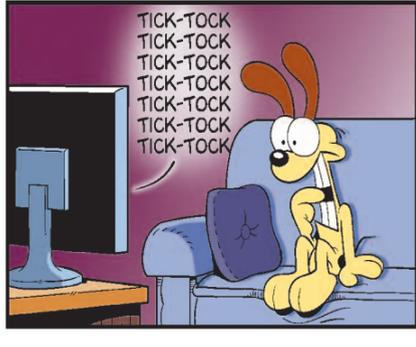
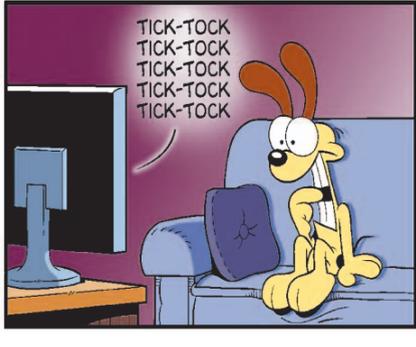
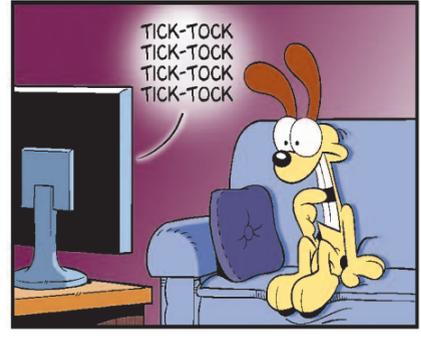
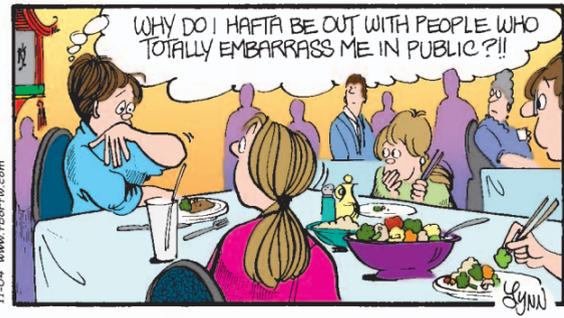
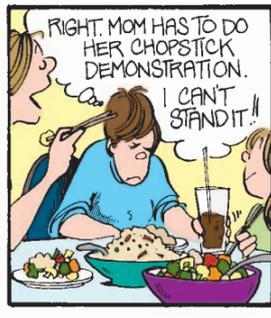
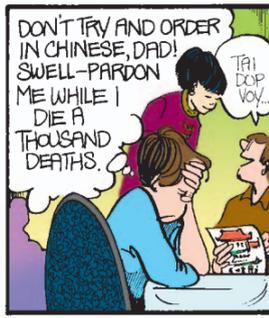
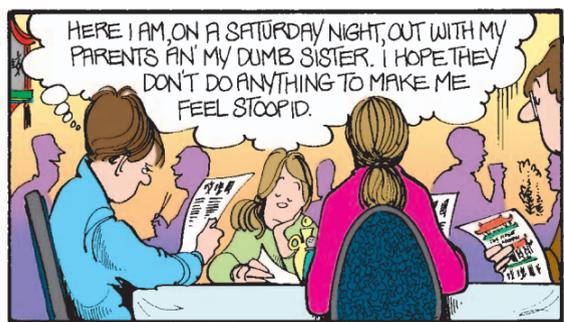
DAGWOOD, DID YOU...

OKAY! YES!!

YOU WERE CONCENTRATING ON YOUR BEST RESPONSE, WEREN'T YOU?

WELL, GEEZ LOUISE, HONEY... YOU KNOW I'M NOT ANY GOOD AT AD-LIBBING!

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SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS

BY BOB WEBER JR.

Count Weirdly slipped Slylock Fox and Max Mouse a sleeping potion. Before the duo slid into slumber, he told them that upon waking, they would find themselves on a sinking boat in the Dead Sea. But as soon as Slylock opened his eyes, he knew they weren't in the Dead Sea, but more likely inside Weirdly's hologram chamber. What evidence supports Slylock's conclusion?

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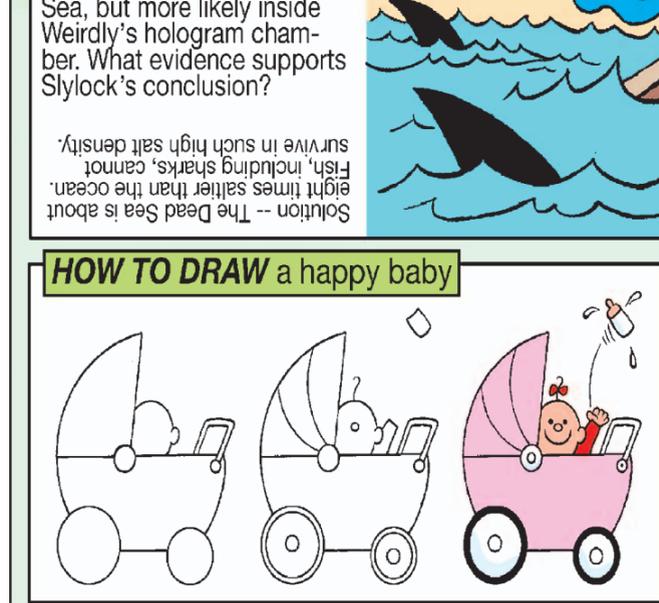
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by JERRY SCOTT and JIM BORGMAN

MOM, CAN I ASK YOU A QUESTION?

SURE, JEREMY! TELL ME WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND.

CAN I JUST ASK MY QUESTION INSTEAD?

JEFF MACNELLY'S Shoe

by Susie MacNelly & Gary Brookins

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I LOVE TO SING OUT LOUD WHEN I'M ALONE IN MY CAR.

I GUESS THAT MAKES ME A CLOSET EXTROVERT.

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by BRIAN CRANE

EARL, I KEEP TELLING YOU NOT TO USE THE DECORATOR TOWELS IN THE BATHROOM!

I HAVE REGULAR TOWELS BY THE SINK FOR YOU TO USE!

WHY DO YOU IGNORE THOSE AND USE THE NICE TOWELS?

CAN'T YOU TELL THE DIFFERENCE?

ANYTHING THAT HANGS IN THE BATHROOM AND LOOKS LIKE A TOWEL I'M PROBABLY GOING TO USE LIKE A TOWEL.

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THE BORN LOSER

by Art & Chip Sansom

WHERE HAVE YOU GUYS BEEN? I'VE BEEN UP FOR AN HOUR!

DIDN'T YOU KNOW THIS IS THE DAY WE SET OUR CLOCKS BACK?

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

WE SET OUR CLOCKS AHEAD IN THE SPRING TO MANAGE THE LONGER DAYLIGHT HOURS, THIS IS CALLED DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME...

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Art & Chip Sansom
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THEN IN THE FALL, WHEN THE DAYLIGHT HOURS GET SHORTER, WE SET THE CLOCKS BACK TO STANDARD TIME...

AND WE GET THE BONUS OF AN EXTRA HOUR OF SLEEP!

SOUNDS GOOD TO ME! LET'S SET OUR CLOCKS BACK EVERY WEEK!

TIGER

BY BUD BLAKE

HOLD IT.. MOM JUST GOT THE RUG CLEANED

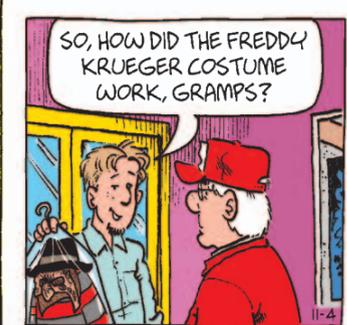
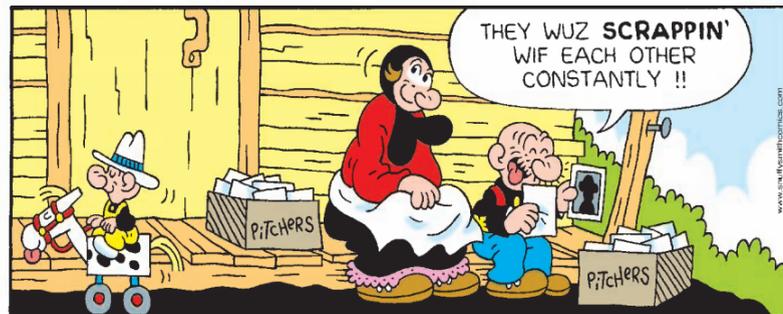
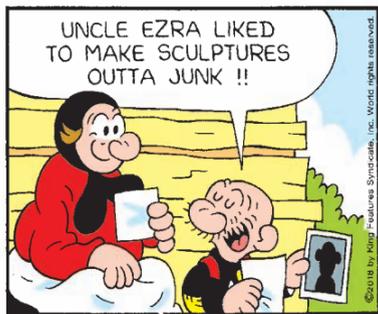
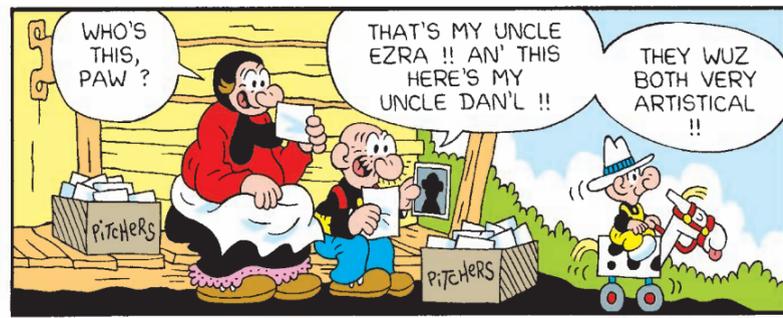
TAKE YOUR MUDDY SHOES OFF BEFORE YOU COME IN!

OKAY, YOU CAN COME IN

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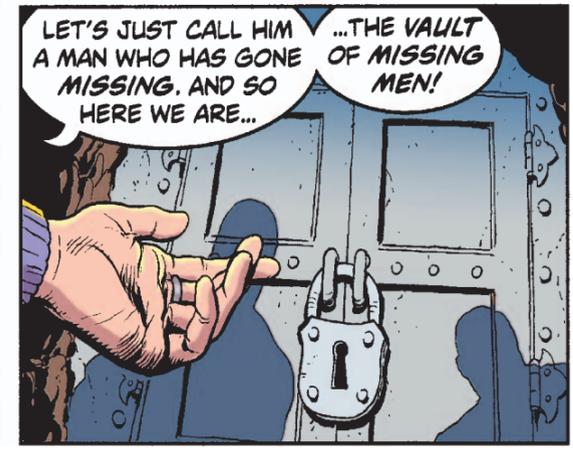
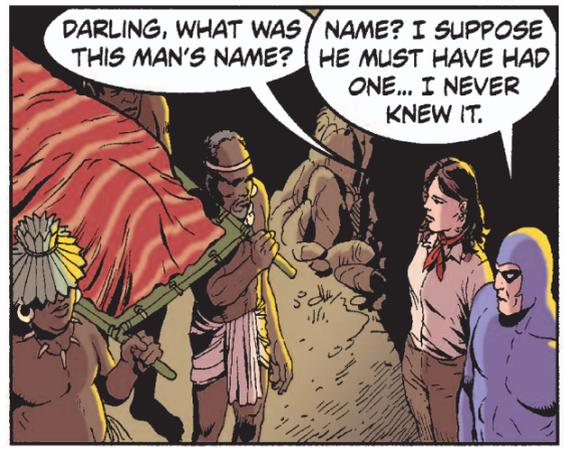


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