

## Moller died of apparent head injury

### HSCO reports piece of debris struck helmet

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HIGHLANDS SUN EDITOR

Larsen Motorsports jet dragster driver Katarina "Kat" Moller died from an apparent head injury after hitting a timing device located between the two drag racing lanes at Sebring International Raceway on Thursday, the Highlands County Sheriff's Office reported.

In a report released Friday evening, HCSO wrote "While the District 10 Medical Examiner has not issued the final autopsy report, the preliminary investigation has determined that a piece of debris impacted Moller's helmet, which is what caused her death."

The Highlands County Sheriff's Office reported Moller's dragster was

observed drifting from the left lane toward the center of the track during her first scheduled exhibition run of the evening.

"As it crossed the center line during the run, the dragster struck a timing device located between lanes at the drag racing finish line," the report stated. "A parachute was observed to have deployed at or around

this same time. As the dragster continued down the track, it drifted further right, scraping the right side retaining barrier wall before coming to rest after a low-speed impact with a tire barrier near Turn One on the race track."

With the incident occurring at the far end of



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KAT | 2A Katarina Moller.

## Deputy resigns after sexual battery allegation

By MELISSA MAIN  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — Deputy Sheriff Zachary Lehman resigned from the Highlands County Sheriff's Office



LEHMAN

after being accused of sexual battery involving a female deputy, who was off duty at the time. The alleged incident occurred while Lehman was on duty at South Florida State College (SFSC) and in uniform.

Lehman bonded out of jail on Friday at 3:18 p.m. His bond was set at \$25,000, and he is charged with sexual battery and armed kidnapping to facilitate a felony. He is being represented by Attorney William Fletcher's office.

### Background

According to the arrest report, Deputy Lehman, who was a school resource officer for SFSC, met with three other deputies — Jason Mulligan, Brian Van Fleet and the victim — on Oct. 15 to discuss the Highlands County Sheriff's Office Explorer Program, which is a program that allows people 14-21 years of age to learn about a career in law enforcement.

All of the deputies were school resource officers who were involved in the Explorer program, and the deputies met at SFSC where Deputy Lehman was assigned. Deputy Lehman was on duty at the time, but the other three deputies were off duty during the meeting. Mulligan and Van Fleet left the campus, but the victim stayed.

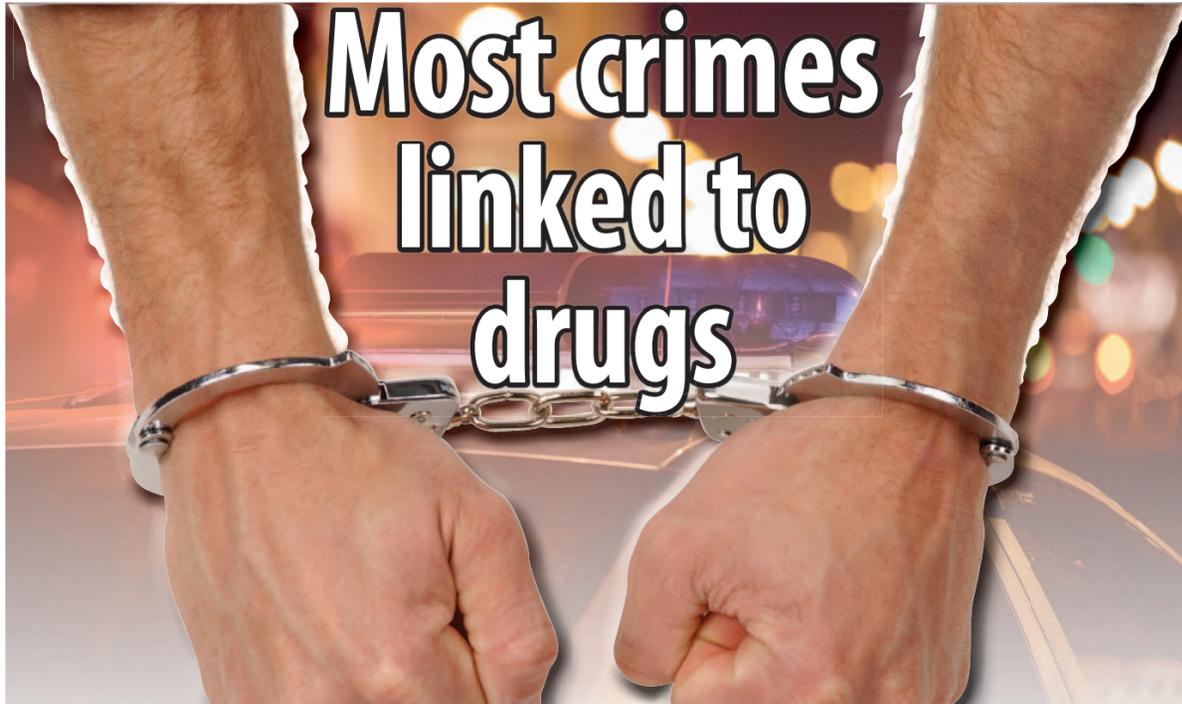
### Her side

The victim stayed at SFSC because

Although Lehman told investigators that he did not force himself on the victim, he did admit to touching her, kissing her and unhooking her bra while he was on duty and being paid by tax dollars.

According to the victim, these acts were against her will and she feared that she would be raped.

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## Drugs, alcohol top list for reasons why crimes are committed

By MELISSA MAIN  
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FILE PHOTO

Highlands County Sheriff's Deputy Jeff Turner and K-9 Maverick look for a track on Oct. 18 through the parking lot at The Shops at Shelby Crossing. K-9s play an important role in solving drug-related crimes.

SEBRING — What causes crime in Highlands County? What are the root issues behind shootings and fraud?

### The problems

Drug and alcohol abuse.

"I can tell you that the majority of the criminal complaints we deal with stem from drug and alcohol-related abuse and addiction," Sebring Police Cmdr. Curtis Hart said. From simple possession to violent crime, drugs are usually a factor in why people commit crimes, Hart said.

In most cases of property crime, the person is trying to steal property to get money for drugs or to trade items for drugs, Hart said. "I believe most of the violent crimes we deal with — such as robbery, home invasions

and homicide — are related in some aspect to the drug trade."

Most people who are in prison are there because of substance abuse, according to the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence. NCADD cited the following statistics:

- 80 percent of offenders abuse drugs or alcohol
- Almost 50 percent of jail and prison inmates can be classified as being clinically addicted
- About 60 percent of people arrested for crime test positive for illegal drugs when they are arrested

According to the Department of Justice, 37 percent of almost two million convicted offenders who are serving a jail sentence admitted they were drinking when they were arrested.

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## Kenilworth Lodge received extensive damages

### Hurricane Irma wrecked extensive havoc on the building

By MELISSA MAIN  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — The Kenilworth Lodge, an important historic property built by George Sebring, was damaged by the Hurricane Irma's high winds and extensive rainfall.

The hotel has needed extensive repairs, totaling over half a million dollars, for over a year, but the owners have not been able to collect the insurance money,

Paul Rush, a representative of Kenilworth, said.

Just how bad was the damage? According to a report from RYZE Claims Solutions, damage was found on all three floors of the historic hotel. In addition, the building needs a new roof.

The building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and according to the Dr.



FILE PHOTO

Kenilworth Lodge was condemned by the city of Sebring in August 2016 due to violations of fire codes.

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she wanted to get some materials from the Law Enforcement Academy for the Explorer program. The victim rode on a golf cart with Lehman to get the materials. The defendant offered to show her around the campus and she agreed, the report states.

While riding by a sandy, wooded area with no buildings, Lehman began to talk about wanting to have sex with her, the victim said. However, she told investigators that she reminded Lehman that he was married and the talk was inappropriate.

Lehman continued to talk about sexual intercourse, and this made her uncomfortable, but she reported this was typical behavior for him.

On their way back to the campus, the victim reported Lehman stopped by his car and was digging in the console area. She asked him what he had gotten from the car since she did not see anything in his hands.

He allegedly told her that he had gotten a condom. She reportedly replied, "You're being disgusting."

The two of them went to Lehman's office and the door closed behind them. Lehman typed a response to an email and asked the victim to read it. Lehman reportedly offered to let her sit on his lap while she read the email, but she told him to get out of the chair.

The victim read the email and approved the message that he sent. She then asked "if he had

the papers he was going to give her," the report states.

After giving her the papers, he turned off the lights, the victim said. She then reported he began to touch her, unbutton her bra and kiss her. "Whenever she would get one of the defendant's arms off of her the other was trying to undie [sic] something," the report states.

The victim reportedly told Lehman to stop 50 times. When Lehman pulled her onto his lap, she told him that she was going to scream "and everyone in the place was going to hear her," the report states.

Lehman reportedly let her go once she threatened to scream. However, he tried to kiss her on the mouth, but she kept turning away, she said. He then began to kiss her on both sides of her neck and grabbed her in the groin area, she reported.

The victim told investigators that Lehman used force and would not let her go to the door. When she finally left the room, Lehman offered to give her a ride on the golf cart to her car and she agreed. After telling her best friend about the incident with Lehman, her friend reportedly advised her to tell authorities, so she told another female law enforcement officer.

**His side**  
Lehman did not talk

with investigators until Attorney William Fletcher accompanied him during the interview. During the interview, he told investigators that two summers ago the victim had stated her desire to have sex with him while they were at the Sheriff's Office Youth Camp.

After the other deputies left the meeting at the SFSC campus on Oct. 15, the female deputy and Lehman began riding around on a golf cart. "She was talking about how long it had been since she had sex," the report states.

Lehman said that he offered to find somewhere to park, but the victim reportedly replied that she didn't want to have sex on the golf cart and it was too hot outside. This led him to believe that "this was something she was interested in doing but not at this location."

The defendant took the victim to his office where they could have sex in the air conditioning, the report states. Before going back to the office, he got a condom from his car. Once at the office, he had her check an email and then began kissing her on the neck.

Lehman told investigators that he thought she was interested in him kissing her neck, because she swept the hair off of her shoulder. He admitted touching her groin area and unhooking her

bra, but he said that she told him she was attracted to him.

He then relayed a comment that the victim reportedly made. "You're married, I don't know if that's a good idea, you know."

Lehman told investigators that he told the victim "that was his problem and that she did not have to be concerned with it," the report states. After the encounter became more heated, the victim reportedly said, "Stop, I can't do this." According to Lehman, he stopped after the victim made this statement.

**Conclusion**  
Although Lehman told investigators that he did not force himself on the victim, he did admit to touching her, kissing her and unhooking her bra while he was on duty and being paid by tax dollars.

According to the victim, these acts were against her will and she feared that she would be raped. When she told another female law enforcement about the incident, the victim was told she needed to report it because it wasn't acceptable.

# KAT

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the front straightaway — and at night — many of those in attendance were unaware of any problems until track safety crews and an ambulance went speeding down the track to Turn One, where the vehicle stopped. When additional first responders arrived on the scene and the crowd was told to vacate the raceway, it was apparent that something was seriously wrong. Her death was announced later that evening.

Moller earned her bachelor's degree from University of South Florida in mechanical engineering in 2016 and was attending the Florida Institute of Technology, where she was working towards a master's degree in global strategic communication.

"Our hearts are heavy today," said Florida Tech President Dwayne McCay in a statement Friday. "Kat was an inspirational young woman who brought a smile to everyone she met. Our prayers are with her

family, friends and racing colleagues."

Moller's family took to her Facebook to post details of her funeral.

"Katerina's mother, father, and brother Thomas would like to send their thank you and love to all of Katarina Moller fans and friends in this time of our need," the post read. "The funeral arrangements are for Monday at 6 p.m. at the Epiphany Cathedral Church in downtown Venice and the burial is at Tuesday 11 a.m. Sarasota Memorial Park."

The sheriff's department is still investigating and asking if anybody has information related to the incident or video to contact Detective Chris Cloud by email at [detectives@highlandsheriff.org](mailto:detectives@highlandsheriff.org) or by telephone 863-402-7250.



## Carson to speak on Lake Istokpoga

SEBRING — Dr. John R. Carson, Ph.D. will speak to the Nov. 20 meeting of the local Audubon Society about policies regarding Lake Istokpoga.

Dr. Carson received a Ph.D. in organic chemistry from the University of Illinois. Following his graduation, he joined Johnson and Johnson and remained with them for 43 Years in drug discovery. In the course of his career, he obtained an extensive background in the toxicity of synthetic organic compounds.

An avid fisherman, he has caught a fish in every state of the union and has written a book about it.

Carson has had a lifelong interest in birds and wildlife. Since establishing a winter residence on the shores of Lake Istokpoga in 2006, he has closely observed the bird life of the lake.

The meeting is opened to the public. Programs begin at 7 p.m. and are preceded by a pot luck dinner at 6:30 p.m. The meeting location is at the First Baptist Church of Lake Josephine, 111 Lake Josephine Drive, Sebring, Florida 33875. For more information, call 863-382-4830.

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### OUR VIEW

## Changing of the guard

When local voters were asked to cast their ballots in the Primary and General elections, they did just that. In August, two newcomers were voted in to replace incumbents in the School Board of Highlands County and the Highlands County Board of County Commission. In the November election, two of the three open seats to be filled in the Avon Park City Council have been filled by political newcomers.

There was a need for change. The voters across the county realized it and made it happen.

Highlands County saw 32.31 percent of its registered voters turn out in the Aug. 28 primary election.

Isaac Durrance won his bid for a seat on the School Board. In the process, he unseated Charlene Edwards, who had a good run on her single term in office.

Arlene Tuck won her bid for a seat on the County Commission, rousting longtime commissioner Jack Richie, who completed three four-year terms in office. In winning her bid for election to the county board, Tuck had to resign her seat on the Lake Placid Town Council. Last week, Greg Sapp was appointed to fulfill that term, which would have been Tuck's second term as an elected council member.

Turn your attention to the General Election earlier this month, when the county realized a 67.7 percent turnout.

Voters within the city of Avon Park made the decision to return only one of the incumbents seeking re-election. Brenda Gray has served the electorate for 18 years and had the voters support to return for another three-year term in office. Joining her are newcomers Stanley Spurlock and Maria Sutherland. Although this is Sutherland's first term in an elected city position, she takes the job with 12 years of experience as a city employee, most recently that of administrative services director.

Highlands County voters also chose to return Cary Pigman to be State Representative for District 55 for a fourth and final term. District 55 represents Glades, Highlands and Okeechobee counties and part of St. Lucie County.

Ben Albritton claimed the state's District 26 seat vacated by former Republican Senator Denise Grimsley. District 26 is comprised of Highlands, Charlotte, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Lee, Okeechobee and Polk counties.

Just this past week, we learned than Ron DeSantis will in fact take the top seat in the state as Florida's new governor.

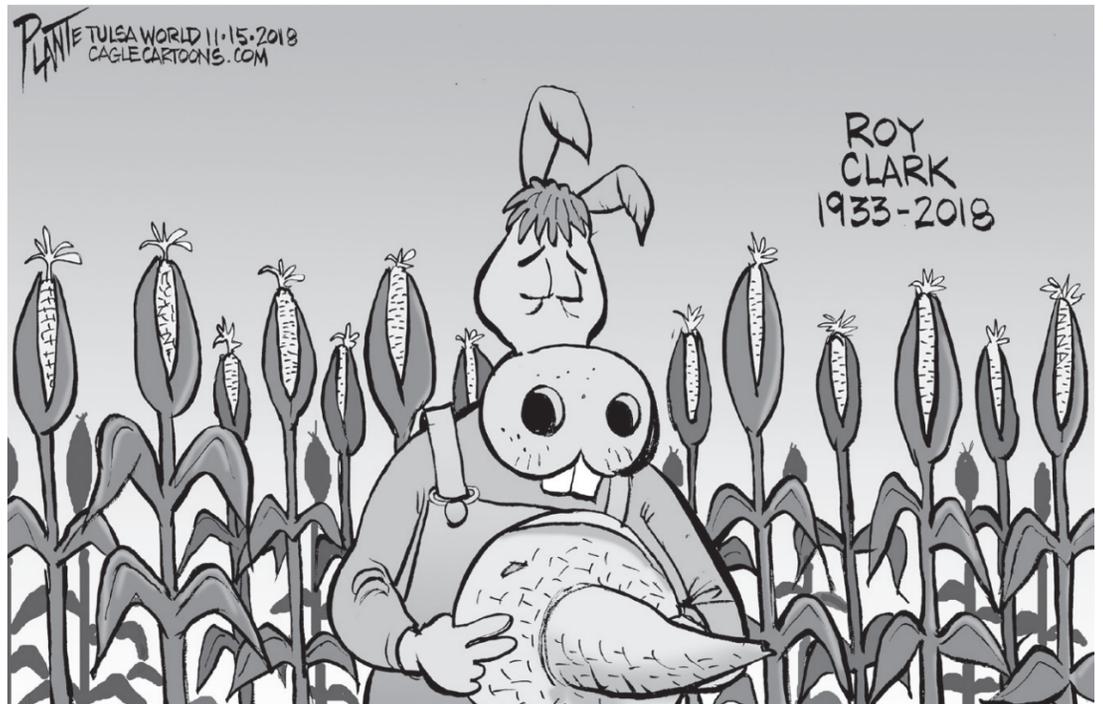
The statewide machine recount as ordered by the slim margin seen in three races will now move to a manual recount in the races for Commissioner of Agriculture between Matt Caldwell and Nikki Fried and U.S. Senator between incumbent Bill Nelson and current Gov. Rick Scott. This recount will focus exclusively on possible undervotes and overvotes in the state's 67 counties.

The deadline for the manual recount is noon today (Sunday).

The change of guard has already taken place in Avon Park's city government. Sapp has already taken his seat on the Lake Placid Town Council dais. Other elected officials, both those returning and those taking office for the first time, will take their seats in the coming days and weeks.

The first meeting with the newly elected members of Avon Park City Council was tense from time to time with Gray exiting the meeting before it was over. Sutherland also exchanged words with former City Attorney Glinda Pruitt before her position with the city was terminated.

As with any elected council, board or position, it is not mandatory that elected officials agree with each other all of the time, but what the voters do expect is for the elected officials to behave and work together. If not, their term in office may be shortlived.



## Spending my childhood with Stan Lee

On Sunday afternoons in the late 1970s and early 1980s, long after 11 a.m. mass had finished, my cousin and I would head down the street to a little convenience store, hard against the Berlin Turnpike, that sold milk, bread, snacks, sundries, and, most important of all – comic books.

We'd let ourselves in, the bell hanging on top of the door jingling, the traffic still echoing in our ears in the brisk snap of a New England fall, and head for the spinning rack where four-color heroes on newsprint pulled us in with gravitational force.

Our prizes collected, we'd pay, and head back for an afternoon of heavy reading, passing the books between us until the sun hung low in the sky and our parents were beckoning from the front door, the cars warming in the driveway.

I'd read the Marvel titles and pretend I liked them. In truth, it was mostly to humor my cousin. I was a DC kid through and through.

Then one Saturday afternoon, I discovered a copy of a paperback collection called "Origins of Marvel Comics." It was pretty much what it sounded like: An omnibus reprint of the origin stories of "The Fantastic Four," "The Hulk," "Spider-Man," "Thor," and the mysterious "Dr. Strange."

I finally understood the human-level dramas of the dysfunctional "Fantastic Four." The dangers of the nuclear age, and the Cold War, then



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John L. Micek

still very real, were driven home in the tragedy of "The Hulk." Thor's pseudo-Chaucerian dialogue was preposterous, but I loved it anyway. The ostracization "The X-Men" endured was a metaphor for every repressed minority, a reminder of how easy it is to hate and fear someone or something you don't understand.

A New York kid with outsized ambitions, Lee (born Stanley Liber) figured his work in comics would be a way station on the way to literary greatness. It didn't happen, but something even more profound did.

Lee became an assistant at Timely Comics in 1939, which would later evolve into Marvel Comics. After a decade or so of post-World War II artistic stagnation, Lee helped spark what's become known as "The Silver Age" of comics in the early 1960s. Lee rose to become Marvel's editor-in-chief.

While he was a visionary, Lee was hardly perfect – as an unsparing 2016 profile in New York Magazine made painfully clear.

He had a nasty habit of hogging credit for his heroes. His gift for unrelenting self-promotion meant that the real talent behind the books – the

great Jack "King" Kirby, Steve Ditko (who died in June at age 90) and the surrealistically stylish Jim Steranko – were unjustly overshadowed and robbed of the credit they so richly deserved.

"Stan Lee and I never collaborated on anything," Kirby told an interviewer in 1989, according to that 2016 New York Magazine profile. "It wasn't possible for a man like Stan Lee to come up with new things – or old things, for that matter. Stan Lee wasn't a guy that read or that told stories."

But Lee, as the face of Marvel, helped keep the company afloat through fallow times. And his high-stepping style drew in generations of fans. He penned a florid monthly column in those 1970s comics, signing off with a jaunty "Excelsior!" at the end of each piece.

And even though he didn't own the rights to his creations, Lee parted from Marvel in the early 1990s with a severance package so immense that the child of The Great Depression never had to worry about money ever again.

At the end of his life, Lee battled failing health and allegations that he was the subject of elder abuse, which played out in a Los Angeles courtroom over the course of this summer.

Even so, that didn't keep him from hitting the convention circuit. Lee's 2018 schedule included Silicon Valley Comic Con. At that convention, his health had deteriorated to the point where he was struggling to sign his

name. He announced his exit from the convention circuit in August.

Maybe it's true that Lee didn't exactly tell stories. It's more accurate to say that he provided the architecture for greater writing talents to tell those stories, and for gifted artists to make them leap off the page.

But it's also true that Lee did something of equal, or, perhaps greater importance: His pride in those creations and his unrelenting promotion of them, now means that garishly costumed heroes, whose adventures are disposable by their very nature, have survived, and have been passed down to new generations of readers.

Yes, I know, those heroes are now multi-billion dollar properties that effectively print money for their Hollywood overlords. But that won't keep me from getting more than a tad nostalgic about it.

After all, myths and legends fade from memory if there's no one around to repeat them. And Lee, who helped give breath to our latter-day myths and legends, did that almost better than anyone.

So, one last time, "Excelsior!"

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### YOUR VIEW

#### Semblance of truth should come first

I am disappointed in your newspaper's treatment of an accusation made against a local pastor. I would think that the recent Supreme Court appointment confirmation hearing would make all media outlets more cautious in reporting "the news." Of course, I guess I should not be too surprised since the fact that all three individuals who accused the potential Supreme Court justice,

who is now a member of our nation's highest court have admitted they were lying is not making front page news.

My husband and I are registered members of Our Lady of Grace Parish. We have been Sebring residents since January 2018. Before Hurricane Irma, we were members of St. James Parish in Lake Placid.

While we lived in Ohio, I was a teacher at various levels from grade 2 through graduate school from 1964-2012. Over that span of years, I was

accused of a variety of things, but thankfully none were true and neither fame nor a cash settlement awaited the accuser.

In the Canton City School District, paddling was an accepted part of the discipline code during the years I taught there (1969-1995). When I taught pre-service teachers at the University of Akron from 1991-1999 and pre-service and in-service classroom teachers at Malone University in Canton from 1999-2012, these students

were warned by me not to be one on one (or two or three) with a student because an accusation of inappropriate conduct of some type was likely to become front page news often with a hope of a cash settlement.

It is my hope that future "reporting" on the current accusation will stop and not be resumed unless and until the "semblance of truth" is actually supported by proven fact.

**Georgia Lee Eshelman, Ph.D.**  
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**OBITUARIES**

**David G. Mahaffey**



David G. Mahaffey, 69, of Sebring, Florida passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2018. He was a loving father, grandfather, brother, cousin, uncle and friend. He was born in Buffalo, New York on April 20, 1949.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Peggy and Albert; his brother James; his wife, Ruth, and his sons, David and Steven. He is survived by his brother, Tim; son, Mark; daughter, Jennifer; his four grandchildren, Nicole, Levi, Erica and Eli; fiancée, Laura; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

David was a decorated Vietnam veteran. His service in the U.S. Army allowed him to do what he loved and that was flying. He graduated from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He also enjoyed the time he spent as a glider pilot and instructor. Later, Dave flew for various air-mail and passenger plane companies in Alaska with the longest time being spent at Wright Air Service out of Fairbanks. After his retirement, Dave continued to fly privately and ended his career here in Sebring, Florida.

Dave will be greatly missed as he was a kind and giving person that knew his goals and strived to achieve them. He believed more in experiences than material possessions and loved his family dearly.

A service for Dave will be held at Morris Funeral Chapel at 2 p.m. Monday,

Nov. 19 with Honors by the VFW Post 4300 to follow the service. The chapel is at 307 S. Commerce Ave. in Sebring, Florida. The family has asked that donations be sent to VFW Post 4300, 1041 Lakeview Drive, Sebring, FL 33870 in lieu of flowers. www.morrisfuneralchapel.com.

**Marshall J. Bernardo**

In loving memory April 29, 1930 — Oct. 13, 2018

Marshall Bernardo, 88, peacefully left this earth, surrounded by family on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2018. Marshall was born in London, Ontario, Canada on April 29, 1930 to Marcello and Maria Bernardo.

He is survived by sons, Bryan (Elena) of Arizona and Brett (Sandi) of Florida. He is also survived by his grandchildren Adam, Alec, Colin, and Abby. Marshall was predeceased by his wife, Marilyn in 2017.

Marshall's early work career included 17 years at Gerber Baby Foods while living in Canada. In 1979 Marshall moved his family to Sebring where most of his friends and business associates know him for his tile business in Highlands County. His personality and wonderful sense of humor will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at the Heartland Christian Church at 2 p.m. on Nov. 24, 2018. Family and friends are invited to attend.

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

**Robert Andrew Garbiras**



Robert Andrew Garbiras passed away peacefully under the care of Compassionate Care Hospice

on Oct. 29, 2018. His celebration of life will be held at Fairway Pines on Sun 'n Lake Blvd. in Sebring at 3 p.m. on Nov. 30, 2018, which would have been his 97th birthday!

Bob joined the Navy in 1942 to serve in WWII. He was deployed to the Philippines where he was a radio operator while flying on a seaplane doing rescue missions. Robert was grateful that the Lord watched over him and got him back home safely after the war. Bob was active in the Elks Club, American Legion and the VFW.

He served as Chaplain from 1970-1972 and was also Post Quartermaster from 1972-1973. He kept busy with volunteering at Florida Hospital, bowling, golfing playing solitaire and clipping coupons for the military until he underwent hospice care. Prior to that, he owned Atey Auto Body in South Hackensack, New Jersey.

He leaves behind his three children, Linda Sosely, Robert Garbiras and Ann Marie Pratico; two nieces; eight grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

He is now reunited with Ellie, whom went to be with Jesus more than 12 years ago. He is resting in our Father's wonderful kingdom — "Praise the Lord" Amen.

**Velma "Judy" Howell**

Velma "Judy" Howell, 90, of Sebring, Florida passed away on Thursday, Nov. 15, 2018 in Lake Placid, Florida. She was born on June 21, 1928 in Washington, Pennsylvania to the late James D. and Ada J. (Kelley) Martin.

Velma leaves behind her son, Jerry Geisler of Sebring, Florida; daughter, Cynthia Barch (Douglas) of Bloomington, Illinois; a step-daughter; Shelly McKenzie (Bill) of Bradenton, Florida; and a step-son, Gary Howell. She also leaves behind a sister, Patricia Kreller, and two brothers, Richard and Thomas Martin. She leaves behind 13 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her first husband, Jerry R. Geisler; second husband, Paul Howell; two daughters, Linda Lee Skrentny and Virginia Lee Ogilbee; one brother, James D. Martin, and one grandson, Douglas Ogilbee.

Velma was a member of the St. John United Methodist Church and moved to the area in 1981 from Newark, Ohio. She was a skilled seamstress and especially loved her family.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, 2018 at the Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home. Memorial contributions can be made to the charity of your choice. Arrangements entrusted to Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, 4001 Sebring Parkway, Sebring, FL 33870. Online condolences may be left at www.stephensonnelsonfh.com

**Betty Marine**

Betty J Marine was ushered into Heaven Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018. Betty was born Jan. 11, 1930 to Melvin and Lilly Sommers in Goshen, Indiana. She married Ira Larue Marine on April 8, 1949. Betty and her husband moved to Florida and settled in Lake Placid in 1960.

They owned and operated Marine Brothers Construction Company and later Marine Brothers Ready Mix Concrete Company with Larue's brother Bud and his wife Shirley who was also Betty's sister. In the late 1970s they moved to Sebring. Betty was a faithful long-time member of Southside Baptist Church in Sebring.

Betty is preceded in death by her husband, Ira Larue Marine; brothers, Burnell Sommers, Max Sommers and Dale Sommers; sister, Shirley Marine and beloved granddaughter, Olivia Cresong.

She is survived by her sons, Stephen (Carole) Marine of Harrison, Tennessee, Rodney (Sylvia) Marine of Sebring, Chris (Diane) Marine of Sebring; sister, Kitty Whybrew of Indiana; nine grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren and many nephews and nieces.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1, 2018 at

Pinecrest Cemetery in Sebring. Condolences may be expressed at morrisfuneralchapel.com.

**Patricia A. Swinburnson**



Patricia A. Swinburnson, 86, of Sebring, Florida passed away on Monday, Sept. 3, 2018 in Tampa,

Florida. She was born on April 24, 1932 in Goshen, New York to Alphons and Anna (VanRegenmortel) Versweyfeld. Patricia worked as a Bookkeeper in New York while living in New Jersey and later moved to Ft. Lauderdale where she worked as a nanny and moved to Sebring, Florida in 1990.

She is survived by her husband, Clayton Swinburnson; brother, Denis (Judith) Versweyfeld of Venice, Florida; nieces and nephews, Paula (Hank) Scarpelli, Mary Ann (David) Mangold, Felix (Jeanne) Versweyfeld, Daniel Versweyfeld, Patti Lee (James) Creighton, Jacqueline (Christopher) Kelder, Pieter (Maria) Versweyfeld, Matthew (Shara) Versweyfeld; sister-in-Law, Marilyn Versweyfeld; several great nieces and nephews and a special granddaughter,

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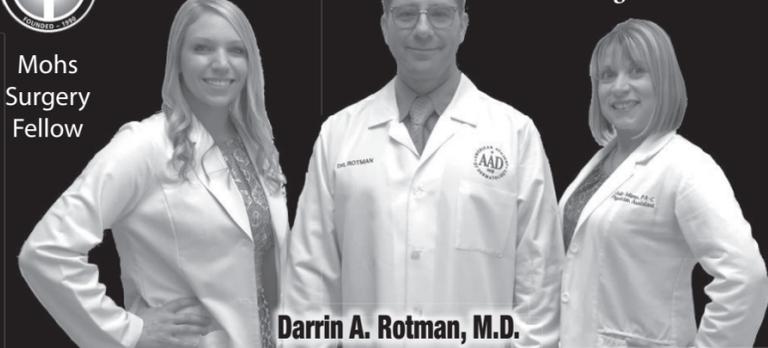
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# The Salvation Army has turkeys, will travel

By **KIM LEATHERMAN**  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — The long-standing and tasty tradition of The Salvation Army's Thanksgiving supper will continue again this year — with a twist. The Salvation Army normally holds the feast at the the downtown civic center but it was already reserved this year. Thanksgiving supper will be held from 11 a.m. to 1:10 p.m. at the Sebring Sports Complex concession at 200 Sheriff's Tower Road on Thursday, Nov. 22.

According to Major Timothy Roberts, the tradition has been going on longer than he has been with the organization. He estimated volunteers have been putting the feast together at least a decade. "We will probably feed 300 or more people on Thanksgiving Day," Roberts said. "We will be delivering meals to the homeless that tend to hang around the Circle (Park) downtown. We will also go over to the civic center and hand some meals out there because a bunch of people might end up there because that's where we usually are."

The organization will be delivering meals to neighborhoods and the home-bound. The meal is free but Roberts asked that guests RSVP or let someone know they need a delivery by Wednesday, Nov. 21; call 863-385-7548, Ext. 100.

The Salvation Army bought special containers to keep the food warm for deliveries. The menu will consist of turkey and all the sides. The turkeys will be made in the homes of volunteers, and the side

dishes and vegetables will be cooked onsite.

Each year, all of the turkeys are donated by a single individual. Roberts was not sure if she wanted to remain anonymous or not, so he did not share the name.

"There are people in our community that would like a Thanksgiving dinner," Roberts said. "They might not be able to afford it or be able to get to the meal site. The Salvation Army is always there for those in need."

The one thing Roberts has on his wish list is for more delivery volunteers. Call 863-385-7548, Ext. 100 to volunteer.

## OBITS

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Jenna Raine.

She is predeceased by brothers, Felix Versweyveld Sr. and John Versweyveld; sisters, Marie Saturno, Cornelia Versweyveld and Helen Chalot.

Patricia was a member of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Avon Park, Florida and also a member of the American Legion Post 69 Women's Auxiliary. Patricia was very well known for her Christmas Village decorations and took great pride in them.

Memorial contributions in Patricia's memory are to be made to the American Legion Post 69. A Memorial Mass for Patricia will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Nov. 24,

2018 at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Avon Park, Florida.

Arrangements entrusted to Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home, 111 East Circle Street, Avon Park, Florida 33825. Online condolences may be left at stephensonnelsonfh.com.

### Wayne "Sonny" Whitmire Sr.

Wayne "Sonny" Whitmire Sr., 83 of Avon Park, Florida passed away Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2018 in Winter Haven, Florida. Born to Cecil and Iva (Sanders) Whitmire in Brevard, North Carolina, Wayne moved to Avon Park in 1958, becoming the founder of Whitmire Air Conditioning. He was a veteran who proudly served in the United

States Air Force, whose joy in life was his loving family, fishing, gardening and his many friends.

Wayne leaves behind his loving wife of 61 years, Dee Whitmire of Avon Park, Florida; daughter, Kathy Norfleet of Purlear, North Carolina; sons, Spencer (Stephanie) Whitmire and Steve Whitmire, both of Avon Park, Florida; brothers, Jerry (Betty) Whitmire and Joe (Karole) Whitmire, both of Brevard, North Carolina; sister, Betty (Bob) Delwiche of Hendersonville, North Carolina; and three grandchildren. Wayne was preceded in death by both parents and a sister, Lois Veshears.

Visitation will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 20 at Stephenson Nelson Funeral Home in Avon Park, Florida with

a graveside service to follow at 12:30 p.m. at Bougainvillea Cemetery, Avon Park, Florida. The family asks that memorial contributions be made to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in honor of Madison Ball, 4600 Park Road Suite 100, Charlotte, NC 28209.

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# DeSantis declared Governor

## Recounts done on Senate, Ag Commissioner; awaiting results

By PHIL ATTINGER  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — Florida voters have to wait the weekend before knowing who to call their senator and agriculture commissioner.

They didn't have to wait for Highlands County. The Highlands County Canvassing Board completed a hand recount of the U.S. Senate race at 1:30 p.m. Friday and the Florida Commissioner of Agriculture race at approximately 4:35 p.m. Friday.

Supervisor of Elections staff reported that the only ballots left to consider at that point were absentee and military ballots.

The deadline for the recount was 5 p.m. Saturday, which was also the deadline for voters to get to the Supervisor of Elections Office in Sebring and submit signatures to validate their votes, if there was a signature mismatch.

According to Elections staff, if you didn't get called, your vote was counted.

Results of the two hand-recounted races were scheduled for upload to the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections sometime on Sunday. However, the state cannot release any results until all counties have completed a recount.

Meanwhile, the one race not in question anymore is that for Florida Governor. After the machine recount completed this past week, former Republican Congressman Ron DeSantis was declared the winner over Tallahassee Mayor Andrew Gillum.

Statewide, DeSantis holds 4,075,445 votes, or 49.59 percent, while Gillum holds 4,041,762, or 49.18 percent.

It's a difference of just 33,683 votes, just 0.41 percent of the 8,217,818 votes cast in that race.

With a margin below half of a percentage

point, the race went into automatic machine recount. However, results did not change enough to change the percentages,

and DeSantis has been declared the winner. Other races that went into machine count were State Senate, District 18,

and two State House of Representatives seats: District 26 and District 89. By the end of the machine count, manual

counts were only required for U.S. Senate, Florida Commissioner of Agriculture and the three Florida Legislature seats

already listed. Final results are expected after all supervisors of election upload their numbers.

### LODGE FROM PAGE 1A

Charlotte Pressler, chair of the City of Sebring Historic Preservation Commission, the Kenilworth Lodge will "require a complete roof replacement, which must be done in accordance with the Sebring HPC Design Review Guidelines, so that repairs are not incongruous with the special character of the building, and its historic exterior appearance is preserved as much as possible."

The architectural design of the historic building is the Mediterranean Revival style and repairs to the building should respect this type of design.

The renovations to this building are desperately needed, because Hurricane Irma inflicted

a heavy blow, including removing the roof over the ballroom. As a result, the ballroom experienced damage to the interior plaster and wood floors.

The wood floors and carpet in the lobby area were also destroyed. The areas of the hotel that were covered by a flat roof had more damage. Other parts of the hotel requiring repair include areas around windows and around air conditioning units, anywhere water was able to find an opening to seep into the building.

The insurance claims adjuster also noted that the majority of the ballroom walls and what was left of the ceiling had mold growing on it. Due to the lack of air conditioning and electricity, any carpet with water stains would require replacement due to the possibility of mold, or as

the insurance adjusted stated, "to mitigate future issues with microbial growth."

The damage estimated for the main historic building was \$393,394.91, but the adjuster was not able to enter and inspect all of the rooms of the hotel. Some of the rooms had electronic locks, and the building had no electricity when he inspected it. The total amount of damage may be much higher.

The insurance company refused to pay for the damages to the main building, which total about \$400,000 or more due to some hotel rooms not being inspected and evaluated. Since the building was condemned for occupancy, the insurance company claimed that the main building would not be covered.

In addition to the main building, the Kenilworth

Lodge has six duplexes and 10 modular efficiencies. Three of the duplexes sustained roof damage and will need new roofs. Two of the three duplexes with damaged roofs also had interior damage.

Of the 10 modular efficiencies, three of them "suffered total losses of their roofs and one was totally destroyed," the report states. The damage for the outbuildings — the duplexes and efficiencies behind the main building — was estimated at \$140,976.01. According to Rush, TD Bank received the insurance money to repair the outbuildings, but the bank did not give the money to the owners for repair.

The insurance policy on the Kenilworth Lodge was force placed by the lender, so the insurance company discussed the repairs with the lender,

not the owner. Monier Rahall, an owner of the Kenilworth, said that he had been unable to get the windstorm policy that TD Bank required due to the age of the building. However, he said, TD Bank can get insurance when property owners can not, because they buy insurance policies in bulk for multiple buildings.

The Kenilworth Lodge sits vacant and in need of over \$500,000 in repairs. While the building waits for renovations, the needed repairs continue to mount and become more costly. Highlands County has seen the impact of historic buildings in Avon Park left lingering on a thin lifeline while waiting for resuscitation. Hopefully, help for the Kenilworth will arrive before the building's pulse is gone.

### NEWS BRIEFS

#### Wacaster Family in concert

SEBRING — The Wacaster Family will be in concert at 10 a.m. today at Spring Lake Presbyterian Church, 5887 U.S. 98 in Sebring. They use awe-inspiring music to spread the Gospel of Christ's love and forgiveness. For more information, call the church at 863-655-0713.

#### Harvest Festival in Avon Park

AVON PARK — Ridge Area Seventh-day Adventist Church will host its Harvest Festival from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at 507 W. Hal McRae Blvd. in Avon Park. Food, fun and games for everyone.

#### Masons serve BBQ lunch

SEBRING — Sebring Masons Lodge 249 will serve an all-you-can-eat barbecue chicken lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at the lodge, corner of Home Avenue and Sebring Parkway. Chicken, coleslaw, baked beans, potato salad, dessert and beverage. \$10 each, takeout available. Public invited.



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# CRIMES

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Approximately half of all homicides and assaults are committed when the offender or victim has been consuming alcohol, according to NCADD.

"Illegal drugs are without a doubt a major factor in crime rates," Scott Dressel, public information officer for the Highlands County Sheriff's Office, said. "In addition to the arrests for selling and possessing illegal narcotics, there are also the violent crimes associated with disputes between dealers and the property crimes that result from users seeking ways to fund their habits."

Lake Placid Police Chief James Fansler agrees with the Sheriff's Office and Sebring PD. "A majority of our crime does seem to be easily connected to drug abuse," Fansler said. "Compared to the 542 pieces of evidence seized in 2017, we have seized nearly 1,100 pieces this year already. Much of that is drug-related cases."

**Poverty.**  
In addition to drugs, poverty also seems to be a significant factor in crime.

"Poverty and crime have a nuanced relationship," said Richard Rosenfeld, a criminology professor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Poverty puts a strain on people and the added stress of tight finances can lead some people to commit crimes to get cash, he said.

Substance abuse makes the problem worse, Rosenfeld said. People who have low incomes are more likely to break the law while under the

influence of drugs, he said.

"Among the poor, substance abuse can be more troublesome than it is among the more affluent," Rosenfeld said. "Among the poor people who use drugs or alcohol, they are more prone to experience more problems."

When people have a lack of financial resources, their criminal activity is more difficult to overcome. People living in poverty can't afford bail and usually rely on public defenders to represent them.

"Poverty has also been shown to be a major factor in crime, and since unemployment and poverty tend to go hand-in-hand, it would be safe to say that unemployment does have an impact on crime rates," Dressel said.

**Peer pressure and mental health issues.**  
"But there are many other factors that cause crime — everything from simple peer pressure all the way up to mental health issues — so identifying the 'main causes of crime' is not as simple as picking one or two issues," Dressel said.

The Highlands News-Sun has noticed that unemployment is related to crime, whether indirectly or directly. Most of the arrest reports that are sent to our newsroom indicate the suspect is unemployed.

**The solutions**  
*Seek treatment for people who are addicted.*

A free national helpline is available for people who are addicted to drugs and alcohol. Overcoming addiction is a major step in reducing crime. People who realize they need help can call the Substance Abuse and

Mental Health Services (SAMHSA) hotline at 1-800-662-HELP (4357). This help is available 24 hours a day, every day of the year. Representatives speak both English and Spanish.

**Tell law enforcement about suspicious activity.**

"The number one ingredient to successful crime reduction is a strong partnership between law enforcement and the community," Fansler said. "The community needs to know they can trust us, and trust we will do what is right for them. Next, is for the community to subscribe to the 'See something, say something' motto. This is very important. Too often we hear folks say 'I don't want to bother the police.'"

"I explain how they can help save tax payer dollars by saying something anytime they see something suspicious," Fansler said. "This usually gets their attention. I explain that law enforcement is a service they already pay for, they might as well use

it."  
**Focus on better education to prevent crime.**

"As a community, we can focus on better education and opportunities for young people to prevent crime, as well as working on communication between the community members and those in education and law enforcement to help us identify those young people who are 'at risk' of venturing down the path that leads to criminal activity," Dressel said. "That is one of the major goals of the COPS ADAPT Unit in the Highlands County Sheriff's Office," Dressel said.

**Develop relationships between the community and law enforcement.**

"Another goal of that unit is to develop relationships with the community that will

help us identify suspects in incidents, such as the shooting this [past] weekend so that we can ensure that they face consequences for their actions," Dressel said.

The COPS Adapt unit — Community Oriented Policing Services to Achieve Diversity and Public Trust — operates in three partner communities: Washington Heights in Sebring, Highway Park in Lake Placid and Southside in Avon Park. The program was launched earlier this year on April 24.

"As a community, we need to take stock in and continue educating our children on the risks and effects of substance abuse as early as possible," Hart said. "It is not uncommon for some pre-kindergarten and elementary-aged children to know what

drugs are and to have seen some type of illegal drug at their age."

**Monitor children's activity and actively engage in parenting.**

"Parents need to be vigilant and not be afraid to monitor their kid's activities and who they are hanging around with," Hart said. "Simply put, parents need to be parents instead of trying to be their kids' best friends!"

Although Highlands County has seen a number of shootings this year and a string of drug arrests, crime in the community can be reduced by law enforcement and citizens working together to form relationships and educate children. Real progress is possible.

The question is, will people step up to be a part of the solution?

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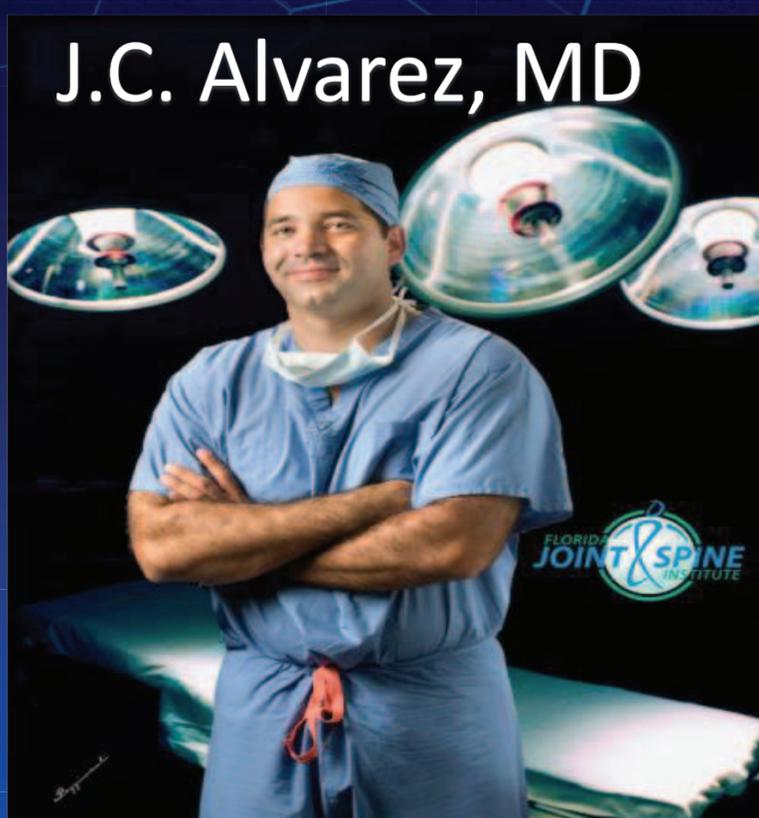
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## New manufacturer in paddock

### Hyundai and Bryan Herta Autosport will compete full time

#### Special to Highlands News-Sun

There will be a new manufacturer led by a championship-winning organization in the IMSA paddock when teams descend upon Daytona International Speedway next January.

Hyundai and Bryan Herta Autosport announced Friday at Sebring International Raceway as part of the Michelin IMSA SportsCar Encore its plans to compete fulltime in the IMSA MICHELIN Pilot Challenge in 2019 with the all-new Hyundai Veloster N TCR race car.

The Veloster N TCR was designed by the same Hyundai Motorsport Customer Racing Team that developed the i30 N TCR. Like its i30 stablemate, the Veloster N TCR will be produced at Hyundai Motorsport Headquarters in Alzenau, Germany. The two cars share around 85 percent of their core components, including the 350-hp 2.0-liter turbocharged engine.

The Veloster N TCR will be fully unveiled closer to the start of the 2019 IMSA MICHELIN Pilot Challenge season, which kicks off on Jan. 25 at

Daytona International Speedway.

"This multi-faceted program by Hyundai and Bryan Herta Autosport is significant, not just in the addition of another high-profile automotive manufacturer to the IMSA paddock, but also a championship-caliber organization and customer program as well," said IMSA President Scott Atherton. "I've personally known Bryan for many years and have no doubt he and Hyundai will put together a high-level, successful program. We couldn't be more pleased to welcome them to the

IMSA family."

The Veloster N TCR is part of the ongoing rollout of the Hyundai N brand globally and addresses the requests of Hyundai Motorsport customer teams in select national markets where the i30 N TCR race car was in competition, but the i30 N road car was not part of a region's production-vehicle model range.

The addition of the Veloster N TCR to the customer motorsports lineup gives teams in national markets where the Veloster N road car is available a more relevant



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platform for their respective audiences. "We're absolutely thrilled to have Bryan

RACE | 3B

## Fishing improves as full moon arrives

The Freshwater Fishing Forecast for the third week of November gives anglers the development full moon phase and a fall weather forecast with temperatures in the perfect range for all freshwater fish to feed at their highest annual rate.

All fishing factors considered, anglers will enjoy above-average fishing results as water temperatures have declined into the ideal range of the middle seventies, causing fish to move shallow to feed daily.

Today, fish have had time to adjust to the cold front of last Friday and Saturday, and now will be forming a true fall season feeding pattern, which means they'll be moving into the shallows to feed more often. And nothing triggers large fall season feeding migrations better than a waxing fairly-strong full moon phase.

The full moon occurs Friday, which means the 'full moon effect' starts to improve 'daily feeding activity'—peak days will be Wednesday through Saturday. The extended weather forecast predicts perfect fishing-factor alignment for Wednesday and Friday, but with significant cloud-cover on the day-night of the full moon.

A cloud-covered full moon always produces great daytime feeding action during the midday hours twelve hours later.

Today you could not ask for better fishing conditions, ideal temperatures, a perfect mix of sun and clouds and a first-quarter moon assisting the post-sunrise and post-sunset periods. Wind speeds and atmospheric pressure change will be weak at best, so fish will take their cue from the sunrise and sunset, feeding briefly during those periods.

**Best Fishing Days:** Because of last week's cold front, today will be the first day of the fall water-temperature range; consistent temps in the lower-to-middle seventies. Nothing causes fish to feed heavy in Florida than a 72-74 degree-low at sunrise, and a 75-77 degree-high during the sunset.

Monday and Tuesday will probably produce moderate to weak feeding activity, then Wednesday through Friday the full moon triggers feeding migrations during the midnight and midday periods with minor action occurring on the sunrise and sunset periods.

The extended weather forecast is predicting significant rainfall on Thanksgiving night and Friday morning, due to a low pressure system dominating the day of the full moon. If this holds true, the daytime full moon fishing could be far better than fishing in the blocked-out light of the full moon at midnight.

**The Major Fishing Periods:** Today the moon is overhead at 9:01 p.m. and the sunset occurs at 5:33 p.m. And the



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FISH | 2B

## Red Devils tie with Titans

### Avon Park plays to a draw with Tenoroc

By JIM TAYLOR  
CORRESPONDENT

AVON PARK – Two games into the season, the Avon Park Red Devils boys soccer team has yet to suffer a defeat.

At the same time, they have not quite crested the wave as they have not gotten a win. After tying Fort Meade on Tuesday 1-1, the Red Devils tied the Tenoroc Titans on Thursday night, also 1-1 to start the season 0-0-2.

"This is what we have been working for," said Avon Park Head Coach Lee Albritton. "When teams come to Avon Park now, they know it is going to be a battle."

Both teams played fairly evenly, Avon Park missing a couple of chances to score, once about ten minutes into the game as Seth McKelvey crossed a pass to Victor Tellez who missed his shot just wide left.

Midway through the first half



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Avon Park's Heleazer Badillo (2) heads the ball away from Tenoroc's Jorge Maldonado during Thursday night's match.



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Avon Park staves off a Tenoroc threat in the second half as sweeper Latroy Hillard (3) clears the ball away from the net on Thursday night at Joe Franza Stadium.

Tenoroc tried to turn up the pressure, showing signs of frustration as the Red Devils continued to turn them away. The Titans incurred two yellow cards during this short period.

After missing a shot attempt with 12 minutes left in the first half, Avon Park took its first lead of the season on a 20-yard free kick by McKelvey, who found a hole in the Titan wall and found the back of the net to give the Red Devils a 1-0 lead, which they held going into the half.

The Titans tied the score early in the second half, catching the Red Devils out of position.

Avon Park's sweeper tried pushing

the ball up the field well into Tenoroc territory, only to turn the ball over. This provided the Titans a fast break opportunity with the Red Devils one short on the defensive side.

The Titans were able to capitalize with a goal to tie the game at 1.

"Just position wise," said Albritton. "Especially when things get frantic, turned the ball over and they come back on a fast break, we kind of lost position a little bit. Just trying to do a little too much, you can't take that out of somebody, we just have to be more disciplined."

SOCCER | 2B

## Rams prepare for Chiefs

### Kansas City and Los Angeles Rams collide in game of the year

By ARNIE STAPLETON  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

This was a respite for the Los Angeles Rams but certainly no vacation.

The team kept its plans to train at the Air Force Academy and stay at the posh Broadmoor Hotel in the Rocky Mountain foothills even after the NFL moved their Monday night showdown with the Kansas City Chiefs to the Los Angeles Coliseum because of a frayed football field at Mexico City's Azteca Stadium.

The primary benefit shifted from altitude acclimation to getting away from the wildfires back home and doing some midseason team bonding.

"It's been a little bit wild for sure, but with that being said, there's a lot more people dealing



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NFL's Game of the Year is moved out of Mexico City because of poor playing conditions at Azteca Stadium. Chiefs-Rams are back in Los Angeles tomorrow night.

with a lot worse than what we're dealing with right now," quarterback Jared Goff said. "We're the lucky ones and we're having a good time out here in Colorado."

The deadly wildfires that are surrounding the Rams' training complex back

home affected some players and coaches directly and some indirectly.

"I personally wasn't affected, but I look at my teammates as family," Ndamukong Suh said. "So, we all have to deal with it in some form or fashion."

The trip to Colorado also

allowed the Rams (9-1) to do some midseason bonding, something tight end Rob Gronkowski said helped the Patriots refocus down the stretch last season after they spent a week at the academy ahead of their game against the Raiders in Mexico City.

Rams coach Sean McVay said he reached out to Patriots coach Bill Belichick for some tips about how they handled the week away in the Rocky Mountains.

"Anybody like a Bill Belichick, if they're able to give you a perspective, it'd be silly not to listen and try to apply it," McVay said.

The Rams will fly home Saturday after what was actually a business trip.

"The Broadmoor's great.

FOOTBALL | 2B

## FOOTBALL

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I haven't played any golf," defensive coordinator Wade Phillips said. "I've got a lot of friends here, but I haven't really seen anybody because we've been working. It's a work trip ... we're getting ready to play a game."

McVay said training in Colorado won't be a waste even though the game now will be played at sea level. "With all the things going on right now, I think there's some guys that, at the time, wouldn't have been able to get back into their houses," McVay said. "There's a lot of things that we were doing here.

One of them was, obviously, to get ready for playing in the elevation and different things like that. It does still serve you well to train in these environments. "So, it'll help us out. Then really, we looked at it as another chance to kind of get away before the bye week, continue to connect as a team where there's not

any real distractions." That bonding may be the ultimate benefit of their brief trip. "If anything, the last week has really made you appreciate the perspective that this gives you," McVay said. "What's so special about football is the brotherhood that you share with the teammates, the coaches, the rapport and just the camaraderie. There's nothing like it.

in the picturesque mountains, the fresh air and the amenities of the Broadmoor, but "I really haven't had a chance to get out and explore. We're in the midst of game planning and things like that, but I know our players have enjoyed it. "They got a chance to go to the Nuggets-Rockets game the other night. I think it's been a great getaway for the team to be together and kind of bond."

## SOCCER

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The Red Devils tried to answer with a couple of shots on goal, both missing wide left, then held off a Titan seven-minute flurry midway through the second half as the game remained tied at one.

For the last 15 minutes of the game, the advantage went slightly to the Red Devils, who had a couple of shots at goal, including one in the closing seconds that missed its mark as the Red Devils start the season with back to back 1-1 ties.

The Red Devils will play their next game at home after the Thanksgiving holiday on Tuesday, Nov. 27 against the Frostproof Bulldogs.

## FISH

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moon is underfoot at 8:36 a.m. and the sunrise at 6:49 a.m. Both periods will produce feeding activity in the 4-range during the 5-8 hours. Daily these periods move later by 45 minutes.

**The Minor Fishing Period:** Today the moonrise occurs at 2:57 p.m. and solar noon at 12:11 p.m. Atmospheric pressure has been dropping at this time by 0.10 in Hg over the past three days and I expect this trend to continue. As is always the case when pressure drops at this rate, fish adjust deeper; from 2-4 feet to 4-7 feet. And the largest bass in the lake wait in ambush points ready to target the most successful feeders which are adjusting deeper in order to enter a digestion-suspended state.

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Visit Istokpoga.info website and click on the links to the South Florida Water Mgmt. (SFWMD) real time S68 and S68X spillway gates status webpage. You'll find water level and flow status data of all water-way structures from Kissimmee to Clewiston. Also provided is a link to the Army Corps of Engineers'

graphical plot, annual water-management schedule website link.

Access this article online at BassFishingForecast.com, 4-9 new moon, 19-24 full moon.

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

"To be able to go through some of these things, to also know that when you're going through real life adversity outside of football, that you have a support system, you have people that care about you unconditionally — that's what's real."

McVay said he took

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# Fantasy tips for this week

By **JOE GALLINA**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Here are my best bets for Week 11:

## GREEN BAY AT SEATTLE

Who to start: Rookie wide receiver Marquez Valdes-Scantling (Packers) deserves flex consideration facing a secondary that has allowed five touchdowns to the position over the past three games. The Packers D/ST is a solid streaming option against such a weak offensive line. Tyler Lockett (Seahawks) is a solid flex call with WR2 upside after scoring a touchdown in seven of nine games.

Who to sit: This is a difficult matchup for the revamped Seahawks D/ST.

Doug Baldwin (Seahawks) may finally feel healthy, but Seattle doesn't throw the football enough to warrant trusting him like we used to. Mike Davis (Seahawks) remains a risky flex candidate with Carson back and the emergence of Rashaad Penny (Seahawks).

Sleeper: Tight end Nick Vannett (Seahawks) has scored a touchdown in two straight games.

## DALLAS AT ATLANTA

Who to start: Dak Prescott (Cowboys) remains a premier streaming option with six teams on a bye. Slot machine Cole Beasley (Cowboys) remains a flex candidate in the deeper PPR formats. Both Calvin Ridley (Falcons) and Mohamed Sanu (Falcons)

deserve flex consideration in deeper leagues.

Who to sit: This is a tough road matchup for the Cowboys D/ST. Allen Hurns (Cowboys) has only received three targets in two weeks with Cooper in the lineup. Ito Smith (Falcons) is game-script reliant.

Sleeper: Rookie wide receiver Michael Gallup (Cowboys) faces a defense that has allowed at least one touchdown to his position in eight straight games.

## CAROLINA AT DETROIT

Who to start: The Panthers D/ST faces an offensive line that has allowed 16 sacks the past two games. A decent volume and matchup

makes Devin Funchess (Panthers) and DJ Moore (Panthers) worthy of flex consideration. Theo Riddick (Lions) deserves flex consideration in deeper PPR formats after essentially replacing Golden Tate in the slot.

Who to sit: Marvin Jones (Lions) sounds like a 50-50 proposition while he's dealing with a bone bruise in his knee. LeGarrette Blount (Lions) remains a touchdown-dependent option.

Sleeper: TJ Jones (Lions) could play a bigger role in the passing game with Marvin Jones either limited or out.

## TENNESSEE AT INDIANAPOLIS

Who to start: Marcus Mariota (Titans) remains a solid streamer with such

a favorable matchup. A high volume and solid matchup enhances the flex value of Dion Lewis (Titans) this week. Such a high volume of touches make it hard to bench Marlon Mack (Colts) even with this difficult matchup.

Who to sit: Derrick Henry (Titans) has been on fire — four touchdowns in three games — but remains a touchdown-dependent option in fantasy. The same can be said for tight end Jonnu Smith (Titans).

Sleeper: Double-digit touches per game help rookie running back Nyheim Hines (Colts) maintain flex value in deeper PPR formats — he's currently on pace for 66 receptions.

## TAMPA BAY AT N.Y. GIANTS

Who to start: Double-digit touches keep Peyton Barber (Buccaneers) in

the flex conversation. Adam Humphries (Buccaneers) has flex value in the deepest PPR formats. A favorable matchup makes Eli Manning (Giants) a solid streaming candidate. A high volume helps Sterling Shepard (Giants) maintain flex value in PPR.

Who to sit: DeSean Jackson (Buccaneers) remains a boom-or-bust option in fantasy. An ankle injury has hampered Chris Godwin (Buccaneers) this week.

Sleeper: This a favorable matchup for the Giants D/ST.



## RACE

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Herta Autosport back with us, racing the new Veloster N TCR at America's most fabled racing circuits in the IMSA MICHELIN Pilot Challenge," said Dean Evans, Hyundai Motor America's Chief Marketing Officer. "After their championship run in 2018, we can't wait to see the show they put on for our fans and

customers in the Veloster N TCR race cars."

In the United States, Bryan Herta Autosport is the designated sales agent for the Veloster N TCR and i30 N TCR customer cars. Bryan Herta Autosport will also provide technical assistance, spares, and parts support to teams campaigning Hyundai TCR models in the U.S.

"Chapter Two is going to be exciting," said Bryan Herta, president and CEO of Bryan Herta

Autosport. "We learned so much by racing and winning with the i30 N TCR last season. We know just how excellent the platform is in hard competition. The Veloster N TCR retains everything great about the i30 N and gives us a world-class race car with a direct road-car counterpart that our fans can purchase and drive every day."

As Hyundai Motorsports heads into its second year of North American competition,

Hyundai Motor America announces that it will support customer teams in the 2019 IMSA MICHELIN Pilot Challenge and 2019 Blancpain GT World Challenge with optional contingency awards programs in each series. Participating teams will be eligible for contingency payouts for each 2019 race based on IMSA or Blancpain GT World Challenge race results and eligibility requirements.

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Sebring's EJ Lockett runs for the end zone in the game against Lake Gibson during the regular season.



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Sebring senior quarterback DJ Williams led the Blue Streaks to the state playoffs this season.



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The Sebring Blue Streak cheerleaders pump up the crowd and players at a game during the season.



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Sebring's DJ Williams runs away from a Lake Gibson defender during a district win.



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# Right ingredients for pilot challenge

## Motorsports In Action ready to race

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Motorsports In Action has just the right combination of equipment and crew in the IMSA MICHELIN Pilot Challenge. Now, they're just seeking a little bit of luck.

For one, the Montreal-based team has their ideal race car, the McLaren GT4. Team Owner Eric Kerub has a 40-year relationship with the manufacturer and IMSA's transition to the universally homologated GT4 platform two years ago caught his eye.

"McLaren was offering a car, IMSA was doing a homologated series which, with all things considered, the cars would be equal," said Kerub. "I said, 'All we need to do is put a good team together, have good drivers and have a good strategy and if you do all those things right, you have a chance to win.'"

"You don't have to rely on the car anymore and how much development you put in it. That ingredient really worked for us from a conceptual point of view. We threw our hat in the big leagues and decided to go straight to GS racing with IMSA."

It was a giant leap for the team that had primarily supported local club racing. With the help of crew chief Carl Hermez - who had previously worked with other MICHELIN Pilot Challenge teams - Motorsports In Action

joined the GS field in 2017. They capped off the year with their first win during the season finale at Road Atlanta, putting them sixth in the final championship standings, and have added six top-five finishes and two MOTUL Pole Awards to its tally.

Another key to its success is the stout driver lineups that have gone through the team's program in just two short years. For its rookie campaign, Kerub tapped Porsche GT3 Cup Challenge champions Chris Green and Jesse Lazare to be his drivers in the No. 76 McLaren GT4. Lazare returned this year alongside 2017 Porsche GT3 Cup Challenge runner-up Corey Fergus.

The driver talent Motorsports In Action has been able to secure is remarkable. In addition to each of their performances in the IMSA-sanctioned, one-make series, Green is a McLaren Brand Ambassador, Lazare is a class winner at the prestigious Rolex 24 At Daytona while Fergus owns the 2015 World Challenge Touring Car championship.

"For me, I knew I had to invest in this program to put a car in the front because quite frankly and realistically, who's going to pay attention to a new team coming into the sport without a pedigree?" asked Kerub. "It's too much of a question mark. If I'm a Pro-Am driver, I'm most likely



IMSA PHOTO

The McLaren GT4. IMSA transitioned to the universally homologated GT4 platform two years ago.

going to go for a known entity that has shown performance throughout many years. The only way we were going to be able to get any of these Pro-Ams or continue our program where it became unusual for somebody was to put our car in the front.

"The investment came from Motorsports In Action to make sure we have a car that we can field in the front to help our visibility, to help future potential two-man teams or Pro-Am teams to come and say, 'Yeah we saw what these guys can do, they can deliver, they



can execute and we want to be with them."

Yet while the team's potential has been on

full display the last two seasons, it's the bad luck that haunts Kerub. He points to this year's race at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca in September when Lazare started from the pole and led the first 22 laps before a sudden wheel nut issue put the team's McLaren in the gravel and out of the race.

"It was an immediate catastrophic failure," Kerub describes. "It wasn't like we had a loose wheel. It drives me crazy."

Their bad luck is the one "ingredient" that has stopped Motorsports In Action from being the

team Kerub knows it can be.

"We have to find drivers and a program now, in the next month and a half," said Kerub. "We executed really well throughout the year given what we were given. Pit stops were excellent, teamwork was excellent, we did the best with what we had, and we are a good team. I really believe that or else I wouldn't be trying to put this thing together. If we didn't have the right ingredients, I wouldn't be trying. We have all the right ingredients, and now we just need a bit of luck."

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# A look back at a successful Red Devils football season



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Avon Park's quarterback Tyrek Dunlap helped the Red Devils qualify for the state playoffs this season.



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Avon Park's Earl Collins pushes away a defender in a game earlier this season.



FILE PHOTO

Avon Park's offensive line ready is to charge in a game earlier this season.



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Avon Park's Xavier Holdman drops his shoulder to get past a defender in a game earlier this season.



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Avon Park's quarterback Tyrek Dunlap runs in a game against Lakeland Christian during the season.



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# A look back at a solid Lake Placid football season



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Lake Placid's Erskin Tolliver does a flip after a win.



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Lake Placid's first-year head coach Andy Judah speaks with quarterback Shamar Mitchell during a time out in a regular season game.



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Lake Placid quarterback Shamar Mitchell (21) hands the ball off to Katwan Ward (3). The dynamic duo led the Green Dragons to the state playoffs.



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Lake Placid's Erskin Tolliver breaks up a pass in a game earlier this season.



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## Trump tours Paradise area devastated by wildfire

By JONATHAN LEMIRE  
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PARADISE, Calif. — From the ashes of a mobile home and RV park, President Donald Trump said Saturday he came to the heart of California's killer wildfire to fully grasp the scale of the desolation wrought on the landscape.

"We're going to have to work quickly. ... Hopefully this is going to be the last of these because this was a really, really bad one," said the president, standing amid the crumpled foundations of homes and twisted steel of melted cars.

"I think everybody's seen the light and I don't think we'll have this again to this extent," Trump said in Paradise, the town largely destroyed by a wildfire ignited Nov. 8 that he called "this monster."

With that bold and perhaps unlikely prediction, Trump pledged that improved forest management practices will diminish future risks. The declaration evoked his initial tweeted reaction to the fire, the worst in the state's history, in which he seemed to blame local officials and threatened to take away federal funding.

When asked if seeing the historic devastation, which stretched for miles and left neighborhoods destroyed and fields scorched, altered his opinion on climate change, Trump answered, "No."

The president has long voiced skepticism



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President Donald Trump talks with, from left, Gov.-elect Gavin Newsom, California Gov. Jerry Brown, Mayor of Paradise Jody Jones and FEMA Administrator Brock Long during a visit to a neighborhood destroyed by the wildfires, Saturday, in Paradise, Calif.

about man's impact on the climate and has been reluctant to assign blame to a warming earth for the increase in the frequency and intensity of natural disasters.

At least 71 people died across Northern California, and authorities are trying to locate more than 1,000 people, though not all are believed missing. More than 5,500 fire personnel were battling the blaze that covered 228 square miles and was about 50 percent contained, officials said.

For Trump, it was a day to comfort a state grieving from twin tragedies, wildfires in both Northern



President Donald Trump says he traveled to the heart of California's killer wildfire to fully grasp the scale of the devastation wrought on the landscape.

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## Trump administration denies reaching conclusion on Khashoggi

By DEB RIECHMANN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration denied on Saturday that it had reached a final determination in the death of Saudi writer Jamal Khashoggi.

After President Donald Trump called his CIA chief and top diplomat from Air Force One as he flew to survey wildfire damage in California, the State Department released a statement saying "recent reports indicating that the U.S. government has made a final conclusion are inaccurate."

American intelligence agencies have concluded that Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman ordered the killing in the Saudi Consulate in Turkey, according to a U.S. official familiar with the assessment. The official was not authorized to discuss the matter publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity Friday. The conclusion was first reported by The Washington Post.

The Saudi government has denied the claim.

Department spokeswoman Heather Nauert said in the statement Saturday that the government was "determined to hold all those responsible for the killing



AP PHOTO

A man holds a poster showing images of Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman and of journalist Jamal Khashoggi, describing the prince as "assassin" and Khashoggi as "martyr" in Turkish and Arabic during funeral prayers in absentia for Khashoggi who was killed last month in the Saudi Arabia consulate, in Istanbul, Friday.

of Jamal Khashoggi accountable" and that "there remain numerous unanswered questions with respect to the murder."

She said the department "will continue to seek all relevant facts" and consult with Congress and other nations "to hold accountable those involved in the killing."

Trump spoke earlier with CIA Director Gina Haspel and Secretary of State Mike Pompeo from Air Force One, press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said. She provided no details but said the president has confidence in the CIA.

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## Gillum officially concedes

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Democrat Andrew Gillum says he is ending his hard-fought race for Florida governor and has congratulated Republican Ron DeSantis. Gillum says in ending his bid for Florida governor that the race "has been the journey of our lives" for the candidate and his wife R. Jai.

Gillum posted a live video on Facebook on Saturday afternoon congratulating DeSantis. Gillum had conceded to Republican Ron DeSantis on election night, but retracted it after the margin between the two candidates narrowed. The race went to a legally required recount, but after an initial machine recount DeSantis still led Gillum by more than 30,000 votes.

In a statement from his campaign late Saturday, Gillum recalled how he had vowed earlier to "fight until the last vote is counted." He then adds that process has gone its course and he wishes to congratulate DeSantis "on becoming the governor of the great state of Florida."

Gillum added, "This fight for Florida continues and I just wanted to thank you all for being along with us for at least this part of the journey, but the journey continues."



This image made from video from Andrew Gillum's Facebook profile shows him with his wife, R. Jai, at a park in Florida. In the video he congratulated Republican Ron DeSantis but vowed to remain politically active, although he gave no clues as to his future plans. His term as Tallahassee mayor ends next week.

## Argentina minister says they cannot recover sunken submarine

By ALMUDENA CALATRAVA  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina — Hours after announcing the discovery of an Argentine submarine lost deep in the Atlantic a year ago with 44 crew members aboard, the government said Saturday that it is unable to recover the vessel, drawing anger from missing sailors' relatives who demanded that it be raised.

Defense Minister Oscar Aguad said at a press conference that the country lacks "modern technology" capable of "verifying the seabed" to extract the ARA San Juan, which was found 2,975 feet deep in waters off the Valdes Peninsula in Argentine Patagonia, roughly 373 miles from the port city of Comodoro Rivadavia.

Earlier in the morning, the navy said a "positive identification" had been made by a remote-operated submersible from the American company Ocean Infinity. The company, commissioned by the Argentine government, began searching for the missing vessel Sept. 7.

It remained unclear what the next steps could be.

In a statement to The

Associated Press, Ocean Infinity CEO Oliver Plunkett said authorities would have to determine how to advance. "We would be pleased to assist with a recovery operation but at the moment are focused on completing imaging of the debris field," he said.

Navy commander Jose Luis Villan urged "prudence," saying that a federal judge was overseeing the investigation and would be the one to decide whether it was possible to recover a part or the entirety of the ship.

Without adequate technological capabilities, however, Argentina would likely need to seek assistance from foreign countries or pay Ocean Infinity or another company, potentially complicating its recent commitment to austerity. Argentina is currently facing a currency crisis and double-digit inflation that has led the government to announce sweeping measures to balance the budget and concretize a financing deal with the International Monetary Fund.

Any move to recuperate the vessel would also be a logistically

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# Florida sues Walgreens, CVS over opioid sales

By **TERRY SPENCER**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT LAUDERDALE — Florida is suing the nation's two largest drugstore chains, Walgreens and CVS, alleging they added to the state and national opioid crisis by overselling painkillers and not taking precautions to stop illegal sales.

Attorney General Pam Bondi announced late Friday that she has added the companies to a state-court lawsuit filed last spring against Purdue Pharma, the maker of OxyContin, and several opioid distributors.

Bondi said in a press release that CVS and Walgreens "played a role in creating the opioid crisis." She said the companies failed to stop "suspicious orders of opioids" and "dispensed unreasonable quantities of opioids from their pharmacies." On average, about 45 people die nationally each day because of opioid overdoses, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"We will continue to pursue those companies that played a role in creating the opioid crisis," said Bondi, who has been mentioned as a possible replacement by President Donald Trump for recently

ousted U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions. "Thousands of Floridians have suffered as a result of the actions of the defendants."

CVS spokesman Mike DeAngelis called the lawsuit "without merit" in a statement Saturday. He said the company trains its pharmacists and their assistants about their responsibilities when dispensing controlled substances and gives them tools to detect potentially illegal sales.

"Over the past several years, CVS has taken numerous actions to strengthen our existing safeguards to help address the nation's opioid epidemic," DeAngelis said.

Walgreens said Saturday it doesn't comment on pending lawsuits.

Until a law enforcement crackdown at the beginning of the decade, Florida was known for its so-called pain mills. Drug dealers from throughout the country would send associates to store-front clinics where unscrupulous doctors would write opioid prescriptions for bogus injuries and illnesses. At one point, 90 of the nation's top 100 opioid prescribers were Florida doctors, according to federal officials.

After receiving the



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**Walgreens and CVS are both being sued by Florida for their roles in the opioid epidemic.**

prescriptions, the phony patients would buy the pills from Florida pharmacies — state law says pharmacists must refuse to fill prescriptions they suspect are not for a valid purpose. Most of the opioids would then be taken out of state to be resold illegally at huge markups, creating a drug crisis in many communities throughout the Eastern United States.

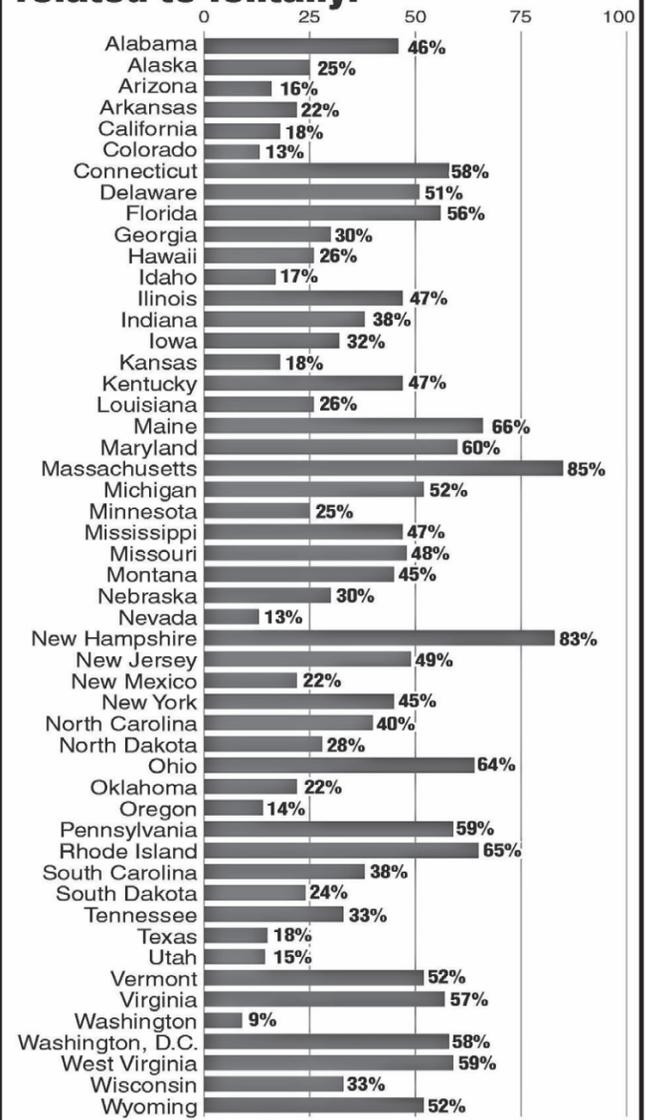
According to the lawsuit, Walgreens has dispensed billions of opioid dosages from its Florida pharmacies since 2006. The Illinois-based chain is the nation's largest drugstore chain and has more than 13,200 stores globally.

The company distributed 2.2 million opioid tablets from its store in Hudson, a Tampa-area town of 12,000, and in one unidentified town of 3,000, sold 285,000 pills in a month, the lawsuit says. In some stores, its opioid sales jumped six-fold in two years. The company paid \$80 million five years ago to resolve a federal investigation that centered on inadequate record keeping of its Florida opioid sales that allowed the pills to reach the black market.

Florida's accusations against CVS were more general, saying it sold 700 million opioid dosages between 2006 and 2014, including outsized sales in Hudson and two other nearby towns. The Rhode Island-based chain has more than 9,800 stores.



## Rate of opioid overdose deaths related to fentanyl



# FBI provides no answers on Parkland shooter tips

By **LISA J. HURIASH**  
SUN SENTINEL (TNS)

SUNRISE — People thought they would finally find out Friday why the FBI dropped the ball on tips about Parkland school shooter Nikolas Cruz.

They learned nothing.

The FBI didn't attend a meeting of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Commission, and the information the agency promised to send never showed up.

Commission members urged the panel not to let the FBI off the hook. If the FBI had done

everything right, it would have attended the meeting "with a band" instead of avoiding spotlight, said commission member Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd.

"To not stand up and take your medicine is not acceptable," he said.

The father of victim Gina Montalto, Tony, said the FBI initially told families during a conference call that it had fumbled the Parkland tips. But a request to sit down with the agency has gone unheeded for months.

"I think they need to be a

little more responsive," he said.

The FBI has acknowledged it mishandled two ominous tips to its national call center about Cruz, the teenager who later gunned down 17 people at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School with an AR-15 rifle.

Both tips suggested that Cruz was a school shooter in the making, but neither was sent to agents in South Florida to check out.

The South Florida Sun Sentinel reported in August that the FBI call center has long depended on low-paid, overworked employees who

were evaluated partly on how quickly they disposed of tips from callers.

Figuring out how agents made decisions, including the botched Cruz case, has been impossible because no one was required to document precisely what information was considered.

With Cruz, the confusion was compounded because the call-taker and her supervisor give conflicting accounts of why one tip was mishandled — each pointing the finger at the other.

Senior FBI officials called the

agency's actions "serious, grave errors," but they considered the mistakes "judgment errors" and refused to say whether anyone was disciplined.

The FBI had told Pinellas County Sheriff Bob Gualtieri, the commission chairman, it would not speak at the meeting, but it promised to send "a packet of information." The commission was supposed to "discuss what they were sending."

Gualtieri said the agency told him it mailed information Nov. 9, but the information never arrived.

## HEADLINES AROUND THE STATE

### Trump would 'love' Bondi to join administration

TALLAHASSEE (AP) — President Donald Trump says he would "love" Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi to join his administration.

Trump made the comments Saturday on his departure from the White House for a trip to California. There has been speculation Trump might consider her to replace the recently ousted Jeff Sessions as attorney general, but the president has not said that.

Bondi was an early supporter of Trump's presidential campaign. Her term as attorney general ends in January.

Trump said he would "consider Pam Bondi for anything." He said she doing a good job in Florida and "I'd

love to have her in the administration."

Bondi has not said what she plans to do when she leaves office. She did not immediately respond to a text message Saturday seeking comment.

### Woman killed in jet dragster crash at raceway

SEBRING (AP) — Officials say a Florida woman was killed in a crash at Sebring International Raceway.

A statement from the raceway says 24-year-old driver Katarina Moller was driving a jet dragster Thursday night when it crashed during an exhibition run.

The Highland County Sheriff's Office is investigating and asking for help from any spectators with video of the crash.

Race officials say Moller



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**Police investigators work the scene of a shooting, Nov. 2, in Tallahassee, Fla.**

was a regular, popular racer at local short tracks. She was in her fifth season driving for Larsen Motorsports.

### Yoga studio shooting hero to get \$30,000 for law school

TALLAHASSEE (AP) — Florida State University's president and board of

trustees have committed \$30,000 of their personal money to help cover law school costs for a man credited with confronting a shooter at a Tallahassee yoga studio and giving others time to escape.

The Tallahassee Democrat reports FSU President John Thrasher and the board made the commitment Friday.

Joshua Quick is a second-year law student at

Florida State. He has been called a hero for struggling with 40-year-old Scott Beierle, who opened fire Nov. 2 at the Hot Yoga studio. Quick has said he grabbed Beierle's gun after it jammed, and hit him.

Two people were killed, and five others were injured. Other students at the studio have said Quick's actions prevented Beierle from shooting more people. Beierle killed himself before authorities arrived.

### Cannon, shipwreck found in the waters off the Florida Keys

KEY LARGO (AP) — Federal scientists say two archaeological artifacts have been found in the waters off the Florida Keys.

A diver swimming

near a reef off Key Largo found a cannon believed to be nearly 200 years old. A commercial fisherman spotted the wooden wreckage from a 19th century ship off Islamorada.

In a statement to the Miami Herald, Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Gena Parsons praised the citizens who reported their finds last month without disturbing the artifacts.

Parsons said both pieces will remain in sanctuary waters. She said the cannon likely came from a sinking ship that crashed on the reef.

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration maritime archaeologist Matthew Lawrence said Hurricane Irma may have made the shipwreck more visible. Coral has been growing on some of the wooden planks.

# Surprise twist: Trump offers aid to Democrat Pelosi as the next House speaker

By LISA MASCARO and KEVIN FREKING  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Democrats won the majority. Now they just need a speaker of the House.

The standoff over Nancy Pelosi's bid to regain the gavel intensified as Democrats left Washington for the Thanksgiving break in what has turned out to be an unsettling finish to an otherwise triumphant week that saw them welcome a historic class of newcomers to Capitol Hill and prepare to take control from Republicans.

President Donald Trump is jumping in to offer some help, saying Saturday that he could "perform a wonderful service" by rounding up Republican votes for Pelosi's candidacy. Trump said he genuinely likes Pelosi and looks forward to working with her, but it's an almost unheard of proposition for the party that relied on the California Democrat as a chief villain on the campaign trail.

"I would help Nancy Pelosi if she needs some votes," Trump told reporters as he left the White House for a trip to survey the devastation from the California wildfires. "I like her, can you believe it? I like Nancy Pelosi. She's tough and she's smart, but she deserves to be speaker, and now they're playing games with her, just like they'll be playing with me."

Pelosi, who was the first woman to become speaker and served from 2007 to 2011, was certain that she will hold that post again. Last week she dismissed a suggestion that she could rely on Republican support to help amass the House majority needed in January when Democrats take control of the chamber after this month's election victory.

"Oh, please, no, never, never, never," she said.



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Trump said he genuinely likes Nancy Pelosi, D., and looks forward to working with her.

Trump went so far Saturday to tweet the name of one Republican congressman, Rep. Tom Reed of New York, who has said he could be open to backing Pelosi if she committed to changes that would shift some power from the House leadership. Reed is a part of the Problem Solvers Caucus, whose members have broached the idea as a show of bipartisanship to help reform Congress. Reed welcomed Trump's tweet Saturday even though GOP lawmakers considering endorsing Pelosi would open themselves up criticism in their 2020 re-election bids for daring to support someone their base has reviled.

"The president understands Congress is broken," said Reed's spokesman Will, Reinert. Reed has said for months "he's open to voting for anyone who promises to reform the House of Representatives for the American people."

Pelosi met with the group last week, but not with Reed or other Republicans.

"Leader Pelosi will win the speakership with Democratic votes," her spokesman Drew Hammill said Saturday.

Pelosi was expected to work the phones from California during the break after meeting privately with newly elected Democrats who could be crucial to her bid. Her foes were equally confident they have the votes to stop her ascension.

# US military chief says tech giants should be willing to work with Pentagon

## He says American tech companies should work with the Pentagon like the Chinese market

By ROB GILLIES  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia — The top U.S. military officer said Saturday that it's problematic that American tech companies don't want to work with the Pentagon but are willing to engage with the Chinese.

U.S. Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Joseph Dunford told the Halifax International Security Forum that the U.S. and its allies are the "good guys." "I have a hard time with companies that

are working very hard to engage in the market inside China ... then don't want to work with the U.S. military," he said. "I just have a simple expression: 'We are the good guys.'"

Earlier this year, thousands signed a petition asking Google's chief executive to cancel Project Maven, which provides the Pentagon with the company's artificially intelligent algorithms to interpret video images and improve the targeting of drone strikes. Google later said it

would scuttle the project, according to published reports.

Dunford avoided mentioning Google by name, but said companies that share intellectual property with Chinese entrepreneurs are essentially sharing it with the Chinese military.

Google is reportedly worked on a mobile version of its search engine that will comply with strict censorship controls in China.

"This is not about doing something that's unethical, illegal or immoral," he said. "This is about ensuring that we collectively can defend the values for which we stand. That would be the argument I make to the tech companies." Dunford said the U.S.

has had a competitive advantage since World War II because of public and private cooperation and noted that whoever masters artificial intelligence will have an edge in combat.

The Halifax International Security Forum attracts U.S. military officials, senators, diplomats and scholars and is marking its tenth anniversary this year.

At the forum, a stirring video tribute was played of late Sen. John McCain.

McCain was a regular at the forum and his wife, Cindy, presented an award Saturday in his honor to the people of Lesbos, Greece for their work welcoming refugees.

"We've lost his voice now at a time when it was most needed," Cindy McCain said. "It's up to us, now."

## HEADLINES AROUND THE NATION

### Bones of man dead 800 years found

ANTIOCH, Ill. (AP) — A woman doing landscaping on her suburban Chicago property unearthed the bones of a man who died 800 to 1,000 years ago.

The Lake County News-Sun reports that the woman was digging in Antioch Township near Fox Lake in September when she unearthed some bones. She called authorities when she found a jaw that looked human.

Crime scene investigators, anthropologists and other experts secured the area and recovered 75 percent of the skeleton of a man of about 20 to 30 years old who died at least 800 years ago.

### Authorities investigating mass bird death

HILLSBORO, Ore. (AP) — Federal and state authorities are investigating a mass bird death in northwestern Oregon.

Officials say a bald eagle, red-tailed hawk and dozens of red-winged blackbirds and European starlings were found dead in a field in Hillsboro earlier this week.

Oregon State Police are investigating, and some birds have been taken to a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service lab in Ashland for

testing.

Portland General Electric says crews checked a nearby transformer but it's designed to be safe for birds, and it's unlikely the birds were electrocuted.

Audubon Society of Portland Conservation Director Bob Sallinger says it's possible the smaller birds were poisoned, and the larger, predatory birds died after eating them.

### Arizona sheriff plans for registry of dementia patients

BULLHEAD CITY, Ariz. (AP) — The Mohave County Sheriff's Office is planning to create a registry of Alzheimer's and other dementia patients to help authorities find them more quickly if they go missing.

Sheriff Doug Schuster said it would be worthwhile for his office to offer the northwestern Arizona county a registry that covers a range of diseases and characteristics, the Mohave Valley Daily News reported this week.

Schuster said he would like to have work on a registry started by next spring. Families or caretakers could also add information about children and adults with autism, Down syndrome and developmental disabilities, he said.

# Museum wants to put giant balloon in space as art

RENO, Nev. (AP) — A museum in Nevada says it is about to send a diamond-shaped sculpture into space that will be visible to the naked eye at night.

The Nevada Museum of Art's \$1.5 million project will launch Monday from California's Vandenberg Air Force Base, the Reno Gazette Journal reported. But while on Earth, it has not had a smooth ride, with some scientists deeming it obnoxious and a blemish on the night sky.

"If everybody loves a piece of art, then it's probably not doing its job," museum spokeswoman Amanda Horn said. "But if people are talking about it, then it's already achieving its goal. It's doing what it's supposed to do."

The 100-foot-long sculpture will be stuffed in a package attached to a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket. The sculpture that self-inflates as a balloon will burst from the package and remain in orbit for about 60 days before it burns.

It is made of a polyester film-like material and will look like a sparkle at night. It will orbit Earth once every 90 minutes,

passing over the Reno area most nights.

The "Orbital Reflector" project is the idea of Berlin-based artist Trevor Paglen, who said the project was "designed as a provocation."

"An opportunity to think about outer space, the geopolitics of the heavens, and the militarization of earth orbits," he wrote in an essay. "It's a project about public space, and a project about who gets to exercise power over our planetary commons, and on what terms."

And, indeed, it has provoked some people.

"Adding another satellite like this brings nothing beyond what the many purposeful ones in orbit look like already. Or the many natural phenomena already there to enthrall. It's a completely empty artistic statement," Mark McCaughrean, senior adviser for Science & Exploration at the European Space Agency, tweeted in August.

A Kickstarter campaign and contributions from museum donors are funding the project.

People can track the balloon using the app Star Walk 2.

# Forever Stocks? Not in this constantly changing world

Dear Mr. Berko: I'd like to thank you.

We used the pro bono lawyer you recommended in 2012. It took a long time to settle, but he got our 16-year-old son more than we expected — about \$140,000 — and our only cost was his firm's expenses, about \$17,000. How could he have afforded to do this?

Could you please help us again and advise us on how to invest this money? We don't want to buy mutual funds or annuities, so could you recommend a portfolio of A-rated stocks that pay good dividends and stocks he could own for his entire life without having to watch them? — SG, Cleveland

Dear SG: "Pro bono" is a Latin term for professional work undertaken voluntarily and without payment. Most big law firms accept qualified legal cases for people who can't afford their services.

It's considered a payback or a form of community service. And the firm you used considers pro bono work a sacrament. The attorney who handled your case is a partner in that firm and doesn't need the money. I'm pleased that my recommendation helped you.

But the answer to your last question is "no!"

In response to a similar question 30 years ago, I might have recommended such stalwarts as Polaroid, U.S. Steel, Kodak, General Electric, Xerox, Sears, Lehman Brothers, Texaco, WorldCom, Pan Am, J.C. Penney and Circuit City. There've been three industrial "evolutions" that have shaped our modern society, and today we are on the brink of the Fourth Industrial Revolution. It's a fusion of technologies, the likes of which few of us can imagine. It's a blurring of lines among the physical, digital and biological spheres of knowledge, and it's happening at exponential speeds, such that thousands of today's businesses could become

obsolete in the blink of an eye. There will be massive, world-changing innovations in the coming dozen years that may make "Star Trek's" mind-blowing technologies look antiquated.

I can recommend International Business Machines (IBM-\$120) and its 5.2 percent dividend, which has increased annually for 25 years. I like Royal Dutch Shell (RDSA-\$27) and its 5.6 percent dividend, which has a good history of increases. And I'd have to recommend AbbVie (ABBV-\$82), with a 4.7 percent dividend, AT&T (T-\$30.50), with a 6.7 percent dividend, and Verizon Communications (VZ-\$57), yielding 4.3 percent. Each of those companies has a fine long-term dividend growth record. And I'd have to add Southern Co. (SO-\$45), with a dividend yield of 5.3 percent, and Kraft Heinz (KHC-\$53), with a 4.6 percent dividend yield. All of the above companies are rated A to A++ by Value Line. However, each of those classy companies could

be zapped tomorrow by technological lightning just like Polaroid, Sears and Xerox.

Frankly, even a classy, carefully chosen portfolio of A-rated stocks can lose its mojo. In the past dozen years, the Dow Jones industrial average has performed better than T, RDSA, VZ, SO and even IBM. And so have hundreds of no-load mutual funds, including Vanguard PrimeCap Fund (VPMCX-\$137), which uses a growth-oriented multi-manager approach and has a low 0.39 percent expense ratio. Its one-, three- five- and 10-year records are all above 13.5 percent. Vanguard Mid-Cap Index Fund (VIMSX-\$42) has historically outperformed large-cap stocks by a wide margin and has a 0.18 percent expense ratio. Its one-, three-, five- and 10-year performance records are above 11 percent. Then consider Fidelity Contrafund (FCNTX-\$12.50), a superb growth fund managed by Will Danoff since 1990. It has a 0.74 percent expense ratio, and its

one-, three-, five- and 10-year performance records are all above 13 percent. Finally, Fidelity OTC (FOCPX-\$11), with a 0.81 percent expense ratio, is high-risk but high-performance, too. Its one-, three-, five- and 10-year performance statistics are all over 17.5 percent.

I recommend that you invest an equal share of

all of that money in the above four funds. But if you must own common stocks, then invest only \$25,000 in each of those mutual funds and put an equal share of the remaining \$40,000 in the above stocks. And remember to reinvest the dividends.

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# Trump says report that he questioned Pence's loyalty is 'phony'

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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump denied a news report that he was questioning Vice President Mike Pence's loyalty.

"I can't imagine any

President having a better or closer relationship with their Vice President," he wrote on Twitter Saturday. A New York Times report Friday cited unidentified sources who said Trump was repeatedly asking aides and advisers about whether Pence was loyal. "The New York Times

did a phony story, as usual, about my relationship with @VP Mike Pence. They made up sources and refused to ask me, the only one that would know, for a quote," Trump said in a separate Twitter post. Asked about the story Saturday while attending an economic conference

in Papua New Guinea, Pence said he had a "good relationship" with the president.

"The president and I are very close," Pence said. "I've been honored to serve as his vice president, honored when he asked me to run with him again."

Pence said the report "came up" in his discussions with Trump, without providing more details.

"We had a good laugh and the president said to me, 'There are no anonymous sources that would say what that article said.'"

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and Southern California as well as a mass shooting at a popular college bar north of Los Angeles.

Wearing a camouflage "USA" hat, Trump gazed solemnly at the devastation in Paradise.

Several burned-out buses and cars were nearby. Trees were burned, their branches bare and twisted. Homes were totally gone; some foundations remained, as did a chimney and, in front of one house, a Mickey Mouse lawn ornament. The fire was reported to have moved through the area at 80 mph.

"It's going to work out well, but right now we want to take of the people that are so badly hurt," Trump said visiting what remained of the Skyway Villa Mobile Home and RV Park. He noted "there are areas you can't even get to them yet" and the sheer number of people unaccounted for.

"I think people have to see this really to understand it," Trump said.

The president later toured an operation centers, met with response commanders and praised the work of firefighters, law enforcement and representatives of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

"We've never seen anything like this in California," he said. "It's total devastation."

Trump took a helicopter tour en route to Chico before he toured Paradise. A full cover of haze and the smell of smoke greeted the president upon his arrival at Beale Air Force Base near Sacramento.

"They're out there fighting and they're fighting like hell," Trump said of the first responders.

He pledged that Washington would do its part by coming to the Golden State's aid and urged the House's Republican leader, Rep. Kevin McCarthy of California, a Trump ally and frequent White House visitor, to "come to the office" to help secure the needed funding.

Trump, who left Washington early Saturday and didn't expect to return to the White House until well past midnight, planned to travel several hundred miles south to visit with victims of a recent country music bar shooting. A gunman killed a dozen people at the Borderline Bar & Grill in Thousand Oaks on Nov. 7 before committing suicide.

Trump long has struggled to convey empathy to victims of national disasters and tragedies. His first reaction to the fires came in a tweet last

week that drew criticism as unnecessarily critical and tone-deaf given the devastation: "There is no reason for these massive, deadly and costly forest fires in California except that forest management is so poor. Billions of dollars are given each year, with so many lives lost, all because of gross mismanagement of the forests."

After the negative reaction to his response, Trump shifted gears, expressing words of encouragement to first responders and those of sympathy for hit victims.

Nature and humans share blame for the wildfires, but fire scientists are divided as to whether forest management played a major role. Nature provides the dangerous winds that have whipped the fires, the state has been in a drought and human-caused climate change over the long haul is killing and drying the shrubs and trees that provide the fuel.

When Trump was asked during an interview set to air on "Fox News Sunday" whether climate change played a role in the number of serious fires, he said "maybe it contributes a little bit. The big problem we have is management."

Before departing Saturday, Trump outlined what he planned to discuss with California Gov. Jerry Brown and Gov-elect



AP PHOTO

**President Donald Trump talks with from left, Gov.-elect Gavin Newsom, California Gov. Jerry Brown, Paradise Mayor Jody Jones and FEMA Administrator Brock Long during a visit to a Paradise neighborhood destroyed by the wildfires, Saturday.**

Gavin Newsom, both Democrats: "We will be talking about forest management. ... The one thing is that everybody now knows that this is what we have to be doing and there's no question about it. It should have been done many years ago, but I think everybody's on the right side."

In Northern California, Trump's skepticism about the impact of climate change on the wildfires was on display when he, Brown and Newsom spoke to reporters. Asked if he thought climate change played a role in the fires, Brown responded: "Yes. Yes. And we'll let science determine this over a longer period of time."

A reporter asked if climate change was discussed with the president, but Trump jumped in to

say, "We didn't discuss it."

A reporter then said, "Well, you obviously disagree on this issue." Trump answered, in part: "Maybe not as different as people think. Is it happening? Things are changing. And I think most importantly we're doing things about. We're gonna make it better. We're going to make it a lot better. And it's gonna happen as quickly as it can possibly happen."

Brown and Newsom said they welcomed the president's visit, with the governor suggesting they set aside political differences since it "now is a time to pull together for the people of California."

Brown, a fierce advocate of addressing climate change, pointed to several causes and they need to deal with them.

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Trump told reporters before he left the White House for California that, when it came to the crown prince, "as of this moment we were told that he did not play a role. We're going to have to find out what they have to say."

In his remarks, the president spoke of Saudi Arabia as "a truly spectacular ally in terms of jobs and economic development."

"I have to take a lot of things into consideration" when deciding what measures to take against the kingdom, he said.

The State Department statement noted the administration's recent actions against a number of Saudis, but also cited the need to maintain "the important strategic relationship" between the two allies.

The intelligence agencies' conclusion will bolster efforts in

Congress to further punish the close U.S. ally for the killing. The administration this past week penalized 17 Saudi officials for their alleged role in the killing, but American lawmakers have called on the administration to curtail arms sales to Saudi Arabia or take other harsher punitive measures.

Saudi Arabia's top diplomat has said the crown prince had "absolutely" nothing to do with the killing.

Vice President Mike Pence told reporters traveling with him at a summit of Pacific Rim nations in Papua New Guinea that he could not comment on "classified information." He said Saturday "the murder of Jamal Khashoggi was an atrocity. It was also an affront to a free and independent press, and the United States is determined to hold all of those accountable who are responsible for that murder."

The United States will "follow the facts," Pence said, while

trying to find a way of preserving a "strong and historic partnership" with Saudi Arabia.

Khashoggi, a Saudi who lived in the United States, was a columnist for the Post and often criticized the royal family. He was killed Oct. 2 at the Saudi Consulate in Istanbul. Turkish and Saudi authorities say he was killed inside the consulate by a team from the kingdom after he went there to get marriage documents.

This past week, U.S. intelligence officials briefed members of the Senate and House intelligence committees, and the Treasury Department announced economic sanctions on 17 Saudi officials suspected of being responsible for or complicit in the killing.

Among those targeted for sanctions were Mohammed al-Otaibi, the diplomat in charge of the consulate, and Maher Mutreb, who was part of the crown prince's entourage on

trips abroad.

The sanctions freeze any assets the 17 may have in the U.S. and prohibit any Americans from doing business with them.

Also this past week, the top prosecutor in Saudi Arabia announced he will seek the death penalty against five men suspected in the killing. The prosecutor's announcement sought to quiet the global outcry over Khashoggi's death and distance the killers and their operation from the kingdom's leadership, primarily the crown prince.

Trump has called the killing a botched operation that was carried out very poorly and has said "the cover-up was one of the worst cover-ups in the history of cover-ups."

But he has resisted calls to cut off arms sales to the kingdom and has been reluctant to antagonize the Saudi rulers. Trump considers the Saudis vital allies in his Mideast agenda.

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large and challenging undertaking based on the submarine's distance from the coast, its depth, and the kind of seabed upon which it is resting.

Relatives of crew members were determined to fight for it to be quickly surfaced.

Isabel Vilca, the half sister of crewman Daniel Alejandro Polo, told the AP that the discovery was just the beginning.

She said families need to recover the remains of their loved ones to know what happened and help prevent similar tragedies.

"We do know they can get it out because Ocean Infinity told us they can, that they have equipment," said Luis Antonio Niz, father of

crew member Luis Niz. "If they sent him off, I want them to bring him back to me."

The sub's discovery was announced just two days after families of the missing sailors held a one-year commemoration for its disappearance on Nov. 15, 2017. The San Juan was returning to its base in the coastal city of Mar del Plata when contact was lost.

On the anniversary Thursday, Argentina President Mauricio Macri said the families of the submariners should not feel alone and delivered an "absolute and non-negotiable commitment" to find "the truth."

On Saturday, Aguad said that the vessel was found to be in an area that investigators had deemed "most likely."

Officials showed images of the submarine, which was located on a seabed with its hull totally deformed. Parts of its propellers were buried and debris was scattered up to 230 feet away.

The German-built diesel-electric TR-1700 class submarine was commissioned in the mid-1980s and was most recently refitted between 2008 and 2014. During the \$12 million retrofitting, the vessel was cut in half and had its engines and batteries replaced. Experts said refits can be difficult because they involve integrating systems produced by different manufacturers, and even the tiniest mistake during the cutting phase can put the safety of the ship and crew at risk.

The navy said

previously the captain reported on Nov. 15, 2017, that water entered the snorkel and caused one of the sub's batteries to short-circuit. The captain later communicated that it had been contained.

Some hours later, an explosion was detected near the time and place where the San Juan was last heard from. The navy said the blast could have been caused by a "concentration of hydrogen" triggered by the battery problem reported by the captain.

Macri promised a full investigation after the submarine was lost. Federal police raided naval bases and other buildings last January as part of the probe, soon after the government dismissed the head of the navy.

Argentina gave up

hope of finding survivors after an intense search aided by 18 countries, but a few navy units have continued providing logistical support to Ocean Infinity.

On Saturday, Plunkett tweeted: "Our thoughts are with the many families affected by this terrible tragedy. We sincerely hope that locating the resting place of the ARA San Juan will be of some comfort to them at what must be a profoundly difficult time." He also said: "This was an extremely challenging project and today's successful outcome, following the earlier search operations, firmly endorses our technology."

The company unsuccessfully searched for the Malaysia Airlines plane that disappeared in 2014 over the Indian Ocean.

### ALMANAC

Today is **Sunday, Nov. 18**, the 322nd day of 2018. There are 43 days left in the year.

### Today in history

On **Nov. 18, 1978**, U.S. Rep. Leo J. Ryan, D-Calif., and four others were killed in Jonestown, Guyana, by members of the Peoples Temple; the killings were followed by a night of mass murder and suicide by more than 900 cult members.

### On this date

In **1883**, the United States and Canada adopted a system of Standard Time zones.

In **1916**, the World War I Battle of the Somme pitting British and French forces against German troops ended inconclusively after 4 1/2 months of bloodshed.

In **1928**, Walt Disney's first sound-synchronized animated cartoon, "Steamboat Willie" starring Mickey Mouse, premiered in New York.

In **1936**, Germany and Italy recognized the Spanish government of Francisco Franco.

In **1959**, "Ben-Hur," the Biblical-era spectacle starring Charlton Heston, had its world premiere in New York.

In **1966**, U.S. Roman Catholic bishops issued a Pastoral Statement on Penance and Abstinence, which did away with the rule against eating meat on Fridays outside of Lent.

In **1985**, the comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," created by Bill Watterson, was first published. (The strip ran for 10 years.)

In **1987**, the congressional Iran-Contra committees issued their final report, saying President Ronald Reagan bore "ultimate responsibility" for wrongdoing by his aides. A fire at London King's Cross railway station claimed 31 lives.

In **1991**, Shiite Muslim kidnappers in Lebanon freed Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite and Thomas Sutherland, the American dean of agriculture at the American University of Beirut.

In **2003**, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court ruled 4-to-3 that the state constitution guaranteed gay couples the right to marry.

In **2004**, Britain outlawed fox hunting in England and Wales.

### Today's birthdays

Actress Brenda Vaccaro is 79. Author-poet Margaret Atwood is 79. Actress Linda Evans is 76. Actress Susan Sullivan is 76. Country singer Jacky Ward is 72. Actor Jameson Parker is 71. Actress-singer Andrea Marcovicci is 70. Rock musician Herman Rarebell is 69. Singer Graham Parker is 68. Actor Delroy Lindo is 66. Comedian Kevin Nealon is 65. Pro Football Hall of Fame quarterback Warren Moon is 62. Actor Oscar Nunez is 60. Actress Elizabeth Perkins is 58. Singer Kim Wilde is 58. Rock musician Kirk Hammett (Metallica) is 56. Rock singer Tim DeLaughter is 53. Actor Romany Malco is 50. Actor Owen Wilson is 50. Actor Dan Bakke Dahl is 50. Singer Duncan Sheik is 49. Actor Mike Epps is 48. Actress Peta Wilson is 48. Actress Chloe Sevigny is 44. Country singer Jessi Alexander is 42. Actor Steven Pasquale is 42. Rock musician Alberto Bof (Lukas Nelson & Promise of the Real) is 41. Rapper Fabolous is 41. Actor-director Nate Parker is 39. Rapper Mike Jones is 38. Actress Mekia Cox is 37. Actress-comedian Nasim Pedrad is 37. Actress Allison Tolman is 37. Actor Damon Wayans Jr. is 36. Country singer TJ Osborne (Brothers Osborne) is 34. Actor Nathan Kress is 26.

### Bible verse

"Then they said one to another, We do not well: this day is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, some mischief will come upon us: now therefore come, that we may go and tell the king's household." — **2 Kings 7:9.**

*As Christians we cannot withhold the Good News of salvation through Jesus. Share Christ with someone today.*

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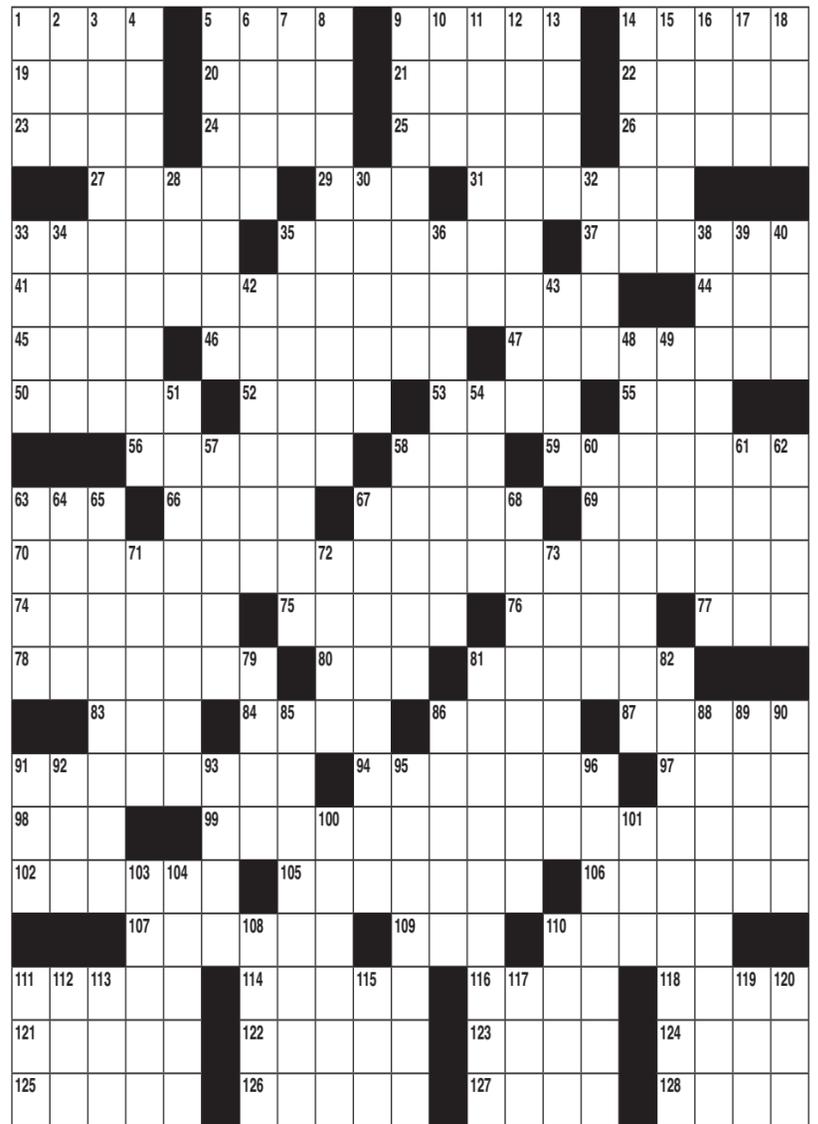
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ESCAPE ROOM

BY ERIC BERLIN / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

This crossword represents an escape room, with four articles you'll need hidden inside. After you complete the grid, follow the directions at 41-, 70- and 99-Across to find what to do next. Working correctly will lead you to a four-word phrase with a total of 12 letters.

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25 Outside the city
26 Any member of Abba
27 Automotive debut of 1957
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111 Unconventional
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116 "Just foolin'"
118 Algerian port
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124 Grp. founded by 12 countries
125 Luau, basically
126 Brothers' name in R.&B.
127 Symbol of fire prevention
128 Vehicle that requires no fuel
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2 Goof
3 Confidently said
4 Pre-GPS staple
5 Subject with variables
6 Daily \_\_\_ (British paper)
7 Part of some physicals: Abbr.
8 Attribute of many political ads
9 Soup with a red color
10 Prefix with pressure
11 React with fear or delight
12 Ralph and Alice, on old TV
13 Actress Ward
14 Trig function
15 Native Iowan
16 Citizen of: Suffix
17 Actor Beatty
18 It's mined, all mined!
28 Common middle name for girls
30 Constantly fidgeting, say
32 Game with 42 territory cards
33 Slovenly type
34 Prefix with byte
35 "Famous \_\_\_" (slogan on Idaho license plates)
36 Pause
38 Went on and on
39 Yiddish cries
40 Second of April?
42 Wretched smell
43 "Hey! That hurts!"
48 Kind of Hollywood romance
49 Literary scholars debate what's in it
51 Getting to the point?
54 Solution to a maze
57 Specks
58 They might drop down
60 Almost forever
61 Nothing more than
62 Latin 101 word
63 Petty disagreement
64 Also
65 Beleaguers
67 Horrible headache
68 Anesthesiologist's concern
71 "The Bridge at Narni" painter
72 Internet sensation
73 Nut whose name sounds like a sneeze
79 Shock, in a way
81 Flowering evergreen shrubs
82 Bucks
85 Administrants of corporal punishment
86 "Can you explain that further?"
88 Requiring intellect
89 It might end in a ZIP code: Abbr.
90 Ph.D. requirement: Abbr.
91 Tiny "tiny"
92 Forum greeting
93 Former Yankee nickname
95 Soft and smooth
96 Happy wintertime news for schoolkids
100 Semi fuel
101 Golfer Michelle
103 Kinds
104 "Awesome!"
108 California city north of Ventura
110 Mythical queen of Carthage
111 Your and my
112 It has a big deck
113 Aunt: Sp.
115 Toledo-to-Columbus dir.
117 A Kardashian
119 Dined
120 Silent approval

FOR ANSWERS TURN TO PAGE 3

Ask the Fool

General Electric Blues

Q I saw that General Electric just cut its dividend. What's going on? — G.L., Norwich, Connecticut

A General Electric has been struggling in recent years; it was even removed from the Dow Jones Industrial Average, where it had held a position ever since the index was created more than a century ago. It sliced its dividend in half last year and has now slashed it by 92 percent, to just a penny — presumably to avoid interrupting its 119-year dividend-paying streak.

The dividend cut is part of a plan to strengthen GE's balance sheet. The company also aims to split its GE Power unit into two pieces — and to spin off its GE Healthcare business, which should command a steeper valuation.

Its recent third-quarter earnings report featured plunging earnings, adding to many investors' concern. But GE still posted more than \$1 billion in free cash flow for the quarter, and its aviation segment has a massive backlog because of rising global demand for air travel.

All is not lost for GE investors, but a turnaround will take time. In the meantime, the stock is a great reminder that well-respected companies can fall on tough times, and dividends don't always grow.

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Q What are "government securities"? — R.T., Kenosha, Wisconsin

A They're bonds that a government sells in order to raise money. In the U.S., they include Treasury bills (maturing in a year or less), notes (maturing in one to 10 years) and bonds (maturing in more than 10 years). As they're backed by our government, they're viewed as ultra-safe, with little risk of default — which is why they can offer relatively low interest rates. You can buy or sell Treasuries via many brokerages, or at TreasuryDirect.gov.

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Fool's School

Value Investing, Explained

If you're not practicing value investing, you might want to, as it's favored by respected investors such as Warren Buffett. Value investing involves buying stocks for less than they're really worth and holding them as their value grows.

Simply put, it's all about finding bargains, along with a margin of safety. Understand that a stock's current price isn't the same as its intrinsic value — what it's truly worth. The current price is simply the last price at which it traded, reflecting what investors think of the stock. It's hard to precisely pin down a stock's intrinsic value, so buying at a price considerably lower than what you think it is will give you a margin of safety, helping you become more likely to make money than lose it.

You can get a rough idea of whether a stock is over- or undervalued by checking its price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio and comparing it to those of the company's peers and to its own average P/E ratio over the past

few years. (Many of these numbers can be found at sites such as Morningstar.com and Yahoo! Finance.) Favor companies with little to no debt and with financial statements that you can understand.

Seek portfolio candidates among established companies with depressed stock prices due to temporary problems. For example: When the housing market slumps, so do stocks of home-improvement retailers. If sugar is temporarily in short supply, companies that depend on it may see their stocks fall for a while. A fast-growing company might see its stock drop if it posts disappointing quarterly earnings because it's funneling more money into furthering its growth.

Once you find a great business selling at a good price with a solid margin of safety, don't panic if the stock price drops after you buy. Expect volatility and have patience as you wait for the stock to eventually approach its intrinsic value.

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My Dumbest Investment

Bad Tipper

My dumbest investment would have to be Energen Corp. The choice of the company wasn't necessarily dumb — the dumb thing was that it was a cocktail party kind of tip into which I sank 90 percent of my cash on hand, buying at \$21.73 a share.

I managed to sell 10 percent of my holding when it bounced back close to the stock price at which I purchased it. I used that money to buy some stocks recommended by The Motley Fool. Live and learn. — E.M., online

The Fool Responds: You're right that cocktail party tips can be risky, in part because you typically know little about how savvy and successful an investor the person offering the tip is. You don't know if they've sunk any of their own money into the stock, either. Still, a tip might work out well — as long as you do your due diligence, studying the company closely and assessing its attractiveness as a portfolio candidate.

Energen has definitely tumbled from where it was early in the year, but that doesn't mean it's a bad long-term investment. Remember that the best stocks will generally reward you well over many years, despite various ups and downs. Energen bulls are optimistic about the company's technology, which enables wireless charging at a distance, while bears note that Energen is still young and small — and not yet profitable.

The Motley Fool Take

Growing Pains and a Big Dividend

IBM (NYSE: IBM) is a perfect example of a well-respected company undergoing what many hope is a temporary rough patch. Its shares recently hit a two-year low, pushing its dividend yield up to 5 percent. The news arrived less than two weeks after a mixed third-quarter report.

The company is acquiring enterprise software provider Red Hat to strengthen its cloud computing business, one of the key "strategic imperatives" (cloud, analytics, mobile, security and social) that Big Blue is trying to grow to offset the weakness of its legacy businesses.

IBM's push into cloud computing, though tardy, is beginning to pay off. On a trailing-12-month basis, cloud revenue totaled \$19 billion in the third quarter, up 20 percent year over year. More important, cloud revenue now comprises about a quarter of all revenue at IBM.

Meanwhile, IBM looks to be on the leading edge of the blockchain revolution. Blockchain is a distributed way of tracking data that may have applications in a wide variety of fields, including finance. IBM is already testing its proprietary blockchain technology with a dozen banks in Southeast Asia, and it is developing blockchain-based shipping solutions, too. IBM's future isn't clearly golden, but patient believers can enjoy significant dividend income while waiting.

LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

I trace my roots back to 1930, when the Oak Ridge Telephone Company was bought for \$500. Over the years, I bought other telecom companies (such as Qwest, Savvis and Level 3 Communications) and some security businesses, too. I was added to the S&P 500 in 1999. In the early 2000s, I operated in 22 states and was focused on rural markets. Today, headquartered in Monroe, Louisiana, and with a market value recently near \$23 billion, I'm the second largest U.S. communications provider to global enterprise customers, serving customers in more than 60 countries. Who am I? (Answer: CenturyLink)

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Name That Company

I trace my roots back to 1900, when my founders bought 900,000 acres of timberland from a railroad. I helped start the forest fire protection movement. World War I airplanes were built with my spruce wood. After the Mount St. Helen's eruption, I salvaged enough wood to build 85,000 homes. Based in Seattle and valued near \$20 billion, I'm one of the world's largest private timberland owners — I own or control 12.4 million acres, mostly in the U.S. I'm one of the largest makers of wood products, and I've planted more than a billion trees in the past decade. Who am I?

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

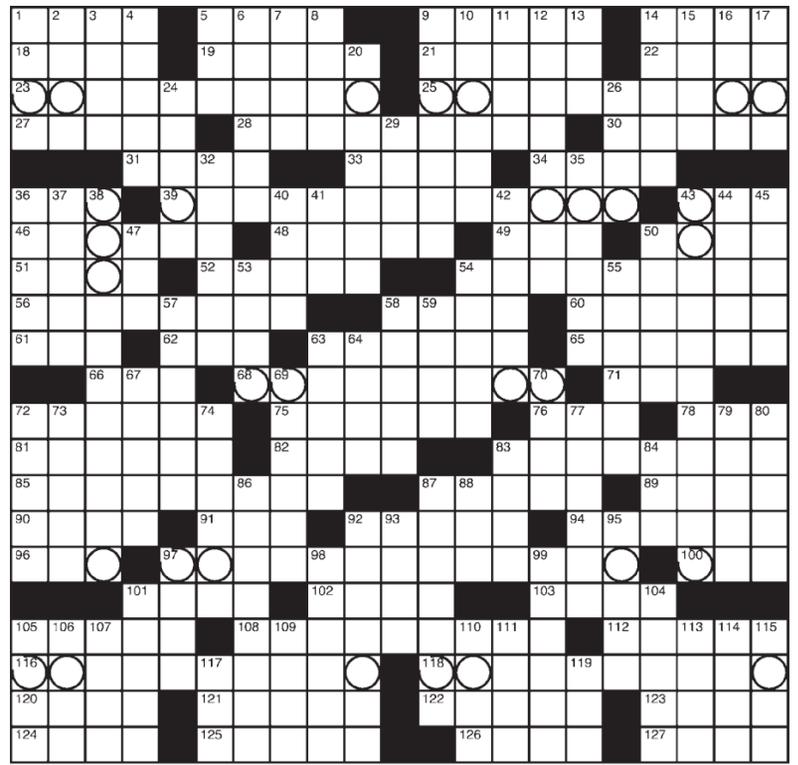
CROSSWORD PUZZLE

**BRO HUG**  
By C.C. Burnikel

- ACROSS**
- 1 Stack in a cabinet
  - 5 "What a surprise to run into you!"
  - 9 Fraternity letter
  - 14 Out of juice
  - 18 "It's my turn!"
  - 19 Quick looks
  - 21 Used at the table
  - 22 Actress Swenson
  - 23 Corporate criminal's undoing
  - 25 Orbit, e.g.
  - 27 Public row
  - 28 Sign at a takeout window
  - 30 Ethereal glows
  - 31 "Basket of Bread" painter
  - 33 Finish off
  - 34 Decline the invite, perhaps
  - 36 Benchmark: Abbr.
  - 39 Sparty's school
  - 43 Game show hosts
  - 46 Most faithful
  - 48 Glass work
  - 49 Old cereal box no.
  - 50 Traditional Indian wedding garment
  - 51 Support person
  - 52 Cantina hors d'oeuvres
  - 54 Elle Girl rival
  - 56 Scandalous biographies
  - 58 "Dude, you with me?"
  - 60 Cease
  - 61 K.C. to New Orleans dir.
  - 62 "Get my point?"
  - 63 Corporate deal
  - 65 Facial hair, for short
  - 66 RB's gains
  - 68 Football helmet part
  - 71 Strange
  - 72 Personal account
- DOWN**
- 1 Carmex targets
  - 2 Apple variety
  - 3 Deceive
  - 4 Lay out
- 5 82-Across' powerful patients
  - 76 Glorifying tribute
  - 78 Bit of sunshine
  - 81 Plaza Hotel girl
  - 82 75-Across' docs
  - 83 Place for slanted columns
  - 85 Gets rid of
  - 87 Big name in winter boots
  - 89 Double-curved arch
  - 90 Fish voiced by Ellen DeGeneres
  - 91 Corp. bigwig
  - 92 Tamiflu producer
  - 94 Rockies range
  - 96 Barnyard mom
  - 97 1898 battle site
  - 100 High degree
  - 101 Tune for two
  - 102 One writing birthday wishes, at times
  - 103 Food-inspection org.
  - 105 Thrash
  - 108 Is pure perfection, scorewise
  - 112 Sundance flick
  - 116 "Miracle on Ice" setting
  - 118 Bit of thrill-seeking equipment
  - 120 Fail to include
  - 121 Tavern sign abbr.
  - 122 Didn't take well?
  - 123 Sweet place?
  - 124 Brutal reviews
  - 125 Straight from the mint
  - 126 Manipulative type
  - 127 Mideast sultanate
- 59 Longest-serving Dodger coach
  - 63 They may be stationary
  - 64 Body of soldiers
  - 67 Lacy place mat
  - 69 Wear
  - 70 Issuer of bulls
  - 72 Victor at Gettysburg
  - 73 Jostling joint
  - 74 Get out of a jam
  - 77 Mouth features
  - 79 Hollywood role
  - 80 "Aw, man!"
  - 83 Apt name for a tuxedo cat
  - 84 Flower holder
  - 86 Hot weather woe
  - 87 Insects in hieroglyphic
  - 88 Omega, in physics
  - 92 Zoomed past
  - 93 Stack in a till
  - 95 Steve's singing partner
  - 97 [This is gonna be bad]
  - 98 Venetian old master
  - 99 Mess up
  - 101 Plans often ignored around holidays
  - 104 Dried poblano chili
  - 105 Playwright's worst nightmare
  - 106 Priest of the East
  - 107 Similar
  - 109 Follower of a rising curtain
  - 110 Ballerina attire
  - 111 Nephew of Abel
  - 113 City on the Loire
  - 114 Hogwarts librarian
  - 115 Pince
  - 117 Brown of jazz
  - 119 Eternally, in poetry

**Los Angeles Times**  
**Sunday Crossword Puzzle**

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**GOREN BRIDGE**

**DON'T HOLD UP**

East-West vulnerable, South deals

**NORTH**

- ♠ 9 2
- ♥ K J 10 5
- ♦ A Q 9
- ♣ A 8 5 2

**WEST**

- ♠ 7 3
- ♥ 9 8 7 3
- ♦ 7 5 2
- ♣ Q 10 9 6

**EAST**

- ♠ Q J 10 8 5 4
- ♥ A 6 2
- ♦ K 6 3
- ♣ J

**SOUTH**

- ♠ A K 6
- ♥ Q 4
- ♦ J 10 8 4
- ♣ K 7 4 3

The bidding:

<b>SOUTH</b>	<b>WEST</b>	<b>NORTH</b>	<b>EAST</b>
1♦	Pass	1♥	1♠
1NT	Pass	3NT	All pass

Opening lead: Seven of ♠

South played low from dummy on the opening seven of spades lead, overtaken by East with the eight. South asked and found out that his opponents lead the middle card from three low cards. East would not have played the eight without the queen, jack, and 10. Declarer decided East likely had a six-card spade suit and a hold-up play would be pointless, so

he won the opening lead with his ace.

The queen of hearts was ducked, but East won the heart continuation with the ace and led the queen of spades to declarer's king. South crossed to dummy with the ace of clubs and cashed the two high hearts. He discarded two diamonds as East parted with a low diamond. South was hoping that West started with three clubs. A club could then be conceded to West and declarer would have his ninth trick in clubs.

That was not possible when East showed out on a club to the king. East, however, discarded a spade, so it was now safe to throw East in with a spade and force him to lead from his king of diamonds in the end. Note that this line of play would not have been possible if South had "held up" in spades. It was important for South to win the first two rounds of spades, retaining the small spade in his hand.

It would not have helped East to discard another diamond, as then a diamond to the ace would have assured the contract no matter who held the king.

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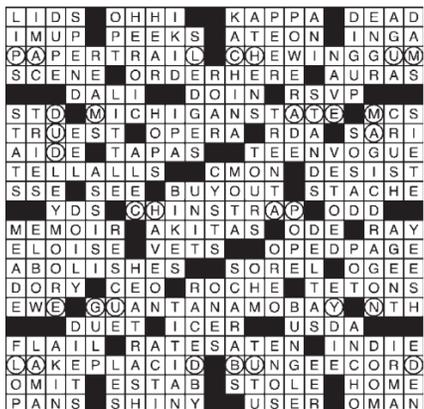
**CRYPTOGRAMS**

**CRYPTOGRAMS HISTORICAL HOWLERS 2** by Myles Mellor

1. T B M T O A Z B D O C A M R Q Z D U D Y W Q A  
C D B W Y F Z B D W F D O M N L R O E W Y U O  
N W H D L R O E D W Y F M M H A ? O R N H D F Z B D  
U H O Z D !
2. D G W U U Z L S N H I F K R A P S B Q S V R V  
U G S A N J N B R K U L R J P Q R I K J R E S U G S  
I N K U ? R U D W K W Q S W J H W V ! L J Z I N F U G  
Q N A E !
3. V U E S K I V E X Z V T G P S T X I U T O V E M V  
E O G C K N L G V T . G Y Y V S T Z P E M Y L  
P S G V G C E M V U T X T V S T N E E L E Y L L G Z I !
4. G W F W I U M J P I P U V R Z S A S J J C I W A P Z V  
Z S Z L V R T C W R M W I G V T B T S C U L  
M V P M ? Z L V F V B Z S W Z ? I S T M V A S R V !

**PUZZLE ANSWERS**

(Puzzles on previous pages)



**JUMBLE**

Answer:

- MOTION UPROAR FLOPPY
- BISECT DEFINE KETTLE

No longer accepting cash was a good idea, and the store owner —

**TOOK CREDIT FOR IT**

1. Who was the absolute genius behind the idea of placing a fireplace indoors? Alfred the Grate!
2. What type of music genre did the colonist Pilgrims like the most? It was a real fad! Plymouth Rock!
3. Two history teachers went out on a big date. All they could chat about were the good old days!
4. Vikings managed to communicate to the Druids in very rough seas? The key to it? Norse code!

**HOLIDAY MATHIS HOROSCOPES**

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Choosing to be close to people who honor and treasure your best qualities is as much a form of self-protection as choosing not to be with people who don't.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Take out your stamp of approval, and press it, kiss-like, onto your own work. Then ink it up really good and tag a few more things in your life. For instance, anoint your own shoulder with it, because you're doing mighty fine.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). The quality of your relationships affects your happiness more than any other single factor. Money and status bumps are nice, but feeling good about what's between you and those close to you is nicer.  
**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You'll give your knowledge to others today. Everything counts. Tidbits, thoughts, wisdom nuggets — you give it, and it matters. That part will feel good, seeing that you've made a difference.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). It takes some trick to turn the conversation the way you want it to go, but you've a few up your sleeve. Besides, you have something to get settled, and a face-to-face exchange is the best way.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Who is taking care of you? This is what you wonder as you spread your care here and there. Don't worry. Someday when you need a hand, it will be there for you. Anyway, it's good to be strong and able. Enjoy that.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The sound of aligned interests is often "ha-ha-ha." Solidarity will be shown through humor, and laughter will be not only a sweet sound but a sign of successful group endeavors to come.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The relationship used to be different. The way it used to be is still inside there, waiting like the surprise center, the smallest Russian nesting doll in the set, the only really solid version of the whole bunch.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll never be sorry for employing civility. There are many other ways you could go that would be effective, maybe even more so, but they are a risk to be measured.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). As far as the "haves" and "have-nots" go, it's a tricky matter. The "haves" will appear to be rich in certain things that most people want. Yet the "have-nots" may be wealthier in the things that matter.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Who are your friends? This is the question of the day, not because you question the ties you know well but because you're moving into new realms with new people and you need to find out where you can safely put your trust.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). What charms one person will most likely charm 100 or more. Consider taking it public. The more people you add to your network today the more money you'll make tomorrow.  
**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Nov. 18). You're not afraid of competition, and you see obstacles as a gift. Because of this attitude, you'll wind up training by putting yourself up against formidable opponents. And yes, you will become mighty. Your position of strength will help you in all areas of life, even love. Relationships will bond through travel. Libra and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 14, 33, 25, 7 and 49.

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 it holds a computer hostage (10) | _____     |
| 2 malicious software (6)           | _____     |
| 3 software security fix (5)        | _____     |
| 4 access barrier (8)               | _____     |
| 5 turned into a secret code (9)    | _____     |
| 6 sender of junk email (7)         | _____     |
| 7 malicious computer activity (11) | _____     |

- |      |     |     |     |     |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| SOMW | JAN | SPA | TRO | MM  |
| PAT  | RYP | ENC | PAS | ATT |
| RAN  | CH  | TED | CY  | ORD |
| ARE  | BER | ACK | SW  | ER  |

Today's Answers: 1. RANSOMWARE 2. TROJAN 3. PATCH 4. PASSWORD 5. ENCRYPTED 6. SPAMMER 7. CYBERATTACK

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).

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

Rating: BRONZE

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

DEAR ABBY

Diligent college student focuses on studying, not seeing friends

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm in my early 20s and the only one in my circle of friends who's currently in college. They all want to hang out all the time, but most of them live more than 100 miles away. I have a strict school schedule, and I'm required to study and earn high grades or I will be let go from my university.



Dear Abby

I don't like feeling like I'm being a jerk telling my friends I can't make it to certain events. How can I explain to them that I can't drive there every weekend to hang out? Sometimes I wonder if we're growing apart because they aren't doing the same things I'm doing. Is there something wrong with me because I'm still holding on? How can I explain to them that we can't be as close as we were? If you could help me figure out how to explain my situation without feeling guilty, it'd be great. — BUSY IN CANADA

**DEAR BUSY:** There is nothing wrong with you.

Relationships do not always stay static. Most of them ebb and flow as yours are, so please stop flogging yourself for making mature choices. Being able to prioritize is a skill you should be proud of. You don't need to make any grand speeches to your old friends about why you see them less often. Just continue explaining that for now your education must take precedence over your social life because if it doesn't, you may not be able to earn your degree. If your old friends are really friends, they'll understand. P.S. Look at the bright side. If you aren't spending chunks of your weekends driving back to your hometown, you will

have more time to develop new friendships at school, some of which may last a lifetime.

**DEAR ABBY:** May I offer a suggestion to pet owners who hire pet sitters during the holidays? If you are happy with their services, consider giving them a tip.

Every year I am astounded at the number of clients who don't give me a gratuity on Thanksgiving and Christmas. Many — if not most — tell me how pleased they are with my services, but surprisingly few do anything more than that. I confess, it makes me feel underappreciated.

Often, when I ask friends if they tip their sitters, they say it never occurred to them! So if you have a reliable sitter and you're happy with his or her work, please give them a little bit extra for working on the holidays when most of us relax and celebrate with our families. — CAT SITTER IN SAN FRANCISCO

**DEAR SITTER:** Tipping at holiday time can be stressful, and not everyone considers an independent contractor someone to whom they need to give extra money. (Would you be comfortable getting a fruitcake instead?)

While I'm pleased to put the word out for you, because you feel you aren't being properly compensated, perhaps you should consider raising your fees in November and December.

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HELOISE

**Dear Heloise:** I am hosting my first holiday dinner for family, and I am so nervous. What should I do, basically, to have a good first gathering? — Becky from Texas



Hints from Heloise

**Dear Becky:** Really there are just three basic keys for a holiday party:

1. THE SETTING: Think about the first impression your guests will have when they come into your home. Are there decorations in the entry? The mood should be an appealing one.

2. THE SCENT: What will your family smell when they enter your house? Candles, cookies baking or fresh holiday greens will do the job.

3. THE SOUND: Put on your favorite holiday music, playing softly in the background. — Heloise

**Dear Readers:** The holidays are such a hectic time with all of the events and family gatherings.

In the rush of everything, you may toss out lots of things into the trash. Be aware that you could accidentally put

personal info into the trash that a criminal could use for identity theft.

So, do not throw into the garage any personal, financial or medical information. Take off labels from medicine bottles before you toss out empty bottles. Shred or cut up copies of your bills. You want to be sure that no one can get your Social Security number or credit card dates or numbers. — Heloise

**Dear Readers:** When you bring fruits and vegetables home from the supermarket, it's really important to store them properly.

It's best to eat them several days after you have brought them home, but if you can't, here's how to keep them as fresh as you can:

1. Store vegetables in the refrigerator in perforated plastic bags.

2. Use the crisper drawers to help veggies retain moisture. Adjust the humidity controls in the crisper drawers.

3. Put fruits and veggies in separate drawers, because this will prevent the ethylene gas of fruit from affecting the veggies.

4. Do not place potatoes, onions, tomatoes or garlic in the refrigerator. — Heloise

**Dear Heloise:** I love to put votives on my holiday tables because the light is so wonderful, but getting the wax out is such a pain. Do you have an easier way I can do it? — Lorraine from New York

**Dear Lorraine:** Here are two ways to remove the wax:

1. Put the votives in a container in the sink and soak in hot water to melt the wax.

2. Or place the holders face down on a heavy paper plate and put on a baking sheet in the oven at 200 degrees F for a couple of minutes. Watch

closely. Then use a hot pad to pick up the votives and wipe out the melted wax with a paper towel.

Before you return the candles to the holders, put a bit of water in the bottom of each one and then add the candles. This will help to stop the melted wax from sticking. — Heloise

**Dear Heloise:** We have lots of children who come to our holiday gatherings, and they can be so messy in eating our holiday treats. How can I prevent them from ending up all over my carpets? — Susan from Louisiana

**Dear Susan:** Your children and their friends will love this holder for nuts or small treats. Make your regular popcorn ball mix and stick some over the bottoms of glasses that have been greased with butter or margarine.

Allow the mixture to harden, and when it is, remove from the glasses and then you can fill them with bite-sized snacks. When done, the children can eat the holder! — Heloise

KEN KEN THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

EASY

2÷	2-		4
	2	8+	2÷
12X			
		5+	

CHALLENGING

1	10X		13+	2÷	
5-		36X			2
			7+		5-
40X	2	90X			
	2÷	2-	3÷	2	20X

**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

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.

TOONMI  
CBSTIE  
AURROP  
FENDIE  
OPLYFP  
TLEKTE

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

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By ELAINE GANLEY  
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PARIS — One protester was killed and 227 other people were injured — eight seriously — at roadblocks set up around villages, towns and cities across France on Saturday as citizens angry with rising fuel taxes rose up in a grassroots movement, posing a new challenge to beleaguered President Emmanuel Macron.

Police officers lobbed tear gas canisters at demonstrators on the famed Champs-Elysees Avenue in Paris as groups of “yellow jackets,” as the protesters called themselves, tried to make their way to the presidential Elysee Palace. Later, hundreds of protesters entered the bottom of the street dotted with luxury shops where the palace is located — and where Macron lives — before being pushed back by security forces with shields.

In a similar scenario, police cleared out the huge traffic circle around the Arc de Triomphe, paralyzed for hours by protesters.

French Interior Ministry officials counted nearly 283,000 protesters, mostly peaceful, throughout the day at more than 2,000 sites, some setting bonfires or flying balloons.

However, some demonstrations turned violent. In Troyes, southeast of Paris, about 100 people invaded the prefecture, the local representation of the state, damaging the inside, Interior Ministry officials said. In Quimper, in Brittany, security forces used water cannon to disperse hostile protesters.

The protester who died, a 63-year-old woman, was killed when a driver caught in the blockade accelerated in a panic at Pont-de-Beauvoisin, near Chambéry, in eastern France, according to Louis Laugier, the prefect, or top state official, in the Savoie region. A confrontation with protesters “got heated up for no reason” and the driver accelerated her minivan after “people started rattling her car,” a protester who witnessed the incident told BFMTV, identifying himself only as Philippe. He said the woman told them she was taking her daughter



AP PHOTO

**Protesters blocks the Champs-Elysees avenue to protest fuel taxes in Paris, France, Saturday. France is bracing for a nationwide traffic mess as drivers plan to block roads to protest rising fuel taxes, in a new challenge to embattled President Emmanuel Macron.**

to a doctor.

An investigation into the death was opened.

Eight of the 227 people injured were in serious condition, ministry officials said at an evening briefing, without providing details. A police officer and a firefighter who intervened when protesters attacked a closed service station were among the eight.

A total of 117 people were arrested with 73 of them held for questioning.

The protesters had pledged to target toll-booths, roundabouts and other strategic traffic sites. They called themselves “yellow jackets” because most were wearing the fluorescent yellow vests that must be kept in vehicles of all French drivers in case of car troubles.

The daughter of the woman killed called for calm as she protested in Cavaillon, in southern France.

“I really want people not to let themselves become submerged by anger,” Alexandrine Mazet told RTL radio. “The yellow jackets must understand this is a peaceful movement,” she said. The young woman appeared later on BFMTV still wearing her yellow vest.

The nationwide protest was unusual because it arose from within the citizenry, backed neither by unions nor politicians, although some took part in a clear bid for supporters. It was unclear whether the upstart movement, without a leader, would survive, and what problems it might pose for Macron.

The grassroots nature of the protests, which drew supporters angry over an array of issues,

made it a political hot potato for Macron’s government. Security officials treaded lightly, ordering police to use dialogue rather than force but to stop protesters from completely blocking major routes or endangering lives or property. About 30 canisters of tear gas were fired to disperse protesters at the entrance of the Mont Blanc tunnel.

The planned increase in fuel taxes, notably for diesel fuel, spoke to those French who feel the president has asked ordinary citizens to make the largest efforts in his bid to transform France. Those French who have a hard time making ends meet often rely on cheaper diesel fuel.

Macron wants to close the gap between the price of diesel fuel and gasoline as part of his strategy to wean France off fossil fuels. A “carbon trajectory” calls for continued increases. Taxes on diesel fuel have risen 7 euro cents (nearly 8 U.S. cents) and are to keep climbing in the coming years, Transport Minister Elisabeth Borne has said. The tax on gasoline is to increase 4 euro cents.

Many drivers see this as emblematic of a presidency they view as disconnected from day-to-day economic difficulties and serving the rich.

Macron’s popularity has plunged, hovering around 30 percent.

Robert Tichit, 67, a retiree, referred to the president as “King Macron.”

More than 1,000 protesters congregated at the Place de la Concorde at the bottom of the Champs-Elysees, shouting “Macron resign” as police looked on.



AP PHOTO

**People hang out at the Mexican side of the border structure that separates Mexico from the U.S., at the Pacific Ocean, Tijuana, Mexico, Friday.**

## Migrants get cool reception in Mexican border town

By JULIE WATSON  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TIJUANA, Mexico — Many of the nearly 3,000 Central American migrants who have reached the Mexican border with California via caravan said Saturday they do not feel welcome in the city of Tijuana, where hundreds more migrants are headed after more than a month on the road.

The vast majority were camped at an outdoor sports complex, sleeping on a dirt baseball field and under bleachers with a view of the steel walls topped by barbed wire at the newly reinforced U.S.-Mexico border. The city opened the complex after other shelters were filled to capacity. Church groups provided portable showers, bathrooms and sinks. The federal government estimates the migrant crowd in Tijuana could soon swell to 10,000.

Tijuana Mayor Juan Manuel Gastelum has called the migrants’ arrival an “avalanche” that the city is ill-prepared to handle, calculating that they will be in Tijuana for at least six months as they wait to file asylum claims. U.S. border inspectors are processing only about 100 asylum claims a day at

Tijuana’s main crossing to San Diego. Asylum seekers register their names in a tattered notebook managed by migrants themselves that had more than 3,000 names even before the caravan arrived.

While many in Tijuana are sympathetic to the migrants’ plight and trying to assist, some locals have shouted insults, hurled rocks and even thrown punches at the migrants.

It’s a stark contrast to the many Mexican communities that welcomed the caravan with signs, music and donations of clothing after it entered Mexico nearly a month ago. Countless residents of rural areas pressed fruit and bags of water into the migrants’ hands as they passed through southern Mexico, wishing them safe journeys.

Alden Rivera, the Honduran ambassador in Mexico, visited the outdoor sports complex Saturday. Rivera expects the migrants will need to be sheltered for eight months or more, and said he is working with Mexico to get more funds to feed and care for them. He expects the migrant numbers in Tijuana to reach 3,400 over the weekend, with another 1,200 migrants having made it to

Mexicali, another border city a few hours to the east of Tijuana. An additional 1,500 migrants plan to reach the U.S. border region next week.

Rivera said 1,800 Hondurans have returned to their country since the caravan first set out on Oct. 13, and that he hopes more will make that decision.

“We want them to return to Honduras,” Rivera said, adding that each migrant must weigh whether to go home, appeal for asylum in Mexico or wait in line to apply for asylum in the U.S.

The Mexican Interior Ministry said Friday that 2,697 Central American migrants have requested asylum in Mexico under a program that the country launched on Oct. 26 to more quickly get them credentials needed to live, work and study in southern Mexico.

Tijuana officials said they converted the municipal gymnasium and recreational complex into a shelter to keep migrants out of public spaces. The city’s privately run shelters have a maximum capacity of 700. The municipal complex can hold up to 3,000; as of Friday night there were 2,397 migrants there.

## Climate change protesters block off 5 London bridges

LONDON (AP) — Hundreds of protesters have turned out in central London and blocked off the capital’s main bridges to demand the government take climate change seriously.

A group called “Extinction Rebellion” encouraged sit-ins on the bridges Saturday as part of a coordinated week of action across the country.

Metropolitan Police said emergency vehicles were hampered from getting across London because of the “blockade” of five bridges. The force said it had asked all protesters to congregate at Westminster Bridge where officers can facilitate lawful protest.

About two dozen people were arrested on Monday after protesters blocked traffic and glued themselves to gates outside the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.



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## Space station supplies launched, 2nd shipment in 2 days

By MARCIA DUNN  
AP AEROSPACE WRITER

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — A load of space station supplies rocketed into orbit from Virginia on Saturday, the second shipment in two days.

And another commercial delivery should be on its way in a couple weeks.

“What an outstanding launch,” said NASA’s deputy space station program manager, Joel Montalbano.

Northrop Grumman launched its Antares rocket from Wallops Island before dawn, delighting chilly early-bird observers along the Atlantic coast. The Russian Space Agency launched its own supplies to the

International Space Station on Friday, just 15 hours earlier.

The U.S. delivery will arrive at the orbiting lab Monday, a day after the Russian shipment. Among the 7,400 pounds of goods inside the Cygnus capsule: ice cream and fresh fruit for the three space station residents, and a 3D printer that recycles old plastic into new parts.

Thanksgiving turkey dinners — rehydratable, of course — are already aboard the 250-mile-high outpost. The space station is currently home to an American, a German and a Russian.

There’s another big event coming up, up there: The space station marks its 20th year in orbit on Tuesday.

The first section launched on Nov. 20, 1998, from Kazakhstan.

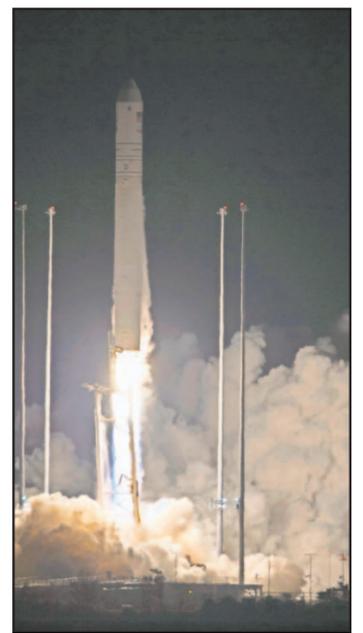
“As we celebrate 20 years of the International Space Station,” Montalbano noted, “one of the coolest things is the cooperation we have across the globe.” Then there’s the U.S. commercial effort to keep the space station stocked and, beginning next year, to resume crew launches from Cape Canaveral. “To me, it’s been a huge success,” he said.

This Cygnus, or Swan, is named the S.S. John Young to honor the legendary astronaut who walked on the moon and commanded the first space shuttle flight. He died in January.

It is the first commercial

cargo ship to bear Northrop Grumman’s name. Northrop Grumman acquired Orbital ATK in June. SpaceX is NASA’s other commercial shipper for the space station; its Dragon capsule is set to lift off in early December.

Experiments arriving via the Cygnus will observe how cement solidifies in weightlessness, among other things. There’s also medical, spacesuit and other equipment to replace items that never made it to orbit last month because of a Russian rocket failure; the two men who were riding the rocket survived their emergency landing. Three other astronauts are set to launch from Kazakhstan on Dec. 3.



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**Northrop Grumman Antares rocket lifts off from the launch pad at NASA's Wallops Flight Facility in Wallops Island, Va., Saturday.**

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## STUNNING HOME ON LAKE SEBRING

SPECIAL TO HIGHLANDS NEWS-SUN

This home is at 2001 Manatee Drive in Sebring. It is priced for \$425,000 and is listed with Elease DeYoung with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Properties Group.

This three-bedroom, two-bath, two-car garage home is stunning and is on Lake Sebring. If you are looking for the luxury of a home with a pool as well as being on the lake you will find it here.

This home has a new roof, new dock and screen enclosure on pool. As an added bonus the lot next door at 2007 Manatee Drivw [PID# C-12-34-28-020-00A0-0170] is included in sale. Currently the home has been used seasonally.

The kitchen has stainless steel appliances, granite counter tops, a pantry with pull-out shelving and a large breakfast counter. The living room, family room and master bedroom have French doors that open to pool area, with a great view of the lake. There are beautiful wood

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### DIRECTIONS

#### 2001 Manatee Drive, Sebring

From U.S. 27 in Sebring, turn onto Sebring Parkway. Turn left onto Memorial Drive. Turn right onto Bradford Avenue. Turn right onto Manatee Drive. The home is on the right.



COURTESY PHOTO

This home is at 2001 Manatee Drive in Sebring. It is priced for \$425,000 and is listed with Elease DeYoung with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Properties Group.

## 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

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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.



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## BEAUTIFUL HOME IN HIGHLANDS RIDGE

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This home is at 3170 E. Pebble Creek Drive in Avon Park. It is priced for \$159,500 and is listed with Lisa Terrell with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Properties Group.

This meticulously maintained two-bedroom, two-bath, with split floor plan home was built in 1996 and is located in one of the most desirable 55+ communities -Highlands Ridge.

Inside this home you'll find recessed lighting, plant shelving, custom window treatments and an open concept that provides great space for entertaining.

The kitchen has been completely updated with solid surface counter tops, tasteful backsplash, white cabinets, newer appliances and fixtures, and beautiful bamboo flooring.

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#### 3170 E. Pebble Creek Drive, Avon Park

From U.S. 27 in Sebring, turn onto Sebring Parkway. Turn left onto Home Avenue. Turn left onto County Road 17. Turn right onto Power Line Road. Turn left onto South Clubhouse Boulevard to enter Highlands Ridge. Turn right onto East Fairway Vista Drive. Turn left onto South Bonneybrook Drive. Turn right onto East Pebble Creek Drive. The home is on the corner of South Bonneybrook Drive and East Pebble Creek Drive.



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The great room consists of a living room, kitchen and dining room. The open-floor concept has the kitchen as the heart of this home.

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to be together.

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 dawndell@gmail.com. View all of the professional photos at dawndell.com. Search for MLS 249830.

Home is all about location

## TERRELL FROM PAGE 1C

The master suite features a high ceiling, his-and-her walk-in closets, custom window treatments and glass sliders opening onto the lanai. The master bath has a remodeled large glassed walk-in shower, marble counter top and vanity doors.

The spacious floor plan

enables guests to enjoy a private bedroom and bathroom.

The home offers 1,279 square feet of living space with 1,816 total square footage. The large in-house utility room is equipped with a washer and dryer plus shelving. The oversized garage will hold a car plus a golf cart. The roof was replaced in 2013 and the air conditioner in 2009.

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beams throughout main living areas.

The master bath is stunning with all tile on floor and walls, plus two large walk-in closets and beautiful crown molding. The large laundry room has plenty of storage.

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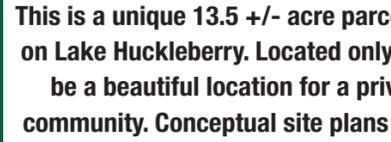
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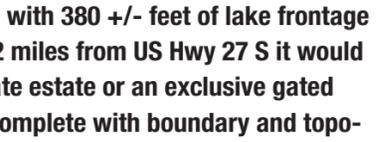
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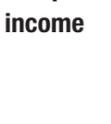
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# Real estate ownership benefits

*Editor's Note: This column originally published on Aug. 26.*

Dear readers, through my constant research for topics that will motivate you to become a home owner, it is important for you to understand the advantages of investing in real estate in Florida. You can enjoy numerous of benefits when you own a property, often beginning with your private residence then growing to own rental property.

For those of you who think it is not possible to own a home due to your income or background, allow me to share a true story. I was blessed to meet a gentleman who had some law issues and when he was back in society, he decided to ask in a junk yard for permission to prepare a junk van in the lot and to make it his home.

At the time here in Florida it was customary for folks every weekend to set up all kind of products that they did not have any use for and place them on the front yard so anyone could take it. Some were creative with the signs, inviting for folks to stop and take what they thought best. For example "I'm being thrown out, I still work please take me home with you or I need a home"

This gentleman started by picking up all kind of things from people's front yards and he would repair them and make them look more attractive in order to resell them. So together with odd jobs, he started saving. Within two years he bought a



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one-bedroom apartment and rented it out; he kept living in his junk van at the junk yard for 12 years.

With his savings and earnings he had bought 40 units, with the majority being free and clear of debt. He then bought an abandoned piece of land in the middle of a lake where he built his permanent home.

This true story is for those who tell themselves they can't own a home because to invest in real estate you need to be wealthy.

Your first step is to search from the vast inventory of professional Realtors in Florida and select one who will assist you finding that first property for you, which can either be your homestead or for you to rent it. Today's tech world allows you to connect and find the information through your Realtor of the specific area that you can qualify to purchase your first real-estate property.

It is the first step that opens a wide range of opportunities in real estate. It is a myth that you need to be wealthy first if you are considering to invest in real estate and make a profit.

Well I'm not expert, nevertheless through



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this article I'm sure it will help you understand that by owning one property only — for example, the home where you raise a beautiful family — it can be a profitable investment. Because it is your permanent residence, the property owner may be eligible to receive a homestead exemption that would decrease the property's taxable value by as much as \$50,000.

Be aware that Florida continues to rank as the top U.S. state for real estate investing by foreign investors seeking higher profits, diversity and more safety than is available in their country

or state.

I invite you, a local permanent resident, to take advantage by purchasing your home and benefit just as foreigner investors are doing. Let's not forget the tax break is outstanding. When you claim homestead it protects you from liability, virtually of all creditors plus a couple of exceptions. Overall big judgments, malicious lawsuits and negative debts cannot touch your Florida homestead, equity, or strip you of your property.

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To submit questions, comments or topics, call Julio Seda at 786-991-8235 or email 0532315@gmail.com.



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# Succulents are all the rage

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One of the latest crazes in gardening is growing succulents. Anyone that has collected a few usually finds themselves hooked.

Succulents come in all shapes sizes and colors and the ease of growing them can be unmatched. If you aren't sure what succulents are, they are basically any plant with fleshy stems or leaves that hold water. From the desert rose, with its fleshy trunk and striking flowers, to the cactus with its thorny persona and its durable nature, succulents come in many forms.

They have other names like Sedum, Kalanchoe, echeveria, Agave, Aloe, and Crasulla, just to name a few. Common names like Burros tail, Hen and Chicks, Jade plant may be more familiar. What they all have in common is they need a well-drained soil and are very drought resistant. Also, like vegetable plants, most do best with at least 4-6 hours of sunlight. Many are cold sensitive but others can be cold hardy.

Easy to make  
Another reason people seem to like them is that they are easy to start new ones and low maintenance to care for. They can be started from seeds but more commonly are reproduced by vegetative rooting. Rooting a cutting or a leaf is fairly easy with most varieties. The trick is letting them cure before putting them in soil. Not letting them cure is a

common mistake made by people rooting the popular Frangipani plant, which is one of the larger succulents.

Need answers?

Have a plant problem, a bug to ID, or any other horticulture-related problem? Come see us at the Master Gardener help desk in the UF/IFAS Cooperative Extension office at 4509 George Blvd. in the Bert Harris Agricultural Civic Center in Sebring. Master Gardeners are on duty from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

David Austin is the Residential Horticulture Agent and Master Gardener Coordinator for Highlands County. You can find his Hometown Gardener page on Facebook and stay up with the latest gardening info in Florida's Heartland.



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# US average mortgage rates flat to higher

**By The Associated Press**  
 WASHINGTON — U.S. long-term mortgage rates were steady to slightly up this week, at their highest levels in nearly eight years and dampening home sales.

Mortgage buyer Freddie Mac said Thursday the average rate on a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage was unchanged from last week at 4.94 percent. That's the highest level for the benchmark rate since February 2011. A year ago the rate stood at 3.95 percent.

The average rate on a 15-year, fixed-rate loan rose to 4.36 percent from 4.33 percent last week.

Anxiety over rising interest rates, reflecting strength in the economy, and expectations of additional rate increases by the Federal Reserve have roiled financial markets in recent weeks and spilled over into the housing market. The higher home borrowing rates have kept many potential buyers on the sidelines.

As the financial markets continued to gyrate, a turbulent day of trading on Wall Street ended Wednesday with a fifth consecutive loss for the benchmark S&P 500 index. It fell 20.60 points, or 0.8 percent, to 2,701.58.

Mortgage rates have risen along with the yield on the key 10-year Treasury note, which has been propelled higher in the past year by indications of quickening economic growth, expected interest rate increases and potentially higher inflation.

The yield on the

10-year note was 3.12 percent Wednesday, down from 3.23 percent last week but still far above 2.33 percent a year ago. As bond prices rose with traders pulled toward lower-risk assets, the rate on the 10-year note declined further to 3.09 percent Thursday morning.

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

The average doesn't include extra fees, known as points, which most borrowers must pay to get the lowest rates.

The average fee on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages was unchanged from last week at 0.5 point. The fee on 15-year mortgages fell to 0.4 point from 0.5 point last week.

The average rate for five-year adjustable-rate mortgages held steady at 4.14 percent. The fee remained at 0.3 point.



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In this October file photo, a for sale sign stands outside a home on the market in the north Denver suburb of Thornton, Colo. On Thursday, Nov. 15, Freddie Mac reports on this week's average U.S. mortgage rates.

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# The best tool for mortgage shopping

In 2015 the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) replaced two incompatible disclosures from two federal agencies with a new set of integrated disclosures. One of them, called the Loan Estimate (LE), was viewed by CFPB as a shopping tool. It advises borrowers to "request multiple Loan Estimates from different lenders so you can compare and choose the loan that's right for you."

CFPB doesn't advise prospective borrowers on exactly how to use the LE to shop, or warn them of the pitfalls. I am going to do that here, comparing that method of shopping to the use of the Quick Mortgage Shopper (QMS) on my website.

Using the LE to shop multiple lenders requires the shopper to submit an application to each lender. This imposes a cost on each lender, and each will go all out to convert the application into a loan. Choosing one of them will not stop the others from calling.

Using my QMS, in contrast, will not generate any calls because participating lenders have provided their pricing information to QMS, which provides it to the shopper, who remains anonymous.

—Timing: Mortgage lenders reset their prices every morning, and occasionally during the day as well. To assure comparability, therefore, shoppers should apply to all the lenders on their list on the same day, and as close to the same time as possible. Those using LE who stretch out the process endanger the validity of their results.

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In contrast, the prices on QMS are always up to date because the lenders update their prices there when they reset them on their own sites.

—Document deluge: Shoppers who apply to multiple lenders will receive not only the LE but the entire package of loan documents, usually well over 100 pages of stuff. They need to extract the LE and set the rest of the package aside.

QMS users receive no paper except what they elect to print.

—Impact on credit score: Each lender contacted by a shopper using the LE will pull the shopper's credit. Multiple inquiries from different categories of lender (such as finance companies, commercial banks and credit unions) will reduce their credit score, even if they occur within a short period. Shoppers with low scores to begin with must avoid getting dinged in that way. The safest way to avoid it is to shop mortgage banks and mortgage brokers only. Multiple inquiries to them within any 30-day period count as only one inquiry.

With QMS the shopper enters the credit score, which she can obtain with one inquiry.

—Price variables used to shop: The LE has many but not the one that matters. In addition to the interest rate, lender fees and APR, it shows the total amount of interest the borrower will pay over the life of the loan as a percentage of the loan amount, and total payments over the first five

years. CFPB is silent on how to use this mélange of measures to choose one lender over another.

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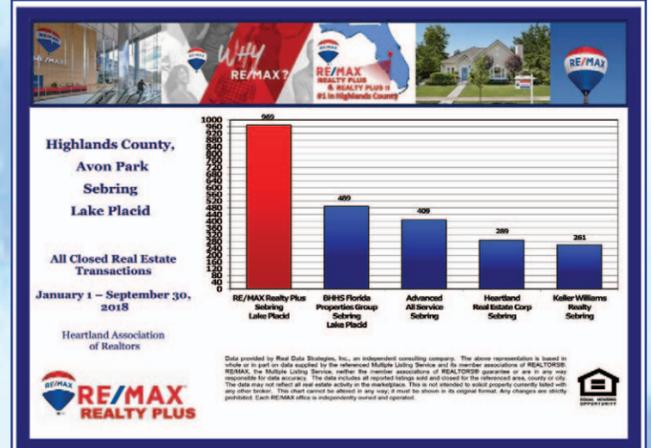


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### COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Florida State 22, Boston College 21

## Francois, Terry connect to lead Florida State past No. 22 BC

By **BOB FERRANTE**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLAHASSEE — Deondre Francois threw a 74-yard touchdown pass to Tamorrion Terry with 1:49 left and Florida State beat No. 22 Boston College 22-21 on Saturday to keep its bowl hopes alive.

Francois was 19 of 39 for 322 yards, shaking

off two first-half interceptions for his fourth 300-yard game of the season. Cam Akers had 19 carries for 110 yards for the Seminoles (5-6, 3-5 Atlantic Coast Conference).

It was Florida State's first victory in six attempts against Top 25 teams this season. Florida State has gone to a bowl in each season

since 1982 and can extend the streak with a victory over No. 15 Florida next week.

Terry, a redshirt freshman, now has eight touchdown receptions. True freshman Keyshawn Helton had six receptions for 73 yards.

Boston College (7-4, 4-3) hasn't won in Tallahassee since 2008. A.J. Dillon ran a

season-high 37 times for 116 yards and a touchdown for the Eagles, and Anthony Brown completed 18 of 33 passes for 297 yards, a touchdown and two interceptions. Dillon has 1,052 rushing yards in nine games this season, missing two due to an ankle injury. He had 1,589 rushing yards as a freshman in 2017.



AP PHOTO

Florida State defensive back Hamsah Nasirildeen, left, and defensive end Brian Burns celebrate Nasirildeen's interception of a Boston College pass.

### NFL: Tampa Bay Buccaneers

## Bucs' Jason Pierre-Paul is on a mission to make a memorable return

By **EDUARDO ENCINO**  
TAMPA BAY TIMES

TAMPA — Jason Pierre-Paul often talks about how he's unstoppable, but he knows there's a business side to sports that no level of determination can control.

He knows this now because not long ago he thought he'd always be a New York Giant. That was until the organization's offseason housecleaning swept him up and Pierre-Paul found himself on the receiving end of a phone call in March informing him he had been traded to the Bucs.

"Things change, the scheme changes, coaches change and players change," the defensive end said. "Sometimes change is good."

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### AREA SPORTS: Waterfest 2018

## Power and speed: WaterFest's impact is far reaching



SUN PHOTO BY SANDY MACY

The Miss Geico boat catches some air on its way to victory during the race at Racefest at Englewood Beach Saturday.

By **STEPHEN MCKAY**  
SUN CORRESPONDENT

If you stood at the waterline in the center of Englewood Beach yesterday and looked in either direction, you would have seen people as far as the eye could see.

There were families, there were friends, there were

visitors from afar and local Floridians. From all over America and even from around the world they came. This weekend, the beach was the place to be for the Englewood Beach WaterFest's signature event: The Offshore Power Boat Association World Championship Races.

Now in its fourth year,

WaterFest has continued to grow. In 2017, nearly 30,000 people descended on Englewood to enjoy all things water. No one would be surprised to see that record broken in 2018.

"Anyone that lives here or has a business here has needed this weekend to celebrate why we live here," said WaterFest

board member Elaine Miller. "I don't know that there's ever been an event that has been such a big shot in the arm for the Englewood community like this has been this year."

While red tide has been a nationally reported story, such thoughts were far away from

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### NHL: Tampa Bay 6, Philadelphia 5, OT

## Cirelli scores in OT as Lightning beat Flyers 6-5

By **ANTHONY SANFILIPPO**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHILADELPHIA — Anthony Cirelli saved the day for the Tampa Bay Lightning.

After becoming the first team in NHL history to cough up a four-goal lead in the final 10 minutes of a game, Tampa Bay escaped with the win when Cirelli scored 1:47 into overtime to lift the Lightning to a 6-5 victory over the Philadelphia Flyers on Saturday.

Cirelli outmuscled Wayne Simmonds to gain position in front of the net and beat Calvin Pickard with a top-shelf wrist shot. It was his fourth goal of the season.

"He's a pretty strong guy so he was battling pretty hard," Cirelli said. "Luckily at that last second I kind of pulled it across my body and had a little bit of room to get a quick shot off and it went in."

Tampa Bay opened a 5-1 lead 9:08 into the

third on Brayden Point's fifth goal in two games. But Philadelphia rallied behind two goals by Travis Konecny and Simmonds tied it with 3:32 left in regulation, beating Louis Domingue while lying on his back.

"It was a weird game," Tampa Bay coach Jon Cooper said. "We were up 5-1 and I don't think the game felt like we were up 5-1. It started getting physical there, it kind of gave the crowd a little bit of life. Then

they started getting breaks that they probably deserved, so from a coach's perspective, it's probably one you're not too happy with, but I'm sure the fans were pretty entertained."

The Lightning won for the sixth time in eight games. Adam Erne had a goal and two assists in his first career three-point game, and Point scored twice after he had a natural hat trick in Thursday's 4-3 victory at Pittsburgh.

James van Riemsdyk had a goal and two assists for Philadelphia, which has dropped three in a row. Sean Couturier had a goal and an assist, and Pickard had 20 stops while subbing for the injured Brian Elliott.

Tampa Bay jumped in front with three goals in the second after a scoreless first period. Erne scored a power-play goal on a slick give-and-go play with Yannick Gourde at 6:02. Cedric Paquette and Point also scored to

make it 3-1 heading into the third.

Van Riemsdyk got Philadelphia on the board on the power play. The Flyers finished with three power-play goals after they scored three times with the man advantage in their previous 15 games.

It was van Riemsdyk's first goal since he signed with Philly in free agency, returning to the organization that drafted

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■ NHL

# Dylan Larkin scores in OT as Red Wings beat Devils 3-2

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Dylan Larkin scored 4:09 into overtime, Jonathan Bernier stopped 38 shots and the Detroit Red Wings beat the New Jersey Devils 3-2 on Saturday.

Larkin got his eighth goal of the season when he converted a 2-on-1 break with Anthony Mantha. It was Detroit's fifth victory in its last six games.

Luke Glendening and Michael Rasmussen also scored for the Red Wings.

New Jersey had won two in a row. Pavel Zacha and Blake Coleman scored for the Devils, and Keith Kinkaid made 28 saves.

The Devils dominated the opening period, outshooting the Red Wings 15-4 and taking the lead on Zacha's first goal of the season at 11:35.

Zacha, the sixth-overall pick in the 2015 draft, dropped to one knee to snare a cross-the-slot pass from Jesper Bratt and drive a one-timer by Bernier.

It was a tough opening period for the Red Wings, who lost Darren Helm to an upper-body injury when he was checked along the boards in the New Jersey end.

Detroit played

better at the start of the second and generated several good chances. Kinkaid denied Larkin on a prime scoring opportunity, and Trevor Daley hit the post.

But New Jersey opened a 2-0 lead when Coleman scored the Devils' first short-handed goal of the season at 15:53.

The Red Wings finally got on the board when Glendening flicked a quick shot from the left circle past a screened Kinkaid with 1:34 left in the period.

In the third, Rasmussen tied it at 2 on a deflection of Mike Green's point shot at 13:37. The Devils unsuccessfully challenged the goal, claiming goaltender interference.

## Buffalo 3, Minnesota 2

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Jason Pominville scored with 1:30 remaining and the Buffalo Sabres extended their winning streak to five games with a 3-2 come-from-behind victory over the Minnesota Wild on Saturday.

Rookie defenseman Rasmus Dahlin had his second career goal and added an assist for Buffalo, which rallied



AP PHOTO

Detroit Red Wings goaltender Jonathan Bernier defends against New Jersey Devils center Travis Zajac during the second period of an NHL hockey game on Saturday.

from a two-goal deficit to post its longest winning streak since 2012. Jake McCabe also scored and Linus Ullmark made 37 saves for the Sabres.

Matt Dumba scored for the third straight game for Minnesota, and Zach Parise add another goal, becoming the highest-scoring Minnesotan in NHL history. Devan Dubnyk

stopped 26 shots for the Wild.

Buffalo is making a habit of rallying in its second year under coach Phil Housley.

The Sabres recovered from a 1-0 deficit on Friday in a shootout win in Winnipeg. They've won four times in 11 games when trailing after two periods.

Dahlin scored with

7:02 remaining in the third, poking a loose puck past Dubnyk after the goaltender couldn't get a handle on it.

Buffalo's Jack Eichel tried to grab a loose puck in the offensive zone after a dump-in. But the puck trickled out to Pominville, who quickly spun and sent a shot past an unsuspecting Dubnyk.

■ NHL: Concussion lawsuit

## Column: Easy to declare a winner in NHL concussion lawsuit

By TIM DAHLBERG  
AP SPORTS COLUMNIST

At the Stanley Cup Finals earlier this year, Commissioner Gary Bettman couldn't talk enough about the feel-good story of the Vegas Golden Knights and the NHL's role in bringing major league sports to Las Vegas.

When it came to a question about concussions and the degenerative brain disease chronic traumatic encephalopathy, Bettman wasn't nearly as chatty.

"There's nothing new on the subject," Bettman said before turning to Deputy Commissioner Bill Daly and asking, "Do you want to answer that?"

Daly didn't, though he did note that the NHL believes there's not enough scientific information to draw a definite link between concussions and

CTE.

The total cost to the NHL is \$18.9 million, a far cry from the NFL concussion settlement that covers 20,000 former players with payouts expected to top \$1.5 billion over 65 years. As of last month, the NFL concussion lawsuit claims panel had already approved more than \$500 million in awards and paid out \$330 million.

One reason the numbers are so different is that the NFL is a much bigger league than the NHL, generating about three times the revenue that major league hockey does. Another is that a federal judge denied class-action status in July for the lawsuit, preventing another potential 5,000 retired players from being involved.

"When you have a defendant who has

spent millions of dollars litigating a case for four years to prove that nothing is wrong with getting your brain bashed in, you can only get so far," players' attorney Stuart Davidson told The Associated Press. "I think it's important for players who have an opportunity to settle their case with the NHL now to understand that before they get anything through a trial against the NHL, it's going to cost millions of dollars in experts to get there, and that's going to have to be paid for before they see a penny from any recovery, assuming they win."

In other words, a token settlement is better than no settlement at all.

The NHL will end up spending the equivalent of the salaries of one first line over a year to get rid of a problem that could have vexed the league for many

years. It did so without having to acknowledge that high-speed collisions and ubiquitous fighting could lead to brain problems later in life.

Bettman's hard-line approach paid off, and that's no surprise.

This is a commissioner, you might recall, who canceled an entire season rather than let players get paid what they're worth. The lawsuit had already dragged on for four years, and with the NHL fighting it every step of the way, there wasn't much appetite among attorneys and most former players to take it further.

In the end, the players will get some medical testing and a few dollars. The NHL, meanwhile, will get protection from further suits at a small cost.

Pretty easy to figure out the winner in this one.

## SPORTS ON TV

AUTO RACING	
6 p.m.	NBC — Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series, race, at Homestead, FL
COLLEGE BASKETBALL	
10:30 a.m.	ESPN — Myrtle Beach Invitational, fifth place, Conway, S.C.
12 p.m.	CBSN — South Florida vs Georgetown
1:30 p.m.	ESPN — Air Force Reserve Tip-Off, championship, Uncasville, Conn.
	ESPN — Charleston Classic, fifth place, Charleston, S.C.
2 p.m.	CBSN — Austin Peay vs Campbell
3:30 p.m.	ESPN — Indiana at Arkansas
4 p.m.	BTN — Mt. St. Mary's at Maryland
	ESPN2 — Air Force Reserve Tip-Off, third place, Uncasville, Conn.
	ESPN — Myrtle Beach Invitational, third place, Conway, S.C.
6 p.m.	BTN — Tennessee Tech at Michigan State
	ESPN — Charleston Classic, third place, Charleston, S.C.
	SEC — VMI at Kentucky
6:30 p.m.	CBSN — Ohio vs Loyola Marymount
	ESPN2 — Myrtle Beach Invitational, championship, Conway, S.C.
8:30 p.m.	ESPN2 — Charleston Classic, championship, Charleston, S.C.
9 p.m.	CBSN — Florida A&M vs Central Connecticut
10:30 p.m.	ESPN2 — Minnesota vs Texas A&M
GOLF	
5:30 a.m.	GOLF — European Tour Golf, DP World Championship, final round, Jumeirah Golf Estates, Dubai
4:30 p.m.	GOLF — PGA Tour, RSM Classic, final round, Sea Island Resort, Georgia
NBA BASKETBALL	
7 p.m.	NBA — Golden State at San Antonio
NFL FOOTBALL	
1 p.m.	CBS — Regional coverage, Tennessee at Indianapolis, Houston at Washington, Pittsburgh at Jacksonville, Cincinnati at Baltimore
	FOX — Regional coverage, Dallas at Atlanta, Carolina at Detroit, Tampa Bay at NY Giants
4:05 p.m.	CBS — Regional coverage, Oakland at Arizona, Denver at LA Chargers
4:25 p.m.	FOX — Regional coverage, Philadelphia at New Orleans
8:15 p.m.	NBC — Minnesota at Chicago
SOCCER	
9 a.m.	ESPNEWS — England vs. Croatia

■ NBA

## Bogdanovic scores 22 points, Pacers hold off Hawks 97-89

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Bojan Bogdanovic scored 22 points, Darren Collison had 12 points and five assists, and the Indiana Pacers beat the Atlanta Hawks 97-89 on Saturday night.

Aaron Holiday scored 12 points off the bench and Thaddeus Young had 11 points and seven rebounds for the Pacers, who played most of the game without All-Star guard Victor Oladipo because of a sore right knee.

Reserve Jeremy Lin scored 16 points and Kent Bazemore had 13 points,

five rebounds and four steals for the Hawks, who have lost seven straight.

The Pacers used an 11-0 run to take the lead for good late in the third quarter.

Collison, who scored 10 points in the third, made a 3-pointer before Holiday hit a 3 to put Indiana ahead 68-67 with 2:39 left in the quarter, and the Pacers led the rest of the way.

## New Orleans 125, Denver 115

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Anthony Davis scored

40 points and led the New Orleans Pelicans to a 125-115 victory over the Denver Nuggets on Saturday night.

Davis followed up his 43-point performance in a 129-124 victory against New York on Friday night by leading a balanced scoring effort for New Orleans, which won for the fifth time in six games. Davis shot 10 for 20 from the field and converted 20 of 21 chances from the line.

Julius Randle had 21 points and 14 rebounds

off the bench for the Pelicans. Nikola Mirotic had 20 points and 10 rebounds, Jrue Holiday overcame foul trouble to finish with 19 points and E'Twaun Moore added 13 points.

Nikola Jokic had 25 points and 10 rebounds, Gary Harris scored 24, and Juancho Hernangomez had 20 points and 11 rebounds for the Nuggets, who lost for the fifth time in six games. Monte Morris came off the bench to add 13 points and Jamal Murray had 11.

## Florida Lottery

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■ PICK 2

Nov. 17N	8-3
Nov. 17D	9-9
Nov. 16N	0-8
Nov. 16D	8-6
Nov. 15N	5-1
Nov. 15D	1-4
D-Day, N-Night	

■ PICK 3

Nov. 17N	6-2-0
Nov. 17D	1-9-3
Nov. 16N	5-2-8
Nov. 16D	7-3-2
Nov. 15N	6-5-1
Nov. 15D	7-4-0
D-Day, N-Night	

■ PICK 4

Nov. 17N	7-7-0-4
Nov. 17D	0-1-8-3
Nov. 16N	3-4-1-1
Nov. 16D	7-5-7-1
Nov. 15N	9-7-8-5
Nov. 15D	4-3-9-0
D-Day, N-Night	

■ PICK 5

Nov. 17N	8-6-5-7-6
Nov. 17D	7-8-9-9-7
Nov. 16N	0-3-0-6-1
Nov. 16D	5-7-0-0-2
Nov. 15N	6-0-4-6-3
Nov. 15D	3-9-8-2-5
D-Day, N-Night	

■ FANTASY 5

Nov. 17	..... Late
Nov. 16	..... 1-8-11-30-32
Nov. 15	..... 1-7-9-22-32

**PAYOFF FOR NOV. 16**

1 5-digit winner	..... \$209,755.30
248 4-digit winners	..... \$136.00
9,154 3-digit winners	..... \$10

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Nov. 15	..... 15-24-36-37-41
Cash Ball	..... 2

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Nov. 12	..... 4-15-44-51-52
Cash Ball	..... 2

**PAYOFF FOR NOV. 15**

0 5-5 CB	..... \$1,000/Day
0 5-5	..... \$1,000/Week
0 4-5 CB	..... \$2,500
9 4-5	..... \$500

■ LUCKY MONEY

Nov. 16	..... 1-6-17-39
Lucky Ball	..... 5

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Nov. 13	..... 4-33-34-39
Lucky Ball	..... 3

**PAYOFF FOR NOV. 13**

0 4-of-4 LB	..... \$650,000
2 4-of-4	..... \$2,444.50
31 3-of-4 LB	..... \$345.50
521 3-of-4	..... \$60.50

■ LOTTO

Nov. 17	..... Late
Nov. 14	..... 3-6-16-27-32-43
Nov. 10	..... 26-30-35-39-45-46

**PAYOFF FOR NOV. 14**

0 6-digit winners	..... \$9.5 million
17 5-digit winners	..... \$4,458
985 4-digit winners	..... \$63.50

**ESTIMATED JACKPOT**  
\$10.5 million

■ POWERBALL

Nov. 17	..... Late
Powerball	..... Late

...

Nov. 14	..... 7-42-49-62-69
Powerball	..... 23

**PAYOFF FOR NOV. 14**

0 5-5 + PB	..... \$107 million
0 5-5	..... \$1 million
2 4-5 + PB	..... \$50,000
30 4-5	..... \$100

**ESTIMATED JACKPOT**  
\$124 million

■ MEGA MILLIONS

Nov. 16	..... 33-36-63-68-69
Mega Ball	..... 16

...

Nov. 13	..... 34-46-57-65-69
Mega Ball	..... 11

**PAYOFF FOR NOV. 16**

0 5 of 5 + MB	..... \$122 million
0 5 of 5	..... \$1 million
0 4 of 5 + MB	..... \$10,000
11 4 of 5	..... \$600

**ESTIMATED JACKPOT**  
\$139 million

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■ **PREP SPORTS: Charlotte Tarpons Football**

# Meeting the Tarpons 'Big Uglies'

By **STEVE KNAPP**

SUN CORRESPONDENT

Legendary football coach Duffy Daugherty of the Michigan State Spartans, once said "Football is not a contact sport- it is a collision sport. Dancing is a contact sport". Nobody knows this better than the football linemen on both sides of the ball.

The defensive players hear their names over the PA system when they make a tackle. When is the last time you heard an offensive lineman given credit for a good block? The only time an offensive lineman's name is called is when he draws a penalty.

Frank Gifford is a former first round draft pick turned broadcaster and is now in the Hall of Fame. He summed it up best when he said "Football is like nuclear warfare, there are no winners only survivors". Nowhere is this more true than in the trenches known as the line of scrimmage.

In the trenches there are big bodies shoving, pushing, clawing and stepping on their opponent trying to get him out of the way. There is a lot going on under a pile of players especially as they try to steal the ball from the running back. It's not a pretty sight!

It goes unnoticed because the normal tendency is to watch the ball and not the linemen. The players at the "skilled positions" as they are called, don't get hit on every play. They can use the sidelines to save themselves and many times only make contact with the opponent if they have the ball. Linemen can't take a play off. They hit and get hit on every play! You have to be a different kind of player to enjoy the punishment the linemen take and dish out!

As a Hall of Fame member and a college broadcaster for 52 years, Keith Jackson called the linemen "the big uglies". Back in the day of leather helmets, the type with no facemask, linemen earned that term because of the lack of protection. Missing teeth were called "summer teeth" because some are (summer) there and some aren't. Their noses were broken so many times that they could breathe out of the ear hole of the helmet. Their faces had more stitches than a baseball (108 for you trivia nuts). If you ever shook hands with a lineman, it is like grabbing a bag of walnuts. They suffer from the "Rodney Dangerfield" syndrome of "getting no respect". But these are the guys I'd want in FRONT of me going into

a dark alley.

However, "ugly" is an attitude rather than a description for linemen. A friend of mine, Ray Bentley, was the starting middle linebacker for three Super Bowls with the Buffalo Bills. He now broadcasts games on television and told me that in his playing days he'd start getting "ugly" about two days before a game. He wanted to feel ugly so he'd play ugly! He wouldn't shower, shave, brush his teeth or even comb his hair until after the game was over! On game day he'd eat whatever he could find to make his breath stink and tried to breathe on his opponents when ever he could. He even had "Alice Cooper" like makeup on his face! Now that's ugly!

The Charlotte Tarpons have their own version of "the big uglies". They are Dustyn Hall, Eddie Koor, Chase Watter, Robert Broderick, Steven Cloyd and Steven Santiago. They are all seniors which is somewhat unusual. They are a big reason why backs like Jayden Grant, Ashar Thomas and Jeremiah Harvey have been able to run through the defense for scores or big gainers. Quarterback Alex Muse would have a much dirtier uniform if not for



SUN PHOTO BY STEVE KNAPP

**The Charlotte offensive line get little recognition yet these seniors have played a big part in the Tarpons success this season. From the left are Steven Santiago, Robert Broderick, Eddie Koor, Chase Watter and Dustyn Hall. The sixth member of the line, Steven Cloyd, was not pictured.**

these linemen giving him protection.

They work hard and have to learn and remember who they must block on each play. That assignment may change if a linebacker jumps into a gap or pulls out. Then the linemen have to adjust in a split second's notice. They get hurt, but the code of being a lineman is that you never show pain and let the other team know they hurt you. It's like being in a war, the linemen do all the fighting and the generals (skilled position players) ride in on a jeep and pose for the pictures!

The linemen are happy to do what they do even with very little recognition. They all share a "fantasy play" for themselves. Hall, who is

the biggest of them all at 6'3 and 308 pounds would like to run it in for a touchdown. "I would want to run it in from about the 20. If I ran any farther I'd be tired."

Broderick said, "Mine is a pick 6 from about 35 yards out. I don't know what kind of celebration I'd do in the end zone but I'd come up with something." Watters would also like to get a pick 6. "Mine would be a screen pass and I'd run it back 47 yards. Since I'm an athlete, I'd give the ball to somebody and have them pass it to me like an Alley Oop pass so I could dunk it over the post."

Santiago wants to catch a pass. "I'd go out for a pass and lose the dude and catch it for a 20 yard touchdown

and then jump on the pad on the goal post." Koor said, "I want to get a scoop and score from ten yards out."

Their favorite games from their last four seasons span from a quadruple overtime win over Fort Myers in their sophomore year to winning the regional championship that year. Others remembered winning a spring game on a "Hail Mary" against Palmetto Ridge going into their junior year. Another remembered beating Port Charlotte on a game winning field goal last year.

When you watch a football game, try to keep your eyes on the Big Uglies up front and see what they go through in a game. You'll appreciate them a lot more.

■ **PREP SOCCER: Beef 'O' Brady's tournament**

## Gateway Charter best at Beef 'O' Brady's tournament

By **BEN BAUGH**

STAFF WRITER

Four teams took to the field Saturday in the Beef 'O' Brady's tournament at Charlotte High School, Charlotte, Gateway Charter, Lemon Bay and North Fort Myers. And when it was over, Gateway Charter walked away with the trophy.

The Charlotte Tarpons defeated North Fort Myers in their first game of the tournament. Francesco Buscemi scored in the

first half, 20 minutes into the game. The opposition answered back to tie the game at 1-1. The game was decided on penalty kicks. The Tarpons Juan-David Munoz and Jacob Santiago scored to give Charlotte a hard fought win.

Charlotte met Gateway Charter in the championship game. The match ended in a scoreless tie and the outcome was decided by penalty kicks. with Gateway Charter outscoring Charlotte 3-2 to claim the title.

Lemon Bay dropped their opener to Gateway 3-2

The Mantas Trayton White scored the game's first goal off an assist from Alex Carabes, Gateway tied the score on a penalty kick. However, the Manta Rays battled back to take a 2-1 lead at the half on a goal by Benjamin Crumpton, with the assist going to Keegan Hogalin.

A lineup change in the second half found a number of Manta Ray junior varsity players on the field,

and the more experienced Gateway team rallied scoring two consecutive goals with seven minutes remaining. The Manta Rays managed to keep the pressure on in the last five minutes recording 10 shots on goal.

The Manta Rays, with only 10 minutes rest in between games, would go onto defeat North Fort Myers 2-1, with Crumpton accounting for both goals, with each score being assisted on by Harley Rusher.

### AREA SPORT BRIEFS

#### DIVING

Florida High School Diving and Swimming Championships

Class 2A Championships at the Sailfish Splash Park in Stuart

Boys Diving Championship One-Meter

8. Gage Denson, Lemon Bay  
Seed: 336.55  
Finals: 318.25

#### GIRLS SOCCER

The Venice Lady Indians shutout Estero 8-0.

The Lady Indians were paced by Mason Schilling and Kiki Slattery, who scored two goals each. Rachel Dalton, Kat Jordan, Maddie Krause and Victoria Gaona each added a goal.

Ashton Pennel recorded the shutout for Venice.

#### POP WARNER

The Port Charlotte Pee Wee Bandits will be sending two teams to the Regional Championship in Orlando.

The Pee Wee Bandits defeated East Manatee 28-13.

The Junior Varsity shutout Pinellas 33-0.

## IMPACT

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those who gathered to celebrate at the waters edge. Beach goers were greeted with clear skies, clear air and temperatures in the mid 70's. Though the board was forced to consider cancelling the event last summer due to the red tide and the high cost of the event, the decision to move forward proved a wise one.

The estimated economic impact to Englewood last year was about \$6 million to Charlotte and Sarasota counties. WaterFest was estimated to have generated an additional 7,500 room nights for hotels in Charlotte and Sarasota Counties.

While an important goal of WaterFest is to boost the local economy, the event also donates proceeds to organizations that "foster the conservation and protection of our local waterways and marine life and encourages the responsible and recreational use of our beaches and water resources."

While the economic impact was visible everywhere you turned, so too was the fun. Along Beach Road, local businesses rolled out the welcome mat. At the Sand Bar and Tiki Grill there was live music and a festive atmosphere. Diners could watch the power boats as they were lowered into the



The Team CRC boat and the Geico boat kick up a spray during the start in their class at Englewood Beach.

water. The band, "Trinity on 80" played hits of the past during the day while "No Filter" came out at night to cover the hits of today.

Lock and Key Restaurant and Pub was busy. And so too was The Waverly Restaurant and Bar. Curbside outside The Waverly was a small bar stand. There, two bar maids satisfied the thirst of passers-by. For those who went in, there was outdoor seating on two levels. A full menu was available even for those who chose to seek the air conditioning inside.

"This is a fun way to spend a work day because I can, in some way, take

part in what is going on," said Lauren Bracken, who served a busy stream of customers at The Waverly's curbside bar. "This is the busiest the town's been in quite some time. So, everybody is really friendly and having a great time watching the races or having a drink or lunch. It's a perfect day and tomorrow is going to be the same."

While there were people everywhere – and all with big appetites and a thirst to quench – the one thing WinterFest seemed to be nearly devoid of was long lines. Tickets for food and drink were short and moved quickly.

Behind the smooth

operation were 11 volunteer directors who have been preparing since shortly after WaterFest 2017. There were also 400 volunteers who were visible in abundance and ready to answer any questions.

"All praise to the volunteers. Without them we'd be sunk," said director Ray LaBadie.

And the efforts of the directors and volunteers didn't go unnoticed.

"I've been to these events a number of times on Lake Erie and in Key West, and the Manasota Key ones are by far the most fun because they are the most condensed and well run," said Ohio native

and Englewood resident, Andy Suhar. "You can really see everything in a short, condensed area. I've liked the other power boat races I've been to, but this one is just easier to enjoy."

As an owner of a local business, Joe Maxx Coffee Company, Suhar is also a proud sponsor of WaterFest.

"A lot of the businesses along West Dearborn Street are proud sponsors of this event and I'm sure we'll continue to be," he added. "We're proud of our businesses and we're proud of Englewood and this is a great way to express our appreciation and love for Englewood."

### PREP FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SCORES

■ **Class 4A Region 3**

Bishop Verot 45, LaBelle 17  
Cocoa 35, Astronaut 0

■ **Class 5A Region 3**

Jefferson 34, Lakewood 23  
Jesuit 31, Immokalee 3

■ **Class 6A Region 3**

Naples 24, Fort Myers 9  
North Fort Myers 36, Charlotte 20

■ **Class 7A Region 3**

Bloomington 21, Palmetto 14  
Venice 28, Braden River 21

■ **Class 7A Region 4**

Dwyer 55, Palm Beach Lakes 27  
St. Thomas Aquinas 51, Fort Lauderdale 0

■ **Class 8A Region 2**

Dr. Phillips 19, Vero Beach 7  
Sarasota Riverview 49, Manatee 27

### AREA PREP CALENDAR

#### TOMORROW

■ **Basketball**

Venice, Lemon Bay, Port Charlotte, North Port — Boys LBHS pre-season tournament

Port Charlotte — girls at Oasis, 6 p.m.

Charlotte — boys preseason tournament at Charlotte

Imagine — girls basketball vs. Manatee, 7 p.m.

■ **Soccer**

Venice — girls home vs. Manatee, 7 p.m.

Lemon Bay — girls vs Sarasota, 7 p.m.

North Port — boys vs. Bishop Verot, 7:30 p.m.

North Port — girls at Mariner, 7 p.m.

## ■ TENNIS

# Ball boy flub taints Zverev's victory over Federer At ATP

Federer was ahead on second-set tiebreaker before incident resulted in point being replayed

By **SAM JOHNSTON**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON (AP) — After pulling off one of the biggest wins of his career, Alexander Zverev was left apologizing for an unforced error he didn't make.

Zverev denied Roger Federer a shot at a 100th career title by beating the Swiss great 7-5, 7-6 (5) at the ATP Finals on Saturday to advance to the championship match against Novak Djokovic.

Federer was leading the second-set tiebreaker 4-3 and in the ascendancy of a rally on a Zverev service point when a ball boy at the back of the court dropped a ball. Zverev immediately signaled for the point to be stopped and the umpire ordered the point to be replayed.

Zverev served an ace before going on to close out the match moments later.

"I want to apologize for the situation in the tiebreak," said Zverev, who was booed by some of the crowd during his on-court interview. "The ball boy dropped the ball so it's in the rules that we have to replay the point."

"I'm a little bit upset about the whole situation because this is not how I wanted it to end."

Zverev is the youngest player at 21 to reach the final since 2009 and

the first from Germany since 1996. He will face five-time champion Djokovic, who defeated Kevin Anderson 6-2, 6-2 to extend his semifinal win-loss record at the tournament to 7-1.

Federer, 37, was seeking a record-extending seventh title, but was unable to cope with the pressure created by Zverev's power and precision at the O2 Arena.

"He (Zverev) apologized to me at the net," Federer said. "I was like, 'Buddy, shut up. You don't need to apologize to me here. Congratulations on a great match and a great tournament so far. All the best for the finals.' And you move on."

An inspired series of shots earned Zverev the first break points of the match in the 12th game and Federer sent a forehand wide to fall behind.

Federer willed himself to a break for 2-1 in the second set, but Zverev quickly composed himself to hit straight back in the following game.

Zverev overcame the freak interruption to establish a 5-4 lead in the tiebreaker, and Federer netted the simplest of forehand volleys to bring up match point.

He saved the first, but Zverev confidently put away a backhand drive volley to set up a shot at the biggest title of his

career and leave Federer waiting until next season for his 100th title.

"Overall, I'm happy how the season went," said Federer, who picked up his 20th Grand Slam title at the Australian Open. "There's many positives. So I'm excited for next season."

Despite having reached only one Grand Slam quarterfinal this year, Zverev is the only active player outside the Big Four of Djokovic, Federer, Rafael Nadal and Andy Murray to have won three Masters titles. But victory at the tour's flagship event would exceed those achievements.

"Novak right now is the best player in the world," said Zverev, who lost to Djokovic in the round robin. "You have to play your best game to even have a chance. I hope I'll be able to do that tomorrow."

The Serb maintained his record of having not lost a set — or service game — at the tournament as he thrashed debutant Anderson to give himself the chance to join Federer on six titles.

"I played very well in the group stage against Sascha (Zverev)," Djokovic said. "But I don't think he was close to his best."

Djokovic won 20 out of 27 points on Anderson's second serve as he broke

the South African twice in each set.

"It was the best match I've played so far this week," Djokovic said.

Having ended a two-year Grand Slam title drought by defeating Anderson in the Wimbledon final, Djokovic went on to win his 14th major trophy at the U.S. Open and has already sealed the year-end No. 1 ranking.

The victory extended Djokovic's record to 35-2 since the start of Wimbledon, a tournament he began ranked 21st after a right elbow injury interrupted his first half of the season.

"It's remarkable what he's done since Wimbledon," Anderson said. "It seems like he's definitely right back playing some of the best tennis of his career."



AP PHOTOS

Roger Federer (above) exits the court after losing to Alexander Zverev (below) in their ATP World Tour Finals match. Zverev will face Novak Djokovic (left) in the championship match.



## ■ PGA

# Howell aiming to end drought with 1-shot lead at Sea Island

By **DOUG FERGUSON**  
AP GOLF WRITER

ST. SIMONS ISLAND, Ga. —

With two quick birdies, Howell stretched his lead to five shots.

By the end of the third round, his lead was down to one shot over PGA Tour rookie Cameron Champ and Jason Gore, who each shot 66 and made up ground on the back nine of the Seaside course at Sea Island.

Howell was at 16-under 194 as he tries to end 332 starts on the PGA Tour without winning.

"I have a chance to win the tournament, and I'd have taken that Thursday morning," Howell said.

His last victory was at Riviera in 2007, and the last time Howell had at least a share of the 54-hole lead was 10 years ago at Turning Stone,

a tournament that no longer exists. Howell has not won in any of his previous five times atop the leaderboard going into the final round.

Webb Simpson had a 63 and was two shots behind, along with Ryan Blaum (65). Ten players are within five shots of the lead, a list that includes Sea Island resident Zach Johnson, who had a 65.

That was the size of Howell's lead over the field when he had two birdies through three holes, and even after his first bogey of the tournament when he went just over the back of the green at No. 4. But he recovered with a pair of birdies, made the turn in 32 and had a four-shot lead over Champ.

And then it was steady golf the rest of the way as Champ and Gore, along

with Simpson and others, closed the gap.

Champ ran off four straight birdies starting with the par-5 seventh, the last two from about 20 feet. Gore missed a tap-in par on the ninth and was burning, but he bounced back with a birdie to start the back nine, and really got in the game with a 3-wood to 18 feet for eagle on the par-5 15th.

Howell had one birdie, one bogey and not nearly enough good birdie chances on the back nine.

"I didn't finish off with much of anything," Howell said. "I knew the guys would make birdies and close the gap if I didn't get going, and that's what happened."

Howell will be playing Sunday with two players who couldn't be any different.

Champ is a 23-year-old

who in his second start as a PGA Tour member last month in the Sanderson Farms Championship. He also hits it harder than anyone Howell has ever seen. Gore is a part-time insurance salesman and part-time comedian who still loves the chance to compete.

As powerful as Champ is off the tee — he is contending this week on the strength of his putting. He hit a 343-yard drive on the ninth hole leaving a flip wedge to the green, but he came up some 20 feet short and made the putt.

He only had a chip 6-iron to the par-5 15th, hit that into the bunker and had to make a 15-footer for his birdie.

Gore only received a sponsor exemption Sunday night, and he had second thoughts about flying across the country



AP PHOTO

Charles Howell III was at 16-under at St. Simons Island, Georgia trying to end a 332-start drought on the PGA Tour.

from California because he hadn't played on any tour in three months and he was enjoying life at home.

"What am I going to do tomorrow? I'm going

to show up," he said. "I wish I could give you a profound answer. It's not going to change my life. Well, it could change my life, but I'm not going to look at it that way."

## ■ LPGA

# Thompson leads LPGA finale, Jutanugarn eyes more trophies

NAPLES, Fla. (AP) — Lexi Thompson has control of the CME Group Tour Championship, and Ariya Jutanugarn is in control of just about everything else.

Thompson's 4-under 68 on Saturday pushed her to 16 under after three rounds of the LPGA's season-ending event. She moved three shots clear of Nelly Korda and six ahead of Carlota Ciganda at Tiburon Golf Club. Korda shot her second consecutive 67 to get to 13 under, and Ciganda grinded out a 69 to get to 10 under.

Thompson has been nearly flawless this week. Her only dropped shot of the tournament came Saturday when she made bogey at the par-4 fourth hole, then put together five birdies over the rest of her round.

"Golf is all about momentum," Thompson said.

Right now, she has an abundance of that going for her. For the week, she has 14 birdies, one eagle and the one bogey. She's been calm and collected with her newly purchased Havanese Poodle around this week, finding a rhythm with an old putter and having her brother Curtis as her caddie.

"I just tried to keep the same attitude as I did the last two days," Thompson said. "Curtis kept me nice and relaxed. He's always cracking jokes out there. It's been a nice relaxing week just having him on the bag and having all my family and friends out here supporting me."

If Thompson hangs on Sunday, she'll have her

first win of the season. If Jutanugarn will also leave with prizes.

Jutanugarn will start her final round 10 shots back but leading the projected Race to the CME Globe standings and in position to claim the \$1 million bonus for winning the LPGA's season-long points race — which would be her second in three years. Jutanugarn already has clinched player of the year and is nearly mathematically assured of winning the Vare Trophy for the lowest scoring average on tour.

"I did a pretty good job. I didn't think about that at all," Jutanugarn said of the Globe race and what's at stake this weekend. "Yesterday I (thought) about that too much, worrying about that."

## ■ BOXING

# Mayweather match against Japanese kickboxer back on

By **YURI KAGEYAMA**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TOKYO (AP) — Floyd Mayweather's match against a Japanese kickboxer is once again on for New Year's Eve as an exhibition fight with knock-outs allowed but likely no decision granted on a win or a loss.

Nobuyuki Sakakibara, the head of Rizin Fighting Federation, which is putting on the three-round exhibition,

told reporters Saturday at Tokyo's Haneda airport that "a misunderstanding" was behind Mayweather, 41, appearing to back out.

The event, to be held at Saitama Super Arena in suburban Tokyo on Dec. 31, was initially announced earlier this month.

Sakakibara, who just returned holding meetings with Mayweather in Los Angeles, said the basic agreement had not changed from the

initial contract, which did not allow kicking.

He said Tenshin Nasukawa, 20, will have a chance to knock out Mayweather, but the results will not go against either fighter's win-loss record. Other details are still being worked out.

"We don't want people to think this is some half-hearted thing around," Sakakibara said, appearing before reporters in a sweatshirt.

He also said spectators would not see mere "casual sparring."

Sakakibara stressed the event would include the largest payout for an exhibition fight but did not give specifics.

"He will stand before Tenshin Dec. 31," Sakakibara said of Mayweather. "It's up to Tenshin whether he can create a miracle."

Sakakibara acknowledged he could not rule out a last-minute

cancellation but promised he would do his best to make what he called the "fun show" happen. He also said he could not tell what kind of shape Mayweather was in because he has not watched him work out.

The promoter compared the event to the first "Rocky" film, as well as to the 1976 match between Muhammad Ali and Japanese wrestler Antonio Inoki.



**COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Miami 38, Virginia Tech 14**

# Perry, Davis carry Miami past Virginia Tech

By **HANK KURZ Jr.**  
AP SPORTS WRITER

BLACKSBURG, Va. — N’Kosi Perry threw for two touchdowns and ran for another and Miami snapped a four-game losing streak with a 38-14 victory against Virginia Tech on Saturday.

Cam’Ron Davis scored on a 42-yard run and a 16-yard reception for the Hurricanes (6-5, 3-4 Atlantic Coast Conference). Both scoring plays came in the third quarter with a 51-yard punt return touchdown by Jeff Thomas sandwiched in between as Miami outscored its long-time rival 21-0 in the period.

The Hokies (4-6, 3-4) lost their fourth straight, and fourth straight at home, for the first time since they dropped four in a row at home spanning

the 1973 season-finale and first the three of the 1974 season. The Hokies will have to beat Virginia on Friday and then add a game on Dec. 1 and win that, too, to extend to 26 their streak of seasons ending in a bowl game. An announcement about a 12th game to replace one against East Carolina lost to Hurricane Florence could come as early as Sunday.

University officials had no comment Saturday.

The Richmond Times-Dispatch reported Saturday that the Hokies have reached a contingency agreement to play Marshall, but only if bowl eligibility is available.

Virginia Tech led early after driving 76 yards in five plays following the opening kickoff with Ryan Willis finding Dalton Keene for a 15-yard touchdown, and they led



AP PHOTO

Miami quarterback N’Kosi Perry runs to the 1 yard line in the first half of an NCAA college football game against Virginia Tech.

14-10 after Tre Turner ran 20 yards untouched early in the second quarter.

But Miami took a page

from how the Hokies’ recent opponents had found success and started running the ball.

It produced a 71-yard drive to Perry’s 1-yard scoring run 33 seconds before halftime, giving the

Hurricanes a 17-14 lead, and another run-heavy 71-yard touchdown drive in the third quarter.

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL: No. 15 Florida 63, Idaho 10**

# Florida rides Feleipe Franks’ arm to rout Idaho

By **JEFF ELLIOTT**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAINESVILLE — Feleipe Franks passed for 274 yards and three touchdowns — all in the first half — and No. 15 Florida ran up 600 total yards to rout overmatched Idaho 63-10 on Saturday.

Florida rolled to a 49-0 lead at halftime. Gators defensive back Chauncey Gardner-Johnson returned an interception 26 yards for a touchdown on

the first play to start the onslaught. Four touchdown drives took less than two minutes and the longest of the seven first-half scoring drives came in 2:24.

Franks completed 19 of 27 passes and led the Gators to a 42-0 lead before he was lifted with 5:22 left in the second quarter. His effort was in sharp contrast from his last two outings, both at home, when he drew boos for inconsistent play.

“It doesn’t really matter to me what people think about how I played,” the redshirt sophomore said. “That’s what I have coaches for. So you know, that’s the only thing that matters to me, what they think. I don’t think it was trying to bounce back, or I don’t think it was none of that. I think it was just keeping your head down and keep on moving, trying to be the best you can be each and every day. That’s what I’m going to continue to do

not only in football but throughout life.”

Freshman Emory Jones, in just his second game this season, played all but two minutes the rest of the game. His first college TD pass was an 8-yarder to Josh Hammond to close the scoring in the first half. Jones finished 12-of-16 for 125 yards and two scores.

Florida targeted for Jones to get extensive work. He’ll now be able to play in one of the two remaining games and still

maintain his eligibility for a red-shirt season.

“I was really pleased to get him in as early as we did and get him as many reps as we could because he is one play away from being in the game next week — he can be in the second play of the game next week,” Mullen said. “And now he’s got a little bit more experience on gameday in there, running the show by himself, not just with a small package — having to run the whole offense.”

Idaho (4-7) avoided a shutout when Cade Coffee connected on a 38-yard field goal in the third quarter and on a 12-yard pass from Mason Petrino to Jeff Cotton with 1:47 left in the game.

“Obviously we got our butts kicked,” Idaho coach Paul Petrino said. “There were guys that gave great effort today, guys I think that will go back and watch the tape and be proud of themselves.”

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

# Furman sends No. 8 Villanova to 2nd straight home loss

VILLANOVA, Pa. (AP) — Jordan Lyons scored 17 points, Matt Rafferty and Clay Mounce each had 15, and Furman stunned defending national champion Villanova in overtime, 76-68, on Saturday.

Noah Gurley and Alex Hunter added 13 points apiece for the surging Paladins, who have started 5-0 for the first time in 30 years.

Phil Booth scored 20 points and Colin Gillespie had 19 for the No. 8 Wildcats, who were coming off a 27-point loss to Michigan in a rematch of April’s national championship game. It marked the first time Villanova lost back-to-back home games since December of 2013.

Lyons and Rafferty delivered huge buckets in overtime to key a 7-0 spurt that put the Paladins ahead 69-63 in the final minute, enough cushion for them to hang on for the victory in front of a shocked sellout crowd at the recently renovated Finneran Pavilion.

**No. 18 Michigan 84, George Washington 61**

UNCASVILLE, Conn. (AP) — Charles Matthews scored 25 points to lead Michigan into the finals of the Air Force Reserve Tip-Off tournament.

Jordan Poole made five of his eight 3-point shots and added a career-high 22

points for the Wolverines (4-0). Xavier Simpson had 14 points, 11 rebounds and eight assists.

Michigan led by nine points at halftime and blew the game open with a 13-2 run to open the second half.

D.J. Williams had 16 points to lead George Washington, which lost its second straight game to a ranked opponent after falling by 19 points at No. 4 Virginia last Sunday.

**No. 24 Marquette 74, Presbyterian 55**

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Sam Hauser scored 19 points and Joseph Chartouny added 16 off the bench as Marquette overcame a sluggish start to pull away from stubborn

Presbyterian.

The Golden Eagles (3-1), coming off a 96-73 loss at Indiana on Wednesday, erased a six-point deficit with a flurry of 3-pointers to trigger a 29-8 run midway through the second half.

Adam Flagler scored 20 points and J.C. Younger added 12 for Presbyterian (3-2).

Marquette, which made just one of its first 16 3-point attempts, hit five consecutive ones from beyond the arc, opening a 55-46 lead on Chartouny’s 3-pointer from the right corner with 7:45 remaining.

**FIU 98, Columbia 87**

NEW YORK (AP) — Brian

Beard Jr. scored 26 points and tied his career high with 10 assists, Devon Andrews added 17 points with 11 rebounds and Florida International beat Columbia 98-87 on Saturday at the Johnny Bach Classic.

Willy Nunez Jr. scored 15 points, Isaiah Banks had 13, Osasumwen Osaghae 12 and Trejon Jacob 11 for the Golden Panthers (4-1), who shot 49 percent to the Lions’ 44 percent.

Antonio Daye Jr.’s free throw capped a 13-5 run for a 54-46 FIU lead early in the second half. Columbia twice closed to within a point, but couldn’t overtake FIU. Osaghae’s layup with 1:47 left put FIU up 90-85 and the Lions got no closer.

**New Mexico State 98, New Mexico 94**

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — A.J. Harris scored a career-high 31 points and went 9-of-11 from the field and New Mexico State held off a late New Mexico rally to win 98-94 on Saturday.

Terrell Brown added 20 for the Aggies (3-1).

Vance Jackson had 27, Anthony Mathis 22 and Corey Manigault 20 for the Lobos (2-1).

But that wasn’t enough to overcome New Mexico State’s hot shooting as the Aggies went 30-for-53 from the field and 12-of-23 on 3-pointers. Harris hit all six of 3-pointers.

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him after spending six seasons in Toronto. He recently returned to the lineup after missing six weeks with a knee injury.

Erne also set up Paquette’s goal with a deft backhand pass. Erne has a career-best seven points this season after beginning the year

with six goals and an assist in 49 career NHL games.

Tyler Johnson and Point scored in the third before Philadelphia battled back. The Flyers’ rally began with power-play goals by Konecny and Couturier. Konecny scored again before Simmonds’ eighth of the season capped the outburst of four goals in 6:04.

Claude Giroux and Shayne Gostisbehere each had two assists for the Flyers. It was the ninth multipoint game for Giroux in Philadelphia’s first 20 games.

“I mean we got a point out of it,” Gostisbehere said. “I don’t know if we had any business getting a point tonight, but you know it shows the true grit of our team.”



AP PHOTO

The Tampa Bay Lightning celebrate their overtime win in an NHL hockey game against the Philadelphia Flyers. The Lightning won 6-5.

## RETURN FROM PAGE 1

“Obviously, change is good for me.”

In the NFL, players are trained to treat every game the same, to take out the emotion as much as possible. But Pierre-Paul isn’t your everyday player. So he doesn’t hide that playing the Giants today at MetLife Stadium is no ordinary Sunday afternoon for him.

“I’ll say this: It will be

emotional at some point, but you know you’ve got a job to do,” Pierre-Paul said. “Sunday is game day, and I’m going to be trying to play to the best of my ability. ... Like I said, this game has been checked off (on his calendar).”

It’s an important game for the Bucs (3-6) and the Giants (2-7) as the teams try to right their seasons.

For Pierre-Paul, it’s clear that the way the Giants parted ways with him still doesn’t sit well. A year earlier, he signed a four-year,

\$62 million contract extension to remain in New York, but after a 2-10 start on the way to a 3-13 finish last year, the Giants fired coach Ben McAdoo and general manager Jerry Reese. New general manager Dave Gettleman brought in former Vikings offensive coordinator Pat Shurmur to be the new coach, and with him came a 3-4 defensive scheme that would likely have reduced Pierre-Paul’s role.

After eight years with the Giants — a tenure

that included winning the Super Bowl for the 2011 season in his first year as a full-time starter, two trips to the Pro Bowl, climbing to seventh on the team’s all-time sacks list and coming back from a fireworks accident that cost him one finger on his right hand and damaged others — his career in New York ended with one phone call from Gettleman.

“I wouldn’t say I’m necessarily angry,” said Pierre-Paul, who averaged

67 snaps a game playing in all 16 games last season. “I only got a phone call, but at the end of the day, it’s business. You’ve got to keep it moving, and it is what it is.”

Bucs defensive tackle Gerald McCoy has a closer view of the situation, and he said that returning to the MetLife Stadium means a lot to Pierre-Paul. McCoy’s job has been keeping Pierre-Paul focused on the field Sunday.

“All week he’s been on

edge, and rightfully so with the way (the trade) went about,” McCoy said. “I really don’t care (about) the way it went about because we’ve got him now, but how everything went down, of course you’d take it personal and feel a kind of way about it.”

“I’ve been trying to, not calm him down, but make sure that he don’t go off the Richter (scale) and make sure he still prepares the same way and make sure all the extra is for Sunday.”

## ■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

# Tied at half, No. 1 Alabama romps past The Citadel

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) — No. 1 Alabama finally found a team that could play toe to toe with the Crimson Tide, at least until halftime.

The surprise twist: It was The Citadel, an FCS team, not a Southeastern Conference rival.

Tua Tagovailoa passed for 340 yards and three touchdowns, but the Tide struggled for 30-plus minutes before putting away The Citadel in a 50-17 victory on Saturday.

Alabama coach Nick Saban said his team learned a lesson — it must be mentally prepared.

“I don’t really care who you’re playing,” he said.

“Every team that comes here and plays us is going to give us their best shot,” Saban added. “These guys have got everything to gain and nothing to lose, and we’ve got nothing but downside in the game.”

## No. 9 Ohio State 52, Maryland 51

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — Ninth-ranked Ohio State went to overtime to avoid one of the most stunning upsets in this college football season, defeating Maryland 52-51 Saturday when the Terrapins failed to convert a 2-point conversion after the potential game-tying touchdown.

Favored by 14½ points, Ohio State (10-1, 7-1 Big Ten, No. 10 CFP) trailed by two touchdowns in the third quarter and 45-38 with under two minutes left before rallying to a pivotal victory.

After a 5-yard touchdown run by Dwayne Haskins gave the Buckeyes the lead to start overtime, Tayon Fleet-Davis scored to get the Terrapins within a point. Interim coach Matt Canada decided to end it right there, going for 2, but Tyrrell Pigrome’s pass to Jashaun Jones was off target.

## No. 3 Notre Dame 36, No. 12 Syracuse 3

NEW YORK (AP) — The band was an Aaron Judge moon shot away from the field, way up in the right-field bleachers of Yankee Stadium.

Still, the Fighting Irish lined up in the outfield and sang the alma mater — just as they would have at Notre Dame Stadium — after dispatching No. 12 Syracuse and putting themselves a step away from the College Football Playoff.

Ian Book returned to the starting lineup for No. 3 Notre Dame and threw for 292 yards and two touchdowns as the Fighting Irish routed the Orange 36-3 on Saturday to stay unbeaten.

The Irish will head West next week to face struggling rival Southern California, with a spot in the playoff in their grasp.

“I don’t know that if we win our last game that we’re going to the playoffs, but that’s not in our control,” coach Brian Kelly said. “What we can control is how we prepare. If we do a good job there and win our game then we would have won all our games and we’ll let people decide who should go to the playoffs.”

## No. 16 Penn State 20, Rutgers 7

PISCATAWAY, N.J. (AP) — Trace McSorley threw two touchdown passes to tight end Pat Freiermuth and No. 16 Penn State’s

defense set up two touchdowns with turnovers in a 20-7 victory over Rutgers on Saturday, sending the Scarlet Knights to their 10th straight loss.

McSorley’s touchdown passes covered 6 yards in the second quarter and 18 in the fourth as the Nittany Lions (8-3, 5-3 Big Ten, No. 14 CFP) beat Rutgers (1-10, 0-7) for the 12th straight time. Jake Pinegar added field goals of 22 and 19 yards.

The win was No. 30 for McSorley as a starter, making him the winningest quarterback in school history. The senior had been tied with Todd Blackledge (1980-82) and Tony Sacca (1988-91). The two touchdowns increased his total — running and passing — to 101.

## No. 5 Georgia 66, UMass 27

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Georgia’s playmakers feasted as if lined up at an all-you-can-eat buffet.

No worries. There was plenty of offense for everyone.

Freshman Justin Fields threw two scoring passes and ran for another touchdown, Tyler Simmons had rushing and receiving scores, and No. 5 Georgia protected its playoff hopes by overwhelming UMass 66-27 on Saturday in one of the biggest offensive games in school history.

Another freshman, James Cook ran for 76 yards on only three carries, including his first two career scoring runs, from 26 and 27 yards.

“Everybody gets equal opportunity,” Simmons said.

Georgia gained 701 yards, the second-highest total in school history, including 426 yards on the ground. The Bulldogs never punted.

Coach Kirby Smart said the Bulldogs “overpowered a team that’s smaller than us.”

## No. 20 Kentucky 34, Middle Tennessee 23

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Mike Edwards had two takeaways leading to Kentucky’s first two touchdowns, and the No. 20 Wildcats made several fourth-quarter defensive stops for a 34-23 escape of Middle Tennessee on Saturday.

Kentucky (8-3) ended a two-game slide but had to survive the Blue Raiders’ rally within 31-23 early in the fourth. Wildcats senior linebacker Josh Allen sacked Brent Stockstill for a 7-yard loss on fourth down and set up Miles Butler’s 32-yard field goal with 4:01 remaining.

## No. 21 Utah 30, Colorado 7

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — Jason Shelley threw for 221 yards and two touchdowns in the snow, leading No. 21 Utah to a 30-7 win over Colorado on Saturday and slinging the Utes closer to their first Pac-12 title game appearance.

The Utes (8-3, 6-3) can clinch their first Pac-12 South title if Arizona State loses at Oregon later Saturday or if the Sun Devils lose to Arizona next week.

A sixth consecutive loss for the Buffaloes (5-6, 2-6) capped a week in which athletic director Rick George said he hadn’t made any decisions regarding coach Mike MacIntyre’s employment amid a news

report that his job was in jeopardy.

## No. 25 Mississippi State 52, Arkansas 6

STARKVILLE, Miss. (AP) — Nick Fitzgerald threw for four touchdowns and ran for another score to lead No. 25 Mississippi State over Arkansas 52-6 on Saturday.

In his final home game, Fitzgerald had another big performance in a career full of them. He completed 9 of 14 passes for 127 yards and also ran for 85 yards, including a 2-yard touchdown.

“He’s a guy that’s going to play 100 percent, 100 percent of the time,” Mississippi State coach Joe Moorhead said. “This sounds cliché, but he’s got a bulldog spirit and a bulldog toughness to him and that shows up every time he’s between the white lines.”

Senior Aeris Williams, starting in place of the injured Kylin Hill, added 104 yards rushing on 15 carries.

## FIU 42, Charlotte 35

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — James Morgan passed for 268 yards and two touchdowns and Napoleon Maxwell ran for 102 yards and two scores — including a 52-yarder midway through the fourth quarter — to help Florida International hold off Charlotte 42-35 on Saturday.

The Golden Panthers (8-3, 6-1 Conference USA) sit in the driver’s seat with a berth in the C-USA championship game at stake. FIU needs only a win over third-place Marshall in the final regular-season game to reach the title game against UAB. Despite the fact that both the Golden Panthers and Middle Tennessee have 6-1 records in the East Division, the Panthers would advance by virtue of their 24-21 win over the Blue Raiders on Oct. 13.

## Oklahoma St. 45, No. 7 West Virginia 41

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Taylor Cornelius threw a touchdown pass to Tylan Wallace with 42 seconds remaining to rally Oklahoma State past No. 7 West Virginia, 45-41 on Saturday.

Will Grier led West Virginia (8-2, 6-2, No. 9 CFP) to the Oklahoma State 14, but couldn’t connect with David Sills V on the final play. The loss all but ended West Virginia’s shot at the College Football Playoff. West Virginia faces Oklahoma next Friday and still has a shot at reaching the Big 12 title game.

Cornelius passed for 338 yards and ran for 106 to help Oklahoma State (6-5, 3-5) become bowl eligible. Down 31-14 at the half, the Cowboys won despite leading rusher Justice Hill sitting out with a rib injury.

“Our coaches made tremendous adjustments at halftime,” Oklahoma State coach Mike Gundy said. “I couldn’t be prouder of them.”

## Auburn 53, Liberty 0

AUBURN, Ala. (AP) — It was Senior Day inside Jordan-Hare Stadium, but it wasn’t just the graduating Tigers

dominating in Auburn’s home finale.

Seth Williams caught five passes for 109 yards and a touchdown, Kam Martin ran for 116 yards and Auburn’s defense pitched a shutout in a 53-0 victory over Liberty on Saturday.

Auburn (7-4) held a pass-happy Liberty (4-6) offense in check, recording its first FBS shutout in 10 years (34-0 win over Louisiana Monroe in 2008).

“That was the goal that coach (Kevin) Steele and the defense had been talking about all week,” said Auburn coach Gus Malzahn of the shutout. “They did it. That was impressive.”

Williams, a true freshman, recorded his first career 100-yard game, and Martin passed the century mark for the first time this season. The Tigers offense racked up 531 yards of offense, their highest output against an FBS foe this year. It was also the most points scored since beating Arkansas 56-3 in 2016.

## No. 17 Washington 42, Oregon State 23

SEATTLE (AP) — Jake Browning threw three touchdown passes and Myles Gaskin rushed for 135 yards in the final home game of their careers, and No. 17 Washington scored 28 first-quarter points on its way to a 42-23 victory over Oregon State on Saturday.

The victory by the Huskies (8-3, 6-2 Pac-12) sets up a winner-take-all matchup with No. 8 Washington State in the Apple Cup next Friday for the Pac-12 North Division title. The winner of the 111th matchup will play in the conference title game with a Rose Bowl berth at stake.

“There’s a lot on the line,” Browning said of the Apple Cup. “But I think more it’s a quick turnaround. I think whatever team can adjust to that quick turnaround better, that’s an advantage.”

## Ga Tech 30, Virginia 27, OT

ATLANTA (AP) — Georgia Tech relied on an unlikely formula to pull off its fourth straight victory.

A brilliant catch for its only pass completion of the game.

Four field goals from a freshman who wasn’t even the No. 1 kicker at the beginning of the season.

Wesley Wells booted a 40-yarder in overtime, the ball barely sliding through as it skimmed the right upright, and Virginia’s Brian Delaney missed his attempt from 35 yards to give the Yellow Jackets a 30-27 victory Saturday.

“Sometimes the nerves get to you a little bit,” Wells said. “It was a roller-coaster of emotions while the kick was up and the ball hitting the post and going in.”

## Iowa 63, Illinois 0

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Nate Stanley passed for 178 yards and three touchdowns while Mekhi Sargent and Toren Young added two rushing touchdowns each as Iowa rolled over Illinois 63-0 on Saturday.

It tied the largest margin of defeat in Illinois history, matching a 63-0 loss to the University of Chicago in 1906.

The win ended a three-game skid for the Hawkeyes (7-4, 4-4 Big Ten) and makes a bowl invitation all but certain.

The loss ended Illinois’ bowl hopes.

Iowa quarterback Nate Stanley threw an interception on the second play of the game and the Hawkeyes punted on the next series. But the floodgates soon opened: Over the next 18 minutes, Iowa scored five times.

“A lot of man coverage today, a lot of zone a week ago,” Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said. “A lot of that stuff is just how things shake out, but again, we’re going to be a better team any time we get our better guys involved.”

The Hawkeyes led 35-0 at the half.

## Wyoming 35, Air Force 27

LARAMIE, Wyo. (AP) — Tyler Vander Waal’s redemption gave Wyoming its third straight win.

Vander Waal came off the bench and tossed two touchdown passes, including the go-ahead score on a 22-yard strike with 1:09 left in the game, and rushed for two more TDs in leading Wyoming to a come-from-behind 35-27 victory over Air Force on a cold, snowy Saturday afternoon.

Vander Waal, who replaced injured starter Sean Chambers in the first quarter, led the Cowboys on a nine-play, 58-yard drive for the winning score, and Xazavian Valladay added a 27-yard scoring run with 17 seconds left to seal the win after an Air Force turnover on its subsequent series.

## Missouri 50, Tennessee 17

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Missouri quarterback Drew Lock remembers how Tennessee fans roasted him on social media after the Tigers hired Derek Dooley as offensive coordinator.

“I still had Twitter at that time and I was getting tagged in all of these tweets from Tennessee people, (saying), ‘Aww, Drew Lock’s got Derek Dooley now. Here he goes down the drain, Blah, blah, blah,’” Lock said.

Lock issued one heck of a response Saturday as Missouri trounced the Volunteers 50-17 in Dooley’s return to Tennessee, which fired him as head coach six years ago.

## Arkansas State 31, UL Monroe 17

JONESBORO, Ark. (AP) — Justice Hansen threw for 246 yards and three touchdowns as Arkansas State rolled past Louisiana Monroe 31-17 on Saturday, snapping the Warhawks’ four-game win streak.

Kirk Merritt caught six passes for 89 yards and two scores, Justin McInnis also caught a touchdown pass as Hansen spread the ball between seven receivers. Blake Grupe added field goals of 26 and 47 yards and Justin Clifton returned an interception 43 yards for the Red Wolves (7-4, 4-3 Sun Belt Conference), who have won three straight.

Caleb Evans went 17-for-28 passing with a touchdown for UL Monroe, but was picked off three times and sacked three times. Clifton had two interceptions.

## No. 14 Utah State 29, Colorado State 24

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (AP) — For a few moments, Colorado State lived every underdog’s dream finish. The winning score even went up — briefly — on the scoreboard only to be wiped out by reality.

Collin Hill’s apparent 34-yard touchdown pass to Preston Williams with no time left was negated by penalty, allowing No. 14 Utah State to escape with a 29-24 victory Saturday in a wild, stunning finish to a game played in snow and freezing rain.

“Survive and advance. Just like in the NCAA Tournament,” said Utah State coach Matt Wells, who was both relieved and ecstatic. “You know, I’m going to celebrate after a win like this. I’m going to let the players celebrate all the way until Monday. We have a special season going.”

## UCLA 34, USC 27

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Joshua Kelley has been watching the UCLA-USC rivalry since he was 8 years old. On Saturday, he cemented his legacy in the Crosstown Showdown’s history.

The junior running back rushed for 289 yards on 40 carries and scored two touchdowns to lead the Bruins to a 34-27 victory over the Trojans at the Rose Bowl.

It is the third-most rushing yards in a game in UCLA history and the most by a Bruins back against the Trojans. Gaston Green had the previous mark with 224 yards on 39 carries in 1986.

“It was crazy and finally I was out there and wanted to embrace every single moment of it,” said Kelley, who transferred from UC Davis. “It was a crazy experience. I sure enjoyed it and our team did too.”

## Wisconsin 47, Purdue 44

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) — Wisconsin’s Jonathan Taylor kept pounding away on his thick, strong legs Saturday.

Eventually, his patience paid dividends.

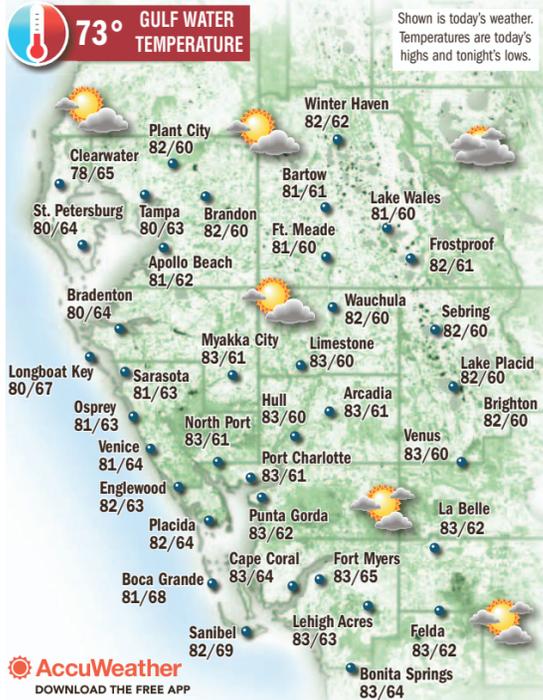
Taylor wore down Purdue’s defense, finishing with a career high 321 yards and scoring three times in the second half, including the decisive 17-yard touchdown run in the third overtime to lead the Badgers past Purdue 47-44.

“That’s something that you watch on TV,” Taylor said. “As a kid, you’re watching and saying that must feel amazing. This is the exact same feeling that you dream of.”

Except it was all real and the elements made this one tailor-made for the Badgers’ bruising back. On a cold, rainy day that turned into night, the 231-pound Taylor certainly packed a punch.

He matched his career high with 33 carries, averaging 9.7 yards per carry while scoring on runs of 80, 12 and 17 yards when the reeling Badgers needed a boost after their playoff aspirations and Big Ten title hopes had been derailed by three losses in their last five games — two of those without injured quarterback Alex Hornibrook who also missed Saturday’s game.

TODAY / TONIGHT	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Partly sunny and pleasant HIGH 83° LOW 61° 0% chance of rain	Partly sunny and nice 83° / 60° 5% chance of rain	Intervals of clouds and sun 81° / 60° 25% chance of rain	Pleasant with sunshine and patchy clouds 82° / 60° 5% chance of rain	Partly sunny with a shower 80° / 58° 60% chance of rain	Mostly sunny with a shower possible 79° / 61° 30% chance of rain



### FLORIDA CITIES

City	Today			Mon.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Apalachicola	71	54	s	71	56	pc
Bradenton	80	64	pc	80	63	pc
Clearwater	78	65	pc	77	65	pc
Coral Springs	83	69	pc	84	68	pc
Daytona Beach	78	62	pc	77	62	pc
Fort Lauderdale	82	71	pc	83	71	pc
Fort Myers	83	65	pc	84	65	sh
Gainesville	78	54	pc	78	53	pc
Jacksonville	74	55	sh	75	53	pc
Key Largo	81	74	pc	82	73	pc
Key West	83	77	r	85	78	pc
Lakeland	81	61	pc	81	61	pc
Melbourne	81	65	pc	82	65	r
Miami	82	70	pc	84	71	pc
Naples	83	67	pc	83	66	r
Ocala	79	55	pc	78	54	pc
Okeechobee	82	61	pc	82	61	pc
Orlando	81	62	pc	81	61	pc
Panama City	70	52	s	70	56	pc
Pensacola	70	51	s	71	54	pc
Pompano Beach	83	72	pc	84	72	pc
St. Augustine	75	60	pc	74	58	pc
St. Petersburg	80	64	pc	80	63	pc
Sarasota	81	63	pc	81	64	pc
Tallahassee	72	49	s	72	52	pc
Tampa	80	63	pc	80	62	pc
Vero Beach	81	64	pc	81	64	pc
West Palm Beach	82	66	pc	83	66	pc

### TIDES

Location	High		Low	
	Time	Height	Time	Height
Punta Gorda	11:38a	6:09a	—	5:59p
Mon.	12:01a	6:54a	12:41p	6:35p
Englewood	10:15a	4:25a	10:38p	4:15p
Mon.	11:18a	5:10a	10:59p	4:51p
Boca Grande	9:16a	3:00a	9:49p	2:56p
Mon.	10:16a	3:49a	10:10p	3:31p
El Jobean	12:11a	6:38a	12:10p	6:28p
Mon.	12:33a	7:23a	1:13p	7:04p
Venice	8:30a	3:04a	8:53p	2:54p
Mon.	9:33a	3:49a	9:14p	3:30p

### MARINE

Location	Wind	Speed	Seas	Bay/Inland
Cape Sable to Tarpon Springs	NE	7-14	1-2	Light
Tarpon Springs to Apalachicola	NE	6-12	1-2	Light

### SUN AND MOON

Item	Time	Direction
The Sun Rise	6:50 a.m.	5:36 p.m.
Monday Rise	6:51 a.m.	5:36 p.m.
The Moon Rise	2:59 p.m.	2:17 a.m.
Monday Rise	3:34 p.m.	3:11 a.m.

### SOLUNAR TABLE

Time	Minor	Major	Minor	Major
Today	1:26a	7:37a	1:48p	7:59p
Mon.	2:05a	8:16a	2:27p	8:38p
Tue.	2:44a	8:55a	3:07p	9:18p

### PORT CHARLOTTE

Item	Value
Temperatures High/Low	76°/49°
Normal High/Low	81°/59°
Record High/Low	89° (2013) / 37° (1970)
Precipitation (in inches) 24 hours through 2 p.m. Sat.	0.00"
Month to date	1.91"
Normal month to date	1.18"
Year to date	60.79"
Normal year to date	48.14"
Record	1.00" (2014)

### MONTHLY RAINFALL

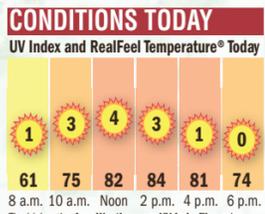
Month	2018	2017	Avg. Record/Year
Jan.	1.98	0.88	1.80 9.93/2016
Feb.	0.66	0.94	2.52 11.05/1983
Mar.	0.53	0.80	3.28 9.26/1970
Apr.	1.15	1.59	2.03 5.80/1994
May	15.98	2.74	2.50 15.98/2018
Jun.	6.23	14.79	8.92 23.99/1974
Jul.	9.80	9.02	8.22 14.22/1995
Aug.	12.37	13.12	8.01 15.60/1995
Sep.	7.58	12.46	6.84 14.03/1979
Oct.	2.60	2.54	2.93 10.88/1995
Nov.	1.91	0.44	1.91 5.53/2002
Dec.	1.04	1.78	6.83/2002
Year	60.79	60.36	50.74 (since 1931)

### VENICE

Item	Value
Temperatures High/Low	77°/52°
Normal High/Low	79°/59°
Record High/Low	88° (2003) / 38° (1970)
Precipitation (in inches) 24 hours through 2 p.m. Sat.	0.00"
Month to date	0.47"
Normal month to date	1.09"
Year to date	40.80"
Normal year to date	47.43"
Record	1.00" (2014)

### SEBRING

Item	Value
Temperatures High/Low	76°/52°
Normal High/Low	79°/59°
Record High/Low	88° (2003) / 38° (1970)
Precipitation (in inches) 24 hours through 2 p.m. Sat.	0.00"

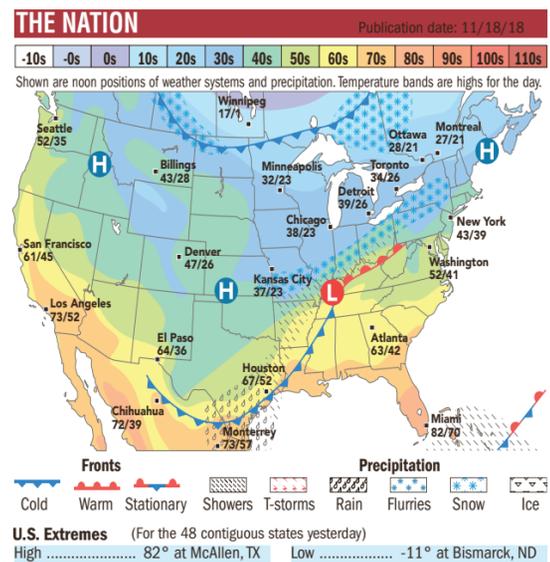


### POLLEN INDEX

Category	Index
Trees	absent
Grass	absent
Weeds	absent
Molds	absent

### AIR QUALITY INDEX

Index	Category
54	Good
51-100	Moderate
101-150	Unhealthy for sensitive groups
151-200	Unhealthy
201-300	Very Unhealthy
301-500	Hazardous



U.S. Extremes (For the 48 contiguous states yesterday)  
High ..... 82° at McAllen, TX Low ..... -11° at Bismarck, ND

City	Today			Mon.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	54	29	s	55	28	s
Anchorage	40	35	r	41	32	c
Atlanta	63	42	pc	65	47	pc
Baltimore	49	37	pc	55	38	pc
Birmingham	43	28	s	46	31	s
Boise	48	24	s	48	24	s
Boston	41	35	pc	45	35	c
Buffalo	36	28	c	37	28	c
Burlington, VT	32	25	pc	38	28	pc
Charleston, WV	57	42	pc	53	37	sh
Charlotte	60	40	pc	65	43	pc
Chicago	38	23	s	38	25	pc
Cincinnati	50	36	c	45	33	pc
Cleveland	40	31	sn	42	30	pc
Columbia, SC	63	49	pc	67	49	pc
Columbus, OH	46	35	sn	44	32	pc
Concord, NH	36	24	pc	40	22	sf
Dallas	52	37	c	58	40	pc
Denver	47	26	s	50	25	s
Des Moines	36	24	s	40	18	pc
Detroit	39	26	c	39	30	pc
Duluth	25	18	c	23	5	sf
Fairbanks	24	15	pc	22	14	i
Fargo	28	11	pc	20	8	c
Hartford	40	30	pc	43	29	c
Helena	40	18	s	42	20	s
Honolulu	81	73	pc	81	72	pc
Houston	67	52	sh	57	48	r
Indianapolis	42	32	sn	42	30	s
Jackson, MS	68	46	s	63	45	c
Kansas City	37	23	sn	47	20	s
Knoxville	59	40	pc	60	41	c
Las Vegas	67	41	s	65	44	s
Los Angeles	73	52	pc	73	52	pc
Louisville	55	41	c	49	36	pc
Memphis	65	46	c	54	38	c
Milwaukee	36	23	s	37	23	pc
Minneapolis	32	23	pc	32	12	c
Montgomery	67	43	s	68	49	pc
Nashville	64	44	c	56	38	r
New Orleans	71	54	s	70	57	pc
New York City	43	39	pc	48	38	c
Norfolk, VA	58	45	pc	61	48	pc
Oklahoma City	41	27	c	57	30	s
Omaha	38	26	c	43	22	pc
Philadelphia	46	38	pc	53	39	pc
Phoenix	74	48	s	76	52	pc
Pittsburgh	43	33	c	40	31	pc
Portland, ME	35	26	pc	40	27	sn
Portland, OR	54	34	s	58	45	r
Providence	41	33	pc	46	34	c
Raleigh	58	40	pc	62	44	pc
Salt Lake City	44	22	s	46	26	pc
St. Louis	39	32	c	46	27	s
San Antonio	59	46	r	58	45	r
San Diego	70	52	pc	70	53	pc
San Francisco	61	45	pc	62	45	pc
Seattle	52	35	s	54	36	s
Washington, DC	52	41	pc	58	44	pc

### WORLD CITIES

City	Today			Mon.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Amsterdam	44	35	pc	45	33	pc
Baghdad	71	52	pc	70	54	pc
Beijing	52	21	s	47	24	s
Berlin	41	33	pc	39	30	c
Buenos Aires	74	55	s	79	60	s
Cairo	79	62	s	78	62	s
Calgary	44	29	c	50	32	pc
Cancun	84	73	pc	84	74	sh
Dublin	52	42	pc	47	41	pc
Edmonton	40	30	r	42	25	pc
Halifax	34	26	pc	40	31	r
Kiev	33	19	pc	32	23	c
London	52	40	pc	47	38	c
Madrid	55	47	r	56	45	sh
Mexico City	74	46	pc	74	46	pc
Montreal	27	21	pc	33	23	c
Ottawa	28	21	pc	32	20	c
Paris	45	30	s	43	32	pc
Regina	23	10	c	24	22	pc
Rio de Janeiro	91	75	pc	84	71	r
Rome	60	39	pc	58	51	r
St. John's	37	28	pc	34	29	pc
San Juan	86	73	pc	86	77	pc
Sydney	70	60	pc	72	60	pc
Tokyo	61	54	pc	61	51	r
Toronto	34	26	c	37	26	c
Vancouver	48	30	s	49	34	s
Winnipeg	17	1	c	11	2	s

# Busch gets windfall benefit from Joe Gibbs Racing with top pit stall of teammate Hamlin for championship race

Hamlin won the pole but ceded the favorable position to Busch since Hamlin can't win the Cup

**By DAN GELSTON**  
AP SPORTS WRITER

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — Joe Gibbs issued a team order on the eve of NASCAR's championship that gave Kyle Busch an edge over the other three title contenders.

Busch was gifted the coveted No. 1 pit stall Saturday when Joe Gibbs Racing made the dubious decision to force teammate and pole winner Denny Hamlin to pass on the top spot. Busch qualified second and grabbed the favorable pit stall after Hamlin's team yielded to Gibbs' demand.

"It's an advantage for them, which stinks for us," said reigning series champion Martin Truex Jr.

Busch will take any perk he can when he races Truex, Joey Logano and Kevin Harvick for the title Sunday at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

"Ultimately, it's an upper management decision, and that's part of it. I understand," Hamlin said.

"Sat down with Joe quite a bit. He came over pretty fast to talk to me. I could see the other side of it. If the roles were reversed, I think we would hope for the same thing."

Busch should have an advantage because the stall in question is located at the end of pit road and gives drivers a clear exit path and cleaner shot back onto the track.

The short exit distance also lessens the concern of a speeding penalty.

"It's great to have the No. 1 pit stall for the race and I appreciate the teamwork by the guys on the 11," Busch said.

"Coach and everyone at JGR are focused on doing what they can to bring a championship for the company."

Hamlin, who is winless this season, and crew chief Mike Wheeler had the traditional first choice of pit stalls because

Hamlin posted the fastest qualifying lap.

Hamlin also won the pole a year ago but denied Truex's request for the pit stall.

Truex, a Toyota partner of Hamlin's but not an official teammate, went on to win the race anyway.

"Hopefully, it all just comes back full circle. Maybe I'll even get a thank you text," Hamlin said.

Gibbs, the Super Bowl and NASCAR champion, said he made the call this time.

"Anything like this always stops with me," Gibbs said.

Hamlin said both he and Gibbs spoke to officials from FedEx and the sponsor understood the decision for JGR to show favoritism.

But he worried that helping Busch for one race may have made the practice acceptable.

"The problem is, from my standpoint it is probably will set a precedent going forward," Hamlin said.

"It probably will be a manufacturer thing more so than a teammate. I hate it, too, because I denied Martin last year. Luckily, he won the race anyway, but I just think it's a tough deal, and you've got to listen to the boss."

Busch said Friday he thought the idea would get shot down as it did for Truex, and Hamlin didn't seem eager to give up his prize.

He's trying to extend a streak of winning at least one race every season since his 2006 rookie year, and Sunday marks his final race with Wheeler.

Even Busch understood it was a big ask of Hamlin.

"That's probably too far, but it would sure be nice," Busch said.

Busch, the 2015 Cup champion, got what he wanted when Hamlin's team chose the No. 4 pit stall, which did not violate any NASCAR policy.

But Brad Keselowski,

Logano's teammate at Team Penske, ripped JGR's decision to manipulate the process.

"Good for the company, bad for the sport," he said.

Logano has the third stall, Truex has the seventh spot and Harvick has the 39th spot.

Logano swept Saturday's two practice sessions and hit 171.701 mph for the fastest lap

in the second session.

Busch scraped the wall in the closing minutes of the second practice and scuffed the Toyota on the rear right side.

"They all look like that at some point during the week-end. Better in practice than in the race, but it's just minor, minor damage," crew chief Adam Stevens said. "It's nothing we

can't fix in short order."

Logano also had the best 10-consecutive lap average in the final practice (165.018), followed by Truex and Busch.

Harvick was 10th overall and only averaged 163.124 over his fastest 10 laps. He starts 12th, lowest of the title contenders.

"Honestly, it really hasn't been that good," Harvick said.



Kyle Busch takes a photo with a fan during practice for the NASCAR Cup Series championship at Homestead-Miami Speedway. Busch was second in qualifying but received a bump to the top pit stall from teammate Denny Hamlin.

AP PHOTO

## Local downtown merchants celebrate SBS

By **MELISSA MAIN**  
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — Saturday, Nov. 24 is Small Business Saturday, and local downtown merchants are planning a special holiday event with drawings for a \$500 gift certificate and free merchandise.

To welcome holiday shoppers, merchants on the Sebring Circle are offering cookies, candy and treats for them to munch on as they explore merchandise, which will be discounted for the sales event.

The downtown event will be filled with holiday cheer. Each store will be decorated for Christmas and will offer discounts on merchandise, ranging from a percent off on specific items to free merchandise with a purchase.

Downtown restaurants — including Dee's Place, Faded, Mae Lee's Deli, Southern Hospitality — will help shoppers refuel their energy levels for all-day shopping stamina. To satisfy that sweet tooth, people can stop by Sebring Soda & Ice Cream Works and Top Hat Coffee Shoppe.

Shoppers can enjoy finding unique gift items that are hard to find at large,

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The store had added five new lines of shoes in its new building.

## T.S. Shoes and More opens new store

By **BILL ROGERS**  
CORRESPONDENT

T.S. Shoes has revised its name that is actually quite fitting. The Sebring store has added more clothing and new lines of shoes and is now T. S. Shoes and More.

Shoppers can find those things in the store's new 7,000-square-foot building at 720 US 27 N. Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

"We needed space and wanted to expand more in apparel and some better lines of shoes," said Gerald Coleman, who opened the store with his wife, Melanie, in 1988.

The brands of shoes offered include: SAS, Vionic, Brooks, Taos, Teva, Keen, Ecco, Clarks, New Balance, Fit Flop, OluKai, Reef, Crocs, Alegria, Ryka, Minnetonka and Skechers, which is now making a work shoe for both men and women that has non-slip bottoms. He said the store has expanded Vionic and "carries about

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## Venus Veggies offers seasonal, fresh produce

By **INGRID UTECH**  
CORRESPONDENT

VENUS — Venus Veggies, a small 10-acre certified organic farm in Highlands County, has been growing and selling organic produce for the last eight years.

Organic means the produce has been grown in soil that uses a lot of organic matter to give crops the nutrients they need to grow. Crops also have not been treated with synthetic fertilizers, pesticides and chemicals that are injurious to the environment and possibly to our health.

As organic produce has increased in popularity, large commercial farms also have started growing organic vegetables. That, in turn, has led to greater availability of organic produce in supermarkets, which has made it more difficult for the owners of small farms like Venus Veggies to compete.

Fortunately, many consumers like to buy fresh, local produce at farmer's markets, especially if it's organic, and that is where Venus Veggies makes most of its sales, according to owner Karin Grunden. Each week from Thursday to Sunday from mid-October until the middle of May, Venus Veggies has a booth at the Englewood, Fort Myers, Cape Coral and Sanibel Farmer's Markets, respectively.

But Grunden also makes her produce available to Highlands County residents. Since 2014, Grunden has partnered with Alpha Natural Health Food Store in Lake Placid to offer a program called Veggie Bags. Every Wednesday during season, Venus Veggies delivers two different sized bags filled with fresh produce to Alpha Natural. Bags are priced at either \$20 or \$35.

Customers pre-order



INGRID UTECH/CORRESPONDENT

Venus Veggies owner Karin Grunden examines the proliferating basil in her hoop house.

the size bag they want by the Monday prior to delivery. They can request specific produce or they can take the Farmer's Choice, where the bags will be filled with a combination of seasonal produce.

Produce may include kale, chard, squash, bok choy, potatoes, celery,

mustard greens, collards, radishes, broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage, carrots, beets, hot peppers, okra, eggplant, leeks, lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, onions or cut herbs.

Lake Placid resident Lynne Reinhardt has been a Venus Veggies customer since the

program's inception. A smart shopper who looks for value, Reinhardt says she has been delighted at the quality and the price of Venus Veggies, and the convenience of shopping so close to home.

Venus Veggies prides itself on the freshness of its produce, which it distributes and sells within 24 hours after it is harvested. The produce also lasts longer because it hasn't been in transport for a day or two, like so much of the produce that's shipped to the grocery stores. There are also no shipping costs to pass on to the consumer.

Grunden wasn't always a farmer. She and her partner, Jeff Troup, purchased 32 acres in Venus in 1992. They farmed conventionally early on but then did no farming until 2009, when they decided to start an organic farm on 10 acres

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## BLACK FRIDAY



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In this Nov. 23, 2017, file photo, people wait in line for a Best Buy store to open for a Black Friday sale on Thanksgiving Day, in Overland Park, Kan.

## Shop it or skip it?

By **COURTNEY JESPERSEN**  
NERDWALLET

A solid 70 percent of Americans plan to shop on Black Friday this year, according to a recent NerdWallet study conducted by The Harris Poll.

But the nature of a day centered around shopping can almost inevitably lead to overspending.

Here are three ways to tell whether participating in Black Friday is really right — or actually wrong — for you.

Consider what you're buying

Black Friday, the day after Thanksgiving, is known for long lines, big crowds and low prices.

And while the shopping holiday often does deliver unbeatable deals on things like electronics, certain items are cheaper at other times of the year.

Clothing is generally a bargain on Black Friday, but some clothing reaches its lowest price off-season, according to Charlie Graham, founder and CEO of Shop It to Me, a sale alert app.

"If you're really penny-pinching, you can find better deals when items go on clearance outside of Black Friday and Cyber Monday," Graham says of some apparel.

Think buying swimsuits at the end of winter or sweaters in the middle of summer.

TIP: Consider the items you want this Black Friday and write them down. Then, check Black Friday ads to see if those products will be on sale. Retailers usually release their ads ahead of time — online, by email or in the mail. If you don't see what you want at the price you want, think about waiting to buy.



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In this Nov. 23, 2017, file photo, Jesus Reyes pushes a television down an aisle as he shops at a Black Friday sale at a Best Buy store in Overland Park, Kan. A solid 70 percent of Americans plan to shop on Black Friday this year, according to a recent NerdWallet study conducted by The Harris Poll.

Consider why you're buying

Of those who plan to shop in stores this Black Friday, 42 percent said they plan to do so because they enjoy the in-store hype (e.g., doorbuster deals, camping outside of stores the night before), according to the NerdWallet study.

Enjoying this annual tradition is one thing, but going shopping "just because" isn't always a good idea. Even if you've set a budget before putting on your comfiest sneakers and standing in the cold, you

may be susceptible to making additional purchases once you're among the merchandise.

On Black Friday, retailers compete for a share of your wallet, says Jeff Inman, a marketing professor at the University of Pittsburgh and editor-in-chief of the Journal of Consumer Research.

Traditionally, retailers draw in Black Friday shoppers with a few great deals

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# Big question for Amazon's 2 chosen cities: Will it pay off?

By **CHRISTOPHER RUGABER**  
AP ECONOMICS WRITER

WASHINGTON — The awarding of Amazon's second headquarters to two affluent localities has fanned intense speculation around a key question: For the winning cities, will the economic payoff prove to be worth the cost?

Amazon's decision will bring to Arlington, Virginia, and the Long Island City section of New York a combined 50,000 jobs and \$5 billion in investment over the next two decades. But the influx is sure to swell already-high home prices and apartment rents and could overwhelm public transportation systems. And the two areas combined are providing over \$2 billion in subsidies to one of the world's richest companies — a bounty that many analysts say probably wasn't necessary to sway Amazon.

The decision to bring those jobs, which Amazon says will pay an average of \$150,000 a year, to the New York and Washington areas will also exacerbate U.S. regional inequalities, economists say. Such Midwestern cities as Columbus, Ohio, and Indianapolis, Indiana, which made Amazon's short list, would have helped spread the tech industry's high-skilled, high-paying jobs more broadly.

"It's ambiguous for the winners, not good for the 'losers' and not good at all for the nation," said Mark Muro, a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution.

Still, on the surface, the deal appears to be better than most. Amazon says it's receiving \$1.525 billion in incentives and subsidies from New



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**A former dock facility is shown with old transfer bridges, with "Long Island" painted in large letters at Gantry State Park in the Long Island City section of Queens, N.Y., Tuesday, Nov. 13, in New York. Amazon announced Tuesday it has selected the Queens neighborhood as one of two sites for its headquarters.**

York state and \$573 million from Virginia and Arlington County. That works out to \$61,000 in incentives provided to Amazon for each job in Long Island City and roughly \$23,000 for each job in Arlington.

That compares with a much larger average figure of \$658,000 per job for other large deals, said Greg LeRoy, executive director of Good Jobs First, a nonpartisan watchdog group. Taiwanese manufacturer Foxconn, for example, received \$4.8 billion in subsidies for a plant in Wisconsin on which it broke ground this year. That deal is expected to bring just 13,000 jobs.

Still, Amazon's total subsidies will likely end up much higher, LeRoy said. Amazon said it will also apply for existing incentive programs that could add nearly \$1 billion to the subsidies from New York.

And Amazon's final selections suggest that all the subsidies and giveaways probably weren't needed, other economists said. Other state and local governments offered a lot

more, including at least \$8.5 billion on behalf of Montgomery County, Maryland, and \$7 billion for Newark, New Jersey.

"If Amazon was pursuing subsidies, it made the wrong decision," said Michael Farren, a research fellow at George Mason University's Mercatus Center. "Even the biggest subsidies you can imagine really don't sway these kinds of decisions."

Rather, Amazon's top priority was having access to a sizable pool of highly skilled employees, Farren said, and it likely would have chosen the same two locations even without the subsidies.

"The only things they're useful for are the companies that get them and the politicians who get the credit," he said.

Indeed, Jay Carney, an Amazon senior vice president, acknowledged in an interview on CNN that the company had chosen two locations that offered less in subsidies than others had.

"That reflects that talent was really the driving factor for us," Carney said.

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**Apartments & Houses for Rent in Highlands County Starting at \$450 Pet Friendly!**  
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**Sebring \*Liberty Star Plaza\*** 3000-18,000 sqft; Built out. US 27 Near SR 66. **Great Medical, School, Real Estate space!** **863-471-0663**

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**FT Housekeeper**-For Condo Complex. Sat. +2 week days; 8a-4p; Apply at: 124 Lake Drive Blvd., Sebring. DFWP

**HELP WANTED 2001**



**Lykes Citrus Division:**

**Full-Time Equipment Operators:**  
 Duties include: performing general grove activities (mowing, spraying, herbiciding, fertilizing), service grove equipment; performing hand labor tasks as needed.

**Full-Time Mechanic-Basinger Shop:**  
 Duties Include: diagnosing, repairing and maintain company vehicles, tractors and equipment. Experience in diesel & gasoline engines, hydraulics, air conditioning and automotive electrical. Welding and fabrication experience is a plus, but not required.

**Please Apply:** Online at [www.LykesRanch.com](http://www.LykesRanch.com) or in person at Lykes Citrus Division, 7 Lykes Road, Lake Placid, FL 33852 or 106 SW CR 721, Okeechobee, FL 34974

**AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT OPERATORS NEEDED**

Farmer needs 3 agricultural equipment operators, 12-11-18 to 05-18-19. The employer is **FC of Arcadia, Inc.** Workers will be paid 11.29 per hour. Job location is in Charlotte, Polk, Lee, Collier, DeSoto, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Manatee, and Okeechobee counties, Florida. Employer will guarantee the opportunity for work for the hourly equivalent of 3/4 of the hours of the work period. 12 month Agricultural Equipment Operator experience is required. Driver must possess a valid driver's license. The employer will provide the work tools, supplies and equipment at no cost to the worker. Housing will be provided for individual workers outside normal commuting distance. For workers residing beyond normal commuting distances, reasonable transportation and subsistence expenses to the worksite will be provided or paid by the employer after completion of 50% of the work period. Apply for this job at CareerSource Heartland office located at 5901 US Hwy 27 South, Suite 1, Sebring, FL 33870 (863)-385-3672 using job listing number FL10814666.

**CLASSIFIED WORKS!**

**WORKERS NEEDED**  
 34 workers needed for **Juan Carlos Ramos** for Citrus harvesting from 12/05/18 to 5/28/19. Workers will be paid \$1.00+ per 90 lb tub, but will be guaranteed \$11.29 per hour. Job location is in Central Florida. This job opportunity is temporary, 36 hours per week guaranteeing at least 3/4 of the time offered. Free housing is provided to workers who cannot reasonably return to their permanent residence at the end of the work day. Transportation and subsistence expenses to the work site will be provided by the employer upon completion of 50% of the work contract. Tools, equipment and supplies will be provided at no cost. Job order holding office is at 107 East Madison St., Tallahassee, FL 32399 Job order 10803714

**HARDEE CO. BOCC PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION**

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- ★ **Equipment Operator/Spotter** (FL "A" CDL Air Brake, Tanker, and Hazardous Materials") \$12.01-\$16.55/hr. + ben. pkg.
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**Positions include 100% paid Health Insurance for Employee Coverage.**  
 Job descriptions @ [www.hardeecounty.net](http://www.hardeecounty.net) w/application. Submit: HR, 205 Hanchey Rd., Wauchula, FL 33873 863-773-2161.  
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**WORKERS WANTED**

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**Davis Citrus Management** is seeking a reliable and dependable full time employee. **Tractor/hand labor, general grove work maintenance** help needed. MUST have a VALID driver's license and reliable transportation to work. Pay is based on experience. Please fill out application and you MUST list work references. If you have applied before, no need to re-apply. We have your application on file. For further details, text or call 863-443-1365 (cell). You may also contact the office at 863-453-7777.

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Seeking FL dual licensed Water/Water Waste operator:  
 ★ **Senior Utilities Operator** ("A" & "B" lic's.) - \$23.78-\$32.78/hr + benefits; or,  
 ★ **Utility Operator II** ("B/B" lic's) \$21.51-\$29.65/hr + benefits; or,  
 ★ **Utility Operator I** ("C/C" lic's) \$20.55-\$28.33/hr + benefits.

Performing and organizing department O&M. Water & WW FL operator licenses, or for UOII/SUO can obtain both "B" or higher within one year.

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**PROFESSIONAL 2010**

**Kid City Daycare & Preschool Now Hiring**  
 Christ Centered Facility is seeking to complete our staff. FT position available. Call Dawn at **863-385-3111** or visit 3599 Thunderbird Rd., Sebring.

**WATER METER READER.** Entry level position involves all aspects of reading water meters and other duties as assigned. Basic requirements are a high school diploma or GED and a valid Florida Drivers License. Application forms and full job description are available on our website [www.lakeplacidfl.net](http://www.lakeplacidfl.net) or at Town Hall and can be submitted to 311 W Interlake Blvd, Lake Placid or emailed to [sharondelaney@mylakeplacid.org](mailto:sharondelaney@mylakeplacid.org). Pay rate starting at \$10.00 p/h plus benefits. Accepting applications until November 21, 2018.

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**CITY MANAGER**

The City of Bowling Green, Florida seeks an experienced candidate to serve as its next City Manager. With 2,930 residents, the City has 21 full time employees and provides Municipal Government services including a Police Department, Recreation Department, Street Maintenance, Water, Sewer, and Garbage Collection Services. A competitive salary, City paid health insurance, vehicle, vacation, sick leave and paid holidays are provided.  
**Resumes are due to City Clerk no later than 3:00 PM, EST, December 31, 2018** and must include work-related references, salary history, education, grant writing, administration and other relevant experience. A Bachelor's degree in Public Admin; Business Admin or similar discipline is preferred; no less than five (5) years local government experience required, preferably with full service city/county; or any equivalent combination of education, training, and experience that provides the requisite knowledge, skills and abilities for this job. Residency will be required within twelve months. Email resumes to [csilva@bowlinggreenfl.org](mailto:csilva@bowlinggreenfl.org) or mail to PO Box 608, Bowling Green, FL 33834 marked "City Manager Search". For a complete job description please visit our website at <http://bowlinggreenfl.org>.

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**FT Dental Receptionist** Needed. Experience preferred  
**Bring Resume To: Heartland Periodontics 4660 Lakeview Dr., Sebring**

Plant Nursery looking for motivated individual to apply pesticides, mowing etc. Would prefer someone with experience. You can call 863-832-4252 or 863-773-6662 and ask for Carolyn.

**MEDICAL 2030**

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Royal Care of Avon Park currently has a part-time position available for a Register Nurse to work every other weekend as the facility Weekend Nurse Manager. For more details please contact **Temeka Hipps, DON at 863-453-6674**. 1213 W Stratford Rd., Avon Park. EOE, DFWP, M/F.

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**Unit Manager/ Care Team Manager**

**RN/LPN-Long Term Care ★ Sign On Bonus ★**

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**Responsibilities:**

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- Assign tasks and evaluate employee job performance.
- Mentor, coach & support unit staff.
- ★ Supervision experience and long term care experience required. Must have current Florida RN/LPN License.

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**GENERAL 2100**

**CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT**

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**HOUSEHOLD GOODS 6030**

**Mirrors**-oak plank, 40"x29" w/4 copper snake hooks \$55 & 24" sq br wood frame w/22" dia. mirror, \$20 - 863-385-6414  
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**HOLIDAY ITEMS 6031**

**Christmas Wreaths**, 18" & 24" some with lights, \$10.00 each 863-385-6414

**FURNITURE 6035**

4 glass door cherry book cabinet \$125. 2 wicker rocker/glider & cushions, nice, \$65 each. Dinette set 4 chairs w/casters, black & gold material, excellent, \$450, 863-385-2969.

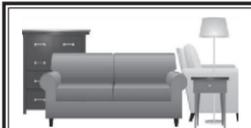
**Bedroom Set**, light ashwood, double bed frame, headboard, 2 nightstands, highboy dresser w/mirror, \$750 - 863-385-6414

**Dining Table**, solid wood, red mahogany, 5 ft. long w/2 leafs, 6 rose back chairs, claw foot legs, \$350 obo 765-561-5210

**Display Case**, lighted, oak, mirror back, 30 X 60, 4 glass shelves, \$45 - 812-372-7955

**Kitchen Set**, contemporary 42" round w/4 leather padded chairs, \$250 - 863 385-6414

**Living/Great Room**, all-leather sectional; 4 pc unit, curved seat in ctr, lounge on left-end, lt apricot, EC, \$1,750-863-385-6414



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**FURNITURE 6035**



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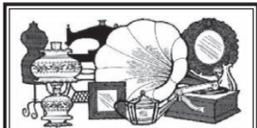
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**ELECTRONICS 6038**

**IPad or iPad2**, leather case with removable bluetooth keyboard, \$50.00 - 863-385-6414

**ANTIQUES COLLECTIBLES 6070**

**Bowed GI Breadfront**; 4 side chrs; 2 arm chrs; Duncan Phyfe dropleaf table w/3 inserts, table pads incl-\$1,000-863-385-6414



**Antiques Wanted** Upscale Decorative Items, Art Glass, Sterling, etc. **812-535-1400**

**MUSICAL 6090**

**Microphones (2)**, unidirectional w/cord and case, \$20.00 each - 863-385-6414

**FIREARMS 6131**

**6.5 Carcano**-w/10 boxes of shells, \$325 obo. **715-791-4113**

**BICYCLES/TRICYCLES 6135**

**Bicycles**, assorted adult and kids bikes, guaranteed, \$25 and up. **863-414-8088**

**TOYS/GAMES 6138**

**Game Table**, oak, 48" octagon, padded top, money trays, folding legs, \$50-812-372-7955

**Lionel Train Sets**, NYC-new, Xmas Train used & Polar Express-new, Diesels, locomotives & freight cars-new, \$15 to \$350, 716-680-1975

**LAWN & GARDEN 6160**

**John Deere Tractor**-125 Automatic, 2 bagger dump cart, 42" cut, good condition. \$950 for 3 units. **863-465-9865**

**BUILDING SUPPLIES 6170**

**22 Kitchen Cabinets**-incl. countertops. Solid birch wood. 9 wall-mounted. Exc. Cond! \$1,500. Pics on Craigslist, Lakeland. **207-380-1177**

**TOOLS/MACHINERY 6190**

10' Task Force bench/table saw w/stand \$50. 7' Work Force tile wet saw \$50. 6' Warner fiber-glass stepladder \$20, 863-385-2969.

**Classified = Sales**

**Circular Saw**, Black & Decker 7.25" w/extra blades, \$35.00 863-385-6414

**TOOLS/MACHINERY 6190**

**Oxygen Acetylene Tank**-With hoses & gages. \$100. **320-333-1789**

**DOGS 6233**

**MultiPoo Puppies**-M/F, blk or apricot. **Ready Dec. 14 Pick Yours Now!** \$450. Health/Vet certificate. **863-273-1560**



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**APPLIANCES 6250**

**Coffee Warmer**, Bunn, double burner, \$20.00 - 863-385-6414

**Electric Range**, Kenmore, coil type burners, self cleaning, beige w/black front, good condition, \$70.00 - 724-840-0300

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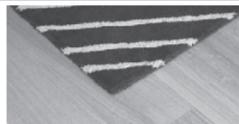


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# SATURDAY

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online conglomerates. In addition, shopping at locally-owned small businesses is a boost to the local economy. Residents of Highlands County are employed by small businesses, so purchasing from small businesses keeps mom-and-pop shops open and lowers unemployment. "Overall, small businesses create 64 percent of all new private-sector jobs, which means they're absolutely essential to getting people working," according to Business.com. Large corporations often take profits and invest them in other areas, such as returning it to shareholders or opening up branches in other regions. In sharp contrast, local businesses recirculate money back into their communities. "Two-thirds of every dollar spent at a small business stays in the community," according to new research from American Express. "Small businesses put money back into the community," Vicki Jarvis, co-owner of Frames and Images, said. "We want to encourage people to shop local instead of online or out of town." "Small businesses are the life blood of most communities," Dan Andrews, owner of Legacy Bicycles, said. "This is the first time that local merchants have made a

concerted effort to get together and combine their resources to do what we wouldn't be able to do otherwise." "Thanks to the efforts of two key downtown merchants, Dan Andrews of Legacy Bicycles and Vicki Jarvis of Frames and Images, the downtown is coming together to offer a special shopping experience to kick off the holiday season," Kristie Vazquez, the executive director of the Community Redevelopment Agency, said. "This time of year is when sales potentials are the highest as we all gear up for the holidays, and we want to provide an opportunity for the community to take advantage of all that downtown Sebring has to offer," Vazquez said. "We value the small businesses that comprise the CRA district, and a part of our mission is to assist the downtown merchants in their efforts to market their businesses," she said. "By supporting this local shopping initiative, the CRA is hoping to generate additional interest and investment in the downtown, as well as encourage the community to think of the downtown first for all of their shopping needs." "We want to encourage everyone to come support local downtown merchants," Andrews said. "We have a lot to offer in the beautiful downtown historic district." Downtown stores will

be open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Small Business Saturday, offering extending shopping times. The drawing for the \$500 gift certificate will be at 3 p.m. Shoppers can receive a punch card from Circle Park or a local downtown store; when they visit all the participating merchants and get their cards punched at each store, they can stop by Circle Park and place their cards in a drawing for a \$500 gift certificate. The certificate can be used at any participating merchant. Visit all the merchants listed below and receive a stamp from each business on the punch card to enter to win a \$500 gift certificate:

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# PRODUCE

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of their land. Crops are rotated, so that only five acres are planted at any one time. Working with a knowledgeable friend, they adopted organic practices and then sought U.S. Department of Agriculture certification, a lengthy and time-consuming process but one that gives legitimacy and credibility to organic farms, particularly small ones. Venus Veggies received its certification in 2010. Each year, the farm must be re-certified. Records, including sales receipts, are reviewed and an on-site inspection is performed.

Troup passed away last year, but daughter Emily, now in her mid-20s, learned the business while she was growing up. Beginning in third grade, she accompanied Troup to the market to sell produce. Starting in high school, she worked on the farm. She, as well as others who are recruited on an as-needed basis, help Grunden maintain the farm. Farming is hard work and organic farming is harder because of all the requirements that must be met. Even if everything is done right, a hurricane or some other uncontrollable force of nature can decimate a crop or throw the planting of crops off schedule. "In 2017, we got a late start because

of Hurricane Irma," Grunden said. "This year, we tried to plant in August, but in September we got hammered with rain, lost what we had planted, and had to start again." On the other hand, when things go right, the emotional and psychological rewards can be great. "It's very satisfying to see our produce thrive and to know that people are enjoying it," she said. "It also makes me feel good to know that we are farming in a way that keeps people healthy and improves the environment." "That's what keeps us going," Grunden said. For more information, call Venus Veggies at 863-840-2598 or Alpha Natural at 863-465-3980.

# SHOES

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everything" SAS makes now. "Most of the shoes we carry have good arch support, recommended by foot doctors ...," Coleman said. "We carry slims, the wide widths, double widths, so we do all widths and all sizes." As far as clothing, they had been carrying Simply Southern and have expanded on it. He described it as "the hottest T-shirt line in the country right now." Life is Good is another popular T-shirt line that is sold there. The store has also added dresses, sun dresses and rompers. They've been selling Vera Bradley merchandise and have expanded in that line. The store also has Baggallini. Coleman said he has been in retail for more than 45 years and that



BY ROMONA WASHINGTON/EXECUTIVE EDITOR

T.S. Shoes and More is offering more clothing in the Sebring store.

includes several years as a manager of Zayre department store. One of the reasons for their longevity in business, he said, is keeping up with trends. "If you keep up with the latest trends and keep changing your inventory you will survive," he said. "If you stagnate, don't change and don't update, you will die." Customer service is also important. "We listen to our customers, and we talk to our customers," he said,

noting that they measure people's feet and fit them. "We do business the old-fashioned way." They try to pay attention to "what's hot." Coleman said when there is something that is not selling, they mark it down to "whatever we have to mark it down to get rid of it and move on." The store's telephone number is 863-382-9717. A grand opening was held Saturday with giveaway prizes. A similar event is being planned for January.

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In this Nov. 23, 2017, file photo shoppers enter a Best Buy looking for early Black Friday deals on Thanksgiving Day in Bowling Green, Ky.

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— called “loss leaders” — and hope they’ll buy additional items as well. Imagine going for a TV and leaving with clothing and Christmas decorations, too.

While Inman says he hasn’t always seen shoppers with huge baskets on Black Friday, he does point to toys as one category where shoppers may spring for something even if they

didn’t see it in a Black Friday ad.

For example, while in the store, you may come across a toy and decide to buy it for your niece for Christmas. This isn’t necessarily an impulse purchase; you already planned to buy a gift for your niece. But since you didn’t know the exact item you wanted to buy, he calls selecting this toy an “impulse allocation” of your holiday shopping budget.

This isn’t a problem if you can afford it, but be

conscious of this possibility when you step foot in the store.

TIP: Think about why you want to shop on Black Friday, and whether you’re financially prepared. If you’re not sure you can resist the temptation to overshoot your budget, consider skipping.

Consider when you’re buying

Finally, plan your timing. With deals launching earlier each year, some Black Friday sales really

happen the whole week of Thanksgiving, according to Graham from Shop It to Me.

“To compete with each other, the retailers have been pushing their sales earlier and earlier during that week,” Graham says.

Because of this, sometimes shoppers can get Black Friday-level prices before Black Friday.

TIP: Although this might not be true for every product category, monitor sales in the days leading up to Black Friday for an early shot at

a good deal.

To stay or go?

Once you decide the what, why and when of your Black Friday shopping, you’ll be able to decide whether you should join the crowds or stay on the couch.

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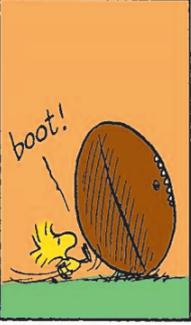
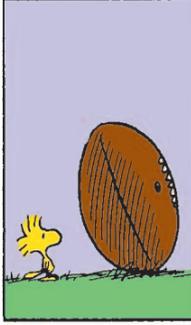
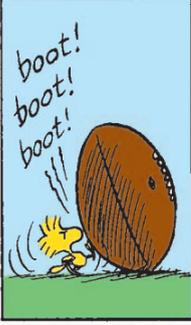
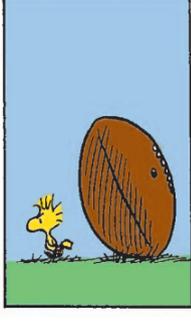
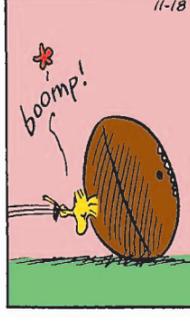
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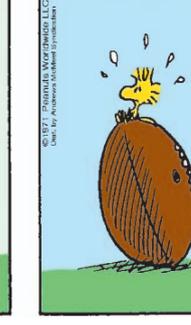


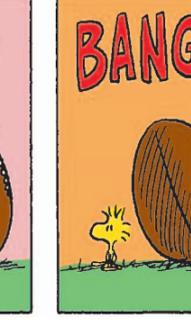
# The FUNNIES

**PEANUTS**  
featuring  
"Good ol'  
Charlie Brown"  
by SCHULZ






**THE LOCKHORNS**  
BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER




"I GET THE SAME THING FROM LEROY EVERY BIRTHDAY... AN APOLOGY."



"NO, I CAN'T PLAY ANY COOL GAMES ON IT."



"ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS... AND IT'S BEEN PRETTY QUIET AROUND HERE."



"THAT WAS ONE REALLY FAST FLY."

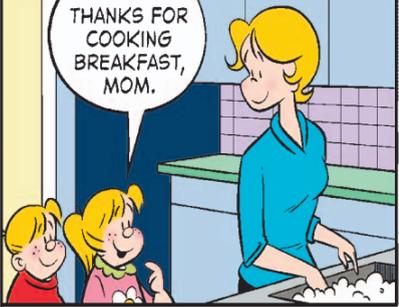


"THOSE ARE LEFTOVERS, LEROY... IT'S NOT A COUNTERATTACK."

**Hi and Lois**  
by BRIAN and GREG WALKER



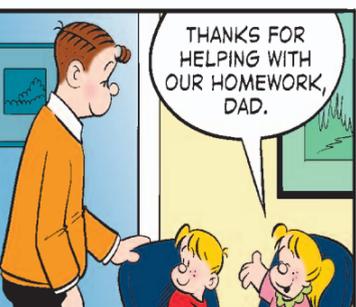
YOU READY? YES. LET'S COUNT OUR BLESSINGS!



THANKS FOR COOKING BREAKFAST, MOM.



THANKS FOR PLAYING MUSIC FOR US, CHIP.



THANKS FOR HELPING WITH OUR HOMEWORK, DAD.



THANKS FOR ACTING SO CUTE, TRIxie.



WHY ARE YOU TWO BEING SO THANKFUL?



YOU DO KNOW YOU DON'T GET ANY PRESENTS, RIGHT?

**MARY WORTH**

"IN THE MIDST OF WINTER, I FOUND THERE WAS IN ME AN INVINCIBLE SUMMER."  
- ALBERT CAMUS



IT'S A WIN-WIN SITUATION! GRETA THE DACHSHUND GETS A COMFORTABLE NEW HOME...



AND SAUL WYNTER GETS A CANINE FRIEND AS WELL AS A NEW OUTLOOK ON LIFE!



AFTER TALKING TO SAUL WYNTER... WHO WOULD'VE EVER THOUGHT OLD MAN WYNTER COULD CHANGE HIS GRUMPY WAYS?

WE'RE ALL CAPABLE OF TRANSFORMATION, TOBY.



LOVE IS A GREAT CATALYST FOR CHANGE. HIS NEW DOG BRINGS OUT SOMETHING GOOD IN HIM.



I GUESS NEITHER MAN NOR BEAST IS MEANT TO BE ALONE!



WE ARE SOCIAL CREATURES... DESIGNED TO INTERACT! AND IF WE'RE LUCKY...



"WE FIND SOMEONE OR SOMETHING THAT BRINGS OUT THE BEST IN US."





# FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE

By JYNN JOHNSTON

Panel 1: A woman in a green dress is in a kitchen, looking at a cereal box. **SHAKE SHAKE SHAKE**

Panel 2: She is talking to a man. **ELIZABETH, WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH ALL THAT CEREAL?**

Panel 3: She shows him a box. **THESE BOXES ONLY GOT A LITTLE TINY BIT IN THEM....**

Panel 4: She explains. **SO, I'M PUTTING EVERYTHING THAT'S LEFT INTO ONE BOX!**

Panel 5: He looks at the box. **WELL, IT'S A GREAT IDEA, EXCEPT FOR ONE THING....**

Panel 6: He holds the box. **YEAH....WHO WOULD EVER EAT THIS MESS?**

Panel 7: He is eating from the box. **GRUNCH....**

# GARFIELD

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Panel 1: Garfield is sitting on a box, looking at a turkey. **HOO, BOY, AM I STUFFED!**

Panel 2: He is talking to a turkey. **SAY, WHICH WAY TO THE KITCHEN? I'VE GOT ME A DATE WITH AN OVEN!**

Panel 3: The turkey replies. **DOWN THE HALL**

Panel 4: Garfield is thinking. **THANKS, PAL! I'LL SAVE YOU A LEG!**

Panel 5: He is thinking. **MY ANNUAL TURKEY DREAM....**

Panel 6: He is looking at a turkey. **PAT PAT PAT**

Panel 7: He is looking at a turkey. **SOMEONE ORDER A GRAVY BOAT, GIBLETS, CANDIED YAMS AND APPLE PIE?**

Panel 8: He is thinking. **JUST GOT EVEN BETTER**

# Hal Foster's Prince Valiant

BY SCHULTZ AND YEATES

Panel 1: A castle on a hill overlooking a town and a harbor with a boat.

KAREN CONTINUES THE STORY OF AN UNPLEASANT MEETING ON CARPATHOS: "AS THE TAVERN OWNER WAS SHOWING ME TO MY ROOM, THE GAMBLING MAN WITH THE WILD, FIXED STARE LEAPED OUT FROM HIDING!"

"THEN, BEFORE I MYSELF COULD INCAPACITATE THIS MADMAN, FATHER CRASHED ONTO THE SCENE AND - WELL, YOU KNOW FATHER..."

"HE STRUCK, I PARRIED! AND ALL THE WHILE HE CURSED ME AS THE CAUSE OF HIS RUIN!"

VAL INTERJECTS: "I DID NOT WANT TO KILL HIM, BUT HIS WILD RAGE LEFT ME LITTLE CHOICE. HE HAD CLEARLY CONFUSED KAREN WITH SOME OTHER WHO HAD DRIVEN HIM TO INSANITY."

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"THEN," CONCLUDES KAREN, "ONE OF THE OTHER GAMBLERS CAME UP AND OFFERED HOW HE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND HOW A MAN ON SUCH AN AMAZING WINNING STREAK, GLOATING OVER THE FORTUNE HE WOULD REBUILD, COULD SO SUDDENLY BE DRIVEN TO DISTRACTION..."

ALETA AND VALETA, KAREN'S TWIN, SMILE TO THEMSELVES - THEY UNDERSTAND. JUSTICE CAN BE STRANGE, BUT KRIOS' STORY IS NOW DONE.

NEXT: Word from Ab'Saba

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## SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS

## BY BOB WEBER JR.

Slick Smitty claims his car went out of control when its brakes failed. He says he jumped out just before the car crashed through the guardrail and hurtled down the mountainside. Slylock Fox suspects Smitty staged the "accident" for insurance money. What evidence suggests Slick Smitty is lying?

Solution -- The guardrail is torn toward the road. If Smitty's car had crashed through, the spin-towered rail would be facing the opposite direction. Smitty broke the guardrail and then intention-ally pushed his car over the cliff.

Spot six differences between these panels.

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### HOW TO DRAW a happy boy

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Which of these snakes does not have a venomous bite?  
 a) Rattlesnake  
 b) Cobra  
 c) Anaconda  
 d) Coral

Answer -- (c) Anacondas kill by squeezing the prey until it can no longer breathe.

Answer -- Tongue, nostrils, leaves and bird.

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# ZITS

By JERRY SCOTT and JIM BORGMAN

IT'S COLD OUTSIDE. YOU'LL NEED A JACKET.

THERE'S MUSTARD ON YOUR LIP... LET ME GET IT.

THE ROADS LOOK SLICK... LET ME TAKE YOU.

THERE'S ONLY ONE LETTER THAT SEPARATES "MOTHERING" FROM "SMOTHERING."

DUDE, IS SHE IRONING YOUR SOCKS?

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# JEFF MACNELLY'S Shoep

By Gary Brookins & Susie MacNelly

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I'LL HAVE THE VEGGIE BURGER, I GUESS ...

OKAY.

AND HOW WOULD YOU LIKE THAT COOKED?

FRIED IN BACON FAT FOR ABOUT TWO DAYS.

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# PICKLES

by BRIAN CRANE

DID YOU NOTICE WHAT I DID THIS MORNING?

NO. WHAT DID YOU DO?

I EMPTIED THE DISHWASHER WITHOUT BEING ASKED.

THAT'S GOOD. THANK YOU.

I'VE EMPTIED IT THOUSANDS OF TIMES WITHOUT BEING ASKED.

THANK YOU. SO... I GUESS WE'RE EVEN.

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# THE BORN LOSER

by Art & Chip Sansom

I'M SO EXCITED TO GET TO MAMA'S, IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S TAKING FOREVER!

IT'S A LONG DRIVE TO ERIE, BUT WE'RE GETTING CLOSE, NOW!

IT WILL BE JUST LIKE OLD TIMES TO CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING AT MAMA'S!

ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO VISITING GRAMMY, WILBERFORCE?

WILBERFORCE?

WILBERFORCE!

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# TIGER

BY BUD BLAKE

SEE THAT TREE OVER THERE?

MANY, MANY YEARS AGO YOUR GRANDDAD...

..CARVED A HEART ON THAT TREE...

..AND SOME INITIALS!

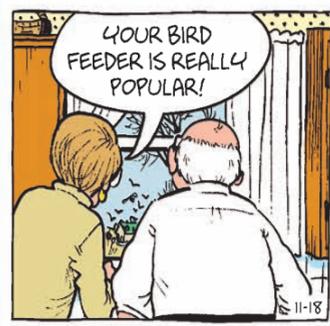
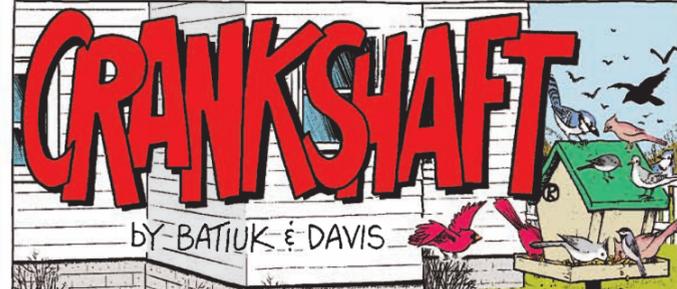
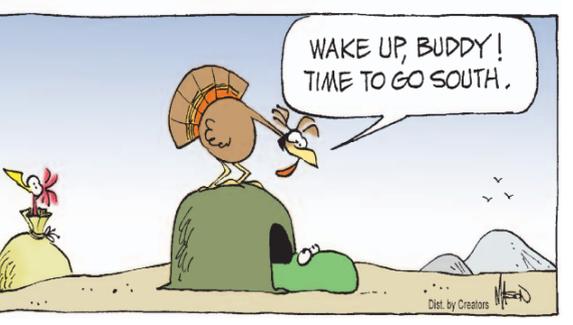
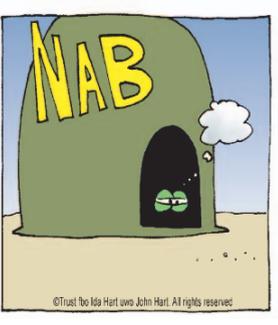
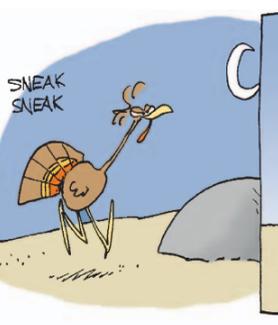
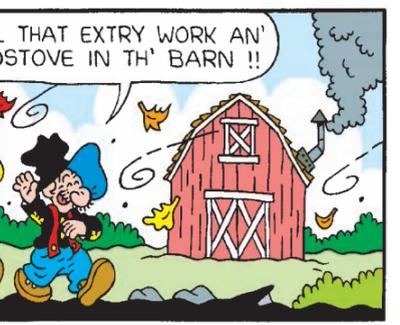
THAT WAS WHEN THE TREE WAS SMALL

SEE HOW IT GREW!

GRANDDAD MUST OF BEEN VERY TALL!

11-18 BUD BLAKE

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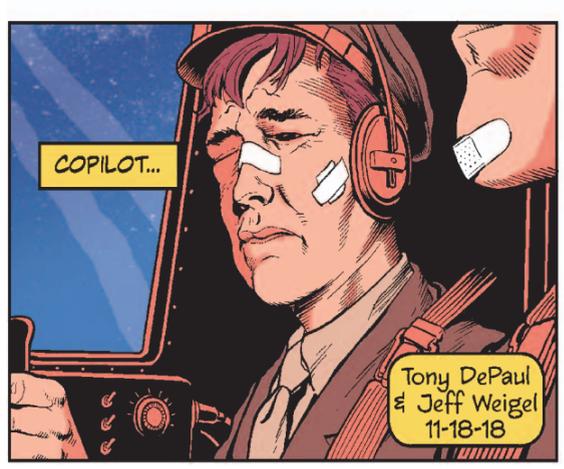


# THE PHANTOM

BY LEE FALK

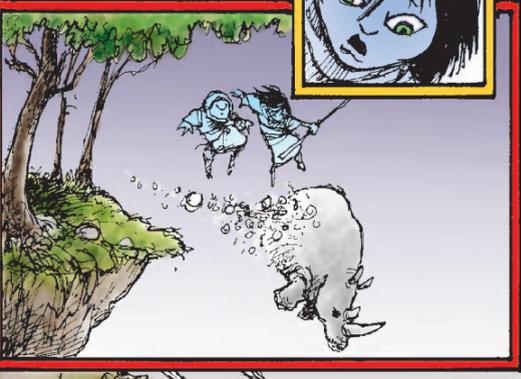


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## NON SEQUITUR BY WILEY

**Nebbish** THE POWER OF SUGGESTION HAS BEEN REVEALED. A MYSTERIOUS YOUNG WOMAN, GENJI, MANIPULATES THE POWER OF THE INNOCENT MUTE SERVANT TO ESCAPE DOOK MANOR, KNOWING HIS GIFT WOULD BE USED FOR EVIL BY UNSCRUPULOUS MEN IN POWER



NEXT WEEK: A COLD COMFORT ESCAPE

## DENNIS THE MENACE BY HANK KETCHAM

