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Highlands receives good grade in safety study

Ranked 11th best in school zone safety

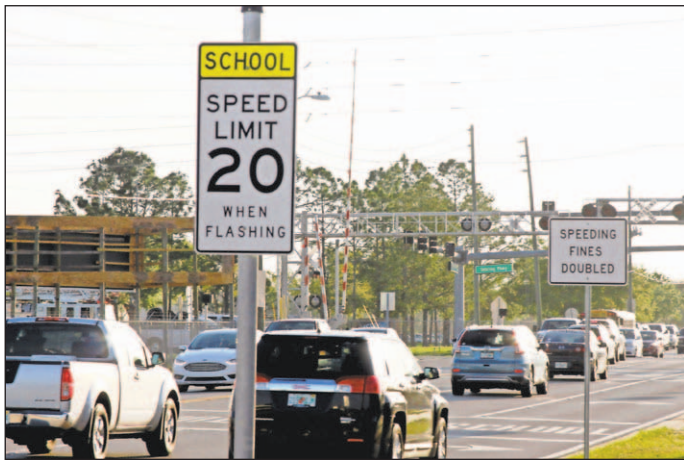
By **MARC VALERO**
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — A school zone safety study ranks Florida with an F grade near the bottom in the nation, but Highlands County ranked 11th best within the Sunshine State with a B-minus grade.

The school zone driving report from Zentrive, a smartphone app, was based on the monitored driving data, compiled in April 2018, concerning phone use while driving, speeding, rapid acceleration and hard braking.

Twenty of Florida's 67 school districts received F grades, while three received an A.

Florida ranked second worst in the national behind California. There were nine states with F grades in the nation. Ranked in order, they are California,



MARC VALERO/STAFF

A study shows school zones in Highlands County have fewer incidents of motorists with unsafe driving habits compared to most of the other counties, with the state receiving an F grade. Highlands County received a B minus grade.

Florida, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Arizona, Michigan, Oklahoma and Indiana; within the top 10, the District of Columbia also received an F grade and was ranked the fourth most dangerous after Illinois.

According to Zentrive, the grades measure the relative safety of the roads around a school. The more unsafe driving events per trip (like hard braking, phone fiddling, etc), the lower a grade the school zone will get.

Hill-Gustat Middle School and Lake Country Elementary School were ranked first and second in Highlands County, respectively, as the schools with the lowest amount of unsafe driving incidents/habits in the study, according to Zentrive.

Two private schools that are located on less traveled roads were deemed to have the most incidents of unsafe driving in Highlands County, giving the school zones an F grade.

The school zone at Parkview Pre-K & Prep Academy, Avon Park, was noted for a relatively high number of incidents of hard braking while the school zone at American Heritage Private School, Lake Placid, was noted for its high driver cell phone use.

Highlands County, with

SAFETY | 6A



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This photo demonstrates bad fog and automobile traffic on a road. Low-beam headlights should be on while driving in the fog.

Fog to continue through Friday

By **KIM LEATHERMAN**
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — Wednesday morning's commute to work was fraught with tension as motorists cut through thick fog with their vehicles. U.S. 27 was covered with a veritable white blanket of low-lying clouds. The fog was especially thick near the lakes, which act as the water source.

We won't see a break in the fog for a couple of days, according to Meteorologist Daniel Noah from the National Weather Service out of Ruskin.

"Thursday will have dense fog, pretty much the same as Wednesday," Noah said. "Hopefully it will not be as thick Thursday. Friday is as far out as we can forecast for fog."

Noah urged motorists to use care while driving in the fog. He also warned that any smoke in the area would make fog conditions worse.

"If there is any fire it will make the weather conditions worse," Noah said. "The smoke particles give the water

FOG | 6A

Peaceful oasis

New Testament Mission adds Mike's Garden Cafe to memory co-founder

By **MELISSA MAIN**
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — New Testament Mission, a non-profit organization that feeds homeless and low-income people 365 days a year, added Mike's Garden Cafe in memory of co-founder Mike Karl.

Karl's granddaughter, Katie Beatty, organized the building of the cafe and raised funds to build it. The garden was funded by donations, which were used to buy lumber, tables and chairs. The 12 men who live at the New Testament Mission built the cafe area.

Men who needed a helping hand to overcome obstacles related to homelessness gave back to the mission through building the cafe. Pat Karl, co-founder of New Testament Mission, said, "The cafe is a restful, peaceful place for people to enjoy."

The place serves as an oasis for the staff, men who live there and members of the community, she said.

Pat Karl's voice grew



KAREN CLOGSTON/STAFF

Katie Beatty, granddaughter to Mike and Part Karl, talks recently about the newly completed Mike's Garden Cafe at the New Testament Mission in Sebring. The cafe was built in memory of Mike Karl, who co-founded the mission.



MELISSA MAIN/STAFF

Pat Karl co-founded the New Testament Mission, along with her husband, Mike. He died on Dec. 31, 2016, and the cafe was built in memory of his work for the mission.

shaky with emotion as she described the work she and her husband, Mike, poured into the ministry. "We were called to do this ministry," she said.

"Mike and I grew up together in Detroit, Michigan. He was our paper boy," she said. "We eloped."

After spending a few

years in Michigan running a catering business, the couple sold their home and business and moved to Sebring.

A few years later they began the New Testament Mission. "It was hard the first 10 years," Pat Karl said. "People didn't understand what we were doing."

Now the mission has the support of local churches and restaurants.

"Local restaurants reach out to us," Pat Karl said. "They donate left-over food.

It's a blessing. It's good food."

Prior to opening up the mission, the couple had an outreach on Lemon Street that they rented for \$50 a month.

"We went into the pool halls and talked to people," she said. "We opened up the outreach for those who wanted to come for prayer. We had murderers, prostitutes and thieves," she said. "They came to the Lord."

CAFE | 6A



MELISSA MAIN/STAFF

People can come to Mike's Garden Cafe at the New Testament Mission and find a peaceful oasis. The cafe was built in memory of co-founder Mike Karl.

Sunday alcohol sales proposed

TDC staff: Would help tourism

By **PHIL ATTINGER**
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — If county commissioners agree on Jan. 8, Highlands County could have the same Sunday morning alcohol sales as Lake Placid.

Development Services Director Benjamin Dunn has a proposed amendment to Chapter 3 of the Highlands County Code of Ordinances, proposing the county allow alcohol sales from grocery stores and restaurants starting at 7 a.m. on Sunday and ending at 2 a.m. Monday.

It would, essentially, align Sunday sales with the rest of the week. It would also make it possible for visitors to the county to purchase alcohol on Sunday morning, whether with Sunday brunch or for a gathering that afternoon.

Part of the push has come from Sugar Sand Distillery being open at 11 a.m. on Sunday for tourists, but being unable to sell product to any visitor until after 1 p.m. Casey Wohl Hartt, lead marketer for the Tourist Development Council — under Dunn — said other issues have been the inability for visitors to order a mimosa (Champagne and orange juice) with Sunday brunch or for organizers of weekend tourist events to have any alcohol served or sold on Sunday.

"Tourists from other areas expect that," Hartt said.

Dunn said local winery Henscratch

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Florida Hospital officially becomes AdventHealth

Events at all three Heartland sites welcome change

By PHIL ATTINGER
STAFF WRITER

SEBRING — Several times Wednesday, officials with AdventHealth, formerly Florida Hospital Heartland Division, celebrated their name change at the three Heartland sites.

Festivities began at 9 a.m. with free coffee mugs full of hot cocoa at the Lake Placid facility. The same festivities continued at noon at Sebring site in Sun 'n Lake Special Improvement District and at 3 p.m. at the hospital in Wauchula.

Events repeated that night for the second shift, at 6:30 p.m. at the Wauchula site, 9 p.m. at Lake Placid and 11 p.m. at Sebring.

It's all part of the effort to unite 30 brands under Adventist Health System into one unified brand, called "AdventHealth."

Randy Surber, president/CEO of AdventHealth Sebring, said the event was a chance for the hospital system to celebrate the people of the hospital — the ones patients actually refer to when they talk about "the hospital."

Surber also said this was a way for employees to celebrate the fact that now, when visitors come from other parts of the county that have Adventist hospitals, they will know what kind of care to expect at



AdventHealth Sebring employees toast the new name of their hospital, changed from Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center in a rebranding effort by Adventist Health System to get all its facilities in the nation under one name.



A new sign at the main entrance to Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center in Sebring labels it under the new name, "AdventHealth Sebring."

AdventHealth Sebring. "This is a historic day for our organization, and I can't be more excited about the direction we are heading," said Terry Shaw, national president/CEO for AdventHealth. "Our facilities and team members are galvanized around one name, brand and mission, and in doing this, we will

deliver on our promise of wholeness and make the health journey easier for consumers."

The name change is not the result of a merger or acquisition, officials said, and the health system has not changed its mission of "extending the healing ministry of Christ," its affiliation with the Seventh-day Adventist Church or its ownership and business structure.

AdventHealth, sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Church, is an expression of the church's health care ministry. The new name draws a connection to the organization's Seventh-day Adventist roots.

As part of the brand transformation, AdventHealth has launched a new, consumer-centric website, AdventHealth.com. The site also has an

improved user interface, with enhanced search functionality, appointment scheduling capabilities, self-service billing/payment options and helpful content for health care consumers.

"This is how we will fulfill our mission and be a beacon of light in the communities we serve," Shaw said.

Going forward, if the signs aren't already in place, consumers can expect to see new AdventHealth signs at hospitals and other facilities.

A national advertising campaign featuring the #feelwhole hashtag is also underway, along with several major partnerships featuring the AdventHealth brand, including the AdventHealth Training Center — the Tampa



PHIL ATTINGER/STAFF

Employees at AdventHealth Sebring sign their names to a whiteboard poster that will get displayed after Wednesday's official name change from Florida Hospital to the new name.

Bay Buccaneers' training facility — and "DAYTONA Speedweeks presented by AdventHealth" at the 61st annual DAYTONA 500.

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Final victim identified in Christmas Day crash that killed four



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This photo shows a large debris field from a head-on collision at State Road 70 near County Road 721 in Lake Placid on Christmas Day.

By **KIM LEATHERMAN**
STAFF WRITER

LAKE PLACID — The fourth and final person has been identified in a Christmas Day wreck that left four people dead.

A Jashua Lee Cruz, 20, of Okeechobee was identified as the driver of a 2011 Buick LaCrosse.

Florida Highway Patrol confirmed his identity in a press release Wednesday. FHP stated the next of kin had been notified.

According to the report, Cruz was driving his LaCrosse westbound on State Road 70 in the eastbound lane in order to pass other motorists that were also travelling

westbound. Cruz was entering a left hand curve.

Cruz had a passenger, Maggie Lara, 46, of Okeechobee, who was identified by authorities on Dec. 28, 2018.

At the same time, a Toyota Scion XA driven by Judy Mounts, 56, of Port St. Lucie was driving east in the eastbound lane entering the curve to the right. Destiny Franz, 16, of Fort Myers was the passenger in the Toyota.

The Buick hit the Toyota head-on then overturned into the ditch on the south side of SR 70. The vehicle ended up with its front facing southwest. Cruz's Buick LaCrosse was over taken by flames. The collision

forced Mounts' Toyota to travel southwest and it came to a final rest facing northwest.

Both victims in the Toyota were identified by authorities on Dec. 25, 2018.

Neither Mounts nor Franz were wearing seat belts, according to the accident report. Cruz and Lara were wearing seat belts. It is unknown if alcohol was a factor in the accident.

The speed limit on SR 70 is 60 mph. The speed limit in the area of the large curve where the accident happened was 45 mph. The curved section is striped with a double yellow line to indicate a no passing zone.

LP man dies in Hendry County wreck

By **KIM LEATHERMAN**
STAFF WRITER

LAKE PLACID — Florida Highway Patrol updated an accident report Tuesday to include a fatality from an accident that occurred Dec. 13, 2018. According to authorities, John Nicholas Olejar, 87, of Lake Placid, was pronounced dead on Dec. 28, 2018 as a result of the accident.

At about 5:15 p.m. on Dec. 13, troopers say that Blondell Robinson Allen, 65, of Clewiston was driving her 2003 Kia Rio northbound on U.S. 27. She entered the turn lane at the intersection of U.S. 27 and Flagpole Road.

At the same time, John E. Olejar, 61, of New Jersey was driving his 2010 Ford Fusion southbound on U.S. 27,

using the inside lane. John Nicholas Olejar was traveling as a passenger in the Fusion.

According to the accident report, Allen turned left in front of John E. Olejar's vehicle. The front of his car hit the right front of Allen's.

The report said Allen had minor injuries and was wearing a seat belt. The driver of the Fusion, John E. Olejar suffered only minor injuries but his passenger, John Nicholas Olejar, was taken to Hendry Regional Medical Center where he was eventually pronounced dead. The Olejars were both wearing seat belts.

Allen is charged with violating the right of way. The FHP report said alcohol was not a factor in the accident; the wreck is still under investigation.

OBITUARIES

Lynn 'LeBeck' Laatsch

Lynn "LeBeck" Laatsch was born June 22, 1960 in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, a surprise four minutes after her twin sister, Lori. She passed away unexpectedly Dec. 23, 2018 at her home in Winter Haven, Florida. Lynn will be remembered by so many as fun, generous, creative, resourceful and hard working. She had many dear friends, but was also able to strike up a conversation with



anyone she met. She struggled financially for most of her life, but shared everything she had. She lived life her own way and left a trail of smiles behind her. Everyone who knew her has a song (or two) that will forever remind them of Lynn.

Lynn was preceded in death by her father, Jerome LeBeck, and brother, Lenny LeBeck. She is survived by her fiancé, Tim Cone; mother, Beverly (Dave Nuske) LeBeck; sister, Lori (Terry) Pease; daughter, Jessie (Dave) Summerfield; granddaughters, Casey, London and Gigi; nieces, Jen (Josh) Mundt and Katie (Mike) Croninger; sister-in-law, Kathy

Seelow; nephews, Chanse, Landon and Jeramy LeBeck; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins; and countless friends.

A private memorial service will be held with family and close friends at Heartland Christian Church in Sebring, Florida.

Andrew H. Crocken

Andrew H Crocken, 76, of Avon Park, passed away on Monday, Dec. 31, 2018. He was born Oct. 20, 1942 in Clifton, New Jersey to Andrew and Dorothy (Smith) Crocken. He was in management with AT&T, retiring after 34 years and came to Avon Park in 2004.

Andrew is survived by his wife, Wilma; daughter, Heather Welsh (Joe) and son, Douglas Crocken (Terri); four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, 2019 at Atonement Lutheran Church with Rev. David Thoresen and Rev. Eugene R. Fernsler officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Sebring Meals on Wheels, P. O. Box 169, Sebring, FL 33871.

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A copy of this notice is available for inspection by the public at the Town of Lake Placid Office of the Clerk, at the Town Hall Municipal Building, 311 W Interlake Boulevard, Lake Placid, Florida 33852, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Inquiries should be directed to Joedene Thayer, Town Planner, at 311 W Interlake Boulevard or by phone at (863) 402-6650. Please reference the Hearing Number when calling or writing.

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ANOTHER VIEW

Time to get tough

As Florida's roads get busier and busier, distracted driving is more dangerous than ever. It's past time to crack down on texting while driving, and next year should be the year the Florida Legislature finally makes it a primary offense so drivers could be pulled over and ticketed without having committed another violation first. That would surely reduce the mayhem of driving in Florida.

Sen. Wilton Simpson, R-Trilby, and Rep. Jackie Toledo, R-Tampa, have filed companion bills (SB 76, HB 107) to make texting while driving or talking on a handheld phone a primary offense. The research — and it's voluminous — is clear. Texting or even talking on a cell phone while driving is incredibly dangerous, even more so than drunken driving, according to some studies. Last year, Florida saw more than 50,000 accidents caused by distracted drivers, and they have increased 25 percent since 2013, when an ineffective ban on texting while driving became law. In 2017, more than 200 people died on Florida's roads because of distracted drivers.

Although texting behind the wheel has been illegal for years, it is still only a secondary offense. That means officers cannot ticket a driver who is otherwise obeying the law. Florida is so far behind the curve on this vital safety issue that it's one of only seven states that have failed to make texting a primary offense.

Three diversions contribute to distracted driving: Taking your eyes off the road, taking your hands off the wheel and taking your mind away from the task of driving. The third is the most dangerous, because people are often not even aware of their distraction. Many people, particularly younger drivers, think they can multi-task, but they're wrong. It's impossible. Trying to do two things at once just means that the brain is constantly flitting back and forth between the tasks, and doing neither well. Just as it's not possible to read and carry on a conversation at the same time, it's impossible to drive and to text, even hands-free, and still focus on the road.

These bills would only prohibit drivers from holding smart phones but would still allow hands-free talking on the phone — and possibly hands-free texting — by using Bluetooth, voice recognition and similar technology. There is a large and growing body of research that even hands-free use is unsafe because of the brain's distraction, so some might argue that a total ban on talking and texting is best. But as a practical matter it's far easier for an officer to catch a driver red-handed if he is actually holding a smart phone, and that would lessen privacy concerns as officers would have no need to scroll through a driver's texts for proof of time sent. The bills would keep a driver's wireless communications out of evidence from law enforcement unless a crash resulted in injury or death.

Rep. Emily Slosberg, a Boca Raton Democrat who lost her twin sister in a car crash, also has filed a bill that is worth consideration. That legislation (HB 45) would require an officer to note a driver's race when issuing a citation, and the information that would go into a database. If racial profiling were occurring, as some fear might happen, that database would make it clear.

Making texting while driving a primary offense could change behavior, just as seat-belt laws and tougher DUI laws did. Drivers who wouldn't dream of drinking and driving are still texting and chatting on their phones. They should know better, and they shouldn't need a law to keep them from doing it whether they're physically touching a phone or not.

An editorial from the Tampa Bay Times.

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Dorothy Harris

Neighborhood nature discovery

Lucky enough to be home before dark, we were walking the dingo around the small lake in our neighborhood. I had long wanted to investigate the cluster of pines across from us because I had noticed them turning orange. I suspected a close hit from a bolt of lightning earlier that summer may have landed within this pine trio. Sure enough, still light enough to expose the scar ripping down its trunk, I moved in closer and confirmed what I had suspected.

Viewing the torn bark and weeping wound clustered with crystallized sap, there was no doubt which tree had borne the fatal blow. Interestingly though, all three were showing signs of impending death.

Slogging through the rough, knee-high grass, I pushed forward to the trunk. What was I seeing clustered up and down the length of it? "Oh my, look at the caterpillars," I cried. Scanning the trunk, I saw hundreds of wriggling creatures busily going about their business. Looking down before I stepped closer — old ranger move in case of snakes, wasps, etc., — I realized the worms were underfoot. "Oh no," I muttered, trying to place my feet in a karma-friendly manner. "They are everywhere."

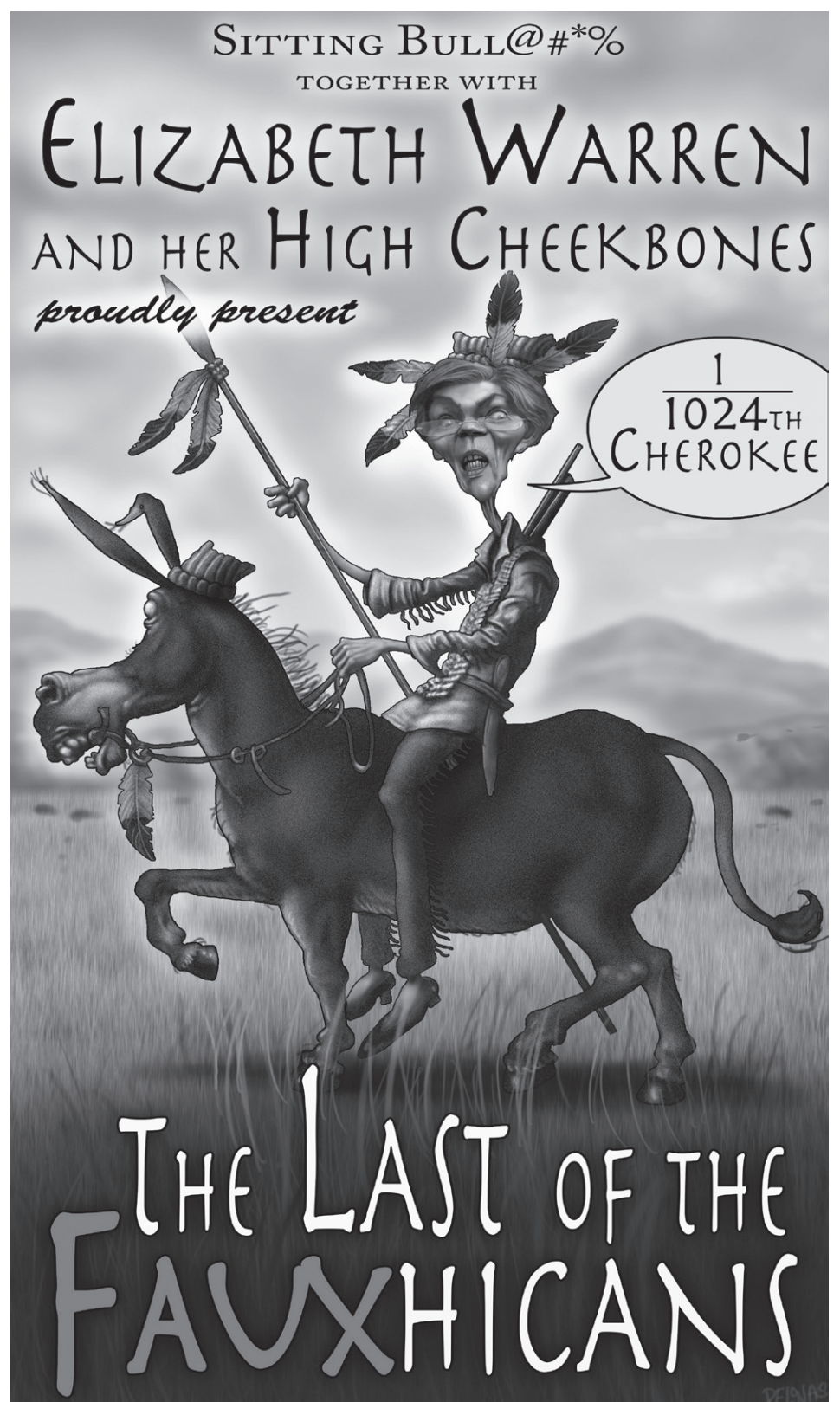
Mr. Harris tried to join me, but also realized there was no way to do so without crushing the little buggers spread out like a carpet underfoot. Swinging my view in all directions, the extent of the infestation became clear.

Hundreds, maybe thousands, of larvae clustered along the tree trunk, spreading out into the surrounding grass. Turning my eyes to the two neighboring pines, the reality of their fate was clear. Gesturing to the grouping, I hollered over my shoulder to my spouse. "All of these are dead. There's no way they can survive this onslaught."

Saw flies are pests to pines, but the adults are pretty little black and red flying bugs reminiscent of a fly or wasp to the uniformed eye. All this larvae will soon spin cocoons and eventually emerge as winged adults to begin the cycle anew.

For this cluster of pines, a lightning strike created the initial wound that led to a weakened tree. Chemical distress signals alerted the insect world and nature began to rebalance. No doubt there will soon be pine beetles munching away under the bark that remains. Fat, white grubs will tunnel through the heart of the pine and create fine dust piled like yellow sand against the base of the tree.

When we walk by we will hear the scratch, scratch of tiny mandibles hard at work in the soft cambium surrounding the tree's heart, glassy with pitch. Snags, the barren, broken and scarred dead trees often devoid



Christmas in New York: A cautionary tale

GUEST COLUMN

Joe Guzzardi

I have seen the major U.S. metropolis' future, and it is bleak. A New York City Christmas vacation, spawned by nostalgia for the Manhattan where I lived for most of the 1960s and 1970s, was a grave disappointment, and proof that Thomas Wolfe is right — you can't go home. Happy memories of carefree skaters around the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree were quickly dashed.

Whether walking along Park Avenue's Upper East Side or downtown around the East Village, the city is an unlivable, overcrowded, filthy mess. Not that the 60s and 70s were perfect — far from it. Crime and workers' strikes were major problems. The city teetered on bankruptcy. But with the passage of a half a century, I expected improvements, but found none.

Good luck getting around, and forget about parking. The only viable method to get from point A to point B is on foot, okay for the ambulatory but only for short distances during which construction debris and scaffolding have to be negotiated. Every building appears to be under construction. Public transportation and private cars are at the mercy of road closures, detours, bicyclists, inattentive pedestrians and double-parked vehicles on narrow streets.

Underground is problematic too. Subways are packed, unreliable and often rodent-infested.

of branches, remain a favorite forest amenity. This cluster will likely draw birds of prey to this prime habitat altering the other residents typically seen.

Public address messages are unintelligible. New York's annual 60 million tourists, some who come for an extended stay, exacerbate crowding.

Other U.S. cities — including San Francisco, Los Angeles, Houston and Chicago — have similar problems which proves that once too many people are crammed into too small an area, the quality of life rapidly deteriorates. Proposed solutions like bike lanes and car-free zones can't offset the relentless flow of more humanity. Once smart growth was all the rage. The smart growth fantasy is that a vertical lifestyle — apartments and condos — would minimize congestion. But New York is almost exclusively vertical, and crowding worsens every year.

Basic math proves the point. NYC has about 8.6 million residents distributed over 302 square miles which makes it the nation's most densely populated major city with more than twice the population of the second largest city, Los Angeles. As well, 38 of the nation's 50 states each have less population than NYC. Since 2010, New York's population has increased an unsustainable 5.5 percent.

Approximately 37 percent of the city's population is foreign born, nearly three times

the national average, and more than half of all children are born to immigrant mothers. Among those immigrants, between 2000 and 2010, Asians constituted the fastest-growing segment of the city's population.

But adding more people hurts already severely suffering New Yorkers. More people mean more competition for jobs, affordable housing, public transportation, quality education, police protection and social services. A report that the Center for Economic Opportunity published found that 45.6 percent of all New Yorkers barely make ends meet, and that the most severely affected are the rapidly growing Asian population, especially the non-English speaking.

Alleviating rampant population growth in New York and elsewhere isn't a panacea. The controllable variable in the overpopulation equation is immigration. Don't eliminate it, but instead create manageable immigration policies that help instead of hurt immigrants already in the U.S. and native-born citizens.

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at DorothyL.Harris.com. Enjoy your neighborhood nature because no matter where you live, there is always something to discover and sometimes it's right under your feet.

CAFE

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After three years, her husband Mike said, "We have a greater ministry here."

Soon afterward, they opened up New Testament Mission. The mission expanded their charitable work. People

could now have prayer, free meals, a place to live and a place to worship.

The mission provides housing for 12 men; it also provides food every day of the year for people who are homeless or who have limited funds for groceries. A chapel is available for people who are homeless, as well as to other members of the

community. Local people volunteer their time to make the ministry a success and provide a helping hand to those who are struggling with homelessness and poverty.

"We trust in the Lord Jesus Christ since we started this ministry over 40 years ago," Pat Karl said.

FOG

FROM PAGE 1A

molecules more to condense on. If you can, wait to travel."

Fog was responsible for the 35-car pile up in Texas on New Year's Day that sent 50 people to local hospitals with injuries. Officials are blaming the pile-up on poor visibility from the fog.

"Fog is a kind of cloud that touches the ground. Fog forms when the air near the ground cools enough to turn its water vapor into liquid water or ice," according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration website.

Josh Carrasco is a spokesperson with the

AAA Auto Club. He shared some important tips to keep our readers safe.

"The most important thing is to slow down and put your low beam headlights on," he said. "The high beams will cause the fog to reflect the light back. You want to be as visible as you can to other drivers."

"Increase stopping distance," Carrasco said. "You want to be able to stop in time if something darts out in front of you."

Many people think they will be more visible to other drivers if they turn on their hazard lights, also called flashers. No so, according to Lake Placid Police Chief James Fansler. Driving with hazard lights on is illegal in the State of Florida.

"Driving with hazards

flashing is a a moving violation and will cost the motorist \$166," Fansler said. "The statute is 316.2397."

Carrasco said flashers are dangerous because they can be a distraction.

"When you have to make the decision to pull over, make sure there is plenty of room and pull off the shoulder to allow other vehicles to pass," Carrasco said. "When the vehicle is no longer moving, you can turn on the hazard lights."

For more information on safe driving, visit seniordrivingaaa.org. For weather or fog updates visit the National Weather Service FaceBook page as the website is not being updated due to the partial federal government shut down.

SAFETY

FROM PAGE 1A

its B minus grade, clearly led the Heartland districts in the study that showed the following grades: Polk and Hendry (D minus), Hardee (D), DeSoto (C) and Okeechobee and Glades (D plus). The districts with F grades for school zones were in the most populous areas including south Florida from Martin County through

Miami-Dade County; east-central Florida — Orange, Osceola, Brevard and Indian River counties; southwest Florida — Lee, Collier and Sarasota counties; and Hillsborough and Pinellas counties on the west coast.

The Florida Department of Transportation offers the following recommendations for motorists: be alert for school speed zones and obey the posted speed limits; keep an eye out for children

walking in the street, especially where there are no sidewalks; when driving in neighborhoods or school zones, watch for young people who may be in a hurry to get to school and may not be thinking about getting there safely.

The 10 safest states, according to the Zendrive study, ranked in order, are Wyoming, Hawaii, Vermont, Montana, Maine, New Hampshire, South Dakota, West Virginia, North Dakota and Oregon.

TDC

FROM PAGE 1A

Farms and Jaxson's, Lake Placid's local lakeside restaurant, would also benefit from the change.

It may also prompt other businesses to open earlier on Sunday to capitalize on that market, Dunn said.

"It's one of those things where it's always been the rule," Dunn said. "Putting on my 'economic development hat,' when we go on vacation, we'll have a mimosa with brunch."

Highlands County needs to "be open to those opportunities," Dunn said.

Dunn doesn't really expect people to buy a lot of alcohol at 7 a.m., but thinks the law should be consistent with the rest of the week.

As for dangers, Dunn said people understand the consequences or not being responsible before getting behind the wheel of a car once they've had too much to drink.

The town of Lake Placid has opened up alcohol sales for Sunday morning within the town limits. Sebring and Avon Park allow alcohol sales on Sunday the same way the county currently does: From 1 p.m. Sunday until 2 a.m. Monday.

In most other jurisdictions in Florida's Heartland, alcohol sales were allowed on weekdays and Saturdays from early in the morning to 2 a.m. the next day.

Research also showed the following:

• Hardee County also has the same restrictions as Highlands County currently has, with all alcohol sales allowed only between 1 p.m. Sunday and 2 a.m. Monday.

• The city of Wauchula, in Hardee County, has the same Sunday restrictions as Hardee County.

• Okeechobee County also keeps a restriction

on all alcohol sales from 1 p.m. Sunday to 2 a.m. Monday. Stores can only sell beer or wine, but restaurants can serve beer, wine or distilled spirits.

• The city of Okeechobee only allows beer or wine sales from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday.

• Arcadia, in DeSoto County, allows all alcohol sales in stores or restaurants after 1 p.m. Sunday, but cuts off all sales at midnight. Research did not turn up DeSoto County's restrictions.

• Glades County allows alcohol sales to start any day at 5:30 a.m., ending at 2 a.m. the next day. However, grocery and package stores can only sell beer and wine, while restaurants can sell beer, wine and distilled spirits.

• Likewise, Buckhead Ridge allows stores to sell beer and wine only from 5:30 a.m. on any day until 2 a.m. the next day, while restaurants can sell any alcohol during those same hours.

• Moore Haven, however, allows the sale of all alcohol, all days, with the only cut-off time being from 2-3 a.m.

• In Hendry County, any alcohol can be bought

from stores or restaurants all days of the week from 5:30 a.m. until 2 a.m. the next day.

• The city of LaBelle has the same permissions/restrictions as Hendry County.

• The city of Clewiston allows alcohol sales in stores from 7 a.m. Sunday until 2 a.m. Monday. Restaurants cannot start serving alcohol until noon.

• Fort Meade in Polk County allows grocery sales of all alcohol from noon Sunday until midnight, but doesn't allow any Sunday alcohol sales in restaurants.

• By contrast with Fort Meade, Lake Wales allows stores to sell any alcohol on any day from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. the following day. Restaurants can start selling alcohol any day from 8 a.m. to 2 a.m. the next day.

The Polk County Commission, in 2018, voted 3-2 to allow alcohol sales from 7 a.m. Sunday to 2 a.m. Monday.

Commissioners Melony Bell, Bill Braswell and Todd Dantzler voted yes, while Commissioners John Hall and George Lindsey voted no.

CROSSWORD PUZZLES

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS
1 Certain Scandinavians
6 Fallen angel
11 Any liner
14 Supremely perfect
15 Ahead of time
16 Crucial
17 Place to see a pole
19 Wrath
20 Trike rider
21 Bite-sized appetizers
22 Cabbage color
23 Pinafore designation
24 GPS reading
25 Dissect grammatically
28 Fiber source
29 Goes by
32 Prefix for virus
35 NL Central team
37 Become a participant
38 What to call Knight Commanders
39 Comprehend
41 Vocal recital piece
42 Auto identifiers
45 Env. insert
47 Short news story
48 Untold stories
50 Exclamation of frustration
52 Holy book
53 Miner matter
54 Before today
57 Houston, for example
59 Plaid fabric
61 Air conditioner setting
62 Falsification

- 63 Place to see a pole
65 Many a Wordsworth work
66 Shin support
67 Type of copier contract
68 Favorite
69 Howled like a hound
70 Let up
DOWN
1 President Monroe's position
2 Figure of speech
3 Hornets' homes
4 Casual denial
5 Small burger
6 Talk show components

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- 7 Sounds satisfied
8 Traveling entertainers
9 Supreme Court, until 1981
10 Netflix science show host
11 Place to see poles
12 "Take this"
13 Examined
18 Spanish girls
26 Scrammed
27 66 Across ailment
28 Informal eatery
30 Writer Wiesel
31 Poetry contest
32 Certain cobras
33 Locale for 32 Down
34 Place to see poles
36 Poe's "Annabel ___"
40 Spoke in favor of
43 Occupational ending
44 Endurance
46 Sapphire measure
49 Snide
51 Secondhand transaction
54 Assumed name
55 Aesopian source of gold
56 Finished paying off
57 Pig's meal
58 Right-hand person
60 Editor's order
63 Smashing, in the '60s
64 "Green" or "black" beverage

Grid for Newsday Crossword puzzle with numbers 1-70.

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Answer to previous puzzle

Grid for answer to previous puzzle with words like KILT, BRUNT, ASKS, OBOE, RISER, MONA, etc.

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

- ACROSS
1 Save for later
9 Place to doodle
15 Smooth talker
16 1969 World Series competitor
17 Watchmakers never retire, they just ___
18 Elite area of the pop charts
19 Passionate about
20 Musicians never retire, they just ___
22 Beetle-shaped artifact
25 Grad school grillings
26 FDA overseer
27 Urban network
30 First name in architecture
33 Prime letters?
34 Acclimate gradually
36 One not seen on "MTV Unplugged"
39 Beekeepers never retire, they just ___
41 Anonymous surname
42 Pal
44 Polish language
45 Actress Collette of "United States of Tara"
46 "Chasing Pavements" singer
47 Some mil. hospitals
50 Spew out
53 White weasel
55 Tree surgeons never retire, they just ___
59 State categorically
60 Ides of March word
61 Teachers never retire, they just ___
64 Roughly three nautical miles
65 Often-fried tropical fruit
66 Least candid
67 It may be diagrammed

Grid for Los Angeles Times crossword puzzle with numbers 1-67.

By Pawel Fludzinski 1/3/19

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

Solved crossword grid with words like LARA, SPAR, EWOKS, OPUS, ARIA, DARIN, etc.

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- 37 1972 host to Nixon
38 Lumberjacks never retire, they just ___
40 Horatian creation
43 Billboards and posters
46 From ___ Z
47 Vance of "I Love Lucy"
48 Lackluster
49 Calm
51 Stocking shades
52 It may be fitted
54 Finish choice
55 OPEC units
56 Lively country dance
57 Decides what's fair, among other things
58 Tall ___
62 Got on the ballot
63 Round Table VIP

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SECTION B

SPORTS BRIEFS

Signup for after school tennis

Highlands News-Sun Sports Staff

After school tennis classes are being offered at the Thakkar Tennis Center at the Country Club of Sebring. The classes run from Jan. 7 to Feb. 1, and are for youngsters ages 4-18 and are run by USPTA certified professional Horace Watkis. The four-week sessions which include one session a week, are for any skill level. Tiny Tots, ages 4-6, are on Tuesday's from 3:15 to 4 p.m. and the cost is \$37. Future Champs, ages 6-12, are any day of the week from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. and the cost is \$45.

Pre-Tournament Academy is Wednesday's from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and the cost is \$60. High School Team level is Thursday's from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and the cost is \$60.

For more information, call Watkis at 863-414-2164 or 863-386-4282. Email is horacewatkis@hotmail.com.

Lake Placid Senior Softball

The Lake Placid Senior Softball League is currently practicing for the 2019 season on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m. at the Lake June Ballfield. Interested men 60 and over should come with their bat, glove, and enthusiasm to sign up and get in shape for the upcoming season which will run from January through March. League games will be played at the County Sports Complex. For further league information please visit lpsoftball.com.

Charity Golf Tournament

BARTOW – If you want to see if Jim Dent can still drive a ball a country mile at nearly 90 years old do that at the scholarship tournament at the Bartow Municipal Golf Course on Jan. 5. Also playing will be Andy Bean, an 11-time winner on the PGA Tour and a three-time Champions Tour victor, at the Herbert Dixon Charity Golf Tournament.

Similar to Herbert Dixon, Dent was an early black competitor in the PGA where the opportunity was little. Like Dixon, Dent taught himself to play golf and caddied in Augusta, Ga., learning from professionals in The Masters.

Sponsored by the Bartow Deacons and Stewards Alliance, the annual tournament is named for two golfing Hall of Famer, Herbert Dixon, at 99 years old can shoot 20 strokes below that number. Dent also stays active on the golf course as he nears 90 years old.

Bean, a Lakeland High School graduate who started playing golf when he was 3 years old, had 19 professional wins on the Championship Tour including 11 PGA tournament victories.

They will be two of the professional golfers taking part in the annual tournament. The money it raises is for scholarships for underprivileged youth.

The Bartow Municipal Golf Course is at 190 South Idlewood Drive, Bartow. Check in time is 7 a.m. Tee off time for the four-person scramble is at 8 a.m.

To enter the tournament or for sponsorship information contact Carver Young at (863) 533-1207 or by email at carver.young863@gmail.com. Or sign up online at <http://bartowedc.org/>.

Hammock Half Marathon, 5K

The Friends of Highlands Hammock State Park will present the 11th Annual Highlands Hammock Half Marathon & 5K at the park on Saturday, January 19 with a 7:30 a.m. start for both distances.

The Central Florida Striders running club under the direction of Chet Brojek will manage race timing and scoring. All proceeds from the event will benefit park projects.

Entry fee for the 5K is \$20 and Half Marathon fee is \$40 thru January 10, 2019. Late fees are \$25 for the 5K and \$50 for the Half Marathon thru race day registration. Participants will get a custom designed sport tech tee, awards in both races, food, fun and a great chance to test their skills in the New Year.

Checks payable to Central Florida Striders along with entry form may be snail mailed to race director Brojek at: 3310 Par Road, Sebring, FL 33872 or you may register online at: <http://endurancesportstiming.com/race-calendar/>

The Half Marathon may be run by an individual or by a team relay for the 13.1 mile distance. Those desiring to form a relay team should contact the coach at: cbrojek@comcast.net to discuss details and special relay pricing. The Half Marathon includes almost nine miles of the beautiful trails throughout the park.

BRIEFS | 8A

Big Show winners start guide service

Special to the Highlands News-Sun

Winning First Place in the BIG SHOW Bass Tournament on Lake Istokpoga last month was nothing new for Corky and Tangie Neff, who also own and operate Corky & Tangie's Guided Bass Fishing Tours, LLC. In Highlands County.

Corky, who's originally from Southern Ohio and Northern Kentucky, earned his stripes on the water as a Tugboat Captain on the Ohio River for more than 40 years. In addition to gaining experience on the Ohio River, he fished the Eastern Division of the Dickie Marine Bass Circuit, the FLW, BFL and Extreme bass tournaments. In 2017, he and his partner, Norman Lee, won the first Extreme Bass Tournament on Lake Istokpoga. A couple of Corky's biggest bass to date are a huge 12 pounder that he caught in Lake Istokpoga and an



Corky Neff holding a bass he recently caught on Lake Istokpoga. Corky and Tangie Neff have started their own guide service after winning the Big Show Bass Tournament.

11.22 on Lake Placid.

And while Tangie handles the paperwork and books trips for Corky, she's also his number one fishing partner. With an impressive number of 10



COURTESY PHOTO

pound plus bass under her belt, it wasn't a big surprise to anyone who knows her that she would catch the second largest bass in December's BIG SHOW bass tournament,

a nice 7.2 pounder. Check out the video of her trying to lift the bass out of their bag at the weigh-in at the Highlands News-Sun Facebook page.

Corky will fish just about any lake you want to fish, but he prefers fishing Lake Istokpoga, Lake Huntley and Lake Placid. His boat, a 2017 Ranger Z520 with a 250 hp outboard was purchased last year from touring pro Randy Blaukat.

The cost of a trip is \$300.00 and they are taking reservations for the New Year now. Call 606-584-0144 for more information and to book a date or check out their Facebook page at Corky & Tangie's Guided Bass Fishing Tours, LLC. (And Like the page)

And of course, they'll be fishing the next Don and Joe's BIG SHOW Bass Tournament on Lake Istokpoga January 19th, 2019, hoping for a repeat of last month.

In the fast lane

Avon Park's Branch tops All-Highlands Boys Cross Country Team

By MARK PINSON
SPORTS EDITOR

Avon Park's Dylan Branch was a dominant force in his four years of competing in cross country in high school.

The talented and dedicated



FILE PHOTO

Avon Park's Dylan Branch dominated boys cross country in the heartland this season by placing second at districts, first at regionals, and the Red Devil senior capped a stellar year by setting a school record in finishing fourth at the Class 2A State Finals. For his immense ability and accomplishments, Branch has been selected as the Highlands News-Sun 2018 All-Highlands Boys Cross Country Runner of the Year.

icated Branch had a terrific final year by placing second at the district meet, first at the regional meet in a time of 16:30, and the Red Devil senior capped an outstanding season by setting a personal-best and a new school record with a time of 15:48 for the 5K in finishing fourth at the Class 2A State Finals.

Undeclared in all local meets, Branch qualified for the state finals all four years of high school.

"Dylan loves to run, has a great work ethic and is the most talented male runner in school history," said co-Avon Park cross country coach Chet Brojek. "He dominated distances from 800 meters through the 5K. He will run at the college level next year and we know he will be a success there as well."

For his ability and numerous accomplishments, Branch, for the fourth consecutive year, was selected as the Highlands News-Sun 2018 All-Highlands Boys Cross Country Runner of the Year.

"It means a lot to win this award for the fourth year in a row," said Branch. "The state finals were incredible and I enjoyed competing against the best runners in the state. I'm a senior and I've really enjoyed running cross country in high school. "I'm excited to be able to continue running cross country in college since I'm going to Montreat College which is an NAIA school in North Carolina.

I have a friend who is going there and when I visited the school, I really liked it because it's small and in the mountains."



FILE PHOTO

Sebring senior Emerson Petit-Val had a solid season and had a personal-best time of 18:39 at the regional meet.

The Team

Emerson Petit-Val, senior, Sebring — Petit-Val had a season-best time of 18:39 at regionals for the Blue Streaks. "Emerson is a natural born runner with the ability to coach his teammates when they are in a slump," said Sebring boys cross country coach Israel Ayala Rivera.

David Barajas, junior, Lake Placid — Barajas was a team captain for the Green Dragons. "David was a true team role model," said Lake Placid coach Sean Dolan. "He was consistent and showed steady improvement."

Chris Manus, freshman, Avon Park — Manus had a solid season for the Red Devils. "Chris is a fine competitor and gives his all in meets," said Avon Park co-coach Lee Pearson. "With experience and some track training, he should be our top returning runner next year. He ran a season-best time of 19:18."

Noah Roth, junior, Sebring — Roth had a personal-best of 18:14 at regionals this year. "This young man is a pillar of this team," coach Rivera said. "He is the chaplain who prays and inspires the team to reach past their limits, while always striving for back-to-back personal records all

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Ladies golf in full swing

By RUTH ANNE LAWSON
STAFF WRITER

The Highlands Hammock Ladies League played a couple rounds of golf recently. On Dec. 19th the ladies played LGA points

with three flights.

In the first flight Beth Weiler claimed first place, Laura Imboden placed in second and Theresa Hahn rounded out the top three.

Flight two was won by Judy Trier, in second place

was Marilyn Redenbarger and Tami Dunlap placed in third.

Hilda Waddell placed in first in the third flight, Sharon Reinhold claimed second and Jean Haig came in third.

Helene Tremblay made the most fairway hits.

Edith MacDonald won closest to pin.

On Dec. 26th the ladies played low net on selected

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season long.”
Dylan Black, senior, Lake Placid — Black competed in his fourth year of cross country for the Green Dragons. “Dylan had a consistent season, a positive attitude and always encouraged others,” Dolan said.

Ivan Mandujano, freshman, Avon Park — Mandujano was a solid performer for the Red Devils. “Ivan is a talented young man who has a strong work ethic and gave his best effort day after day,” Brojek said. “Ivan was a consistent performer with a season-best of 19:14.”

Matthew Andrews, sophomore, Sebring — Andrews had a personal-best of 19:42.56 at regionals this year. “Matt is very loyal,” Rivera said. “He puts in the work, day in and day out. He is a solid runner and one the whole team can depend on.”

Mason Goins, senior, Lake Placid — Goins was strong in his first year of cross country. “Mason has a great drive to succeed and focused on improving the whole season with a best time of 19:07,” Dolan said.

Nick Davis, freshman, Avon Park — Davis had a solid season for the Red Devils “Nick was one of two boys team members who played junior varsity football as well as running cross country,” Brojek said. “His strong 20:31 season-best shows he has lots of running talent. We hope a season of track will show him he can be a star in cross country next year.”

William “Billy” Carol, sophomore, Sebring — Carol had a personal-best of 19:12.03 at regionals this year. “Billy does not know where his athletic limits are, and I pray that he does not find them anytime soon,” Rivera said. “He is a true asset to the team and real go-getter.”

Adam Canaday, junior, Lake Placid — Canaday competed for the second year for the Green Dragons. “Adam had a consistent season, was



FILE PHOTO

The Lake Placid boys cross country team had a solid season.

positive and had an encouraging attitude with a best time of 23:50,” Dolan said.

Elvis Rodriguez, sophomore, Avon Park — Rodriguez was a solid performer for the Red Devils. “Elvis was the other junior varsity football player who also ran on the cross country team,” Pearson said. “Despite this tough double duty, Elvis ran an outstanding 20:32 to earn the No. 5 position on our squad.”

Ian Velez, sophomore, Sebring — Velez had a best time of 19:13 at regionals this year. “Ian has much hidden talent,” said Rivera. “Save from his good friend Billy, no one can beat him on a one-on-one race to the finish line. He is a very exciting runner to watch.”
Clayton Taylor, freshman, Lake Placid — Taylor had a solid first year in cross country. “Clayton has a positive attitude towards practice and cross country with a best time of 26:21,” Dolan said.

David Rodriguez, junior, Avon Park — Rodriguez improved as the season progressed. “David has begun to develop confidence as a runner,” Brojek said. “His fine 22:31 effort at 5K shows that he works

hard. We look forward to working with him this spring in track.”

Elvis Ortiz, freshman, Avon Park — Ortiz came on strong as the season moved on. “Elvis made tremendous progress dropping his time from 31:02 in his first meet to 22:47 at season’s end,” Brojek said. “With track work this spring, we project Elvis will run sub 20:00 next fall.”

Honorable Mention Joel Murillo, senior, Sebring — Murillo had his best time of 20:35 at regionals this year. “Joel is a wrestler with a big heart and a noble commitment to the team,” said Rivera. “He was an unlikely runner, but his devotion shines through in moments the team need him the most.”

Miguel Arceo, freshman, Sebring — Arceo had a best time of 20:44 at regionals this year. “Miggy is the rookie every coach hopes for,” Rivera said. “He is a leader and will very soon guide the team to many victories with his determination and leadership skills.”

Coach Of The Year
 For guiding their teams to the regional meet, Avon Park’s **Lee Pearson** and **Chet Brojek** and Sebring’s **Israel Ayala Rivera** have been selected

as the Highlands News-Sun 2018 All-Highlands Boys Cross Country Coach of the Year.

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holes with three flights.

The first flight was won by Imboden, Lorraine Northup placed in second and Ida Warner claimed third place.

In the second flight Redenbarger placed first, Shelba Fortier claimed second and Lee Jagodzinski placed in third.

Haig placed in first in the third flight, Carol Troup claimed second and in third place was Glenda Conrad.

Shelba Fortier made the most fairway hits.

Warner was closest to the pin.

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5 tips to shed those pounds in the new year

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Maybe you want more energy, or perhaps you want to lose weight and keep it off for good. Whatever your goals, a new year means a fresh start to become the best version of yourself.

Here are five tips from Nutrisystem experts to get your scale moving in the right direction and support your long-term health.

1. Skip "diet" drinks: Of course, you know not to order the regular cola with your meal, but you figure the lower-calorie diet version is an okay choice.

Not necessarily. One recent review of research found that artificial sweeteners often used in diet drinks may not be as beneficial for weight management as intended, and that drinking them regularly may be linked to an increased body mass index. If you want something fizzy, opt for seltzer with lemon or lime. But if you can't stop dreaming of that diet soda, it doesn't have to be completely off-limits. Just try to cut back. Moderation is key!

2. Drink more water: Every part of your body needs water to work properly. When you don't get

enough, your body can't perform normal functions, which can drain your energy. More fatigue means less physical activity. Plus, mild dehydration is often masked as hunger – prompting you to grab a snack when all you really need is water. Experts recommend drinking at least eight, 8-ounce glasses daily.

3. Slow down: It takes 20 minutes for the "I'm full" signals from your stomach to reach your brain. When you inhale your food, it's much easier to eat more than your body really needs. One review of 23 studies found

that fast eaters were about twice as likely to be obese, compared to slow eaters. To help slow down, take smaller bites, chew 10 to 15 times and put your fork down between each bite.

4. Don't eyeball portions: "The super-sized meals at restaurants have given us a skewed view of proper portion size," says registered dietitian Courtney McCormick.

Even if you're tracking your food intake with an app or food journal, overestimating portions can sabotage progress.

McCormick's solution:

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Slow down your eating. Enjoy a visit with friends while at the dinner table. One review of 23 studies found that fast eaters were about twice as likely to be obese, compared to slow eaters.



DINNER DIVA
Leanne Ely



Drinking water is essential for a well-functioning body.

How to get your appetite under control

We've all been there.

Our plan is printed out, the food shopped for, the preparation done – we're ready. We are excited – this time, we're really going to do it.

Then out of nowhere, suddenly this urgent, silent craving hits you upside the head and makes all your good intentions fly out the window with record speed. It's depressing, it rocks your boat and shakes your self-confidence. You ask yourself, "Can I really do this or am I going to have to battle these cravings forever?"

I know that feeling all too well. I've been there and done battle just like you have. And I have good news. There are ways around them.

Here are some of tactics I've deployed in my war against cravings:

More good fat. I try to eat healthy fat with each meal, whether it's a few nuts as a snack, some avocado on my salad or butter on my veggies. Eating plenty of healthy fat helps you feel nice and satisfyingly full.

More water. I really don't have to tell you that drinking water is essential for a well-functioning body. Being hydrated facilitates all of your body's processes, and you should always have a glass of water at the ready. When I started drinking half my body weight in water in ounces every day, it started making a big difference in bloating, weight loss and as a bonus, my skin looked amazing.

CLA and B6. This summer I added CLA (Conjugated Linoleic Acid) to my supplements, which can help those of us with thyroid issues lose weight. CLA has been shown to decrease abdominal fat, increase the metabolism, help lower cholesterol, enhance the immune system, and it may even lower insulin resistance. I also upped my B6 intake (along

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Better for you

4 simple tips for blending a smoothie

STATEPOINT

There's no better time than a new year to embrace healthy habits. And it's easier to embrace a "new me" mentality by fueling your body with the goodness it needs now. You can incorporate more fruits and vegetables into your daily regimen with one simple snack hack: smoothies! Smoothies are convenient, fast and easy to make – all you need is a liquid base, frozen or fresh ingredients and a blender.

However, not all smoothies are made equally. It's easy to overlook the amount of sugar we're sipping, which can make your "healthy" smoothie the sugar equivalent of a candy bar. Yikes! The secret to making a better-for-you smoothie is cherry picking the right ingredients that not only taste good but are good for you.

Here are four tips for blending healthful smoothies that will help you reach your wellness resolutions in the New Year:

1. Sacrifice sugar, not taste. Smoothies made with fruit-flavored juices or sweetened with frozen yogurt might taste great, but can wreak havoc on your health, often adding up to more than an entire day's worth of added sugar. Cut back on the excess sugar by making them at home, where you can control what's inside. Consider smart swaps, like no sugar added Mooala Bananamilks. These dairy-free milk alternatives add great-tasting flavor with sustainably-sourced bananas, roasted sunflower seeds and a touch of cinnamon and sea salt. Whether you're making a green smoothie, something sweet and creamy or packed with tropical flavors, the Original, Chocolate and Strawberry Bananamilk varieties are packed with real ingredients and won't leave you with a sugar crash.

2. Turn flavor into function. Make your smoothie as efficient as you are. Multitask with ingredients to provide your body with

all it needs without adding excess calories. Blend in a scoop of collagen for better skin or a dash of turmeric to decrease inflammation. Also consider adding extra fiber, which takes longer for your body to digest, making you feel full longer and on fewer calories. Functional foods can help fill in nutritional gaps of your diet while pairing added benefits.

3. Incorporate a dairy-free base. Over 65 percent of the population experiences a reduced ability to digest lactose after infancy, so if you're experiencing unexplained bloating after



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You can incorporate more fruits and vegetables into your daily regimen with one simple snack hack: smoothies!



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It just takes a few minutes to portion out the right amount of fruits and veggies, throw them in a baggie and into the freezer.

meals, it's possible that dairy could be the culprit. Daiya, the tasty brand known for creating plant-based versions of favorite comfort foods, now offers delicious dairy-free yogurt cups in fruit flavors, like strawberry, peach and more. These yogurt cups are made with coconut cream, are low in sugar and

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Dairy-free milk alternatives add great-tasting flavor to a healthier, but still yummy smoothie.

Enjoy dining on the rails this month

SPECIAL TO HIGHLANDS NEWS-SUN

AVON PARK — The Historical Society of Avon Park is sponsoring several public luncheons in the Silver Palm Dining Car located next to the Avon Park Depot Museum. The luncheons sponsored by the society aims at recapturing the early days of train travel with elegance.

Each luncheon will feature a theme: "Let it Snow, Jan. 9; "High Tea" (ladies only), Feb. 21; "St. Patrick's Day," March 28" and "Easter," April 18. These luncheons will be held once a month during the season. Tickets are sold per person.

Tickets will be on sale at the Avon Park Museum one month prior to the event. All luncheons begin with a tour of the museum at 11:15 a.m. and lunch at noon. The cost is \$20 per



COURTESY PHOTO

Forty ladies from the Redhat Belles of Buttonwood Bay recently toured the exhibits of the museum and enjoyed lunch on the Silver Palm Dining Car.

person. The Ladies High Tea will be \$25 per person.

Everyone will be eating the same thing. No substitution will

be available. Notify the chef of any food allergy when purchasing a ticket. Menus are subject to change before tickets go on

sale.

At the present time, the society is involved in a restoration project in the dining car. Through a donation, all the deteriorated gaskets and some windows in the dining car are being replaced. But proceeds from Dining on the Rails will go toward another restoration project: Cleaning of the outside of the dining car.

Help put the shine back to this stainless steel 1948 railroad car and make it once again a car that Avon Park can be proud of having in historic downtown Avon Park. The museum featuring Avon Park's history, the dining car and the beginning of the botanical gardens are worth a visit to Museum Avenue.

For more information, on the luncheons, call Eileen Levey at 863-443-0864.

Don't diet solo

Study reveals ongoing support key to weight loss

STATEPOINT

For many, weight loss is a constant struggle, full of frustration, fad diets and forgotten workout DVDs. But it doesn't have to be that way. New research reveals a critical element that can make all the difference between an ongoing health struggle and successfully shedding excess weight – and keeping it off long-term. The secret? Don't fly solo when it comes to trying to lose weight.

The study, published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, discovered that individuals following structured weight loss programs with support were more likely to lose weight and more likely to keep off the weight, than those who did not. The findings were drawn from the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF), which used the results of the study to update their 2018 statement to officially recommend programs with ongoing support for adults with a body mass index of 30 or higher.

For the average American struggling with lasting weight loss, the study's findings are clear. Based on a review of 100 weight loss and weight maintenance programs, the best results came from structured programs that included regular in-person meetings, meetings that provide education and personal connection; and a holistic approach. Weight loss experts also point to the benefits of comprehensive programs in helping those seeking to lose weight learn how to keep it off for good.

"This peer-reviewed



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study, published in one of the most reputable medical journals, provides valuable direction for healthcare providers and consumers who are looking for scientifically-sound guidance as they strive for optimal health and weight management," says Dr. Pamela Peeke, chair of the Jenny Craig Science Advisory Board. "This new recommendation highlights the importance of ongoing support in weight management."

Today, more than 35 percent of men and 40 percent of women in the U.S. are obese. Obesity is associated with a wide range of health problems, including increased risk for coronary heart disease, type 2 diabetes, various types of cancer, gallstones, physical disability and an increased risk for death, particularly among adults younger than 65. With more than 100 million U.S. adults living with type 2 diabetes or pre-diabetes, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

(CDC), finding effective and sustainable weight loss methods is critical for a large portion of Americans.

"Jenny Craig has understood the importance of offering support for more than 35 years; it is the cornerstone of our program," says Jenny Craig CEO and President Monty Sharma. "Personalized human guidance not only keeps people motivated, but also allows for a customized approach for each individual and their life situation."

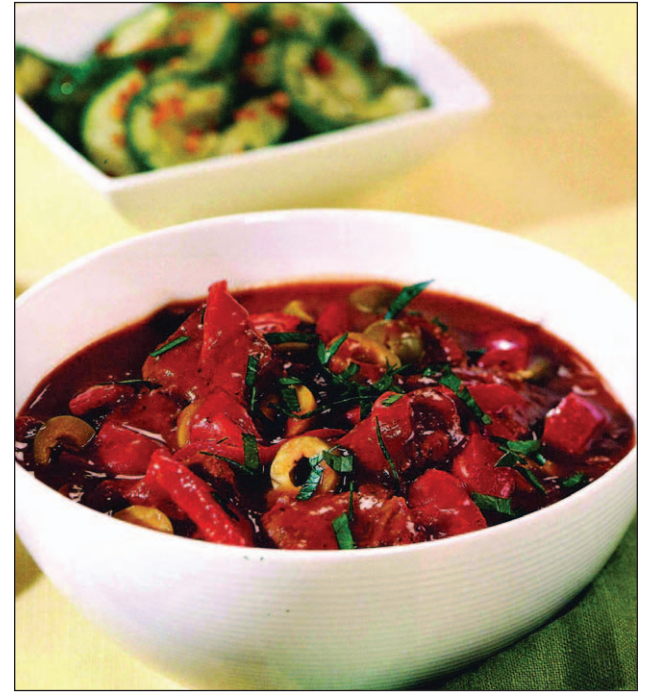
Members of the program meet weekly with their personal consultant one-on-one to discuss their progress, create customized meal plans, address challenges and plan the week ahead. Of note, the study found strongest success among those who met at least every two weeks, with those meeting more often seeing even better results.

If you are embarking on a weight loss effort, consider how ongoing support and science-driven structure can help you achieve lasting results.

Start the year off on a Mediterranean foot

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Peppers play a significant role in the Mediterranean diet, providing nutrients such as vitamin C and potassium while also giving meals a fresh boost of flavor. Long touted for its health benefits, the Mediterranean diet has piqued the interest of men and women looking to get healthy. Those who want a meal with a little Mediterranean flare can try the following recipe for Mediterranean Beef Ragoz̄t from Judith Finlayson's "The Healthy Slow Cooker (Second Edition)" (Robert Rose).



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Mediterranean Beef Ragoz̄t

- Makes 8 servings
- 2 pounds trimmed stewing beef, cut into 1-inch cubes and patted dry
- 2 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 2 onions, chopped
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons ground cumin (see note 2 below)
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon zest (optional)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon cracked black peppercorns
- 1 cup beef stock
- 1/2 cup dry red wine
- 1 14-ounce can no-salt-added diced tomatoes, including juice
- 2 bay leaves
- 2 roasted red bell peppers, thinly sliced, then cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1/2 cup sliced pitted green olives
- 1/2 cup finely chopped

Those who want a meal with a little Mediterranean flare can try Mediterranean Beef Ragoz̄t.

- parsley leaves
- 1. In a skillet, heat 1 tablespoon of the olive oil over medium-high heat. Add beef, in batches, and cook, stirring, adding more oil as necessary, until browned, about 4 minutes per batch. Transfer to slow cooker stoneware as completed.
- 2. Reduce heat to medium. Add onions and garlic to pan and cook, stirring, until onions are softened, about 3 minutes. Add cumin, thyme, lemon zest, if using, salt, and peppercorns and cook, stirring, for 1 minute. Add beef stock, wine, tomatoes with juice, and bay leaves and bring to a boil. Add to slow cooker and stir well.
- 3. Cover and cook on low for 6 hours or on high

for 3 hours, until mixture is bubbly and beef is tender. Stir in roasted peppers, olives and parsley. Cover and cook on high for 15 minutes, until peppers are heated through. Discard bay leaves.

Note 1: This dish can be partially prepared before it is cooked. Heat oil and complete step 2. Refrigerate overnight for up to 2 days. When you're ready to cook, complete steps 1 and 3.

Note 2: For the best flavor, toast and ground cumin seeds yourself. Place seeds in a dry skillet over medium heat and cook, stirring, until fragrant, about 3 minutes. Immediately transfer to a spice grinder or mortar and grind.



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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE NO. 2018-777

The Town of Lake Placid gives notice that it will consider enacting an ordinance at its meeting on Monday, January 14, 2019 commencing at 5:30 p.m. in the Town Hall, 311 West Interlake Boulevard, Lake Placid, Florida entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE LAKE PLACID TOWN COUNCIL REPEALING SECTION 3-1.1 OF THE TOWN CODE; ADOPTING SECTION 3-1.0 OF THE TOWN CODE TO RELOCATE TOWN HALL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERANCE AND SAVINGS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A copy of the proposed ordinance may be obtained at the Town Hall, 311 West Interlake Boulevard, Lake Placid, Florida.

Interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. If an individual decides to appeal any decision made by the Lake Placid Town Council regarding a matter considered at the meeting, he will need a record of the proceedings. He may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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RFP No. 19-01
The Sun 'n Lake of Sebring Improvement District hereby requests proposals from qualified and licensed contractors for the construction of an automatic pumping system on Deer Run Golf Course. Specifications can be found at www.sndistrict.org or by calling (863)382-2196. Sealed bids will be due no later than 2:00pm, January 22, 2019.

State of Florida Tax Exemption Number is 85-8012528797C-8
Signed: Tanya Cannady, CPA, CDM, General Manager
Date: 12/21/18
Jan. 3, 10, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES

FICTITIOUS NAME 12

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of AMERICAN MEDICARE located at 145 WEST CENTER AVE, in the County of Highlands, in the City of Sebring, Florida 33870, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

DATED at Sebring, Florida, this 28th day of December, 2018.
Leidel Capital Inc.
Jan. 3, 2019

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 22

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 18000493GCAXMX
HMC ASSETS, LLC SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF CAM XIX TRUST, Plaintiff,

vs. LOURDES A. GARRIDO, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF JOSE D. ALBERNI (DECEASED) AND AS HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF JOSE D. ALBERNI (DECEASED); THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JOSE D. ALBERNI (DECEASED); THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JOSEFINA ALBERNI, (DECEASED); UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2 whose name is fictitious to account for parties in possession, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated December 3, 2018 and entered in Civil Case Number 18000493GCAXMX of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in and for Highlands County, Florida wherein HMC ASSETS, LLC SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF CAM XIX TRUST is the Plaintiff and LOURDES A. GARRIDO, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF JOSE D. ALBERNI (DECEASED) AND AS AN HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF JOSE D. ALBERNI (DECEASED); UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS are the Defendants, Bob Germain, Clerk of the Courts for Highlands County, Florida, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash beginning at 11:00 a.m. on January 22, 2019 in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870 in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, the following described property in HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, as set forth in the Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure, to wit:

COMMENCE AT THE WEST 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 37 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA; RUN THENCE S 89 DEGREES 33'36" E ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE S 1/2 OF SECTION 17 FOR A DISTANCE OF 1973.08 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. 27 (STATE ROAD 25); RUN THENCE S 24 DEGREES 50'15" E ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 1220.46 FEET TO A POINT; RUN THENCE S 89 DEGREES 44'13" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 552 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; CONTINUE THENCE S 89 DEGREES 44'13" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 70.0 FEET TO A POINT; RUN HENCE S 0 DEGREES 15'47" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 100.0 FEET TO A POINT; RUN THENCE N 89 DEGREES 44'13" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 70.0 FEET TO A POINT; RUN THENCE N 0 DEGREES 15'47" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 100.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; ALSO DESCRIBED AS LOT NO 49 ACCORDING TO PLAT OF A SUBDIVISION MADE BY PETER H. SCRIBNER, LAND SURVEYOR, COPY OF WHICH IS RECORDED IN O.R. BOOK 355, PAGE 464, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 22

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 108 PINE DRIVE, LAKE PLACID, FL 33852
PARCEL/RE#: C-17-37-30-030-0000-0490

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS OF THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR, (863)534-4690, WITHIN TWO (2) WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE; IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL TDD (863)534-7777 OR FLORIDA RELAY SERVICE 711.
WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on December 3, 2018.

BOB GERMAINE
CLERK OF COURTS
By: /s/ Cyndi S. Dassinger
Deputy Clerk
Jan. 3, 10, 2019

NEED CASH?

NOTICE OF SALE 30

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2017-CA-000518
HIGHLANDS COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, INC., a Florida corporation, Plaintiff,

vs. TERESA LORETTA FAULK, et al. Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered herein, that the Clerk of Court of Highlands County, Florida will sell the following property situated in Highlands County, Florida particularly described as follows:
Lot 70B, LAS VILLAS AT KENILWORTH, according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 17, Page 3, Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash. The sale will be held in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Ave., Sebring, Florida, 33870 beginning at 11:00 A.M. on January 23, 2019. The highest bidder shall immediately post with the Clerk, a deposit equal to five percent (5%) of the final bid. The deposit must be cash or cashier's check payable to the Clerk of Court. Final payment must be made on or before 4:00 P.M. on the date of the sale by cash or cashier's check.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the date of the sale.
Dated: December 10, 2018
(Court Seal)

ROBERT W. GERMAINE
Clerk of Court
By: /s/ Chrystal K. Williams
Deputy Clerk
Jan. 3, 10, 2019

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2018-CA-537
WAUCHULA STATE BANK, a Florida banking corporation, Plaintiff,

vs. NANCY R. HORNEY, individually and as trustee of the Nancy R. Horney Revocable Living Trust Agreement dated June 23, 2005, Defendant.

CLERK'S NOTICE OF SALE UNDER FLORIDA STATUTES, CHAPTER 45

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 31 July 2018 in the above-entitled cause in the Circuit Court of Highlands County, Florida, and Administrative Order 3-15.14, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Jury Assembly Room in the basement of the Highlands County Courthouse located at 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida, at 11:00 a.m., on the 22nd day of January, 2019 the following described property:

Lot 50, Block 143, of a revision of a resubdivision of a portion of PLACID LAKES, SECTION ELEVEN, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page 77, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

STREET ADDRESS: 127 Lincoln Road N.W., Lake Placid, Florida 33852
ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the office of the Court Administrator, 255 North Broadway Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830, (863)534-4686, at least seven (7) days before your scheduled court appearance or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

SIGNED this 7th day of December, 2018.
(SEAL) ROBERT W. GERMAINE
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: /s/ Chrystal K. Williams
Deputy Clerk
Jan. 3, 10, 2019

NOTICE OF SALE 30

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2011-CA-000544

ABS REO TRUST II, Plaintiff,

vs. PETER A. ALBERT, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an order dated the 30th day of August, 2018, entered in the above-captioned case, Case No. 2011-CA-000544, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, with bidding beginning at 11:00 A.M. Eastern Time in the Jury Assembly Room, at the Highlands County Courthouse, 430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes, on January 17, 2019, the following described property as set forth in said final judgment, to-wit:

Lot 30, Replat of Tract "A" of HAWK'S LANDING SUBDIVISION, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 16, at Page 60, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.
ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.
DATED this November 30, 2018.

BOB GERMAINE
Clerk, Circuit Court
By: /s/ Chrystal K. Williams
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of the Court Administrator, 255 N. Broadway Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830, (863) 534-4686, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Steven C. Weitz, Esq.
Weitz & Schwartz, P. A.
900 S.E. 3rd Avenue, Suite 204
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316
stevenweitz@weitzschwartz.com
(954) 468-0016
Dec. 27, 2018; Jan. 3, 2019

Notice of Public Sale for Chaney Used Cars on 1/11/2019 of 2015 Chrysler 200 Vin#1C3CCBB7F526467 Location: Chaney Used Cars Address: 1500 U.S. 27 S. Avon Park FL 33825. This sale will be conducted by Randy Kincaid FL LIC# AB551-AU905. This is a CASH only sale. The sale will begin promptly at 10:00 AM
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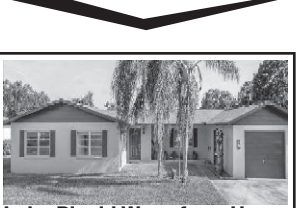
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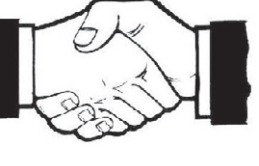
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Popcorn is a simple yet satisfying whole grain. By itself, popcorn is delicious and unpretentious. And while it's tough to eat just a handful, the fact that popcorn is naturally low in fat and calories makes it a great choice when trying to lose holiday weight. The fiber in popcorn makes you feel fuller longer, which helps curb hunger. Eating a little more here means you'll eat a little less elsewhere.

A quick stovetop pop will fill any craving, but if you're looking to add a bit more flavor—again, simple and uncomplicated—try this recipe from the Popcorn Board (www.popcorn.org). Here the rosemary rises in harmony with a dash of Parmesan cheese without overpowering the senses. Add more or less according to taste. And for mere pennies per serving, popcorn is kind on your wallet too. Another post holiday relief.



Rosemary Parmigiano - Reggiano Popcorn

Makes: 4 quarts, 16 servings (1 cup each)
Preparation time: 10 minutes

Ingredients:

- 4 quarts popped popcorn
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 teaspoons finely crushed rosemary (fresh or jarred)
- ¼ cup grated Parmigiano- Reggiano cheese (or Parmesan cheese)
- 1 teaspoon garlic salt (or sea salt)
- 1/8 teaspoon white pepper, optional

Directions:

1. Place popcorn in a large serving bowl. Mix butter, olive oil and rosemary together in a small bowl; microwave 20 seconds to melt butter. Stir butter mixture and pour over popcorn; toss.
2. Sprinkle cheese, garlic salt and pepper over popcorn; toss again and serve.

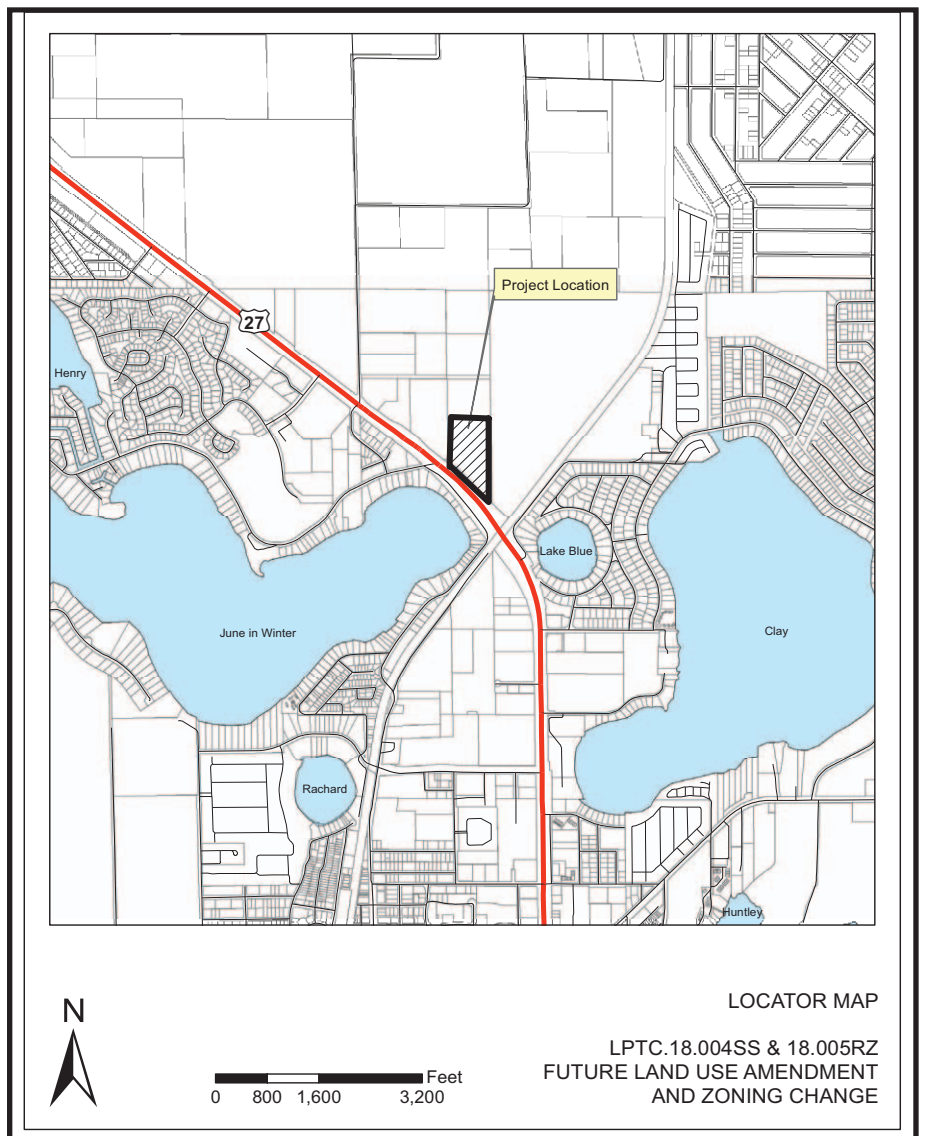
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE OF ZONING CHANGE HEARING NO. LPTC.18.005RZ

The Town Council of the Town of Lake Placid, Florida, on January 14, 2019, proposes to adopt the following by Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2018-772

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PLACID, FLORIDA, CREATING SECTION 160-16 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PLACID ENTITLED TOWN HALL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held before the Town of Lake Placid Town Council on the 14th day of January, 2019, on Hearing No. LPTC.18.005RZ, Ordinance No. 2018-772. Hearings begin at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, at the Town Hall Municipal Building, 311 West Interlake Boulevard, Lake Placid, Florida 33852. The Town of Lake Placid will consider a change to the Official Zoning Map designation from Highlands County Agricultural District to Town of Lake Placid C-1 Highway Commercial Planned Development within the area described as follows: approximately 14.27 acres located on the northeast side of U.S. Highway 27 and south of St. John's (Cemetery) Road, in Lake Placid, Florida; the address being: 1069 U.S. Highway 27 N, Lake Placid, Florida 33852; Property ID No. P-30-36-30-A00-0340-0000.



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Resolve to boost health with these breakfast tips

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Looking to make a change to your nutrition in the new year? Start by examining what is often referred to as the most important meal of the day; breakfast.

Here are some fast facts about breakfast from Kelly Springer, MS, RD, CDN, and president of Kelly's Choice, a collective of registered dietitians, nutritionists and educators that offers customized nutrition coaching programs for schools, workplaces, medical facilities, athletes and individuals.

• **Don't Skip It:** Breakfast is not only essential to weight maintenance, it can help ensure you avoid nutritional deficiencies, so don't avoid it.

• **Think about bonfires.** If you don't add wood to the flames, the fire will go out. Metabolism works the same way. If you don't add food as fuel to your body, your metabolism will slow down," says Springer. "To maintain a healthy diet, you need to eat regularly scheduled meals. Breakfast is particularly important because your metabolism slows during a night of sleep."

• **Skippping breakfast** has also been proven to be linked to nutrient deficiencies, points out Springer.

• **Breakfast provides essential nutrients** that can't be made up for later in the day," says. "A good breakfast will provide protein, b vitamins, fiber, calcium and iron."

• **Include Protein:** Protein helps to maintain blood sugar levels, keeps you fuller longer and provides the building blocks for skin, hair, nails and muscle. But because protein can't be stored as protein in the body, it needs to be consumed throughout the day.

• **"Be sure your first meal includes protein.**



STATEPOINT

Bagels are a good source of protein, essential to a good breakfast.

You don't have to search hard to do so. Some of your favorite breakfast items are already a great source," says Springer.

Did you know that a bagel at Einstein Bros. Bagels has between 9 and 17 grams of protein? This is more than or as much protein as one large egg, three slices of turkey, one cup of 2 percent milk or two tablespoons of creamy peanut butter.

• **Include Carbohydrates:** Many new diets encourage you to skip carbohydrates, but carbs are the number one source of energy for the body and brain food to boot. Carbohydrates convert to glucose in the body – and our brain, one of the most demanding organs in the body, cannot function without glucose.

• **Streamline:** Habits are most successfully formed when they are easy to adopt. To that end, consider streamlining your breakfast by seeking out one location for your morning cup of joe as well as your protein-rich, meal, such as Einstein Bros. Bagels, which offers a full breakfast menu.

A nutritious day all starts with a balanced breakfast. Start 2019 off on the right foot by giving your breakfasts a makeover.

SMOOTHIE FROM PAGE 1B

pack in a healthy dose of B12, calcium and 6 grams of protein per serving. Plus, the coconut cream provides a satisfying creamy texture without the discomforts associated with dairy.

4. **Plan ahead.** Let's face it, busy lives require time-saving measures, and making smoothies is no exception. Prep smoothie packets the night before or, even better, for the week ahead. It just takes a few minutes to portion out the right amount of fruits and veggies, throw them in a baggie and into the freezer. Measuring the night before also ensures you don't overindulge in the morning rush, plus you won't have to add ice cubes, which lets you pack in more antioxidants while simplifying the process.

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Measure portions – not forever, but for a while at the start. Doing so will help you get a visual of what portions should actually look like. You may also consider eliminating some of the guesswork with a program that offers pre-portioned, nutritionally-balanced meals.

5. **Reduce stress:** Stress can cause your body to burn calories more slowly, which could lead to weight gain, according to a study. Plus, stress increases hormones that stimulate appetite, and the foods you'll crave for comfort tend to be high in fat and sugar. Help manage stress with deep breathing, meditation, exercise, hanging out with friends or listening to music.

With these tips for the new year, you'll be on the road to realistic weight loss achievement and have more energy for your day-to-day life.

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with my B-complex; B's work together better) which also helps with metabolism.

Krill oil. I bumped up my krill oil, too. That's because of the high concentration of Omega 3s in krill oil that help encourage weight loss when a healthy eating plan is followed. Look for a very good quality krill oil. Mine is from the Arctic Ocean – you need a clean source.

Crave Crusher and MetaFixer. These two supplements work to kill cravings and boost your metabolism like nothing else I've ever tried (and I've tried every

supplement there is!). In my opinion, they're two of the best supplements on the market today – that's why I take them myself and decided to carry them!

There's even more that can be done – l-glutamine is an amino acid you can add in loose powder form to your smoothie to kill sugar cravings. Making sure to have adequate fiber and protein is another, plus having an accountability partner or group makes a world of difference.

Leanne Ely is a New York Times bestselling author and the creator of SavingDinner.com, the original menu planning website, bringing families back to the dinner table for over 15 years.

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Trump gives new Pentagon chief a taste of his world view

Shanahan declared his focus to be “China, China, China”

By **ROBERT BURNS**
AP NATIONAL SECURITY WRITER

WASHINGTON — On his first working day in charge of the Pentagon, Pat Shanahan declared his focus to be “China, China, China.” But he also got a taste of President Donald Trump’s more scattershot way of looking at the world.

As Shanahan sat to Trump’s left at a Cabinet meeting at the White House, the president

denounced U.S. allies as freeloaders, expressed disgust with U.S. warfighting strategy in Afghanistan, mused about his own potential to be a great general, dismissed Syria as “sand and death,” spoke encouragingly of a second North Korea summit, and falsely claimed he had fired former Defense Secretary Jim Mattis.

It was a very public reminder of the challenges that Shanahan, as acting defense secretary, will face as he navigates

the complex terrain that led to the early end of his predecessor’s tenure.

At one point, Trump turned to Shanahan with an unusual demand.

The commander in chief said audits of Pentagon war spending must be “private” — an apparent reference to reports produced by the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction. Trump asserted that the reports give away too much information and should

not be publicly released, although the law that created that watchdog’s office says its reports must be made public.

Trump wished Mattis well in the retired Marine general’s return to private life after two tumultuous years leading the Pentagon. But Trump also took a swipe at the man he had approvingly called “Mad Dog Mattis” when he hired him shortly after winning election in 2016.

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AP PHOTO

President Donald Trump speaks during a cabinet meeting at the White House, Wednesday, in Washington. David Bernhardt, Acting Secretary of Interior, is left and Patrick Shanahan, Acting Secretary of Defense, is right.

Fish feast on feet for a fee



AP PHOTOS

Gaza cafe owner’s business is booming after launching “doctor fish” pedicure service in beleaguered territory

By **FARES AKRAM**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — When Mahmoud Othman tried to figure a way to save his cafe business in the beleaguered Gaza Strip, he was amazed by online videos of tourists in Turkey getting fish pedicures.

That got him thinking and a unique idea was born.

After getting Israeli approval, he recently imported hundreds of Garra rufa fish, a species of small freshwater fish nicknamed “doctor fish,” from Turkey and added a fish spa section to his hookah bar and cafe in Gaza.

The fish, which feed off the top layers of the toughened, dead skin of the feet, have been used in spas as a peeling method for years around the world.

“We wanted to introduce a new idea and service at the cafe,” Othman said. “Doctor fish has remedial and recreational sides.”

Among the benefits, he believes the treatment “helps the body get rid of negative energy.”



A 30-minute session costs 30 shekels, about \$8, a hefty sum for most of Gaza’s 2 million inhabitants. Gazans in the coastal territory are struggling to get by under an 11-year-old blockade by Israel and Egypt that has devastated the local economy.

The Israeli blockade has made it difficult to import many goods into the strip. Othman said it took him three attempts and over a month to get the necessary permits to bring the fish into Gaza.

He didn’t know what to expect but business has been surprisingly brisk — despite unemployment

soaring over 50 percent and half of Gaza residents living under the poverty line.

Othman said he gets 30 to 40 customers a day. Many of them see the service not only as good for the health, but also as a small luxury and temporary escape from the difficult situation around them.

On a recent evening, seven young men sat in a room lit by blue neon lights, pants rolled to the knee and feet dipped into glass tubs. As the tiny fish clustered around their toes, the customers chatted or touched and swiped their smartphones.

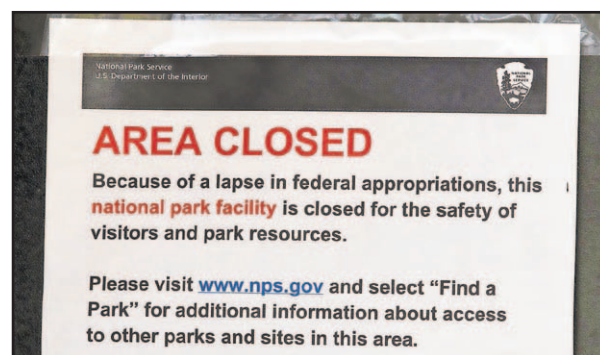
Many of those

frequenting the cafe are unaware of widespread health warnings over fish pedicures — especially the high possibility of infections. Several U.S. states and Canadian provinces consider the practice unsanitary and some animal rights groups denounce it altogether.

But Othman is aware of the pitfalls.

He said he has a strict set of procedures to sanitize the 16 tubs by giving the fish a respite of half an hour after every session and obliging the customers to wash their feet twice and apply sterilizers before dunking their feet.

A man soaks his feet in a tank stocked with fish at a hookah bar and cafe in Gaza City. A 30-minute session costs about \$8 — a hefty sum in the impoverished coastal enclave. But dozens of people are willing to pay the price for a temporary escape from the difficult living conditions in Gaza.



AP PHOTO

A closed sign is displayed on a door at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, Tuesday.

Trump says shutdown ‘could be a long time’

President convenes meeting of Democratic and Republican leaders

By **ZEKE MILLER and LISA MASCARO**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump said Wednesday the partial government shutdown will last “as long as it takes” as closures entered a 12th day over his demands for billions of dollars from Congress to build a border wall with Mexico.

“Could be a long time or could be quickly,” Trump said during lengthy comments at a Cabinet meeting at the White House, his first public appearance of the new year.

The president said his Homeland Security officials will “make a plea” for the border wall during a briefing for congressional leaders later Wednesday at the White House.

But Trump also rejected his own administration’s offer to accept \$2.5 billion for the wall. That offer was made when Vice President Mike Pence and other top officials met with Democratic Senate leader Chuck Schumer at the start of the shutdown. Instead, Trump repeatedly pushed for the \$5.6 billion he has demanded.

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Border agents fired tear gas into Mexico

TIJUANA, Mexico (AP) — Just after people raised their glasses to ring in the New Year, about 150 migrants gathered at a section of border wall in Tijuana to try to cross into the United States, many of them asylum seekers fed up with waiting months to have their claims processed.

On the other side, U.S. Border Patrol agents wearing camouflage and night-vision goggles and carrying assault-style

rifles yelled, “Get back!” in Spanish. American activists accompanying the migrants shouted at agents in English not to fire tear gas because children were present.

Several migrants tried to climb the corrugated metal wall, prompting agents to fire the first volley of tear gas. When migrants approached the wall again, authorities fired a second round and

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Administration denies status to young immigrants due to age

By **AMY TAXIN and DEEPTI HAJELA**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Some immigrant youth looking to start over in the United States after fleeing abusive homes are seeing their applications for green cards rejected because the Trump administration says they’re too old.

A U.S. government program in place since 1990 has let young immigrants subject to abuse, abandonment or neglect by a parent seek a court-appointed guardian and a green card to stay in the country.

While applicants must file paperwork before age 21, the Trump administration has said

some are too old to qualify once they turn 18, prompting a flurry of denial notices over the past year in New York, Texas and California and additional questions of applicants in New Jersey.

Immigrant advocates have filed lawsuits in New York and California and said hundreds of

young people could be affected by the change.

“This administration is literally seeing after some of the most vulnerable people trying to seek relief,” said Mary Tanagho Ross, an appellate staff attorney at Los Angeles-based Public Counsel’s immigrant rights project.

The Trump administration has

been pushing to harden the U.S. border and slash immigration with a series of steps targeting Central American children who arrive on the border alone or with relatives. Former Attorney General Jeff Sessions sought to make it tougher for young

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE STATE

Florida man accused of killing mother

MACCLENNY, Fla. (AP) — A man is charged with second-degree murder after deputies found the body of his mother in her north Florida home.

News outlets reported that 44-year-old Joel Lee Weeks called the Baker County Sheriff's Office on Monday and told dispatchers he needed emergency medical help.

When deputies arrived at the home they found the hilt of a knife protruding from a wound in Weeks' stomach. Then they found the body of 66-year-old Rebekah Ann Osteen in one of the bedrooms. Authorities didn't say how she was killed.

Weeks has two outstanding warrants from Duval County, including probation violations for DUI and domestic violence.

Brightline train strikes pedestrian, tosses body in canal

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Authorities say a high-speed train struck a pedestrian along the railroad tracks and threw him into a canal.

The incident happened on New Year's Day in Fort Lauderdale.

Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue divers found the body in the water on Tuesday afternoon.

It's the 11th fatality since the Brightline began its test runs in mid-2017. The trains travel between Miami and West Palm Beach with a stop in Fort Lauderdale.

ATV crash kills 22-year-old man on New Year's Day

BARTOW, Fla. (AP) — Officials say an all-terrain vehicle crashed onto its side in a water-filled ditch, trapping a 22-year-old Florida man underneath.

Polk County Sheriff's spokesman Scott Wilder said in a news release that Matthew Ryan McGrath of Boca Raton was last seen riding the ATV around 3 a.m. on New Year's Day. An off-duty Frostproof firefighter found the crash site later that afternoon. McGrath's body was found underneath the ATV.

Man drowns when wheelchair falls into swimming pool

PALM HARBOR, Fla. (AP) — Officials in Florida say a 68-year-old man drowned on New Year's Eve when his wheelchair fell into a backyard swimming pool.

The Tampa Bay Times reports Terry Chambers was unresponsive when he was found in the water on Monday afternoon. His 64-year-old wife Judy Burns and 61-year-old caretaker Steve Miller were at the home at the time, but authorities say they were unable to rescue him.

The newspaper reports Pinellas County Sheriff's deputies attempted multiple life-saving efforts, but Chambers died.

Sheriff's officials said they don't consider the death to be suspicious.

3 human bodies, 3 dead dogs in mobile home

TARPON SPRINGS, Fla. (AP) — Police conducting a welfare check in a retirement community found three human bodies in an "advanced state of decomposition," along with three dead dogs.

Tarpon Springs police Maj. Jeffrey Young said during a Wednesday morning news conference that the deaths were "not a random act."

Young says investigators believe the dead include the owners of the home in the Meadows Mobile Home Park in Tarpon Springs, near Tampa. They're waiting until the bodies can be positively identified and next of kin can be notified before releasing any information on the victims.

Police did a welfare check Tuesday at the request of an out-of-state son of one of the victims.

Investigators say they likely knew their killer, so Young says there doesn't appear to be a wider threat to public safety.

Train hits, kills man deputies say was sleeping on tracks

LAKELAND, Fla. (AP) — Authorities say a train hit a man who was possibly sleeping on the rails, killing him.

Polk County Sheriff's officials say the CSX train struck 58-year-old Randolph Eugene Rhymes of Lakeland around 4 a.m. Wednesday.

The crash resulted in the temporary closing of four railroad crossings in the area as officials investigated the crash.

Gov.-elect DeSantis picks Juvenile Justice secretary

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Florida Republican Gov.-elect Ron DeSantis will appoint a lobbyist who is also a former judge and state agency head to run the Department of Juvenile Justice.

DeSantis announced Wednesday that he's chosen Simone Marsteller to run the department. Marsteller works as a lobbyist and lawyer for the law firm Gunster.

She served as secretary of the Department of Business and Professional Regulations under Gov. Jeb Bush. She had previously served as Bush's deputy chief of staff and as a lawyer for two of his agencies.

In 2010, Gov. Charlie Crist appointed Marsteller to serve as a judge on the on the First District Court of Appeal.

6 passengers fall ill on flight from Cleveland to Tampa

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Officials say six passengers fell ill on a Frontier Airlines flight from Cleveland to Tampa.

WFLA-TV reports health officials boarded the plane when it landed at Tampa International Airport on Tuesday afternoon and the sick passengers were removed. Officials say they are being held for observation. The sick passengers were not traveling together.

The remaining passengers were kept on the plane for about an hour after it landed. Those passengers deplaned around 4:30 p.m.

An airport representative says there is a possibility the affected passengers' illnesses were connected to a drinking fountain. The fountains in the Frontier concourse at the airport have been shut down as a safety precaution.

Authorities haven't provided information on the symptoms passengers were experiencing or their conditions.

Frontier said in a statement that cause of the illness remains under investigation.

Brazil's President Bolsonaro targets minorities on 1st day in office

By MAURICIO SAVARESE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAO PAULO — Newly installed President Jair Bolsonaro targeted Brazil's indigenous groups, descendants of slaves and the LGBT community with executive orders in the first hours of his administration, moving quickly after a campaign in which the far-right leader said he would radically overhaul many aspects of life in Latin America's largest nation.

Sao Paulo's stock market, meanwhile, jumped 3.56 percent to a record closing of 91,012 points as new Cabinet ministers reinforced the intent to privatize state-owned companies and a Brazilian arms maker benefited from Bolsonaro's plans to loosen gun controls. Similar spikes in stock prices also occurred during the

presidential campaign.

One of the orders issued late Tuesday, hours after Bolsonaro's inauguration, likely will make it all but impossible for new lands to be identified and demarcated for indigenous communities. Areas set aside for "Quilombolas," as descendants of former slaves are known, are also affected by the decision.

Another order removed the concerns of the LGBT community from consideration by the new human rights ministry.

In a move favorable to his allies in agribusiness, which have criticized giving large swaths of lands to the indigenous, Bolsonaro transferred the responsibilities for delineating indigenous territories from the Justice Ministry to the Agriculture Ministry. The new agriculture minister, Tereza Cristina, is part of



AP PHOTO

Brazil's President Jair Bolsonaro, right, talks with his Chief of Staff Onyx Lorenzoni during a cabinet presentation ceremony at the presidential palace in Brasilia, Brazil, Wednesday.

the agribusiness caucus in Brazil's lower house and has opposed requests from native communities.

Bolsonaro, a former army captain and longtime congressman, said during his presidential campaign that he would stop making what he calls concessions to native Brazilians and

Quilombolas.

"Less than one million people live in those places isolated from the real Brazil," he tweeted Wednesday. "They are explored and manipulated by nonprofits. Together we will integrate those citizens and give value to all Brazilians."

For decades, nuns in India have faced abuse

By TIM SULLIVAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KURAVILANGAD, India (AP) — The stories spill out in the sitting rooms of Catholic convents, where portraits of Jesus keep watch and fans spin quietly overhead. They spill out in church meeting halls bathed in fluorescent lights, and over cups of cheap instant coffee in convent kitchens. Always, the stories come haltingly, quietly. Sometimes, the nuns speak at little more than a whisper.

Across India, the nuns talk of priests who pushed into their bedrooms and of priests who pressured them to turn close friendships into sex. They talk about being groped and kissed, of hands pressed against them by men they were raised to believe were representatives of Jesus Christ.

"He was drunk," said one nun, beginning her story. "You don't know how to say no," said another.

At its most grim, the nuns speak of repeated rapes, and of a Catholic hierarchy that did little to protect them.

The Vatican has long been aware of nuns



AP PHOTO

Sister Josephine Villoonickal, left, sister Alphy Pallasseril, center, and Sister Anupama Kelamangalathu, who have supported the accusation of rape against Bishop Franco Mulakkal talk at St. Francis Mission Home, in Kuravilangad in southern Indian state of Kerala.

sexually abused by priests and bishops in Asia, Europe, South America and Africa, but it has done very little to stop it, The Associated Press reported last year.

Now, the AP has investigated the situation in a single country — India — and uncovered a decades-long history of nuns enduring sexual abuse from within the church. Nuns described in detail the sexual pressure they endured from priests, and nearly two dozen other

people — nuns, former nuns and priests, and others — said they had direct knowledge of such incidents.

Still, the scale of the problem in India remains unclear, cloaked by a powerful culture of silence. Many nuns believe abuse is commonplace, insisting most sisters can at least tell of fending off a priest's sexual advances. Some believe it is rare. Almost none, though, talk about it readily, and

most speak only on the condition they not be identified.

But this summer, one Indian nun forced the issue into the open.

When repeated complaints to church officials brought no response, the 44-year-old nun filed a police complaint against the bishop who oversees her religious order, accusing him of raping her 13 times over two years. Soon after, a group of her fellow nuns launched a two-week public protest in India's Catholic heartland, demanding the bishop's arrest.

It was an unprecedented action, dividing India's Catholic community. Inside the accuser's convent in rural Kerala state, she and the nuns who support her are now pariahs, isolated from the other sisters, many of whom insist the bishop is innocent. The protesting nuns get hate mail and avoid going out.

"Some people are accusing us of working against the church, of being against the church. They say, 'You are worshipping Satan,'" said one supporter, Sister Josephine Villoonickal. "But we need to stand up for the truth."

6 die in Denmark's worst train accident since 1988

By JAN M. OLSEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

COPENHAGEN, Denmark — Six passengers were killed when a Danish train sustained damage while crossing a bridge that was closed to cars because of high wind Wednesday, and authorities investigated if falling cargo from a freight train caused Denmark's deadliest railway accident in 30 years.

Authorities said the two trains were traveling in opposite directions on the bridge linking s Denmark's islands. Aerial TV footage showed a front side of the passenger train ripped open. Photos showed



AP PHOTO

A train is stationary on the Storebaelt bridge, near Nyborg in Denmark, Wednesday, after a train accident.

crates of beer on the freight train and a tarpaulin on top torn in pieces.

Jesper Nielsen told Denmark's TV2 he was riding on the passenger

train and it "was out on the bridge when there was a huge 'bang' ... very quickly thereafter, the train braked."

The rail operator,

Danish Railways, told Denmark's TV2 the victims were passengers on a train going from the city of Odense, on the central Danish island of Funen, to the capital of Copenhagen when the accident took place about 8 a.m.

Police declined to comment directly on a report from Denmark's TV2 channel that a large freight container had likely fallen off the cargo train.

"It is much too early to speculate as to what might have caused it," chief police investigator Joergen Andersen told reporters. "It has been a pretty serious accident."

Mexico finds Flayed god temple; priests wore skins of dead



AP PHOTO

A skull-like stone carving and a stone trunk depicting the Flayed Lord, a pre-Hispanic fertility god depicted as a skinned human corpse, were excavated from the Ndachjian-Tehuacan archaeological site.

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexican experts have found the first temple of the Flayed Lord, a pre-Hispanic fertility god depicted as a skinned human corpse, authorities said Wednesday.

Mexico's National Institute of Anthropology and History said the find was made during recent excavations of Popoloca Indian ruins in the central state of Puebla.

The institute said experts found two skull-like stone carvings and a stone trunk depicting the god, Xipe

Totec. It had an extra hand dangling off one arm, suggesting the god was wearing the skin of a sacrificial victim.

Priests worshipped Xipe Totec by skinning victims and then donning their skins.

The Popolocas built the temple between A.D. 1000 and 1260 and were later conquered by the Aztecs.

Depictions of the god had been found before in other cultures, but not a whole temple.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE NATION

Zoo suspends exhibits after toddler enters rhinoceros enclosure

MELBOURNE, Fla. (AP) — A zoo where a toddler stumbled into a rhinoceros enclosure is suspending exhibits offering “premium” animal experiences while officials review safety protocol.

The Brevard Zoo announced the suspension of the Rhino Encounters exhibit and similar displays in a statement Wednesday.

The 2-year-old girl was taken to a hospital for treatment Tuesday after she stumbled through steel poles separating the rhinos and spectators.

Officials at the zoo on Florida's Space Coast say a rhino's snout touched the girl before she was retrieved in a matter of seconds from the exhibit.

The girl's father said in a statement Wednesday that his daughter is doing well.

Despite government shutdown, zoo animals still getting fed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Washington's National Zoological Park has closed its gates, the latest victim of the partial government shutdown. But thousands of animals still need to be fed, pregnancies need to be monitored and poop has to be scooped.

Zoo spokeswoman Annalisa Meyer says the level of care for the animals will be maintained.

More than half the employees at the zoo and its associated Conservation Biology Institute will continue working.

The zoo is part of the Smithsonian network of museums, and all stayed open through New Year's Day using pre-existing funds. That pool has now run dry.

The zoo's popular live animal cams showing the giant pandas, elephants, lions and naked mole rats also were turned off Wednesday.

Man killed at nursing home; roommate charged

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A man has been killed at a St. Louis County nursing home, and another resident is facing charges in connection with the crime.

Police were called to The Estates of Spanish Lake Nursing and Rehabilitation facility just after 7 a.m. Wednesday. Officers found 69-year-old Larry Harris dead.

Prosecutors charged 73-year-old Willie Clemons with second-degree murder. A probable cause statement says the men were roommates. A nurse found Clemons in his bed and not breathing. The statement says Clemons admitted to the nursing staff that he punched Harris several times.

Suit over N Carolina legislative maps stays in state court

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Litigation challenging North Carolina legislative districts on arguments they excessively favor Republicans to the point of violating the state constitution will remain in state court.

A federal judge Wednesday ordered the case stay in Wake County Superior Court, where Democrats and election reform advocates filed their partisan gerrymandering lawsuit in November. U.S. District Judge Louise Flanagan wrote she'd explain her reasoning later.

Last month, Republican lawmakers sought to move the lawsuit to federal court because they said the way plaintiffs wanted House and Senate maps redrawn conflict with federal laws. The plaintiffs said no such conflict exists and seek a state trial in April.

One GOP senator said last month Democrats ultimately want the case heard before the state Supreme Court, where five of the seven justices will be registered Democrats.

Utah troopers report arrest under new DUI threshold

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah troopers say they have arrested their agency's first person under the state's new lowered DUI threshold.

Utah Highway Patrol Sgt. Nick Street says the Tuesday-night arrest would have happened before the law went into effect, but the measure makes it more likely that the person will face criminal charges. He says the driver was stopped

in a rural area and an initial test showed a blood-alcohol level above .08, but took two hours before the person was tested on a breathalyzer that is admissible in court. The driver's blood-alcohol content was then measured at .059 percent.

The 0.05 percent limit is the lowest in the United States. Troopers have arrested a total of 29 people since the law went into effect on Dec. 30.

16 rescued after ship carrying cars caught fire

HONOLULU (AP) — One crewmember who abandoned a vessel that caught fire in the Pacific Ocean while carrying cars from Japan to Hawaii remains missing after 16 were rescued.

Four other crewmembers were listed as unresponsive Wednesday after rescue ships spotted them and lowered life rings but got no reply.

The Sincerity Ace, a 650-foot car carrier, had 21 crew members on board when the fire started Monday.

Japanese shipping company Shoen Kisen Kaisha Ltd. owns the Panamanian-flagged vessel.

Company spokesman Darrell Wilson says the vessel is still on fire about 2,071 miles west of Honolulu.

Man charged in Alabama nightclub shooting at rapper's show

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (AP) — Authorities say a man a security guard shot after he fired an AK-47 assault rifle outside an Alabama nightclub where rapper Boosie BadAzz was performing has been released jail.

Huntsville police Lt. Michael Johnson tells news outlets 33-year-old Samuel Demario Williams was jailed in Madison County on menacing, reckless endangerment and gun charges.

Johnson says the shooting happened early Monday at the 3208 club, and Williams was taken to jail after being treated at a hospital for a gunshot wound to the thigh. No one else was injured.

Boosie described the gunfire in a video posted on Instagram, saying people should learn how to behave at his shows.

Los Angeles unveils earthquake early-warning app

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Los Angeles has released an earthquake early warning app that could give LA County residents precious seconds to “drop, cover and hold on” in the event of a tremor.

The city announced Wednesday that ShakeAlertLA is available for download on Android and Apple phones.

Based on an early warning system developed by the U.S. Geological Survey, the app will alert when there's a quake of magnitude 5.0 or greater in the state.

Depending on where the quake hits, the app says the warning could arrive before, during or after the quake. It urges people who see the alert or feel the shaking to take precautions to avoid injury.

LA Mayor Eric Garcetti, who officially announces the system on Thursday.

Washington bans anyone under 21 from buying assault rifles

SEATTLE (AP) — Washington on Tuesday joined a handful of other states that ban anyone under 21 from buying a semi-automatic

assault rifle after voters passed a sweeping firearms measure in November that has drawn a court challenge from gun-rights advocates.

The ballot initiative seeks to curb gun violence by toughening background checks for people buying assault rifles, increasing the age limit to buy those firearms and requiring the safe storage of all guns. Only the age-limit portion of the measure went into effect on Jan. 1; the rest becomes law on July 1.

Fifty-nine percent of Washington voters approved Initiative 1639 in the Nov. 6 general election.

Opponents have sued to block it.

“Starting today, young adults between the ages of 18 to 20 will have their rights to purchase semi-automatic rifles stripped away,” said Dave Workman, a spokesman for the Bellevue, Washington-based Second Amendment Foundation.

The federal lawsuit says the measure violates the Second and 14th amendments of the Constitution as well as gun sellers' rights under the Commerce Clause. Plaintiffs in the lawsuit are firearms dealers in Spokane and Vancouver, a 19-year-old competitive shooter, a 19-year-old in the Army Reserves, a 20-year-old recreational shooter, the Second Amendment Foundation and the National Rifle Association.

The full measure, when it goes into effect later this year, will expand the background check process to ensure that vetting for rifle purchases is the same as for buying pistols.

Now, people in Washington who buy long guns are run through the FBI's National Instant Criminal Background Check System, or NICS. Background checks for handgun sales are done by local law enforcement agencies that can access NICS as well as more detailed records that might expose mental health issues or harder-to-find criminal records. And you must be 21 to purchase a pistol.

“This will update Washington state law so the requirements to purchase semi-automatic assault rifle will match handguns,” Ellingboe said.

In most states, including over the border in Idaho and Oregon, you must be 18 to buy an assault rifle. But Republican-dominant Florida passed a law after a school shooting to increase the age limit to 21.

Four other states — Hawaii, Illinois, Vermont and New York — also prohibit anyone under 21 from buying all firearms.

14-year-old boy arrested on murder charge after fatal crash

HOUSTON (AP) — A 14-year-old boy who authorities say was driving an SUV that caused a fatal car accident has been arrested on a murder charge.

The Harris County Sheriff's Office says the SUV was filled with teens who were throwing eggs at other cars Tuesday afternoon when another driver began chasing them. The department says the 14-year-old driver then ran a red light and crashed into a pickup truck, killing 45-year-old Silvia Zavala.

Sheriff Ed Gonzalez says Zavala had just been shopping and was “totally innocent.”

Gonzalez said Wednesday the 14-year-old was booked in a juvenile detention center on a murder charge. He says police will interview the driver of the car that chased the teens.



AP PHOTO

A fatal crash involved a 14-year-old boy who authorities say was driving an SUV in Houston. Officials said the SUV was filled with teens who were throwing eggs at other cars when another driver began chasing them.

Mexican man charged with killing cop gets mental health exam

Illegal immigrant arrested after manhunt following shooting death of Calif. police officer

MODESTO, Calif. (AP) — A Mexican national accused of living in the U.S. illegally was charged with murder Wednesday in the shooting death of a California police officer who pulled him over to check if he was driving drunk.

Gustavo Perez Arriaga made his first court appearance in the central California city of Modesto but did not enter a plea in last week's killing of Cpl. Ronil Singh of the tiny Newman Police Department.

Perez Arriaga's attorney, Stephen Foley, questioned his client's mental competency, leading the court to delay the case until the suspect gets a mental health evaluation, The Modesto Bee newspaper reported.

Perez Arriaga told the judge that his real name is Paulo Virgen Mendoza, but authorities were still referring to him as Perez Arriaga. A complaint lists three aliases for him, including Paulo Virgen Mendoza.

Singh's family and several of the Police Department's 12 officers attended the hearing. Dozens of people stood outside the courthouse holding signs that read, “Justice for Col. Ronil Singh” and “Back the Blue.”

Perez Arriaga is set to return to court Feb. 7, when a court-appointed doctor will provide a report on his mental health, said John Gould, a spokesman for the Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office.



AP PHOTO

Prosecutors charged Gustavo Perez Arriaga on Wednesday, with murder in the killing of Newman police Cpl. Ronil Singh.

Perez Arriaga was arrested Friday after a dayslong manhunt as he prepared to flee to Mexico, officials said. He has two previous drunken driving arrests, authorities say.

The case has rekindled a debate over California's sanctuary law that limits cooperation with federal immigration authorities. President Donald Trump seized on the case to call for tougher border security amid a fight with congressional Democrats over funding for a border wall, which has forced a partial government shutdown.

Cpl. Singh was also an immigrant, coming to the U.S. legally from his native Fiji to pursue his dream of serving in law enforcement, authorities have said.

Two of Perez Arriaga's brothers, his girlfriend and four others were arrested on suspicion of helping him evade authorities.



AP FILE PHOTO

In this Feb. 28, 1976 file photo, Daryl Dragon and his wife Toni Tennille, of The Captain & Tennille, hold the Grammy award they won for record of the year for “Love Will Keep Us Together,” at the Grammy Awards ceremony in Los Angeles.

Daryl Dragon, of The Captain and Tennille, dead at 76

NEW YORK (AP) — Daryl Dragon, the cap-wearing “Captain” of The Captain and Tennille who teamed with then-wife Toni Tennille on such easy listening hits as “Love Will Keep Us Together” and “Muskrat Love,” died Wednesday at age 76.

Dragon died of renal failure at a hospice in Prescott, Arizona, according to spokesman Harlan Boll. Tennille was by his side.

“He was a brilliant musician with many friends who loved him greatly. I was at my most creative in my life, when I was with him,” Tennille said in a statement. Dragon and Tennille divorced in 2014 after nearly 40 years of marriage, but they remained close and Tennille had moved back to Arizona to help care for him.

Dragon and Tennille met in the early 1970s and soon began performing

together, with Tennille singing and Dragon on keyboards. (He would later serve as the Captain and Tennille's producer). Their breakthrough came in 1975 when they covered the Neil Sedaka-Howard Greenfield song “Love Will Keep Us Together,” which Sedaka himself recorded in 1973 and been released as a single in Europe.

The Captain and Tennille version topped the charts — and acknowledged Sedaka's authorship by singing “Sedaka's back” at the end of the song — and won a Grammy for record of the year. They followed with a mix of covers such as “Muskrat Love” and “Shop Around” and original songs, including Tennille's “Do That to Me One More Time,” which hit No. 1 in 1980. They also briefly starred in their own television variety show.

STOCKS LISTING CHANGE - REQUESTS WELCOME! Mutual funds listings will run on Saturdays.

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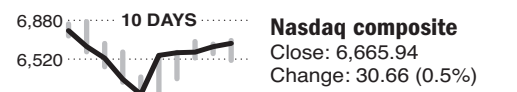
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The stock market starts off 2019 with more turbulence

NEW YORK (AP) — The roller-coaster ride on Wall Street resumed on Wednesday, the first trading day of the new year, as stocks plunged early on, then slowly recovered and finished with a slight gain.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average dropped as much as 398 points in the first few minutes of trading after more shaky economic news from China.

After gliding gently higher for years, propelled by rising corporate profits and extremely low interest rates from the Federal Reserve, stocks have been heaving up and down in recent months as a host of fears weigh on investors, including threats to global economic growth.

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expanding for almost a decade, and stocks have risen steadily over that time. From September through the end of December, however, investors became more and more worried that challenges such as U.S.-China trade tensions, rising interest rates and political uncertainty could slow the economy and company profits, and possibly tip the U.S. economy and the global one into a recession.

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Intermittent hand numbness: usually via trapped nerves

DEAR DR. ROACH: For the past four weeks now, I wake up during the night because both of my hands have gone numb. I work my hands to get the feeling back and walk around my house for about 20 minutes as I do hand exercises. This happens two or three times during the night. During the day I have no issues. I'm 69 years old, female, in good health and take no medicine. Is this cause for concern? Do you have any recommendations for me? I'd appreciate your advice. — J.C.

ANSWER: By far, the most common cause of intermittent hand numbness is compression of the nerves of the hand, which happens in one of three common places: the carpal tunnel of the wrist; the cubital tunnel of the elbow; or the cervical spine, as a result of a herniated disc or spinal stenosis. The exact location of the symptoms gives a clue to which of these three it is.



Dr. Roach

Symptoms that are worse on the thumb side of the hand, with a sparing of the little finger, are coming from compression of the median nerve in the carpal tunnel. These symptoms may also feel like they travel up the arm, as high as the elbow, and only occasionally higher.

Symptoms that go on the outside of the arm to the little finger are from compression of the ulnar nerve, and most people are familiar with this sensation from hitting that nerve, sometimes called the

"funny bone." Compression of the neck can cause symptoms that travel down the arm and shoulder, but may still involve the hand.

Not everyone with a nerve compression has symptoms that exactly match the textbooks, and I often hear that the entire hand is involved. Making a precise, anatomical diagnosis sometimes can be done by a careful exam, but a definitive diagnosis is made most commonly, not by an MRI, but by an EMG test of the nerves, also called a nerve conduction test.

Symptoms of carpal tunnel syndrome, which I think is the most likely diagnosis in your case from what information I have, often are worse at night. When we sleep, the wrists may flex (palms toward forearm) or extend (like you are stopping traffic), and this puts pressure on the median nerve. Keeping the wrist in a neutral position with a splint sometimes can stop the symptoms of carpal

tunnel syndrome. People who don't respond to splinting may be treated with anti-inflammatories, but people with ongoing symptoms benefit most from a simple surgical repair.

Surgery should be performed only on EMG-confirmed cases, in my opinion.

DEAR DR. ROACH: Do you keep scrapes moist with antibiotic ointment and covered or let them dry out uncovered? There seems to be two schools of thought on this. — N.E.

ANSWER: Although many people do say to let wounds dry in the air, there is a clear consensus in medical opinion about it: Wounds that are kept clean, moist and protected heal MUCH faster than wounds that are allowed to get dry. So, cover with an ointment (if there is a concern for infection, triple antibiotic ointment is great) to keep it moist, then cover with a bandage to keep it clean and protected.

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 with much jubilation (8)	_____
2 Indonesian skewered meat (5)	_____
3 turf tamer (9)	_____
4 asset's opposite (9)	_____
5 vitamins and probiotics (11)	_____
6 they may be blue or cloudy (5)	_____
7 guys, even more informally (6)	_____

FEL	JO	US	SUP	NMO
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Wednesday's Answers: 1. BLURTING 2. RECESSIONAL 3. FEELINGS 4. INITIALIZES 5. DISPROVES 6. ENCRYPT 7. MUTINY 1/3

In-law's old tablet reveals surprising secret to parent

DEAR ABBY: My son-in-law gave me a tablet that he was not using, as he had upgraded. He removed most of his information.

When I went to set up my accounts, I noticed his list of apps and passwords was still present and saw four accounts to an adult dating site.

My daughter and SIL have been together/married for four years. The tablet is less than 2 years old. I don't know what to do: (1) act like I never saw it, (2) tell him what I found and hope for a good explanation, or (3) tell my daughter.

This will destroy her. Please help! — Sign Me Devastated

DEAR SIGN ME: Tell your son-in-law what you found and ask for an explanation.

What he tells you will determine what steps you should take next.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and my best friend, "Bridget," do not get along. They remain civil most of the time, but one thing is threatening to ruin the peace.

When Bridget visits, she likes to bring along little toys and treats for my cats. That's fine, but she also



Dear Abby

opens bags of loose catnip and sprinkles it throughout the house. My husband hates it because the catnip gets everywhere, and it's a chore to clean up.

When he politely asked Bridget to stop, she told him to "stuff it" and said the cats like it.

She continues to do it every time she comes over, and my husband has grown more and more upset. I'm not sure how to mediate this. What can I do? — Cat-Astrophe In Atlanta

DEAR CAT-ASTROPHE: At this point, Bridget isn't bringing the catnip over because she thinks your cats like it.

She's doing it to antagonize your husband. If you continue allowing her to do this, it could affect your relationship with your husband, so if you're smart, you will back him up and tell her to cut it out. (Meow!)

Ensure buffet is right temp

Dear Readers: Are you "HOLIDAYED OUT"? Maybe a trip to a buffet restaurant is in order, but first let's talk food safety.

An important safety factor on the buffet is temperature control. If food, like seafood, is piled up on the buffet, the temperature will not be consistent throughout. This can lead to bacterial growth.

Along those same lines, give the soup a hearty stir before ladling. This will help to give a consistent temperature, and you'll get a good mix of veggies.

Always get a fresh plate for each trip, and sample lots of different foods.



Hints from Heloise

The handle of the serving tongs should not touch surrounding foods. — Heloise

Dear Heloise: I use paper towel cores to store kitchen tongs. I wrap the tube with packing tape or decorative contact paper for added strength and slide the closed tongs into the tube. — Jerry in Okeechobee, Fla.

WHATZIT?

Find the familiar phrase, saying or name in this arrangement of letters.

OINTTSETSEMENT

SOLUTION:

Fly in the ointment

JUMBLE

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

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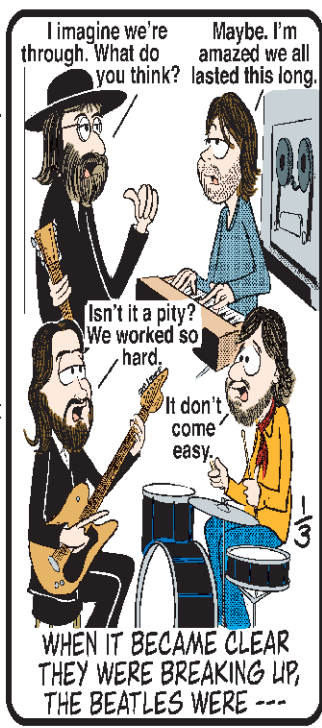
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Print your answer here: " "

Yesterday's Jumbles: FANCY ABOUT SHRIMP BURGER
Answer: The televised pool tournament began — RIGHT ON CUE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



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

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RULES

1 Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 4 (easy) or 1 through 6 (challenging) without repeating.

2 The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.

3 Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

PREVIOUS ANSWERS

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3	4	1	2
1	2	3	4

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3	1	2	5	4
1	2	4	6	3
4	3	6	2	5
5	6	1	4	2
6	4	5	3	1
2	5	3	1	6

Challenger

DIRECTIONS: Fill each square with a number, one through nine. Horizontal squares should add to the totals on right. Vertical squares should add to the totals on bottom. Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

THERE MAY BE MORE THAN ONE SOLUTION.

Today's Challenge

Time 2 Minutes

48 Seconds

Your Working Time 4 Minutes

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Yesterday's Challenger Answers

solution		1-2	6
1	2	1	2
3	3	1	2
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MARMADUKE By Brad Anderson



"Do not flatten your modeling clay by having Marmaduke roll on it."

Cryptoquip

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF A MALE MORAY OR CONGER WERE HIGHLY REFINED AND MANNERLY, WHAT WOULD YOU CALL IT? GENT EEL.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: B equals P

SPORTS SLEUTH

BASKETBALL REFEREE SIGNALS

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K E C B H S D N O C E S O I W

Wednesday's unlisted clue: JERRY

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Thursday's unlisted clue hint: DOUBLE

3-pointer	Blocking	Jump ball	Start clock
3 seconds	Carrying	Kicking	Stop clock
5 seconds	Charging	Hand check	Walking
10 seconds	Hand check	No score	

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HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You can be angry with someone and love that person at the same time. You can be disappointed in an action and still stand behind the general plan. Complexities will come into play, and you'll manage them beautifully.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Get centered and do your best without looking around to see how anyone else is doing. The only thing you should be comparing yourself with is your own past performance, and even that might be a bad idea.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It's easy to get excited about your own idea, but when someone else's idea has you excited and willing to work, you know it must be a good one. Be generous, but also clear about the arrangement going forward.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Experience always grows you. So when the choice is between what you know and what you don't know, you'll choose what you don't know... as long as it's not terribly inconvenient or expensive.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Relationships improve because you put thought into

resolving your issues with another person. And the other person doesn't even have to know about it! Your change is enough to change the whole dynamic.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The basics of good communication aren't distributed at birth. Eye contact, listening, affirming through verbal or nonverbal cues... this must be learned. And not everyone you'll deal with today has learned it yet.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Oscar Wilde summed up today's predicament very well when he said, "Anybody can sympathize with the sufferings of a friend, but it requires a very fine nature to sympathize with a friend's successes."

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). As an intuitive person, you know that inner guidance can be illogical and sometimes doesn't quite culminate into something you can make sense of. But it does often enough, which is why you'll keep paying attention.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). When you really comb back over what you've been taught, you'll find that you disagree with more of it than you care to bring up over the dinner table. Some battles are best shrugged off. Vive la difference.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll take notice of who you are around different people — what each brings out in you — so you can surround yourself with people who bring out your best and brightest side of you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Oddly enough, your work will be best noticed when you do not do it. So, pull back on the efforts. And then pull back a little more so they can understand the exact nature of your typical contributions.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Basic niceties are well within normal expectations, but the problem is that not everyone was brought up with the same manners and customs. You may have to gently educate others about what you need.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 3). The beauty of this new chapter is in its breeziness. A burden drops within five week's time, leaving you physically buoyant, mentally unfettered and emotionally exuberant. After that, a bout of financial luck creates further ease. Keep it small, save up and don't complicate things with too many partners or contracts. Gemini and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 31, 4, 47 and 37.

Thursday, January 3, 2019

GOREN BRIDGE

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FREAKS CAN BE FUN

Both vulnerable, South deals

NORTH
♠ Q 2
♥ A 10 3
♦ 10 8 5 3 2
♣ 6 5 4

WEST
♠ J 9 8 7 5
♥ J 5 2
♦ J 6 4
♣ 7 2

EAST
♠ 3
♥ 8
♦ A K Q 9 7
♣ A K Q 10 8 3

SOUTH
♠ A K 10 6 4
♥ K Q 9 7 6 4
♦ Void
♣ J 9

The bidding:
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
1♥ Pass 2♥ 4NT*
5♥ Pass Pass DBI

All pass
*Both minors, at least 5-5

Opening lead: Seven of ♣

Both East and South loved their hands when they picked them up, but neither had as much fun as he hoped. South bid on after East's routine interference, and then tried to take 11 tricks.

East won the opening club lead with his queen, cashed the ace of clubs, and then tried to cash the ace

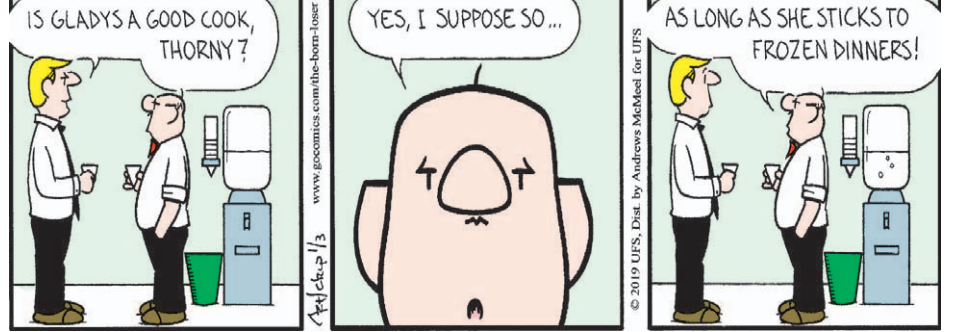
of diamonds. South ruffed and had a chance, but he started by cashing the king of hearts and couldn't make it after that. South's play was lazy. Assuming East was 6-5 in the minors, as it looked after West led the seven of clubs and then followed with the two, there were two lies of the cards that would let South take 11 tricks. East might have precisely the jack doubleton of spades and a heart void, or East could be 1-1 in the majors — far more likely.

The winning sequence in that case was to lead a heart to dummy's ace, cash the queen of spades and lead a spade to the ace. Then ruff a spade, ruff a diamond, ruff a spade, and ruff another diamond. The king and queen of hearts would draw the trumps and the king of spades would be the 12th trick.

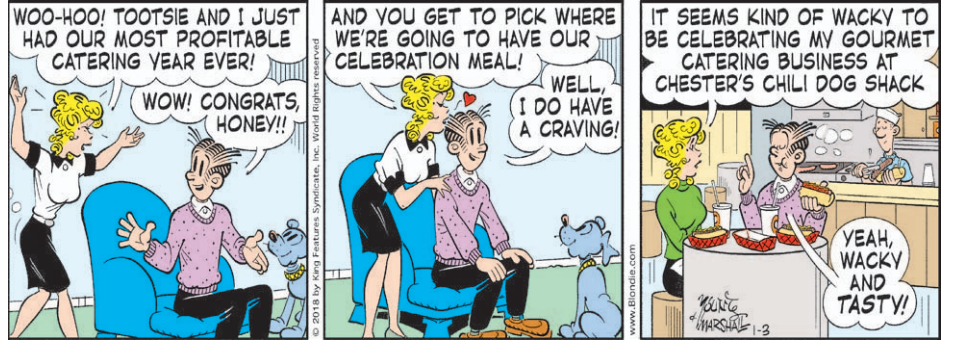
East was also lazy. There was no point in trying to cash a diamond. Where could South's diamonds go? A third club would force South to ruff high and leave him with no chance for 11 tricks.

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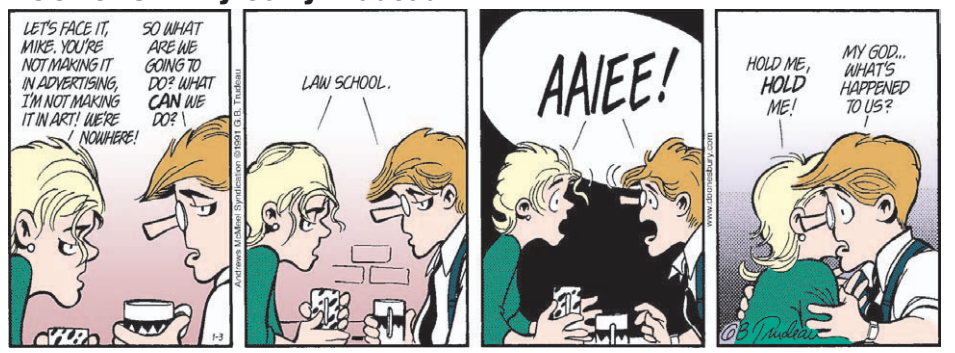
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Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and 3x3 block. Use logic and process elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

Rating: BRONZE

Solution to 1/2/19

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WORDY GURDY®

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE

Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

- May pen a book (1)
- Hell's Angel adorer (2)
- Eternal City's hair-parting aids (1)
- Droopy opium flower (2)
- Celeb Kylie's sawbucks (2)
- Damaging the crop-growing business (2)
- Newly invigorated lobbying stress (2)

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ANSWERS
1. MIGHT WRITE 2. BIKER LIKER 3. ROMPS COMBS 4. FLOPPY POPPY
5. JENNERS TENNERS 6. HARMING FARMING 7. FRESHER PRESSURE

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TODAY'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- ACROSS**
- Lover in a play
 - Yokums' creator
 - Make a tunnel
 - Kitchen enticer
 - Woody's son
 - River in Asia
 - Hightail it
 - Bikini tops
 - Deficiency
 - Waste maker
 - Wisely
 - Time period
 - Nursery buy
 - Some aircraft
 - Movie workplaces
 - Desert plant
 - Cato's hello
 - Stir-fry pans
 - High-pH solution
 - Minor clergy
 - Said to be
 - Guarantee
 - Not that
 - Before, to Blake
 - Foundry output
 - Mounted
 - Irritates
 - Go-getter
 - Gesture
 - Be foxier
 - Scottish Highlanders
 - "Mack the Knife" singer
- DOWN**
- Too quick to act
 - Fierce whale
 - Lows
 - Chews the scenery
 - Gene Autry movie
 - Semi parts
 - Retards
 - Carpentry tools
 - Search party
 - Tulip-to-be
 - Grad-school exam
 - Slightly improper
 - Caribou kin
 - Shipboard romances
 - Unaccompanied
 - Green gems
 - Happening
 - Make fun of
 - Approves
 - Mini-guitar

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED

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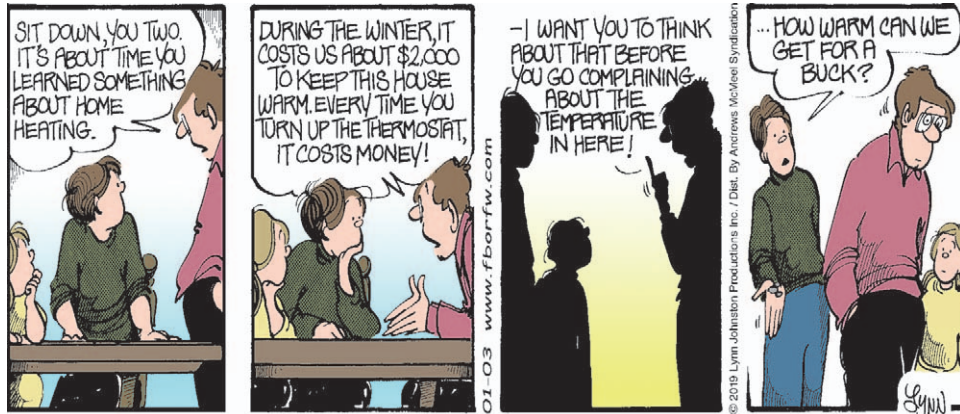
ACROSS

- Hoopster
- Work in a store
- Hospital workers
- apart
- Unfamiliar
- Prompter's hint
- Happy sighs
- Deluge
- Think logically
- Form a thought
- Insurance center
- Come to pass
- Margarine

DOWN

- Humerus
- neighbor
- Tiny amounts
- Seize
- Lo-cal
- Very, for Pierre
- Like some losers
- Recede

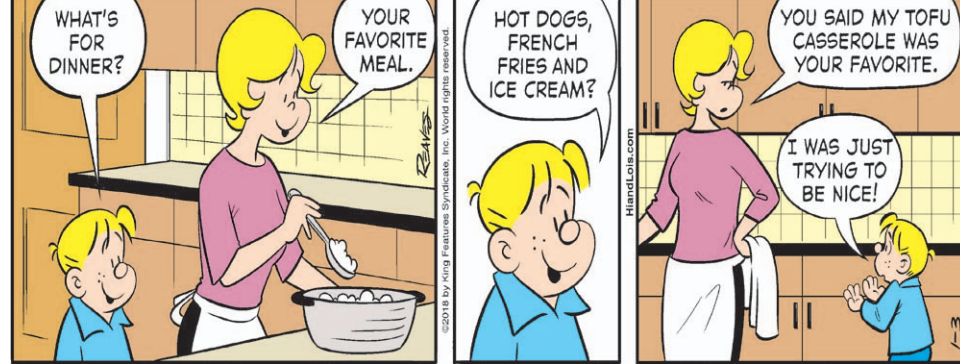
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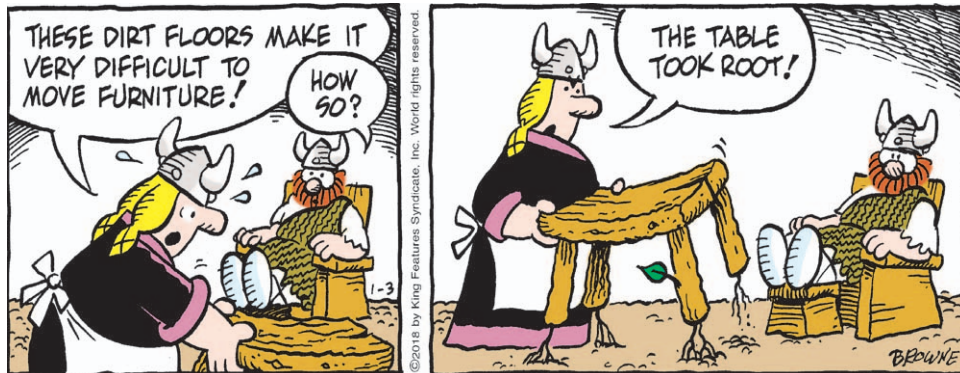
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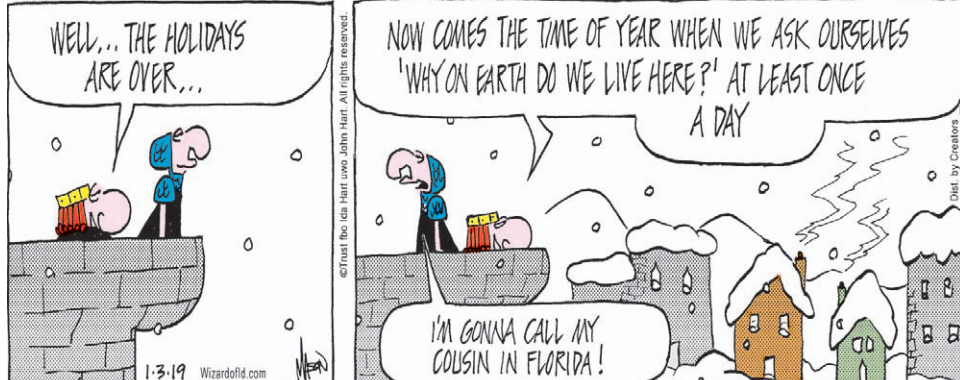
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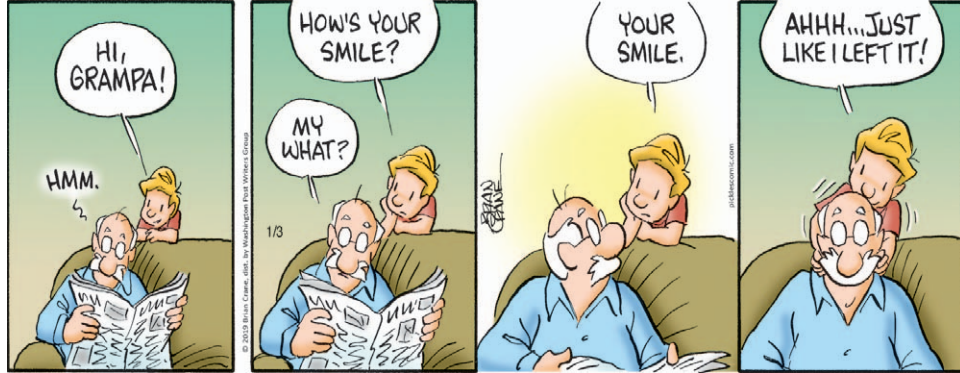
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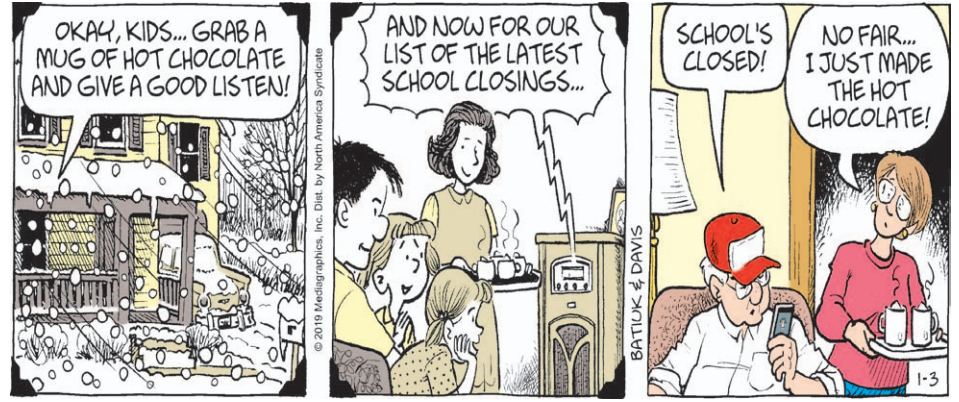
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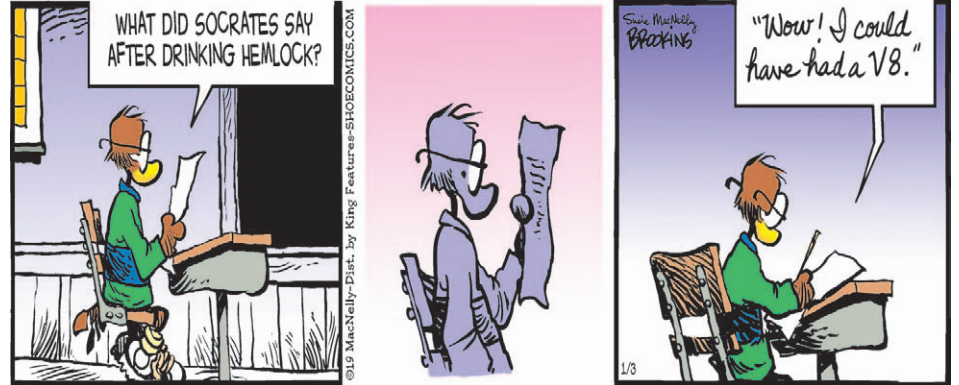
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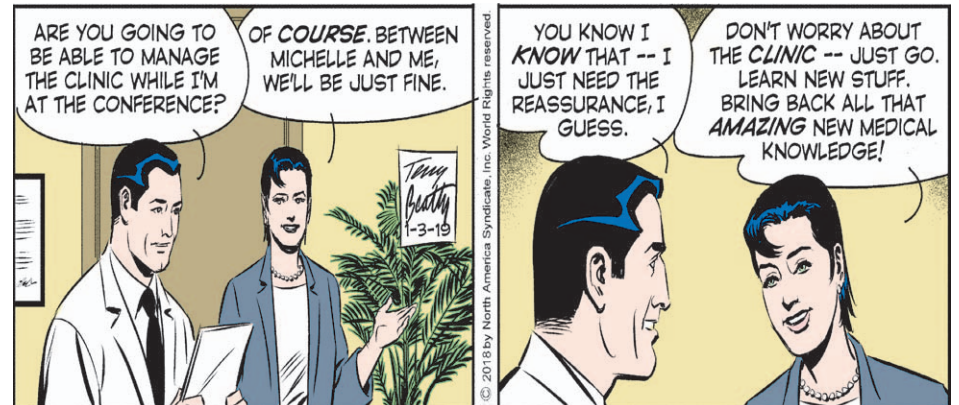
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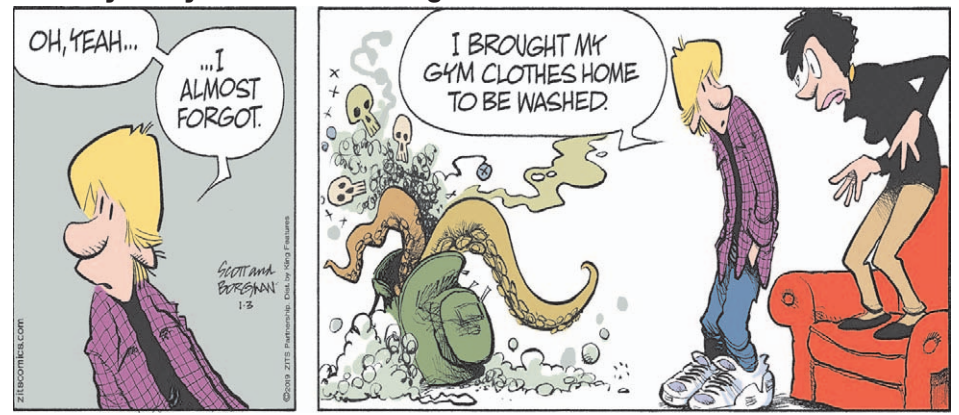
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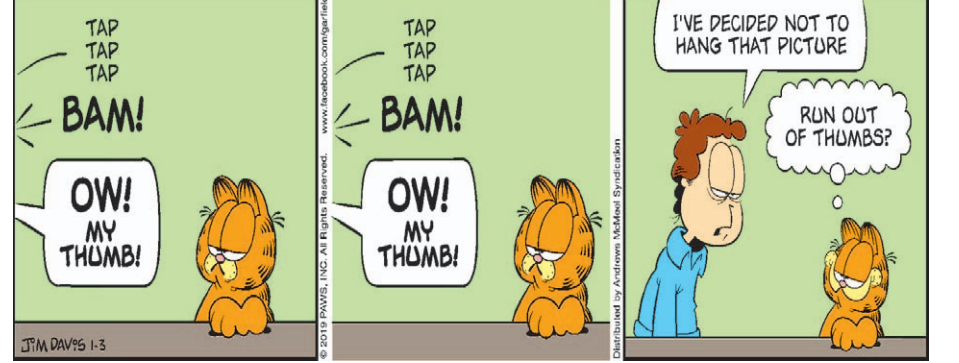
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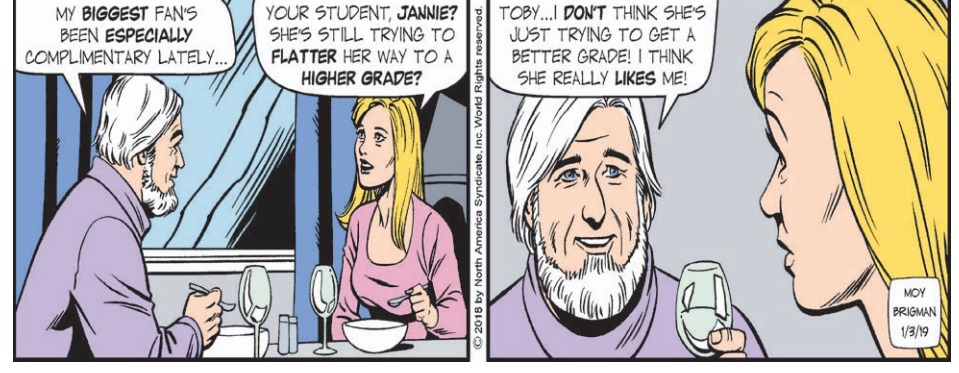
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US ambassador meets with Michigan man held for spying in Russia

By LYNN BERRY and JIM HEINTZ
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WASHINGTON — U.S. ambassador to Russia Jon Huntsman met in Moscow on Wednesday with a Michigan man who has been detained on espionage charges as the American government seeks answers about his arrest.

Huntsman said he offered support and assistance to Paul Whelan, a corporate security executive and former Marine, and later spoke to the man's family by phone, but he would not discuss the case in detail.

The ambassador said the U.S. complained to the Russian government about the length of time it took them to grant consular access to Whelan, who was arrested Friday.

Russian Federal Security Service said Whelan was caught "during an espionage operation," but gave no specific information about why he was detained.

Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said earlier Wednesday, while in Brazil, that the U.S. hoped to gain access soon to the former Marine and that "if the detention is not appropriate, we will demand his

immediate return."

Whelan, 48, was in Moscow to attend a wedding when he disappeared, his brother, David Whelan, said Tuesday. He arrived Dec. 22 and was scheduled to stay through Sunday.

Pompeo said the Trump administration has "made clear to the Russians our expectation that we will learn more about the charges and come to understand what it is he's been accused of."

Whelan's family, in a statement that David Whelan posted on Twitter, said: "We are deeply concerned for his safety and well-being. His innocence

is undoubted and we trust that his rights will be respected."

The Russian spying charges carry a prison sentence of up to 20 years.

The Marine Corps on Wednesday released details of Whelan's service record. He served in the Marine Corps Reserves from 1994 to 2008 and was convicted of larceny in a special court-martial in January 2008. The Marine Corps did not immediately provide details of the court-martial conviction beyond saying it was based on "several charges related to larceny."

Whelan attained the rank of staff sergeant in



AP PHOTO

Paul Whelan, a former U.S. Marine, has been arrested in Russia on espionage charges, was visiting Moscow over the holidays.

December 2004 after the first of two deployments in Iraq. He was an administrative clerk and administrative chief. He was given a bad-conduct discharge in December 2008 at the rank of private. His last place of duty was at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar in California.

ALMANAC

Today is **Thursday, Jan. 3**, the third day of 2019. There are 362 days left in the year.

Today in history

On **Jan. 3, 1977**, Apple Computer was incorporated in Cupertino, California, by Steve Jobs, Steve Wozniak and Mike Makkula Jr.

On this date

In **1521**, Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church by Pope Leo X.

In **1777**, Gen. George Washington's army routed the British in the Battle of Princeton, New Jersey.

In **1868**, Japan's Meiji Restoration re-established the authority of the emperor and heralded the fall of the military rulers known as shoguns; the upheaval paved the way for Japan's drive toward becoming a modern power.

In **1938**, the March of Dimes campaign to fight polio was established by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who himself had been afflicted with the crippling disease.

In **1959**, Alaska became the 49th state as President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a proclamation.

In **1961**, President Dwight D. Eisenhower announced the United States was formally terminating diplomatic and consular relations with Cuba.

In **1967**, Jack Ruby, the man who shot and killed Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of President John F. Kennedy, died in a Dallas hospital.

In **1993**, President George H.W. Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin signed the START II missile-reduction treaty in Moscow. (However, the agreement ultimately fell apart.)

Today's birthdays

Actor Dabney Coleman is 87. Journalist-author Betty Rollin is 83. Hockey Hall of Famer Bobby Hull is 80. Singer-songwriter-producer Van Dyke Parks is 76. Musician Stephen Stills is 74. Rock musician John Paul Jones (Led Zeppelin) is 73. Actress Victoria Principal is 69. Actor-director Mel Gibson is 63. Actress Shannon Sturges is 51. Actor John Ales is 50. Jazz musician James Carter is 50. Contemporary Christian singer Nichole Nordeman is 47. Actor Jason Marsden is 44. Actress Danica McKellar is 44. Actor Nicholas Gonzalez is 43. Singer Kimberley Locke is 41. Actress Kate Levering is 40. NFL quarterback Eli Manning is 38. Actress Nicole Beharie is 34. Pop musician Mark Pontius (Foster the People) is 34. Rhythm-and-blues singer Lloyd is 33.

Bible verse

"For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" — Mark 8:36, 37.

An eternity without God and the good things He has prepared is a terrible price to pay for having our own way over things that will soon pass away. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you."



AP PHOTO

Protestors block traffic and shout slogans reacting to reports of two women of menstruating age entering the Sabarimala temple, one of the world's largest Hindu pilgrimage sites, in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India, Wednesday.

2 women enter Hindu temple in India, breaking years-long ban

NEW DELHI (AP) — Two women on Wednesday entered one of India's largest Hindu pilgrimage sites that had been forbidden to females between the ages of 10 and 50, sparking protests across a southern state, with police firing tear gas at several places to disperse stone-throwing protesters, police said.

The Supreme Court lifted a ban in September on women worshipping at Sabarimala temple in Kerala state. The ban was informal for many years, but became law in 1972.

Despite the ruling, demonstrators including Hindu priests and conservatives continued to block women of menstruating age from entering the centuries-old temple.

The two women in their

forties entered the temple early Wednesday and worshipped there, said Pramod Kumar, the state police spokesman. Officers escorted the two women to the hilltop temple because of "police responsibility to provide protection to any devotee irrespective of gender," Kumar said.

Kerala's top elected official, Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, told reporters that under the Supreme Court order, police were bound to safeguard worshippers.

"Earlier, women were not able to enter the temple due to certain hurdles. They were able to enter the shrine today," Vijayan said.

Protests broke out in several places in the state after the women entered the temple. Protesters blocked several roads and threw

stones at law enforcement officials, sparking clashes, said Kumar, the police spokesman, adding that police fired tear gas to quell the violence.

There were no immediate reports of injuries.

Kumar said police were gearing up for more protests on Thursday because several political and Hindu groups have called for a general strike to protest the women's entry. He said authorities would provide "all possible security" to businesses.

On Tuesday, millions of women formed a human chain more than 375 miles long from Kasargod in the northern part of the state to Thiruvananthapuram, the southernmost city and the state capital, to support gender equality.

hundreds of thousands of federal employees without pay.

Trump complained that he had been "lonely" at the White House during the holiday break, having skipped his getaway to Mar-a-Lago in Florida. He claimed his only companions were the "machine gunners," referring to security personnel, and "they don't wave, they don't smile." He also criticized Nancy Pelosi, the House Democratic leader, for visiting Hawaii.

At the Capitol on Wednesday, Pelosi said she hoped Republicans and the White House "are hearing what we have offered" to end the shutdown.

So far, the administration has rejected a proposal from Democrats to re-open government without money to build a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border.

SHUTDOWN

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Trump made his case ahead of the afternoon session with Democratic and Republican leaders about the migrants arriving at the border in recent days. He said the current border is "like a sieve" and noted the tear gas "flying" overnight to deter arrivals. He called the border "very tough" at keeping immigrants out.

"If they knew they couldn't come through, they wouldn't even start," Trump said at the meeting, joined by Cabinet secretaries and top advisers, including Jared Kushner and Ivanka Trump.

The meeting came as the shutdown dragged through its second week, closing some parks and leaving

CHIEF

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"What's he done for me?" Trump asked. "How has he done in Afghanistan? Not too good."

Trump did not explain his complaint about Mattis' approach to the war. But Trump hinted that he had irreconcilable differences with Mattis on what Trump views as an unfair defense relationship with allies such as

NATO. Trump suggested that Shanahan, who took over as acting defense secretary when Mattis ended his tenure Monday, agrees with him on this.

"We have some great allies, but a lot of our allies were taking advantage of our taxpayers and our country," Trump said. "We can't let that happen, and Pat Shanahan agrees with that and he's agreed with that for a long time. And that was very important to me. I couldn't get other people to understand it,"

Trump said, apparently referring to Mattis, who argued for higher defense spending by NATO allies but did so in a nonconfrontational way.

In a resignation letter that amounted to a rebuke of Trump's view on how to treat alliances and adversaries, Mattis wrote: "My views on treating allies with respect and also being clear-eyed about both malign actors and strategic competitors are strongly held and informed by over four

decades of immersion in these issues."

Mattis submitted his resignation on Dec. 20 after a series of policy disagreements with Trump, including the president's decision to withdraw troops from Syria. Mattis said he would stay until the end of February, but on Dec. 23 Trump announced that Shanahan would take over Jan. 1, speeding up Mattis' departure.

In his Cabinet meeting remarks with reporters

he's not getting away," Hannah Hughes, who had been at her parents' party, told the paper Wednesday. Hannah Hughes said she watched Edward William Staley, 19, of Carmichaels, throw mud and rocks on her father's truck before she seized him by the hair and flipped him to the ground.

"She took karate for 10 years and it just all kicked in," Deborah Hughes told the paper. "She took him down and held him in a position where he could not move. She told him, 'Don't move or I will break your neck.' I thought, 'Oh my God, I can't believe this is happening.'"

The change was most notable in the nine months ending in June 2018, when one in five applications that were decided were denied, the data shows. About 7 percent of application decisions in the 2017 fiscal year and 4 percent of decisions in the 2016 fiscal year were denials.

Applications to the program have surged in recent years, rising more than three-fold between the 2014 and 2017 fiscal years, federal data shows. During that time, the number of denials also increased, with 2,000 applications rejected over the past two fiscal years — more than all of the previous seven years combined.

The action drew sharp criticism from politicians and activists on both sides of the border and raised questions about the use of force against migrants.

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Karate skills help woman capture burglary suspect

NEMACOLIN, Pa. (AP) — A woman's 10 years of karate lessons are being credited with helping her subdue a man suspected of breaking into her western Pennsylvania home a half-hour into the new year.

Deborah Hughes told the Washington Observer-Reporter she was saying goodbye to guests at her home in Nemaocolin after midnight when she noticed someone inside the home of her 22-year-old college student daughter, Hannah Hughes, who lives across the street.

"I ran out the door, and the only thing I could think was if I get to him,

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immigrants fleeing gangs or domestic violence to win asylum — though some guidance he issued on such cases was recently blocked by a federal judge. And the U.S. government has been slower to release immigrant children caught on the border to family in the country.

The program is the best chance for many of the thousands of young immigrants arriving on the border to be allowed to stay in the U.S. Under U.S. law, they can apply for green cards once a designated court in the U.S. state where they live assigns them a guardian and declares they are eligible to apply.

More than 50,000 young immigrants have obtained green cards by qualifying for special immigrant juvenile status since 2010. The overwhelming majority of applications

GAS

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then a third.

The migrants fled, screaming, crying and coughing. One mother was hysterical after briefly losing her children in the thick smoke and darkness.

It was the second time in a little over a month that U.S. authorities fired tear gas into Mexico.

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ODD NEWS

Montana inadvertently built public latrine on private land

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — The Montana parks department says it inadvertently built a public latrine on private land, and it might be cheaper to buy the land than to move the facility.

The Billings Gazette reported Tuesday that Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks built the \$15,000 latrine for a public fishing access site on the Madison River at Ennis.

The department is looking into buying about 8 acres of private land where the latrine was built. The price was expected to be about \$18,000.



An in-depth look into this weekend's NFL wild-card weekend and beyond. See page 6.

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■ GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thrown in the fire, Mantas ahead of schedule

After losing 70 percent of its scoring from last season, Lemon Bay is finding its rhythm

By **JACOB HOAG**
STAFF WRITER

It would be easy to write off the 23-point loss that Lemon Bay girls basketball suffered against Bradenton Christian on Saturday as a bad loss and move past it.

But for a team full of players still cozying into their roles and finding their footing, there were plenty of lessons learned in the loss that the Lady Mantas hope will benefit them going forward.

Lemon Bay entered the season scrambling to replace 70 percent of its scoring after losing three

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BY TOM O'NEILL

Lemon Bay freshman Katelyn Ziarnicki dribbles past Imagine School's Katie Klein at Lemon Bay. Ziarnicki entered the season as a standout shooter. In the Chick-Fil-A Classic tournament, she scored 24 points, including nine three-pointers.

■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Playoff expansion faces series of obstacles

By **RALPH D. RUSSO**
AP COLLEGE FOOTBALL WRITER

When talking about the possibility of expanding the College Football Playoff, the word momentum gets tossed around a lot.

Expansion seems inevitable. Why? Because playoffs always expand. But when?

Big Ten Commissioner Jim Delany told The Athletic last month he was ready to start talking about a larger playoff field, and prominent Big Ten athletic directors Barry Alvarez of Wisconsin and Jim Phillips from Northwestern have voiced support for that idea.

Momentum toward expansion?

"At the moment I don't see that kind of momentum," Atlantic Coast Conference Commissioner John Swofford said.

Notre Dame athletic director Jack Swarbrick, who sits on the CFP management committee along with the 10 FBS conference commissioners, said now is the perfect time to talk about changes to the four-team playoff.

"The CFP is doing great in terms of fan interest. In terms of television ratings. In terms of every measure it has exceeded our expectations," Swarbrick said. "So being open to talking about the model, this is the perfect time to do it. Do it from a position of strength."

But, he added, "Doesn't mean there's any momentum for change."

The current postseason system is not quite half-way through a 12-year contract with ESPN that runs through 2026. The fifth CFP national champion will be crowned Monday night when No. 1 Alabama faces No. 2 Clemson at Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara,



AP PHOTO

Alabama celebrates after winning the Orange Bowl over Oklahoma Saturday to earn a spot in the College Football Playoff Championship. Some would like to see an expansion of the playoff though there are a number of obstacles.

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■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

New Hurricanes coach prioritizing quarterback

By **DAVID WILSON**
MIAMI HERALD

CORAL GABLES — Manny Diaz didn't wait long after taking over as coach of the Miami Hurricanes to share his blunt thoughts about Miami's quarterbacks situation.

On Wednesday, no one even had to ask the former defensive coordinator a question about quarterbacks before he went out and tackled it himself. A day earlier, he talked about it in an ESPN appearance. The day before that, he discussed the position in his first radio interview after rejoining the Hurricanes following an 18-day stint as the Temple Owls coach.

"Certainly we have to get the quarterback

position fixed," Diaz said Wednesday as part of his opening statement at his introductory news conference. "We have some young guys on our campus who have shown flashes, who have shown that they have ability, but you don't win at the University of Miami with flashes and you don't win at the University of Miami with potential. You have to perform."

Diaz's first priority with the Hurricanes will be fixing the offense, and to fix the offense he first has to fix Miami's quarterback situation.

On Monday, Diaz at least took the first step toward trying something new. Less than 24 hours after succeeding Mark Richt, Diaz did what the former coach wouldn't. Diaz fired quarterbacks

coach Jon Richt, along with all four other members of the offensive staff. At his news conference in the Schwartz Center for Athletic Excellence, Diaz confirmed he cut ties with Richt, running backs coach Thomas Brown, wide receivers coach Ron Dugans, tight ends coach Todd Hartley and offensive line coach Stacy Searels. By next Thursday, Diaz plans to have a new offensive staff in place and already has three finalists for his vacant offensive coordinator job.

Whoever fills the offensive openings will have an unproven group of quarterbacks to mold.

N'Kosi Perry, in theory, should be the favorite for the job. The quarterback started six games

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■ BUCS

Notre Dame's Kelly considered in search

By **MATT BAKER**
TAMPA BAY TIMES

Notre Dame coach Brian Kelly's name has come up in connection with the Bucs' coaching search. Our Rick Stroud reports that the Bucs "don't appear to be focused on Kelly."

Let's ignore the silliness of the silly season for a moment. Let's just look at why it would make sense for Kelly to consider the Bucs (or another NFL team), and why Tampa Bay might at least consider Kelly.

Brian Kelly is a good coach.

It's easy to look past that now, just after Clemson destroyed his Fighting Irish 30-3 in the Cotton Bowl. But



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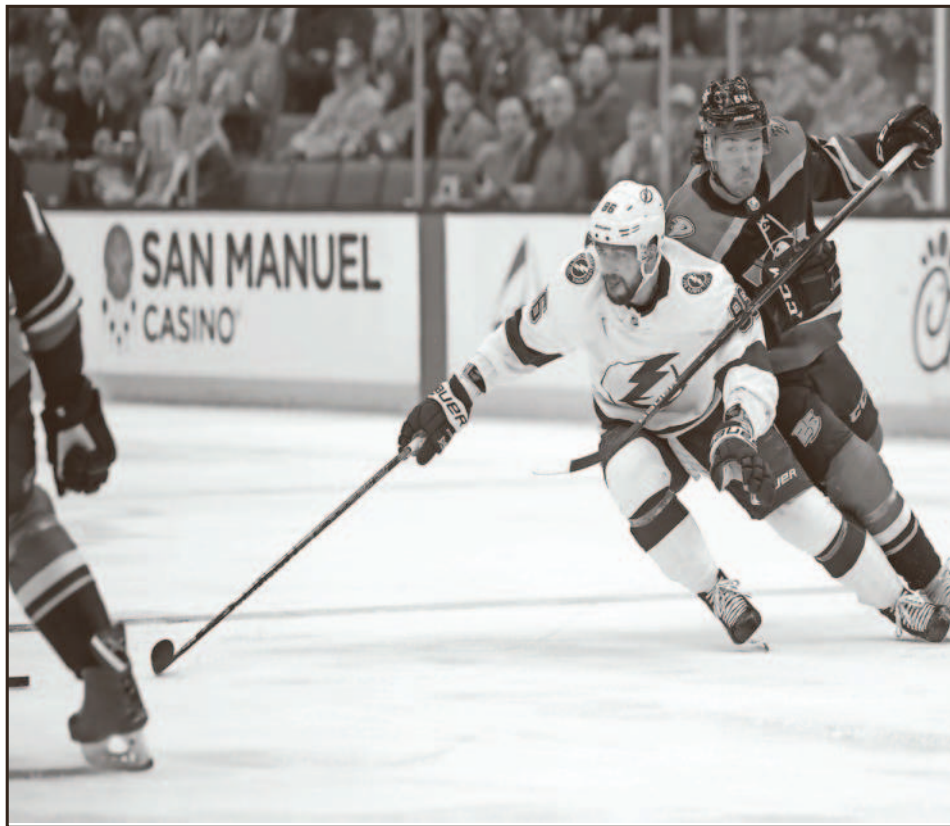
The Tampa Bay Times reports that Notre Dame head coach Brian Kelly has been mentioned in the Bucs' coaching search.

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■ LIGHTNING

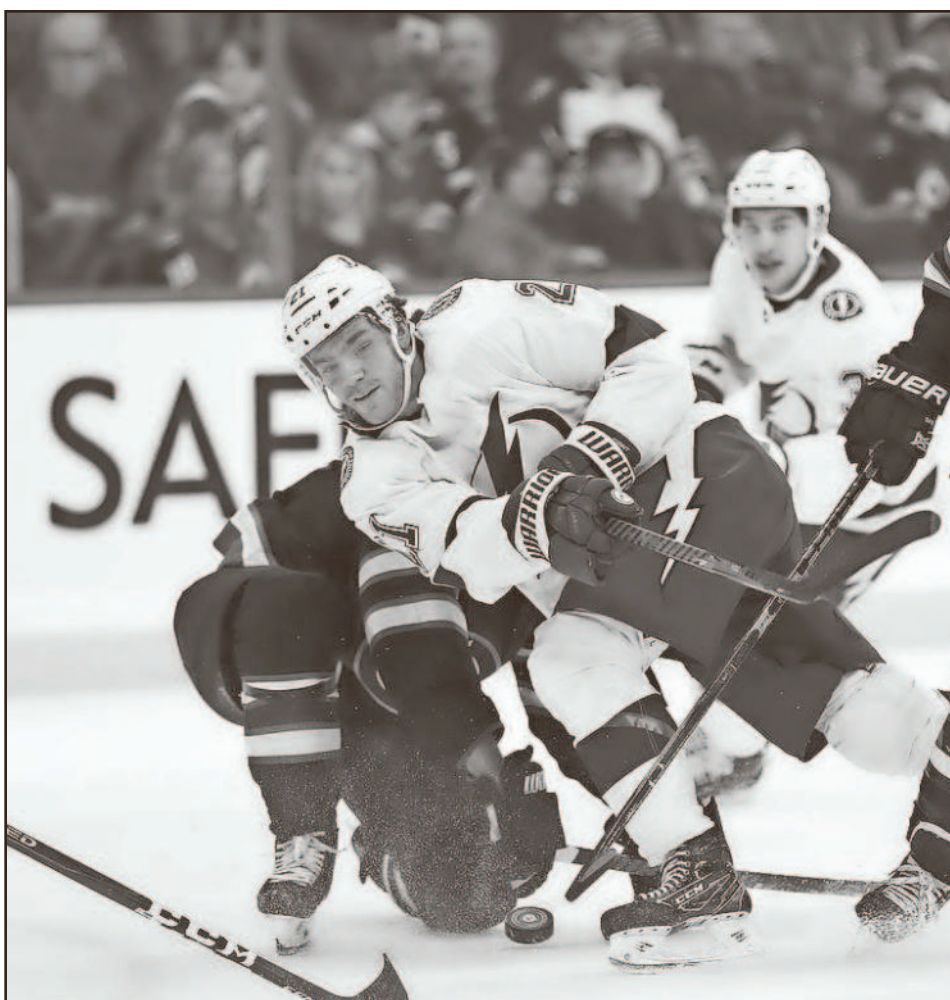
Scoring at will

With 168 goals, best record, Tampa Bay has 24 more than No. 2 Toronto



AP PHOTOS

Tampa Bay Lightning right wing Nikita Kucherov, above, leads the league with 65 points. He has a point in 21 of his last 22 games. Brayden Point (below) has gone from good to great. After 66 points last year, he already has 52 and has centered the Lightning's shutdown line all season.



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By **DIANA C. NEARHOS**
TAMPA BAY TIMES

LOS ANGELES — The Lightning will reach the season's midpoint with Thursday's game against the Kings. That makes this a good time to assess the team thus far.

Tampa Bay is atop the league by 10 points. That's five full games. The Lightning is scoring at an almost absurd rate with 168 goals (24 more than the No. 2 team going into Wednesday's game). Overall, things are going well.

Biggest factor in success: Team depth

The Lightning is not immune to the injury bug. Tampa Bay has, however, found ways around each injury. Even when Ryan Callahan's back seized up in warmups, Danick Martel entered the game after more than a month off and made an impact. That's unheard of. That is depth.

In December, the Lightning poured on the goals.

Earlier in the season, Tampa Bay needed that depth. Games when the top six forwards weren't scoring, players on the third and fourth lines came up big.

Best player: Nikita Kucherov

Kucherov leads the league with 65 points. He is on an 11-game point streak and has a point in 21 of the last 22 games. Not only that, but he's had multiple points in 15 of those games.

He is making hockey look easy. Take his goal on Monday.

Kucherov flung a one-timer on net with a move that looked like one he'd use to dump the puck.

Most improved: Brayden Point

Point had a strong season last year. He made an impact with his 66 points. And he's gone from good to great this year.

It took only 28 games for Point to reach 20 goals. His goal-scoring slowed some after that, but not his impact. He has just picked up on the assists and now has 52 points.

That's only Point's offensive impact. He has also centered the Lightning's shutdown line all season. So he's putting up those offensive numbers while also playing against the opponents' top forwards.

Best rookie: Anthony Cirelli

Cirelli doesn't feel like a rookie, but he technically is one. His 18 games last season were two short of the mark. He has been one of the Lightning's most consistent players this year. Cirelli has been a third-line staple, tough on the forecheck while also finding places to contribute offensively.

This was the hardest decision. Erik Cernak and Mathieu Joseph both accelerated their timelines to the NHL. Cernak gets an edge among the two who feel like rookies. He is playing a lot of minutes and making an impact against opponents' top lines.

Biggest surprise: Louis Domingue

The Lightning couldn't be sure what it had in Domingue until he was tested. Tampa Bay believed it had a reliable backup who could fill in for starter Andre Vasilevskiy, but when it came down to it, Domingue went beyond expectations.

He won 11 of 13 games while Vasilevskiy was out with a fractured foot. Domingue made impressive saves and came up big late in games.

Biggest question: Slater Koekkoek

Koekkoek has not played an NHL game since Nov. 19. Before that, it was Nov. 10, and he has only played nine games all season. That being said, Koekkoek played well in those nine games. General manager Julien BriseBois said it was the best he has played.

So what does the Lightning do with Koekkoek?

He would have to clear waivers to go to the AHL beyond his 14-day conditioning assignment, and Koekkoek might not make it through. BriseBois could test the market for a trade, but Tampa Bay might want that depth at defenseman.

Biggest concern: Goals against

The Lightning has allowed too many goals. Tampa Bay is atop the league standings and most offensive categories. But it is 15th in goals against and has only shut out one team.

Monday's 2-1 win over Anaheim was a step in the right direction on upping the overall team defense. But before that, the Lightning had allowed four or more goals in four of the last six games.

Crazy stat: Goal differential

The Lightning is out-scoring its opponents by 51 goals, which leads the NHL.

MVP: Ryan McDonagh

Both BriseBois and coach Jon Cooper have made a point to comment on McDonagh's impact. Both had referred to a healthy McDonagh as the difference-maker on this team.

McDonagh has 23 points of offense while playing a mostly defensive role. He has gone up against the opponents' best forwards and largely contained them.

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Jan. 1N	2-7-4
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Jan. 1N	9-2-9-2-8
Jan. 1D	1-5-9-9-0
Dec. 31N	9-7-1-7-8
Dec. 31D	2-2-5-1-5
D-Day, N-Night	

■ **FANTASY 5**

Jan. 2	Late
Jan. 1	6-8-24-30-35
Dec. 31	6-7-29-32-35

PAYOFF FOR JAN. 1	
1 5-digit winners	\$181, 781.21
226 4-digit winners	\$129.50
7,329 3-digit winners	\$11

■ **CASH FOR LIFE**

Dec. 31	18-28-39-46-54
Cash Ball	2

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Dec. 27	1-7-36-50-52
Cash Ball	4

PAYOFF FOR DEC. 31	
0 5-5 CB	\$1,000/Day
0 5-5	\$1,000/Week
3 4-5 CB	\$2,500
7 4-5	\$500

■ **LUCKY MONEY**

Jan. 1	12-25-30-33
Lucky Ball	2

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Dec. 28	11-22-45-46
Lucky Ball	13

PAYOFF FOR DEC. 28	
0 4-of-4 LB	\$500,000
6 4-of-4	\$893.00
35 3-of-4 LB	\$335.50
604 3-of-4	\$57.00

■ **LOTTO**

Dec. 29	3-24-44-48-50-51
Dec. 26	1-14-17-21-40-43
Dec. 22	14-32-40-49-51-53

PAYOFF FOR DEC. 29	
0 6-digit winners	\$6 million
19 5-digit winners	\$4,947.50
830 4-digit winners	\$88
ESTIMATED JACKPOT	
\$7 million	

■ **POWERBALL**

Jan. 2	Late
Powerball	Late

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Dec. 29	12-42-51-53-62
Powerball	25

PAYOFF FOR DEC. 29	
0 5-5 + PB	\$40 million
0 5-5	\$1 million
1 4-5 + PB	\$50,000
28 4-5	\$100

ESTIMATED JACKPOT	
\$53 million	

■ **MEGA MILLIONS**

Jan. 1	12-42-51-53-62
Mega Ball	25

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Dec. 28	9-10-25-37-38
Mega Ball	21

PAYOFF FOR JAN. 1	
1 5 of 5 + MB	\$425 million
0 5 of 5	\$1 million
4 4 of 5 + MB	\$10,000
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BOYS BASKETBALL

From the sideline to the limelight

Senior forward Chason Rockymore has grown into the go-to player for deep Venice squad

By VINNIE PORTELL
SPORTS EDITOR

Around this time last year, Chason Rockymore was just another role player on a deep Venice boys basketball team full of seniors.

Though he had the athleticism to throw down rim-rattling dunks and go man-to-man with just about any player in the area, Rockymore had yet to put it all together for the Indians.

However, that all began to change when he broke out for a 23-point, seven-rebound performance in a much-needed district win against Palmetto on Jan. 19, 2018.

"That was the first game where I decided I needed to do something to help our team," Rockymore said of that game against Palmetto.

"We played a good game and won a huge district game. That Palmetto game was my only 20-point game last year. It was nice to get over that hump."

Since then, Rockymore has steadily worked himself into the starting lineup — even starting for Venice in last year's district and regional playoff games.

He's matured on and off the court according to coaches and teammates, earning a spot as one of the Indians' three captains in 2018 alongside Chip Barber and Brett Keyso.

Now, with seven seniors departed from last year's team, it's Rockymore's time to take the reins.

The senior forward has turned into the go-to player for Venice (2-6, 1-2) when it needs a spark, especially toward the end of games. It's an opportunity that he hasn't shied away from.

"Last year my role was completely different," he said.

"I was more of a scorer off passes, I would say. This year is more of me creating shots for myself and my teammates."

"I love it. Just because when the game gets on the line, I love the atmosphere, knowing that I have to do something to either put my team in a position to make a shot or get to the free-throw line and score. I love the pressure."

Though Venice has struggled to string together wins to start the season, the Indians schedule has seen them play the likes of Riverview, Port Charlotte and Lakewood Ranch — all teams with state championship aspirations.

But the Indians have stayed competitive in their losses — in no small part due to Rockymore's play.

Along with stepping up in crunch time, the Indians senior is backing it up with his play in all facets of the game, too.

Through eight games this season, Rockymore is leading Venice with 17

points, three assists and two blocks per game.

"He has all the tools and all the talent," Venice coach John Flynn said. "With Chason, it's just about getting work in and understanding what we're trying to do with him and for him. But oh yeah, he's a pretty gifted kid. And we haven't even scratched the surface — there's more to come from him."

That newfound leadership on the court was on full display in Venice's first win of the season — a 56-52 win over Lemon Bay on Dec. 7.

Rockymore scored a game-high 29 points and his defensive efforts in the paint helped his team hold the Manta Rays to one of their lowest scores of the season.

"He fires us up to play defense more," sophomore teammate Connor Flynn said. "So we can get stops and do it again and again. No one can guard him."

For Rockymore, the success in basketball is perhaps more of an unexpected path.

After playing baseball essentially since he could walk, Rockymore finally gave basketball a try in his sophomore year at Venice.

Still a member of the state-champion Venice High baseball team as a third baseman, Rockymore credits his success in both sports to the motivation of his father.

Born into an athletic family, Rockymore has been surrounded by sports his whole life, and no one has pushed him quite like his dad.

"My dad has always been on my case and pushing me to grind and work on getting better," Rockymore said.

"I feel like I did that earlier, but I didn't go as hard as I could have. Now I'm starting to work really hard to get to the next level because it's coming up. Having the results start to show is really nice. It just keeps me going."

As the mid-way point of the basketball season approaches and the baseball season looms just two months away, Rockymore has begun the final stretch of his time as an Indian.

According to coaches, he has a chance to play at the next level in either sport, and the decision is up to Rockymore.

But with time in high school still left, the Indians senior isn't as focused on college as he is on what he can do his final few months at Venice.

"It's great to see. I love the kid," Flynn said of Rockymore's ascension.

"He's one of my favorites. He's a great kid, very polite. I'm glad he's excelling, but there's a lot more left in his tank. People haven't seen nowhere near what he is capable of."



SUN FILE PHOTO

A talented dunker, senior forward Chason Rockymore leads Venice in scoring, assists and blocks.

PREP SPORTS CALENDAR

■ **Thursday Basketball**
Venice Girls at Imagine, 7 p.m.

■ **Friday Basketball**
North Port Boys vs. SFCA in Lehigh New Year Shootout, 11 a.m.
Venice Boys vs. Canterbury in Lehigh New Year Shootout, 12:45 p.m.

Lemon Bay Boys vs. Oasis in Lehigh New Year Shootout, 2 p.m.
Port Charlotte boys vs. Victory Christian in Lehigh New Year Shootout, 2:30 p.m.
Charlotte Girls vs. First Baptist Academy, 5:30 p.m.
Imagine Boys vs. Marco Island Academy, 2 p.m.

MANTAS

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starters from last season. Abby Turner was the leading returning scorer with a four points per game average.

But now the Lady Mantas are finding their rhythm 12 games in. They're 7-5 with a tournament finals appearance, a high ceiling and big plans.

"I'm really pleased with where we're at," Lemon Bay coach Mike Young said. "Considering everything I lost from last season and having a pretty new team, we're doing pretty well. We've played some really tough teams that have challenged us and we have a tough schedule coming up here in January, but that's okay. January is about getting ready for the district tournament and working on things you need to work on."

A big reason why they have gotten off to such a solid start has been the girls' ability to adapt to new scenarios and raise their basketball IQ through the first two months of the season.

Freshman Katelyn Ziarnicki has been one of the bigger surprises so far. In her first year on varsity, there wasn't much expected of her, but

there was definitely a need for her to be one of the focal points of the offense.

She came in as a standout shooter, but has quickly developed the other aspects of her game and has become a more complete player. She scored 24 points in the tournament with nine 3-pointers.

"For a freshman, she's a great shooter," Lemon Bay coach Mike Young said. "She's learned a lot on how to play the game. She's learning how to read defenses and see how they're playing her and learning how to run an offense."

Turner has been less of a surprise, but just as strong of a player. She can score, play defense and get the rebounds.

The elevated guard play has helped her scoring this year as they are finding her open more and more.

"Scoring I thought would be our biggest challenge," Young said. "The biggest challenge has been what we do with the ball once its in our hands and making the right decisions. The kids were thrust into roles of decision making and ball handling and shooting where in the past they were able to defer to the kids ahead of them."

"They're getting much better at it. We're 7-5 and with losing that much of our offense, the kids have done

a good job of listening in practice and being coachable and having good attitudes."

So a team that came in with little idea of what it would look like once it stepped onto the hardwood, found itself playing a perennial power in Bradenton Christian, which reached the state semifinal last year.

But with a booming crowd and a tough opponent, the Lady Mantas didn't fold.

That told Young everything he needed to know about his team going forward.

"We knew it was gonna be a tough game. We played in front of their home crowd and they were really into it," Young said. "It's gonna get us ready for when we have to go play a district tournament in Cape Coral or Charlotte and how to handle that pressure. Our kids did a good job up there of handling the crowd and handling that pressure."

"We've done a really good job of everybody buying into their roles. No matter the score, these girls are still fighting to the buzzer. If you have kids that will play that hard then anything is possible because we're only going to continue to get better."

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SUN PHOTO BY TIM KERN

Lemon Bay's Kellie Redmann gets through the Venice defense for a shot. Lemon Bay's ability to adapt to new scenarios has helped them improve.

■ GOLF

Howell returns to Kapalua after 11 years

By **DOUG FERGUSON**
AP GOLF WRITER

KAPALUA, Hawaii — No tournament is harder to qualify for than the Sentry Tournament of Champions.

No one knows that as well as Charles Howell III.

With the final shot of 2018 on the PGA Tour, he holed a 15-foot birdie putt on the second extra hole to win the RSM Classic. That made him the final player to qualify for the winners-only field at Kapalua.

For Howell, that meant his first return to Maui in 11 years.

"In one sense, it feels like a lifetime ago," Howell said. "And in one sense, it feels like yesterday."

It all looked so familiar when he arrived, from turning down the road lined by Cook pines to the Ritz-Carlton, the sweeping views of the Pacific from the Plantation Course that was built on the side of a mountain, the familiar butterfly logo everywhere he looked.

In the 11 years since he was at Kapalua, Howell has teed it up 340 times on the PGA Tour until he won again, and

even that wasn't easy. He had to birdie three of the last four holes just to get into a playoff at Sea Island, and the way he dropped to his knees when the winning putt dropped illustrated the size of the burden lifted.

Winning got him to paradise, which in Howell's case starts with the Masters. He grew up in Augusta, Georgia, his parents still live a short drive from Augusta National and he has had to watch the Masters on television the last six years.

But there was something special about Kapalua, too.

"You see the other guys around me, you see the field I'm in — Justin Thomas, Rory McIlroy. And it's like, 'Holy cow, I'm in this field,'" Howell said.

Dustin Johnson is the defending champion when the new year begins Thursday on a course with some of the widest fairways, biggest greens, sharp shifts in elevation and views of humpback whales breaching in the channel between Maui and Molokai.

It's where everyone wants to be at the start of the year. That's why Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson and Justin Rose are

the only 2018 winners not in the 34-man field. Woods hasn't played Kapalua since 2005, and he contemplated coming this year until the final few weeks having qualified by winning the Tour Championship, ending a five-year battle of back injuries.

He has heard for too long that he should have won more than just three times on the PGA Tour, though his victory at Sea Island was popular just because he had to wait so long for the next one. So many expectations caused him to lose perspective. Howell still has amassed just over \$37 million in career earnings.

In the days before he flew over, Howell found a letter in his mailbox — his invitation to the Masters for winning at Sea Island.

He appreciates being at Kapalua more than the other two trips.

"I've never enjoyed that tournament before. It was always bigger than life," Howell said. "I wanted to play so well that I probably over prepared for it. This time, with the kids being there for the Par 3, I'll make it a point to enjoy the event."



AP PHOTO

Charles Howell III won the RSM Classic in St. Simons Island, Ga to make him eligible to start the year on Maui at the Tournament of Champions.

■ MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Tar Heels surge by Harvard in second half

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Luke Maye scored 14 points to help No. 15 North Carolina beat Harvard 77-57 on Wednesday night.

Cameron Johnson and Coby White added 13 points apiece in the Tar Heels' final nonconference game of the regular season.

North Carolina led 44-39 early in the second half before pulling away with a 22-3 run over the next 10 minutes. Harvard missed 11 consecutive shots from the floor as North Carolina extended its lead to 66-42 with 6:20 to play.

Nassir Little scored 12 points and Kenny Williams had 11 for the Tar Heels (10-3), who shot 42 percent. Robert Baker scored 10 points for Harvard (6-6), which had 22 turnovers.

North Carolina led 41-31 at halftime

NO. 11 TEXAS TECH 62, WEST VIRGINIA 59

Jarrett Culver scored

each of his 18 points in the second half, and No. 11 Texas Tech overcame some early shooting troubles to beat West Virginia 62-59 in their Big 12 opener.

Matt Mooney added 14 points and Davide Moretti scored 12 for Texas Tech (12-1, 1-0).

Lamont West led West Virginia (8-5, 0-1) with 22 points. Derek Culver finished with 12 points.

MARYLAND 74, NO. 24 NEBRASKA 72

Jalen Smith made a driving layup with 3.8 seconds left to break a tie, and Maryland used a late push to get past No. 24 Nebraska 74-72.

Bruno Fernando had 18 points and 17 rebounds, Anthony Cowan Jr. scored 19 points and Smith accounted for Maryland's final seven points to finish with 15.

Maryland (11-3, 2-1 Big Ten) trailed 71-70 before Smith made a follow-shot off a 3-point try by Cowan with 28 seconds left. After James Palmer converted

1 of 2 free throws for Nebraska (11-3, 1-2), Smith drove the lane for his decisive layup.

Palmer scored 26 points and Glynn Watson Jr. added 12 for Nebraska.

UCF 78, TEMPLE 73

B.J. Taylor scored 24 points, including two clutch free throws to seal the win, and Central Florida defeated Temple 78-73 in an American Athletic Conference opener.

Shizz Alston made two free throws and Nate Pierre-Louis' 3-pointer brought Temple to within 66-63 near the four-minute mark, but the Owls went the next 3:44 without a field goal.

Pierre-Louis stopped the drought with a dunk to get Temple back within six points with 16 seconds remaining. Aubrey Dawkins missed two free throws before Quinton Rose's 3 reduce the Owls' deficit to 76-73 with six seconds left. Taylor made a pair from the foul line for the final margin.

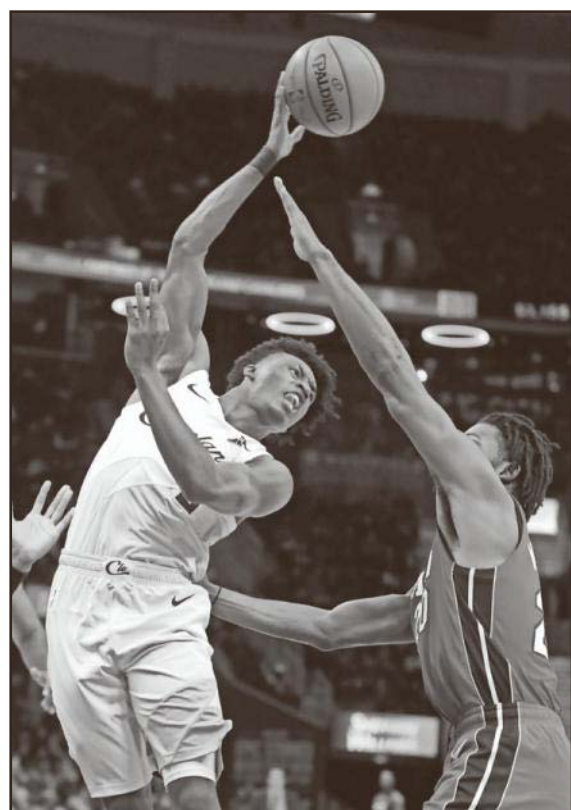


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North Carolina's Garrison Brooks, left, and Coby White defend against Harvard's Kale Catchings in Chapel Hill, N.C., Wednesday. North Carolina won 77-57.

■ NBA ROUNDUP

Richardson leads Wade-less Heat past Cavaliers



AP PHOTO

Cleveland Cavaliers' Collin Sexton passes over Miami Heat's Justise Winslow in the first half in Cleveland. Miami won 117-92 as Cleveland dropped to 8-30.

By **STEVE HERRICK**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLEVELAND — Josh Richardson scored 24 points and the Miami Heat — playing without Dwyane Wade — rolled past the Cleveland Cavaliers 117-92.

Wade missed the game because of an illness, but the Heat cruised without their third-leading scorer. Miami hit 16 of 31 3-pointers.

Tyler Johnson added 16 points, and Derrick Jones Jr. had 13. The Heat have won seven of nine to reach the .500 mark at 18-18.

Cleveland dropped to 8-30 — the worst record in the NBA.

Tristan Thompson and Rodney Hood returned from injuries and started for the Cavaliers, but it mattered little in their ninth loss in 10 games. Thompson had 14 points, and Hood added 13.

The Heat grabbed control in the second quarter, turning a one-point deficit into a 17-point lead. Jones scored 11 points in the period while Dion Waiters, playing in his first game in over a year, had seven points in six minutes.

Miami outrebounded Cleveland 25-9 in the first half. Heat center Hassan Whiteside had nine boards, matching the Cavaliers' total for the first two quarters.

Cleveland led 30-29 early in the second when Miami took over. The Heat hit six 3-pointers in the quarter, including three by Jones. Waiters added a 30-footer while Richardson and Tyler Johnson also hit from beyond the arc.

DALLAS 122, CHARLOTTE 84

Luka Doncic and Dennis Smith Jr. fueled an early long-range shooting blitz and the Dallas Mavericks beat the Charlotte Hornets 122-84.

Doncic and Smith each had 18 points, and Harrison Barnes added 17. The Mavericks hit 10 first-quarter 3-pointers — three from Doncic and two from Smith — and finished with 18 overall.

WASHINGTON 114, ATLANTA 98

Bradley Beal had 24 points, Jeff

Green added 22 and Thomas Bryant scored 16 to go with a career-high 15 rebounds as the Washington Wizards beat the Atlanta Hawks 114-98 on Wednesday night.

Tomas Satoransky had 14 points and a career-best 11 rebounds for the Wizards, who improved to 15-23.

Atlanta was led by Alex Len, who had a season-high 24 points and 11 rebounds. John Collins scored 21.

BROOKLYN 126, NEW ORLEANS 121

D'Angelo Russell had 22 points and 13 assists, and the Brooklyn Nets built up a big enough lead with a 73-point first half to withstand Anthony Davis' monstrous return to the lineup, beating the New Orleans Pelicans 126-121.

Davis finished with 34 points and a career-high 26 rebounds after a one-game absence.

The Nets opened a 24-point lead during their highest-scoring first half at home in 17 years.

Joe Harris added 21 points for the Nets.

SCOREBOARD

PRO FOOTBALL

NFL PLAYOFFS
All times Eastern
WILD-CARD ROUND
Saturday's Games
Indianapolis at Houston, 4:35 p.m. (ESPN)
Seattle at Dallas, 8:15 p.m. (FOX)
Sunday's Games
L.A. Chargers at Baltimore, 1:05 p.m. (CBS)
Philadelphia at Chicago, 4:40 p.m. (NBC)

DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS
Saturday, Jan. 12
Baltimore/L.A. Chargers/Indianapolis at Kansas City, 4:35 p.m. (NBC)
Chicago/Dallas/Seattle at L.A. Rams, 8:15 p.m. (FOX)
Sunday, Jan. 13
Houston/Baltimore/L.A. Chargers at New England, 1:05 p.m. (CBS)
Dallas/Seattle/Philadelphia at New Orleans, 4:40 p.m. (FOX)

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS
Sunday, Jan. 20
NFC: TBD, 3:05 p.m. (FOX)
AFC: TBD, 6:40 p.m. (CBS)

PRO BOWL
Sunday, Jan. 27
At Orlando, Fla.
AFC vs. NFC, 3 p.m. (ABC/ESPN)

SUPER BOWL LIII (53)
Sunday, Feb. 3
At Mercedes-Benz Stadium, Atlanta
AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 6:30 p.m. (CBS)

NFL PLAYOFF INJURY REPORT
As provided by the league:
Saturday
INDIANAPOLIS at HOUSTON - COLTS:
DNP: TE Eric Ebron (not injury related), WR Ryan Grant (toe), WR T.Y. Hilton (ankle), DE Tyquan Lewis (knee), LIMITED: WR Daurice Fountain (ankle), S Malik Hooker (hip), WR Dontrelle Inman (shoulder, finger), WR Zach Pascal (knee), DE Jabbaal Heard (knee), FULL: S Clayton Geathers (knee), C Ryan Kelly (neck), LB Anthony Walker (shoulder), RB Jordan Wilkins (knee, ankle), TEXANS: DNP: CB Mike Tyson (knee, ankle), LIMITED: WR DeAndre Hopkins (ankle), RB Gregory Howell (hamstring), DE J.J. Watt (elbow, knee), FULL: LB Dylan Cole (wrist), WR Keke Coutee (hamstring), DT Brandon Dunn (ankle), G Zach Fulton (hand), S Andre Hal (ankle), CB Jonathan Joseph (neck), G Senio Kelemete (knee, rib), LB Kendrick McKinney (heel), S Justin Reid (wrist), SEATTLE at DALLAS - SEAHAWKS: DNP: T Duane Brown (knee), CB Shaquill Griffin (ankle), RB TE Madden (hamstring), S Bradley McDougald (knee), G J.R. Sweazy (foot), LIMITED: WR Doug Baldwin (knee), RB Chris Carson (not injury related), RB Mike Davis (foot), G D.J. Ffuker (hamstring), S Tedric Thompson (ankle), FULL: DE Dion Jordan (ankle), COWBOYS: DNP: DE David Irving (ankle), G Xavier Su'a-Filo (ankle), LIMITED: WR Tavon Austin (groin), DE Tyrone Crawford (neck), LB Sean Lee (hamstring), G Zach Martin (knee), T Tyrion Smith (neck), S Darrian Thompson (groin).

PHILADELPHIA at CHICAGO - EAGLES:
DNP: LB D.J. Alexander (hamstring), DE Michael Bennett (foot), CB Sidney Jones (hamstring), QB Carson Wentz (back), LIMITED: DT Fletcher Cox (knee), QB Nick Foles (ribs), C Jason Kelce (knee), T Jason Peters (quadriiceps), G Isaac Seumalo (chest), WR Mike Wallace (ankle), BEARS: DNP: S Eddie Jackson (ankle), LB Aaron Lynch (elbow), FULL: WR Taylor Gabriel (ribs), G Kyle Long (ankle), WR Anthony Miller (shoulder), WR Allen Robinson (ribs).

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

RESULTS/SCHEDULE
All times Eastern (Subject to change)

FCS PLAYOFFS
Championship
Saturday's Game
At Toyota Stadium, Frisco, Texas
North Dakota State (14-0) vs. Eastern Washington (12-2), noon

BOWL RESULTS/SCHEDULE
Dec. 15
Celebration Bowl at Atlanta
N.C. A&T 24, Alcorn State 22
Cure Bowl at Orlando, Fla.
Tulane 41, Louisiana-Lafayette 24
New Mexico Bowl at Albuquerque
Utah State 52, North Texas 13
Las Vegas Bowl
Fresno State 31, Arizona State 20
Camellia Bowl at Montgomery, Ala.
Georgia Southern 23, Eastern Michigan 21
New Orleans Bowl
Appalachian State 45, Middle Tennessee 13

Dec. 18
Boca Raton (Fla.) Bowl
UAB 37, Northern Illinois 13

Dec. 19
Frisco (Texas) Bowl
Ohio 27, San Diego State 0

Dec. 20
Gasparilla Bowl at St. Petersburg, Fla.
Marshall 38, South Florida 20

Dec. 21
Bahamas Bowl at Nassau
FIU 35, Toledo 32
Famous Idaho Potato Bowl at Boise
BYU 49, W. Michigan 18

Dec. 22
Birmingham (Ala.) Bowl
Wake Forest 37, Memphis 34
Armed Forces Bowl at Fort Worth, Texas
Army 70, Houston 14
Dollar General Bowl at Mobile, Ala.
Troy 42, Buffalo 32
Hawaii Bowl at Honolulu
Louisiana Tech 31, Hawaii 14

Dec. 26
SERVPRO First Responder Bowl at Dallas
Boston College (7-5) vs. Boise State (10-3), ccd.
Quick Lane Bowl at Detroit
Minnesota 34, Georgia Tech 10
Cheer-It Bowl at Phoenix
TCU 10, California 7, OT

Dec. 27
Independence Bowl at Shreveport, La.
Duke 56, Temple 27
Pinstripe Bowl at The Bronx, N.Y.
Wisconsin 35, Miami (Fla.) 3
Texas Bowl at Houston
Baylor 45, Vanderbilt 38

Dec. 28
Music City Bowl at Nashville, Tenn.
Auburn 63, Purdue 14
Camping World Bowl at Orlando, Fla.
Syracuse 34, West Virginia 18
Alamo Bowl at San Antonio
Washington State 28, Iowa State 26

Dec. 29
Peach Bowl at Atlanta
Florida 41, Michigan 15
Belk Bowl at Charlotte, N.C.
Arizona 28, South Carolina 9
Virginia Bowl at Tucson, Ariz.
Nevada 16, Arkansas 23, OT
Cotton Bowl Classic at Arlington, Texas
College Football Playoffs Semifinal: Clemson 30, Notre Dame 3

Orange Bowl at Miami Gardens, Fla.

CFP Semifinal: Alabama 45, Oklahoma 34
Dec. 31
Military Bowl at Annapolis, Md.
Cincinnati 35, Virginia Tech 31
Sun Bowl at El Paso, Texas
Stanford 14, Pittsburgh 13
Redbox Bowl at Santa Clara, Calif.
Oregon 7, Michigan State 6
Liberty Bowl at Memphis, Tenn.
Oklahoma State 38, Missouri 33
Holiday Bowl at San Diego
Northwestern 31, Utah 20
Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla.
Texas A&M 52, North Carolina State 13

Tuesday's Games
Outback Bowl at Tampa, Fla.
Iowa 27, Mississippi State 22
Citrus Bowl at Orlando, Fla.
Kentucky 27, Penn State 24
Fiesta Bowl at Glendale, Ariz.
Louisiana State 40, Central Florida 32
Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif.
Ohio State 28, Washington 23
Sugar Bowl at New Orleans
Texas 28, Georgia 21

Monday's Game
College Football Championship
At Santa Clara, Calif.
Clemson (14-0) vs. Alabama (14-0), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Jan. 19
East-West Shrine Classic
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
East vs. West, 3 p.m. (NFLN)
NFLPA Collegiate Bowl at Pasadena, Calif.
American vs. National, TBA (NFLN)

Saturday, Jan. 26
Senior Bowl at Mobile, Ala.
North vs. South, 2:30 p.m. (NFLN)

ODDS

Table with columns: FAVORITE, LINE, O/U, UNDERDOG. Rows include Detroit at Toronto, Denver at Sacra, Golden State at Houston.

PREGAME.COM LINE NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Table with columns: FAVORITE, LINE, O/U, UNDERDOG. Rows include Toronto at Sacra, Houston at Golden State.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Table with columns: FAVORITE, LINE, UNDERDOG. Rows include Southern Miss. at Troy, Purdue at Drexel, North Carolina St. at Wright St., etc.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

Table with columns: FAVORITE, LINE, UNDERDOG, LINE. Rows include Chicago at Toronto, Calgary at Philadelphia, etc.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Table with columns: FAVORITE, OPEN, TODAY, O/U, UNDERDOG, ALABAMA. Rows include Alabama 9, Clemson 6.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

Table with columns: FAVORITE, OPEN, TODAY, O/U, UNDERDOG. Rows include Houston 3, Indianapolis 2, Dallas 1, Seattle 4.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLLES - Named Koby Perez senior director/international scouting.
MINNESOTA TWINS - Signed DH Nelson Cruz to a one-year contract.
SEATTLE MARINERS - Signed LHP Yusei Kikuchi to a four-year contract.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES - Named Mike Maroth pitching coach, Bobby Magallanes hitting coach and Einar Diaz coach of Gwinnett (IL); Alfredo Amador coach of Mississippi (SL); Barrett Kleinknecht manager, Dan Meyer pitching coach and Doug DeVore hitting coach of Florida (FSL); Matt Tuassopso manager of Rome (SAL); Anthony Nunez manager, Danny Santiesteban hitting coach, Connor Marron coach and Koji Kanemura trainer of Danville (Appalachian); Barbaro Garbey second hitting coach, Angel Flores coach and Austin Smith trainer of the GCL Braves; and Doug Mansolino minor league field coordinator.
CHICAGO CUBS - Named Mark Loretta bench coach and Bob Tewksbury coordinator, mental skills.
SAN DIEGO PADRES - Promoted chief operating officer Erik Greupner to president of business operations.
Frontier League
GATEWAY GRIZZLIES - Traded OF Justin Ellison to Lake Erie. Signed RHP Geoff Bramblett.
LAKE ERIE CRUSHERS - Signed Cs Mason Brown and Karl Ellison and LHP Brandon Maddern to contract extensions. Signed OF Adam Sisk and RHP Tanner Thomas.
RIVER CITY RASCALS - Signed LHPS Colton Freeman and Josh Norwood and UT Andrew Premer.
WASHINGTON WILD THINGS - Signed C Nick Garland and RHP Matt Murphy.

FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
BUFFALO BILLS - Fired offensive line coach Juan Castillo and receivers coach Terry Robiskie.
CINCINNATI BENGALS - Signed DT Andrew Brown to a reserve/future contract.
CLEVELAND BROWNS - Signed DL Daniel Ekuale and Devaroe Lawrence, OL Kyle Friend and Brad Seaton, RB Devante Mays, WR Daniel Williams and DBs Robert Jackson, Lenzy Pipkins and Tigie Sankoh to reserve/future contracts.
DETROIT LIONS - Signed RB Mark Thompson to a reserve/future contract.
HOUSTON TEXANS - Signed S A.J. Hendy from the practice squad. Placed S Mike Tyson on injured reserve.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS - Signed WR Jeff

Badet, LB Reshard Cliett, DT Curtis Cothran, C Cornelius Edison, TE Cole Hikittini, CB Jalen Myrick, DE Ifeadi Odenigbo, RB Roc Thomas and OTs Adam Bisnowaty and Storm Norton to reserve/future contracts.
NEW YORK GIANTS - Signed LS Taybor Pepper, RB Robert Martin, DB Ronald Zamort, LB Jonathan Anderson, WR Brittan Golden, DEs Myles Humphrey and Jake Ceresna and OTs Victor Salako and Jylan Ware to reserve/future contracts.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS - Signed TE Marcus Lucas, CB Tarvarus McFadden, WR Jordan Smallwood, S Terrell Williams Jr. and OL Christian DiLauro and Najee Toran to reserve/future contracts.
TENNESSEE TITANS - Signed DL Dee Linder to a reserve/future contract.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS - Signed WR Tre McBride to a reserve/future contract.
Canadian Football League
EDMONTON ESKIMOS - Released DL Jake Ceresna.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League
CALGARY FLAMES - Recalled G Jon Gillies from Stockton (AHL).
DETROIT RED WINGS - Recalled D Brian Lashoff from Grand Rapids (AHL).
ST. LOUIS BLUES - Assigned D Chris Butler and F Jordan Nolan to San Antonio (AHL).
VANCOUVER CANUCKS - Traded G Anders Nilsson and F Darren Archibald to Ottawa for SG Mike McKenna, F Tom Pyatt and a 2019 sixth-round draft pick.
American Hockey League
GRAND RAPIDS GRIFFINS - Recalled D Marcus Crawford from Toledo (ECHL).
ECHL
ECHL - Suspended Brampton's Jordan Henry one game and fined him an undisclosed for his actions during a Dec. 31 game at Fort Wayne. Suspended Newfoundland's Emerson Clark two games and fined him an undisclosed for his actions during a Dec. 31 game at Adirondack. Suspended Idaho's Kale Kessy has been suspended for one game and fined him an undisclosed for his actions during a Dec. 31 game at Rapid City. Suspended Allen coach Steve Martinson for two games and fined him an undisclosed for multiple post-game abuse of officials game misconducts.

OLYMPIC SPORTS

UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE - Announced Rich Bender, Brad Snyder and Beth Brooke-Marciniak have been named to the board of directors.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer
LA GALAXY - Named Guillermo Barros Schelotto coach.
National Premier Soccer League
NEW YORK COSMOS - Named Carlos Mendes coach.
COLLEGES
FLORIDA - LB Vosean Joseph will enter the NFL draft.
GEORGIA TECH - Named Nathan Burton co-defensive coordinator and Jeff Popovich cornerbacks coach and kickoff and punt coverage coordinator.
HOUSTON - Named Dana Holgorsen football coach.
MICHIGAN - CB David Long will enter the NFL draft.
OKLAHOMA - WR Marquise Brown will enter the NFL draft.
ST. JOHN'S - Promoted interim head softball coach Bob Guerriero to permanent head coach.
WASHINGTON - S Taylor Rapp will enter the NFL draft.
WISCONSIN - OT David Edwards will enter the NFL draft.

PRO BASKETBALL

Table with columns: NBA, ALL TIMES EASTERN, EASTERN CONFERENCE, ATLANTIC DIVISION, SOUTHEAST DIVISION, CENTRAL DIVISION, PACIFIC DIVISION, WESTERN CONFERENCE, SOUTHWEST DIVISION, NORTHWEST DIVISION. Rows include Toronto 21, Philadelphia 24, Boston 21, etc.

WASHINGTON 35 29 24 26 -114
3-Point Goals—Atlanta 10-31 (Collins 4-5, Young 1-2, Hamilton 1-3, Len 1-3, Lin 1-4, Carter 1-4, Huertler 1-7, Bembyr 0-1, Anderson 0-1, Dedmon 0-1), Washington 11-29 (Green 4-8, Beal 3-7, Randle 1-2, Satoransky 1-2, Porter Jr. 1-3, Ariza 1-5, Brown Jr. 0-1, Bryant 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 50 (Len 11), Washington 48 (Bryant 15). Assists—Atlanta 26 (Young 9), Washington 29 (Satoransky 7). Total Fouls—Atlanta 19, Washington 20. Technicals—Atlanta coach Lloyd Pierce. A—15,324 (20,356).

MAVERICKS 122, HORNETS 84 DALLAS (122)
Matthews 3-7 4-4 11, Barnes 5-14 5-5 17, Jordan 4-7 0-0 8, Smith Jr. 6-10 3-4 18, Doncic 7-16 1-2 18, Finney-Smith 3-8 0-7 3, Nowitzki 2-4 0-0 6, Powell 5-6 3-3 15, Kleber 3-0 0-8, Mejr 1-5 0-0 2, Barea 2-5 0-0 5, Brunson 1-6 0-0 2, Harris 2-4 0-0 5. Totals 44-95 18-122.
CHARLOTTE (84)
Batum 3-6 0-0 8, Williams 4-9 0-0 10, Herranogomez 3-8 0-0 6, Walker 4-14 3-4 11, Graham 3-13 2-2 10, Kidd-Gilchrist 2-4 2-2 6, Bridges 2-9 4-5 8, Kaminsky 2-6 1-2 5, Biyombo 4-5 2-0 10, Monk 0-2 0-0 0, Parker 1-3 0-0 2, Bacon 2-3 0-0 4, Macura 2-8 0-0 4. Totals 32-90 14-19 84.

DALLAS 42 23 29 28 -122 CHARLOTTE 26 15 24 19 - 84
3-Point Goals—Dallas 18-45 (Smith Jr. 3-5, Doncic 3-7, Kleber 2-2, Powell 2-3, Nowitzki 2-4, Barnes 2-8, Harris 1-1, Barea 1-3, Finney-Smith 1-5, Matthews 1-5, Brunson 0-2), Charlotte 6-32 (Batum 2-3, Williams 2-3, Graham 2-8, Bacon 0-1, Monk 0-4, Walker 0-5). Fouled Out—Graham. Rebounds—Dallas 57 (Jordan 13), Charlotte 46 (Herranogomez 10), Assists—Dallas 31 (Smith Jr. 7), Charlotte 23 (Walker 5). Total Fouls—Dallas 14, Charlotte 20. Technicals—Jordan, Walker. A—16,955 (19,077).

HEAT 17, CAVALIERS 92

MIAMI (17)
McGruder 4-8 0-0 10, Johnson 4-8 0-0 11, Whiteside 4-6 0-0 8, Winslow 3-11 4-4 10, Richardson 9-12 2-2 24, Jones Jr. 4-8 2-3 13, Olynyk 3-3 2-2 10, Adebayo 4-0 0-8, Walters 3-9 0-2 7, T.Johnson 6-10 3-4 16. Totals 44-86 13-17 17.

CLEVELAND (92)

Hood 5-7 0-0 13, Osman 2-6 3-3 9, Thompson 5-9 6-14, Sexton 5-15 0-0 12, Burks 4-7 0-0 9, Frye 2-5 4-9, Blossomgame 0-0 0-0 0, Frye 0-2 0-0 0, Nance Jr. 3-5 0-0 6, Dellavedova 3-8 0-0 7, McCaw 1-2 0-2 2, Clarkson 4-9 0-0 11. Totals 34-75 11-13 92.

MIAMI 22 36 35 24 -117 CLEVELAND 22 30 39 19 - 92

3-Point Goals—Miami 16-31 (Richardson 4-7, Johnson 3-4, Jones Jr. 3-4, Olynyk 2-2, McGruder 2-1, Johnson 1-3, Walters 1-6, Adebayo 0-1), Cleveland 13-31 (Hood 3-4, Clarkson 3-8, Sexton 2-4, Osman 2-5, Burks 1-2, Jones 1-3, Dellavedova 1-3, McCaw 0-1, Frye 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 47 (Whiteside 12), Cleveland 22 (Nance Jr. 5). Assists—Miami 29 (Winslow 7), Cleveland 23 (Nance Jr. 6). Total Fouls—Miami 13, Cleveland 16. A—19,432 (20,562).

NETS 126, PELICANS 121

NEW ORLEANS (121)
Moore 6-11 2-2 16, A.Davis 12-25 8-10 34, Randle 8-13 5-9 21, Payton 10-15 3-4 25, Holiday 8-16 1-2 20, Hill 0-0 0-0 0, Miller 1-4 0-0 3, Frazier 1-3 0-0 2, Clark 0-0 0-0 0, Jackson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 46-87 19-27 121.

BROOKLYN (126)

Dudley 3-5 0-0 8, Kurucs 4-7 0-0 10, Allen 3-6 4-10, Russell 9-21 2-2 22, Harris 9-16 0-2 21, Carroll 6-12 4-7 19, E.Davis 3-3 0-2 6, Dinwiddie 5-12 6-6 18, Napier 5-11 0-0 12. Totals 47-93 16-21 126.

NEW ORLEANS 29 29 29 34 -121 BROOKLYN 39 34 32 21 -126

3-Point Goals—New Orleans 10-23 (Holiday 3-5, Moore 2-3, Payton 2-4, Davis 0-1), Brooklyn 16-31 (Randle 3-11, Frazier 0-1, Napier 2-2, Dudley 2-3, Kurucs 2-3, Dinwiddie 2-4, Russell 2-8). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 41 (A.Davis 26), Brooklyn 43 (E.Davis 12). Assists—New Orleans 19 (Payton 7), Brooklyn 27 (Russell 13). Total Fouls—New Orleans 20, Brooklyn 23. Technicals—New Orleans coach Alvin Gentry. A—16,890 (17,732).

MAGIC 112, BULLS 84

ISLAAC (112)
Isaac 2-5 2-2 7, Gordon 8-14 2-3 18, Vucevic 10-15 1-3 22, Augustin 4-7 1-2 10, Fournier 5-10 0-0 13, Iwundu 1-2 4-4 6, Martin 1-1 1-3, Bamba 4-7 2-3 10, Briscoe 1-1 0-0 2, Ross 6-9 0-0 15, Grant 2-4 0-0 6, Caupain 0 1 0 0 0. Totals 44-76 13-18 112.

CHICAGO (84)

Holiday 1-7 0-0 3, Markkanen 6-12 0-0 14, Carter Jr. 0-5 0-0 0, Dunn 6-12 1-1 14, LaVine 6-10 4-15 16, Hutchison 3-0 0-6, Felicio 2-3 0-4, Lopez 0-1 0-0 0, Arcidiacomo 2-4 0-0 5, Payne 0-1 0-0 0, Blakeney 5-12 0-2 11, Harrison 5-14 0-0 11. Totals 36-86 5-8 84.

ORLANDO 32 30 28 22 -112 CHICAGO 16 29 17 22 - 84

3-Point Goals—Orlando 11-26 (Ross 3-4, Fournier 3-6, Grant 2-3, Vucevic 1-1, Isaac 1-2, Augustin 1-4, Bamba 0-1, Iwundu 0-1, Caupain 0-1, Gordon 0-1), Chicago 7-20 (Markkanen 2-3, Blakeney 1-1, Dunn 1-2, Arcidiacomo 1-3, Harrison 1-4, Holiday 1-5, LaVine 0-1, Hutchison 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Orlando 41 (Vucevic 12), Chicago 32 (Markkanen 6). Assists—Orlando 31 (Gordon 9), Chicago 18 (Dunn 4). Total Fouls—Orlando 10, Chicago 17. A—19,013 (20,917).

Presbyterian 72, SC State 70 UCF 78, Temple 73 Wake Forest 83, Cornell 61 UConn at South Florida, late

MIDWEST
Cincinnati 93, Tulane 61
Evansville 82, Drake 77, 2OT
Georgetown 84, Butler 76
N. Iowa 65, Bradley 47
Nebraska-Omaha 90, N. Dakota St. 77
Seton Hall 80, Xavier 70
Illinois St. at Valparaiso, late
Missouri St. at S. Illinois, late
Northwestern at Michigan St., late
Indiana St. at Loyola of Chicago, late
Texas at Kansas St., late
Oklahoma at Kansas, late

SOUTHWEST
Abilene Christian 68, New Orleans 58
Houston 74, Tulsa 56
McNeese St. 88, Incarnate Word 77
Prairie View 81, Huston-Tillotson 65
Stephen F. Austin 65, SE Louisiana 60
Cent. Arkansas at Texas A&M-CC, late
East Carolina at SMU, late
Lamar at Houston Baptist, late
Iowa St. at Oklahoma St., late
South Dakota at Denver, late
New Mexico at Air Force, late
Boise St. at Wyoming, late
Fresno St. at San Jose St., late
Bethesda at UC Santa Barbara, late
Colorado St. at UNLV, late
Utah St. at Nevada, late

SCHEDULE
TODAY'S GAMES
All times Eastern
EAST
Siena at St. Peter's, 4 p.m.
LIU Brooklyn at Sacred Heart, 6 p.m.
Holy Cross at Loyola (Md.), 7 p.m.
Rider at Fairfield, 7 p.m.
Fairleigh Dickinson at Robert Morris, 7 p.m.
Quinnipiac at Manhattan, 7 p.m.
William & Mary at Delaware, 7 p.m.
Monmouth (NJ) at Iona, 7 p.m.
Elon at Drexel, 7 p.m.
Mount St. Mary's at St. Francis (Pa.), 7 p.m.
Coll. of Charleston at Towson, 7 p.m.
Canisius at Marist, 7 p.m.
Colgate at Navy, 7 p.m.
Wagner at CCSU, 7 p.m.
St. Francis Brooklyn at Bryant, 7 p.m.
George Mason at Saint Joseph's, 7:30 p.m.
SOUTH
Lincoln (PA) at Morgan St., 3 p.m.
UNC-Wilmington at James Madison, 7 p.m.
The Citadel at Wofford, 7 p.m.
Mercer at Furman, 7 p.m.
Coastal Carolina at Troy, 7 p.m.
Edward Waters at Stetson, 7 p.m.
Samford at ETSU, 7 p.m.
 Chattanooga at W. Carolina, 7 p.m.
Marshall at Old Dominion, 7 p.m.
NC State at Miami, 7 p.m.
W. Kentucky at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
FIU at Middle Tennessee, 7:30 p.m.
FAU at UAB, 8 p.m.
Morehead St. at Murray St., 8 p.m.
Arkansas St. at Louisiana-Lafayette, 8 p.m.
UALR at Louisiana-Monroe, 8 p.m.
Appalachian St. at South Alabama, 8 p.m.
Tennessee Tech at Tennessee St., 8:30 p.m.
Jacksonville St. at Belmont, 9 p.m.
E. Kentucky at Austin Peay, 9 p.m.
Wichita St. at Memphis, 9:30 p.m.
MIDWEST
Penn St. at Michigan, 7 p.m.
Illinois at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Iowa at Drexel, 7 p.m.
Wright St. at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Louis at Purdue, 7 p.m.
N. Kentucky at Oakland, 7 p.m.
S. Dakota St. at Purdue Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m.
Youngstown St. at Green Bay, 8 p.m.
Cleveland St. at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
UT Martin at E. Illinois, 8:30 p.m.
SE Missouri at SIU-Edwardsville, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Wisconsin, 9 p.m.

SOUTHWEST
Southern Miss. at Rice, 4 p.m.
Louisiana Tech at North Texas, 8 p.m.
Georgia Southern at Texas State, 8 p.m.
Georgia St. at Texas-Arlington, 8 p.m.
UTEP at UTSA, 8 p.m.
North Dakota at Oral Roberts, 8 p.m.
FAR WEST
Utah at Arizona St., 8 p.m.
Utah Valley at Grand Canyon, 8 p.m.
Portland St. at Montana St., 9 p.m.
Saint Mary's (Cal) at San Francisco, 9 p.m.
Colorado at Arizona, 9 p.m.
N. Arizona at Weber St., 9 p.m.
Sacramento St. at Montana, 9:05 p.m.
S. Utah at Idaho St., 9:05 p.m.
Loyola Marymount at Pepperdine, 10 p.m.
San Diego at Santa Clara, 10 p.m.
New Mexico St. at California Baptist, 10 p.m.
Rio Grande at UC Irvine, 10 p.m.
Seattle at CS Bakersfield, 10 p.m.
California at Southern Cal, 10 p.m.
E. Washington at Idaho, 10:30 p.m.
BYU at Pacific, 11 p.m.
Stanford at UCLA, 11 p.m.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

THE AP TOP 25 RESULTS/SCHEDULE
All times Eastern
Tuesday's Games
None scheduled
Wednesday's Games
No. 13 Texas vs. Oklahoma State, late
No. 25 Iowa State 96, Kansas State 58

Today's Games
No. 1 UConn at No. 8 Baylor, 9 p.m.
No. 2 Notre Dame vs. Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
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TOP SEEDS

NFC

No. 1



New Orleans (13-3)
Postseason record: 8-10

- Saints won the franchise's only Super Bowl appearance in 2010.
- Reached playoffs for second straight season.
- Went 1-1 in playoffs last season, losing at Minnesota in divisional round.
- Never lost a home playoff game since coach Sean Payton took over in 2006 (5-0).
- Quarterback Drew Brees is in 18th NFL season, 13th with Saints, and turns 40 on Jan. 15.
- Payton and Brees are 7-5 in postseason with Saints.

No. 2



Los Angeles Rams (13-3)
Postseason record: 19-25

- Rams are 1-2 in the Super Bowl.
- Won only Super Bowl title in 1999.
- Reached playoffs in consecutive seasons for first time since 2003-04.
- Seeking first playoff win since defeating Seattle in wild-card round in January 2005.
- Have not won a playoff game in Los Angeles since defeating Dallas in divisional round in January 1986.
- Went 7-1 at home this season.

AFC

No. 1



Kansas City (12-4)
Postseason Record: 9-18

- Won AFC West three consecutive seasons, the longest streak in franchise history.
- Quarterback Patrick Mahomes shattered franchise records for yards and touchdown passes.
- Only one playoff win since the 1993 playoffs, losing five straight divisional games.
- Spencer Ware and Damien Williams have starred after running back Kareem Hunt's midseason release.
- Chiefs defense ranks near bottom of NFL in nearly every statistical category. Tight end Travis Kelce has more than 1,000 yards receiving in third straight season.

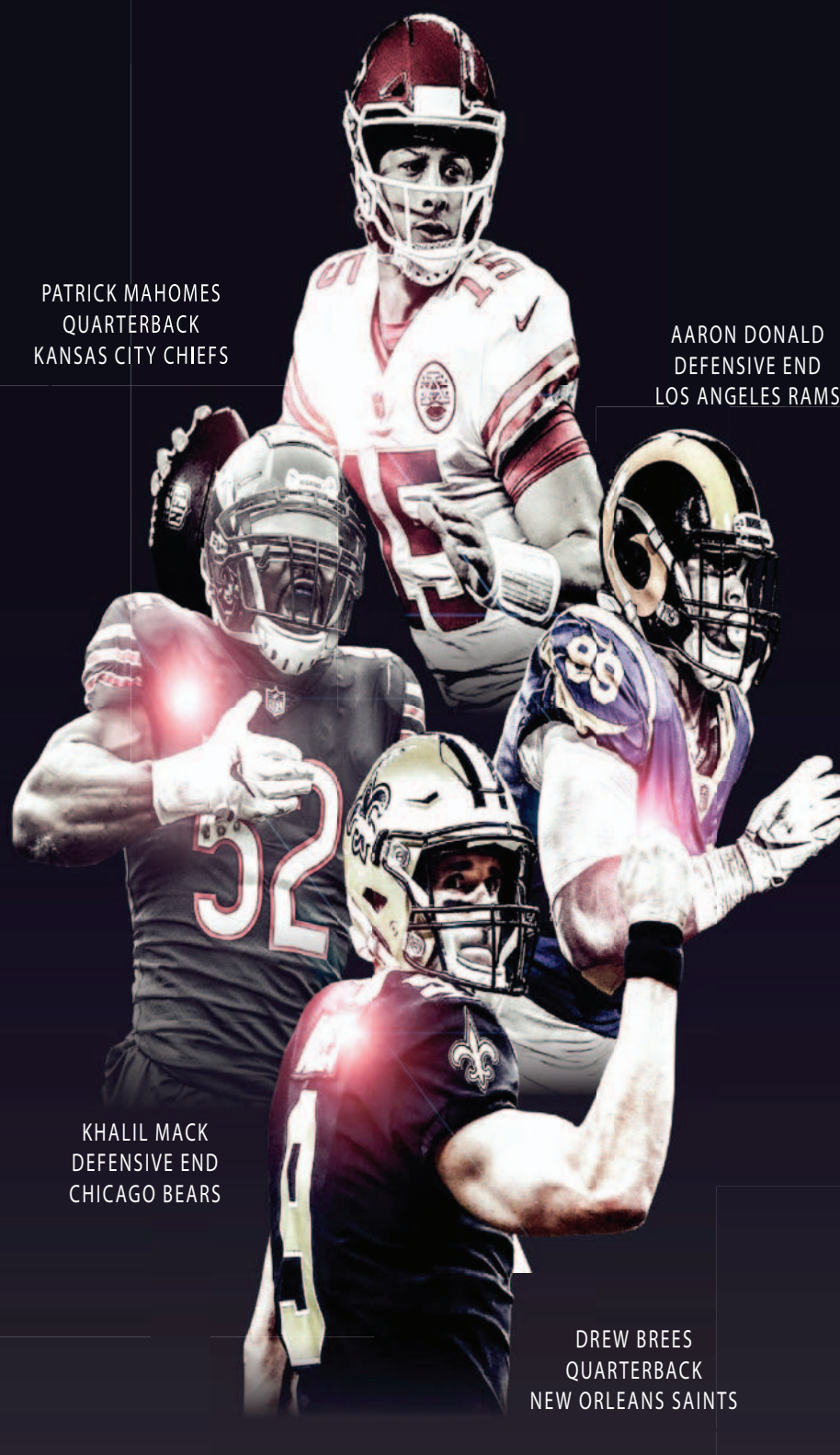
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New England (11-5)
Postseason record: 34-20

- Patriots have won five Super Bowls and appeared in 10.
- Won fifth NFL championship with Tom Brady as quarterback in 2016 season.
- Won 10 straight AFC East titles.
- Brady and coach Bill Belichick are only such combination with five Super Bowl wins.
- New England has earned 13 first-round byes in AFC playoffs since 2001, most in NFL during that span.
- Patriots have never won Super Bowl without first-round bye.

NFL PLAYOFFS



PATRICK MAHOMES
QUARTERBACK
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

AARON DONALD
DEFENSIVE END
LOS ANGELES RAMS

KHALIL MACK
DEFENSIVE END
CHICAGO BEARS

DREW BREES
QUARTERBACK
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

HIGH STAKES

BY BARRY WILNER | AP PRO FOOTBALL WRITER

The playoff chase went down to the final minutes of the season Sunday, when Baltimore squeezed in as AFC North winner and defending Super Bowl champion Philadelphia got some help to secure an NFC wild card.

That left Pittsburgh and Minnesota out.

Kansas City (12-4) grabbed the AFC's top seed, followed by New England (11-5), Houston (11-5) and Baltimore (10-6). The Chargers (12-4) own the first wild card and will play at the Ravens next Sunday at 1 p.m. EST. The Colts (10-6) beat division-rival Tennessee on the road to get the other wild card, which means they will travel to Houston on Saturday afternoon to face another division rival in the Texans.

The Saints (13-3) have the top seed in the NFC, and the Rams (12-4) got the No. 2 spot when they beat San Francisco. Chicago (12-4), whose win at Minnesota knocked out the Vikings and put the Eagles into the postseason, is seeded third and gets Philadelphia (9-7) next Sunday at 4:40 p.m.

Dallas (10-6) is the fourth seed and will play Seattle (10-6) on Saturday night.

C.J. Mosley intercepted a fourth-down pass by Baker Mayfield to preserve the Ravens' 26-24 win as Baltimore rushed for a season-best 296 yards. A year ago, Baltimore missed the playoffs by losing its finale at home to the Bengals, who rallied with a last-minute touchdown.

Steelers players remained on the field after they edged Cincinnati 16-13 and watched the drama from Baltimore on the videoboard. But their archrival Browns couldn't help them against the equally hated Ravens.

Nick Foles, who led the Eagles to the Super Bowl title over the Patriots in Minneapolis last February, guided them to a resounding 24-0 victory at Washington. Then the Bears helped out at Minnesota with a 24-10 win even though they had nothing to play for, being set as the NFC's third seed.

Earlier, the Texans rallied from losing their first three games to win the AFC South and become the No 3 seed. Houston

easily handled Jacksonville 20-3 Sunday as Deshaun Watson threw for 234 yards and ran for a touchdown, and DeAndre Hopkins had 147 yards receiving.

The Texans finished last in the division in 2017. They and the Bears have done the worst-to-first turnaround this season, making it 15 of the past 16 seasons that has occurred in the league.

"It's do or die now, so you've got to put everything on the line now," Watson said. "Prepare harder than you did before and anything can happen at this point. The tournament is wide open and it's my first playoff, so I'm just excited to get in and see how things go."

New England, meanwhile, will get a week off in early January for the 13th time since 2001, most in the NFL during that span. The Patriots routed the Jets 38-3, and because they defeated Houston during the season, they get the bye.

"Eleven and five is nothing to be sad about," Tom Brady said. "We fought pretty hard and put ourselves in good position."

WILD-CARD ROUND

ALL TIMES EST

SATURDAY, JAN. 5



Indianapolis (10-6)
at Houston (11-5)
4:35 p.m. (ESPN)

The AFC South champion Texans and their division rival Colts split their regular-season games. Indianapolis won the most recent matchup 24-21 in Houston on Dec. 9.



Seattle (10-6) at Dallas (10-6)
8:15 p.m. (FOX)

The Seahawks beat the then-inconsistent Cowboys 24-13 in Seattle on Sept. 23. That was before Dallas finished out the season with an impressive 7-1 record and won the NFC East title.

SUNDAY, JAN. 6



L.A. Chargers (12-4)
at Baltimore (10-6)
1:05 p.m. (CBS)

The Ravens beat the Chargers 22-10 in Los Angeles on Dec. 22, but this time get the added bonus of homefield advantage by winning their division, the AFC North.



Philadelphia (9-7)
at Chicago (12-4)
4:40 p.m. (NBC)

The defending champion Eagles barely made it back into the playoffs while the Bears make their first playoff appearance in nine seasons after winning the NFC North.

REST OF PLAYOFFS

Divisional Playoffs

Saturday, Jan. 12

- Baltimore/Los Angeles Chargers/Indianapolis at Kansas City, 4:35 p.m. (NBC)
- Chicago/Dallas/Seattle at L.A. Rams, 8:15 p.m. (FOX)

Sunday, Jan. 13

- Houston/Baltimore/Los Angeles Chargers at New England, 1:05 p.m. (CBS)
- Dallas/Seattle/Philadelphia at New Orleans, 4:40 p.m. (FOX)

Conference Championships

Sunday, Jan. 20

- NFC (3:05 p.m., FOX)
- AFC (6:40 p.m., CBS)

SUPER BOWL 53

Sunday, Feb. 3
at Atlanta



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■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Acts of kindness by UCF's Moore, young LSU fan

Sophomore defensive back makes big interception in Fiesta Bowl, doles out gifts after loss

By **FRANK PASTOR**
TAMPA BAY TIMES

The mother of UCF sophomore defensive back Brandon Moore tweeted that she was proud of her son after he returned an interception 93 yards for a touchdown during the Knights' 40-32 loss to LSU Tuesday in the Fiesta Bowl.

It was the longest return for a touchdown in the history of the bowl.

But Kellie Moore was "beyond proud" of her son for a more significant return that he made after the game.

While many LSU players and supporters mocked UCF following the Tigers' victory — which ended the Knights' nation-best 25-game win streak — one young fan took a moment to congratulate Moore on a great season.

Despite the disappointment of his team's first loss in two seasons, Moore returned the small kindness with one of his own.

"I know I'm not your team, but I want to give you my gloves," Moore told the boy. Then, they exchanged

hugs.

The moment was witnessed by Katie Stockberger, who tweeted it out, along with the hashtag #ThisIsWhyWePlay.

As of early Wednesday afternoon, the post had been liked more than 6,100 times and retweeted more than 1,100.

Among the retweets was one from Moore, who added, "4 the kids," followed by three heart emojis.

Moore's mother also tweeted her appreciation, along with four hearts. But Moore wasn't done.

Before heading into the tunnel to the locker room, Moore stopped to remove his cleats and hand them to a young UCF fan. Then, he shook and slapped the hands of other Knights fans before disappearing into the tunnel.

Moore lost his father, Ron, in a shooting in 2015. Every time he steps onto a football field, the Orlando Sentinel reports, Moore tries to carry himself in a way that would make his father proud.

Responded Kay C. Williamson: "What an example for all of us."



TAMPA BAY TIMES PHOTO VIA TWITTER

UCF defensive back Brandon Moore gave his game-worn gloves to an LSU fan after the Knights' Fiesta Bowl loss Tuesday. Moore also gave away his cleats to a young UCF fan.

HURRICANES

FROM PAGE 1

this season, but Richt benched the redshirt freshman for the Hurricanes' 35-3 loss to the Wisconsin Badgers in the Pinstripe Bowl after the student paper The Miami Hurricane reported on the existence of a sexually explicit Snapchat video Perry posted earlier in the year. The underclassman was then caught on an Instagram Live video telling teammates he was suspended for the bowl game in New York. All this came just two months after Perry was reprimanded for an Instagram video showing him with wads of cash.

Diaz wouldn't address Perry's status Wednesday, instead taking the opportunity to talk about his expectations for a player vying to start at quarterback in Coral Gables. All three returning scholarship quarterbacks served suspensions in 2018.

"Anytime there is a change, the players do know that there is a clean slate in terms of how they behave and act, and especially at that position," Diaz said. "To be the quarterback at the University of Miami, that's no small thing. In this town, you've got to have thick skin and you've got to have a way about you now. Again, all you have to do is look at the names that have done it in the past. There was a time we called this 'QBU' and that can happen again.

"So N'Kosi understands and all the guys understand that everything they

do, how you do anything is how you do everything. And their behavior at times reflects their ability and desire to be the quarterback at the University of Miami, so in some ways, yes, everybody understands that what you do now is what matters the most and certainly if there were other issues that from the past were lingering those would still have to be addressed."

The other on-campus quarterback candidate is Jarren Williams. He redshirted this season, but arrived in South Florida as one of the most heralded quarterback recruits in program history. As the No. 77 prospect in the 247Sports.com rankings, Williams was the Hurricanes' highest-ranked player at the position since quarterback Kyle Wright signed with Miami in 2003.

Quarterback Cade Weldon is also set to be back with the program for a redshirt sophomore season in 2019.

Diaz didn't rule out the possibility of scouring the transfer market to find a 2019 starter.

"Everybody will be given a clean slate," Diaz said. "We will start from scratch with what we have on our campus, but at the same time we will look under every nook and cranny across the entire country to make sure we are best positioned in the quarterback room to attack the 2019 football season.

"We will have a fantastic offensive coordinator, a great quarterback coach and a great scheme, but first and foremost none of that will win without great culture."

■ MLB

Tulowitzki agrees to 1-year deal with Yankees

NEW YORK (AP) —The New York Yankees have obtained a low-cost infield replacement, agreeing to a one-year contract with shortstop Troy Tulowitzki for the major league minimum \$555,000, a person familiar with the negotiations told The Associated Press.

Tulowitzki idolized retired Yankees captain Derek Jeter and has worn No. 2 in his honor. A five-time All-Star who turned 34 in October, Tulowitzki has not played in the major leagues since July 2017 and was released by the Toronto Blue Jays last month.

He was limited to 66 games in 2017 because of a hamstring and right ankle injury.

The ankle required surgery last spring and he missed the entire season. Yankees shortstop Didi

Gregorius had Tommy John surgery on his right elbow on Oct. 17 and is not expected to return until summer. New York also has been talking with Manny Machado, one of the top available free agents.

Tulowitzki could slot in at shortstop, allowing Gleyber Torres to remain at second baseman and Miguel Andujar to stay at third.

Tulowitzki was taken by Colorado with the seventh overall pick in the 2005 amateur draft, became a star with the Rockies and agreed after the 2010 season to a \$157.75 million, 10-year contract that added \$132 million over seven seasons.

Colorado dealt him in July 2015 to Toronto in a deal that brought shortstop Jose Reyes to

the Rockies.

While Tulowitzki helped the Blue Jays reach that year's AL Championship Series, he slumped the next year and then was derailed by injuries.

Tulowitzki is owed \$20 million for next year, \$14 million for 2020 and a \$4 million buyout of a 2021 team option.

Toronto would pay all but the big league minimum in the Yankees deal, which would be offset against his 2018 salary.

Toronto will be paying Tulowitzki for many years: \$5 million of his 2019 salary is deferred at 3 percent interest and is payable in 10 equal installments each Jan. 1 from 2025-34.

In addition, the buyout is due in \$2 million installments on July 1 in 2021 and 2022.

PLAYOFF

FROM PAGE 1

California. Like clockwork, the discussion over whether the current model is satisfactory has been cranked up for weeks — and that word momentum is never far away.

"It would seem to me that the political momentum here is moving in the direction of taking a real hard look at expanding this in some way shape or form over the next period of time, which I think would be before the end of this 12 years," said Chris Bevilacqua, co-founder of Bevilacqua Helfant Ventures who has advised conferences in media rights contract negotiations.

What is certain about playoff expansion is that it will not be a simple task. "I don't think this is on a fast-track at the moment," Swofford said. "But I do think there is an openness

and willingness to discuss it."

WHEN AND WHERE

College football is currently a one-semester sport and university presidents want to keep it that way.

There is a lot already packed into the window from Labor Day weekend when the season opens to about Jan. 10 when the championship game is played. Last year, the NCAA football oversight committee looked at creating a slightly longer season to ensure at least two open dates for each team every year.

That meant starting pre-season practice in July, before summer classes ended at many schools. The idea was dropped.

Keeping the same calendar would mean playoff games in the middle of December, but that would conflict with final exams on many campuses. That space has also been declared off limits by university presidents.

Want to play quarterfinals on campuses the third week of December, two weeks after conference championship weekend? Now it's not just the athletes who are being disrupted during finals, but the campus and the surrounding community.

It has been suggested the quarterfinals could replace conference championships.

Good luck with that. First off, the Southeastern Conference has made it clear it has no desire to get rid of an event that is worth about \$75 million to the league. Shortening the season from 12 to 11 games also comes with a cost to schools that make millions hosting or get big payouts for going on the road.

Would the College Football Playoff want to compete with the NFL, which plays regul games on Saturdays during weeks 15 and 16 of its 17-week schedule? If so, the value of those games drops for a broadcaster paying the rights fee.

WHO GETS IN?

If everything else is sorted out, there are also questions about format. Automatic bids for Power Five conferences? Best eight teams? Some combination of automatic qualifiers and rankings? Where do the Group of Five conferences fit?

Keep the selection committee or not? If yes, change the criteria by which it selects teams or keep it highly subjective?

Charlotte athletic director Mike Hill favors an eight-team format, with automatic bids for Power Five champions and the highest-ranked Group of Five team along with two at-large slots.

"There are too many quality teams who could legitimately win the national title but are left out of the playoff," he wrote to AP. "The challenge will be in determining where to play first-round games. ... It would be a major challenge with one week's notice."

NEXT STEPS

The CFP management committee meets the morning of the Alabama-Clemson game in San Jose, California.

For the first time since the playoff was launched in 2014, there is real intrigue about the future of format. There has been plenty of talk, but no signs yet it will lead to action.

The BCS crumbled under the weight of negative public opinion. Fans hated it and the commissioners were tired of defending it. The CFP is not there yet.

"There's widespread satisfaction with the four-team college football playoff," CFP executive director Bill Hancock said.

"But clearly there are some individuals who are thinking about whether or not it's necessary to even begin any kind of discussion about the future. There may be some who want to talk now. There may be others who are not ready. We may ponder when to ponder."

KELLY

FROM PAGE 1

Kelly is good. In nine seasons at Notre Dame, he's 81-35. In the nine years before his arrival, Notre Dame was 61-49. Kelly has taken the Irish to College Football Playoff once, the BCS national title game and a Fiesta Bowl. He has also reached double-digit wins four times ... or as many

times as the Irish hit that mark from 1992-2009 combined. He also had a 12-0 season at Cincinnati and won two national titles at Grand Valley State.

Kelly won national coach of the year honors in 2012 and won the Dodd Trophy as the nation's top coach this season.

This might be as good as it gets for Kelly.

Notre Dame obviously has a lot of things going for it (money, the NBC deal, a huge name

and rich tradition). But it also has some major, unfixable hurdles to winning a national title. That, to me, makes Kelly's success even more impressive. This year, he took a lot of good players and made them play at a very-good level, where their sum was greater than their individual parts. He had to do that, because I'm not sure the Irish can recruit at an elite level because of the program's location and lofty academic standards. And if Notre Dame

can't recruit at the level of Alabama or Clemson, it'll be almost impossible to beat one of them in the playoff ... let alone beating both of them back-to-back. So maybe a 12-0 season and first-round playoff exit is the ceiling for Kelly at Notre Dame. I'm not saying a national title is impossible. But I do think he would be wise to take a step back to see how feasible it is, especially because...

Notre Dame is a really hard

job.

The academics, booster culture and pressure are unique at Notre Dame. Coaches age in dog years up there, and Kelly endured nine seasons. Lou Holtz, Frank Leahy and Ara Parseghian all lasted 11. There aren't many programs of Notre Dame's caliber, and those jobs rarely open. So if Kelly wanted to go somewhere else to restart his clock, it'd probably be a step down. Unless he tried to take a step up to the NFL.

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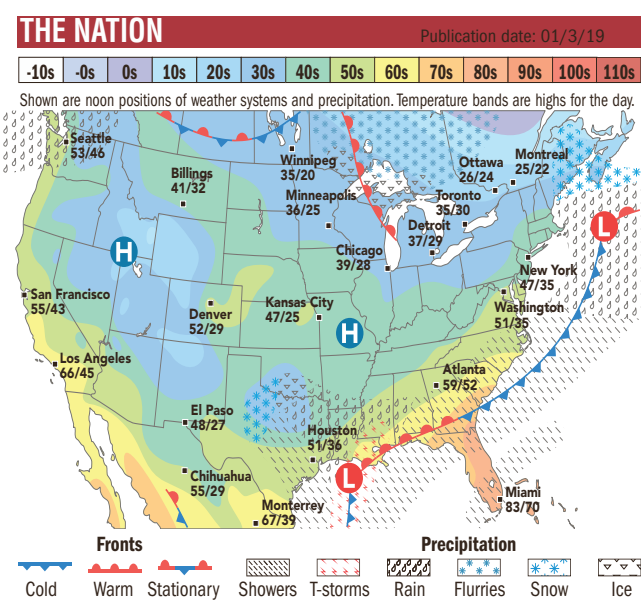
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 absent low moderate high very high

WEATHER HISTORY
 On Jan. 3, 1777, George Washington ordered his men to outflank the British when the ground froze at night.

WEATHER TRIVIA™
Q: What is the record low temperature for the lower 48 states in January?
 Jan. 20, 1954.
A: -70° at Rogers Pass, Mont., set on

MONTHLY RAINFALL

Month	2019	2018	Avg. Record/Year
Jan.	0.00	1.98	1.80 9.93/2016
Feb.	0.66	2.43	11.05/1983
Mar.	0.53	3.28	9.26/1970
Apr.	1.15	2.03	5.80/1994
May	15.98	2.50	15.98/2018
Jun.	6.23	8.92	23.99/1974
Jul.	9.80	8.22	14.22/1995
Aug.	12.37	8.01	15.60/1995
Sep.	7.58	6.84	14.03/1979
Oct.	2.60	2.93	10.88/1995
Nov.	1.91	1.91	5.53/2002
Dec.	2.47	1.78	6.83/2002
Year	0.00	63.26	50.65 (since 1931)

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

SUNCOAST HIGH SCHOOLS

SUN PREPS

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Katelyn Ziarnicki

GUARD, LEMON BAY

The holiday tournament stat line for Lemon Bay guard Katelyn Ziarnicki speaks for itself, which is why she has been selected as the Sun Preps Female Athlete of the Week.

Playing in the Chick-Fil-A Classic, Ziarnicki was named to the all-tournament team after helping the Lady Mantas reach the title game. She scored 24 points with five 3-pointers made.

Prior to the tournament, Ziarnicki scored 21 points with four 3-pointers in a win over Ida Baker.

She has been a solid contributor to the Lady Mantas all season.

"For a freshman, she's a great shooter," Lemon Bay coach Mike Young said. "She's learned a lot on how to play the game. She's learning how to read defenses and see how they're playing her and learning how to run an offense. She's gonna have a nice career."

Brandon Gainey

FORWARD, PORT CHARLOTTE

Port Charlotte senior Brandon Gainey reached new heights last week as the Pirates continued their undefeated streak, earning him Sun Preps Male Athlete of the Week.

Gainey's biggest accomplishment of the week was a 31-point effort in a 71-63 win over Okeechobee in the Ryon D. Provencher Holiday Shootout.

Gainey reached a career high and scored 12 points in the fourth quarter to help Port Charlotte pull away.

"He comes to practice everyday and wants to get better," Port Charlotte coach Kip Rhoten said. "An absolute pleasure to coach and work with over the last four years."

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For questions or comments, contact Chris Porter at 941-206-1134 or email porter@sun-herald.com



StocksRecap

NYSE	NASD	
Vol. (in mil.)	3,662	2,202
Pvs. Volume	3,384	2,038
Advanced	1990	2095
Declined	855	848
New Highs	7	10
New Lows	60	64

DOW	23413.47	22928.59	23346.24	+18.78	+0.08%	▲	▼	▼	+0.08%
DOW Trans.	9232.25	8972.51	9202.47	+32.07	+0.35%	▲	▼	▼	+0.35%
DOW Util.	710.58	697.18	701.04	-11.89	-1.67%	▲	▼	▼	-1.67%
NYSE Comp.	11408.26	11204.28	11383.54	+9.15	+0.08%	▲	▼	▼	+0.08%
NASDAQ	6693.71	6506.88	6665.94	+30.66	+0.46%	▲	▼	▼	+0.46%
S&P 500	2519.49	2467.47	2510.03	+3.18	+0.13%	▲	▼	▼	+0.13%
S&P 400	1664.68	1630.26	1657.93	-5.11	-0.31%	▲	▼	▼	-0.31%
Wilshire 2000	25882.58	25336.24	25794.72	+45.00	+0.17%	▲	▼	▼	+0.17%
Russell 2000	1357.77	1325.18	1355.90	+7.34	+0.54%	▲	▼	▼	+0.54%

HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	CHG.	%CHG.	WK	MO	QTR	YTD
23,346.24	22,928.59	23,346.24	+18.78	+0.08%	▲	▼	▼	+0.08%
9,232.25	8,972.51	9,202.47	+32.07	+0.35%	▲	▼	▼	+0.35%
710.58	697.18	701.04	-11.89	-1.67%	▲	▼	▼	-1.67%
11,408.26	11,204.28	11,383.54	+9.15	+0.08%	▲	▼	▼	+0.08%
6,693.71	6,506.88	6,665.94	+30.66	+0.46%	▲	▼	▼	+0.46%
2,519.49	2,467.47	2,510.03	+3.18	+0.13%	▲	▼	▼	+0.13%
1,664.68	1,630.26	1,657.93	-5.11	-0.31%	▲	▼	▼	-0.31%
25,882.58	25,336.24	25,794.72	+45.00	+0.17%	▲	▼	▼	+0.17%
1,357.77	1,325.18	1,355.90	+7.34	+0.54%	▲	▼	▼	+0.54%

How to read the stock tables

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Name	Ticker	Div	Yield	PE	52-week	Vol	Last	YTD
XYZcorp	XYZ	1.20	3.6	17	High Low	1000s	33.72	+20.7

- 1 — Name of stock.
 - 2 — Ticker Symbol company trades under.
 - 3 — Dividend: A distribution of the company's earnings to shareholders, usually consisting of stock dividends, interest on bonds, or short-term capital gains on the sale of securities usually paid quarterly in the form of cash or stock.
 - 4 — Div. Yield: The dividend divided by the stock price. It helps gauge how well the stock is paying, compared to other investments such as CDs, bonds or savings accounts.
 - 5 — Price to earnings ratio: The price of a stock divided by its earnings per share. PEs are used to gauge the relative worth of a company's stock. When compared to other companies in the same industry, the companies with the lowest PEs are generally earning higher profits.
 - 6 — Range of closing prices in last year.
 - 7 — Sales in thousands (10 = 10,000 shares), and closing price.
 - 8 — Last trading price of the day.
 - 9 — Percent change for the year.
- ▲▼ Arrows, indicate new highs or lows.
Underline: indicates top 100 stocks by volume rank.
Bold stocks, designates which stocks have gone up or down 5%.

NYSE

Name	Ticker	Div	Yield	PE	52-week	Vol	YTD	
Symbol	Symbol	Div	Yield	PE	High Low	1000s	Last %Chg	
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AAAC Hldgs	AAC	12.96 1.39	380 1.63	+16.4	
AAR	AJR	.30	.8	27	51.52 33.94	425 37.45	+3	
ABB Ltd	ABB	.76e	4.0	...	28.67 18.05	1916 19.00	-1	
ABM	ABM	.72f	3.1	...	40.00 25.60	1039 31.28	-2.6	
YADT Inc n	ADT	...	...	...	9.84 5.91	2067 6.41	-1.8
AES Corp	AES	55f	3.9	11	16.28 8.86	5578 6.48	+1.8	
AFLAC	AFL	1.04	2.3	14	48.19 41.41	3980 45.52	-1	
AG MtgeIT	MITT	2.00	12.3	10	19.69 15.52	166 16.20	+1.7	
AG Mtg pfA	MITTpa	2.06	8.4	...	26.00 22.58	3 24.60	+2.0	
AG Mtg pfB	MITTpb	2.00	8.2	...	25.79 22.56	5 24.50	+1.2	
AGCO	AGCO	.60	1.1	23	75.10 49.50	771 55.54	-2	
Al Belo	AHC	.32	8.1	13	5.80 3.35	30 3.94	+16.9	
AK Steel	AKS	...	...	...	6.80 2.00	8598 2.39	+6.2
AMC Entertainment	AMC	.68	5.3	...	21.45 11.66	1375 12.89	+5.0	
AMCCN	DIT	.72	.7	23	105.00 77.00	101.50	-1.8	
AMN Hlth	AMN	22 68.20	4705 462	55.65	-1.8
ARC Docu	ARC	17 3.59	1.62 211	2.24	+9.3
ASA Group	ASA	.04e	4	...	12.18 8.18	51 9.45	-1.1	
AT&T Inc	T	2.04f	6.9	6	39.29 21.80	39124 29.54	+3.5	
AT&T 66 n	TBB	...	...	...	26.25 21.86	252 22.65	+1.8
A10 Ntwks	ATEN	...	...	...	7.82 5.51	245 6.20	-2
AU Optron	AUO	.18e	...	...	4.76 3.40	383 3.92	-5
AVX Corp	AVX	.46	2.9	...	21.48 14.21	305 15.66	+2.7	
AXA EqH n	EQH	.13p	...	...	23.21 14.72	5238 16.41	-1.3
AZZ Inc	AZZ	.68	1.7	17	56.05 37.43	158 40.61	+6	
Aarons	AAN	.12	.3	10	56.00 36.20	789 43.48	+3.4	
AbbotLab	ABT	1.28f	1.8	29	74.92 55.58	8274 69.50	-3.9	
AbbVie	ABBV	4.28f	4.8	14	125.86 77.50	6882 89.23	-3.2	
AberFritc	ANF	.80	3.9	12	29.69 15.28	2336 20.64	+2.9	
AbdAsPac	FAX	.42	10.7	...	5.03 3.82	560 3.91	+10.1	
AbdAustEq	IAF	.70e	14.9	...	6.77 4.63	72 4.71	-9	
AbdnChile	CH	.58e	9.0	...	9.64 6.13	37 6.43	+1.3	
AbdGIBInc	FCO	.84	11.7	...	9.48 6.65	51 7.18	-8	
AbdEMSMc	ABE	.21e	1.4	...	15.82 14.33	14.69	-1.9	
AbdGChina	GCH	.03e	.2	...	14.02 11.79	12.37	-1.3	
AbdnIndo	ISL	.52e	...	...	8.18 6.88	7.13	-1.3
AbdnIntar	IF	.35e	1.1	...	21.97 18.43	18.38	-1.9	
AbdJapanEq	JEQ	.48e	...	...	9.89 6.19	4 6.42	-1.1
AbdnLatEa	LEQ	1.21e	1.8	...	30.00 25.66	26.38	-1.1	
AbdSingFd	SGF	1.09e	8.0	...	13.89 12.32	13.59	-1.9	
AcadIBD50	FFTY	...	...	...	35.94 33.34	32.13	-1.3
AccuraRent	AKR	1.12f	4.8	4.0	29.28 21.34	301 23.30	-1.9	
Accudrive	ACN	2.92	2.1	22	175.64 132.63	2046 140.59	-3	
AccoBrds	ACCO	.24	3.3	11	14.63 6.07	1173 7.17	+5.8	
AccmeU	ACU	.44	2.9	16	24.98 13.50	8 14.95	+4.9	
AccorInt rs	ATV	...	...	...	38.86 13.50	3 22.66	+3.5
ActiniumP	ATNM	...	...	...	.87 .33	546 .44	+12.7
Act Rep n	GOP	...	...	...	23.61 20.47	22.40	-1.1
Act Dem n	DEMS	...	...	...	21.58 20.29	21.08	-1.1
Act TRX n	TAXR	...	...	...	23.79 18.16	18.87	-1.1
Actualt	ATU	.04	.2	...	31.00 19.07	427 21.05	+3	
Acuity	AYI	.52	.5	13	186.99 103.48	464 115.23	+2	
Acushnet n	GOLF	.52	2.4	...	27.87 17.55	178 21.61	+2.6	
AdaDvsEq	ADX	1.32e	1.6	...	14.79 11.84	329 12.65	+2	
AdamsRR	PEO	1.32e	1.3	...	21.48 13.60	167 14.82	+1.7	
AdmrRsc	AE	.88	2.2	...	50.33 35.81	2 40.11	+3.6	
Adecaagro	AGRO	...	...	...	10.63 6.40	525 7.06	+1.4
Adient n	ADNT	1.10	7.0	...	84.59 14.91	3552 15.65	-3.9	
AdtelamGI	ATGE	.36	.8	25	58.80 41.76	729 47.37	+1	
AdvAuto	AAP	.24	.2	27	186.15 99.71	1288 157.92	-2.3	
AdvDisp n	ADSW	...	...	...	27.93 21.50	378 23.28	+2.8
AdvDrainS	WMS	.32	1.3	21	33.50 21.70	245 24.21	-2	
Advdrans n	ASIX	...	...	...	44.44 22.57	230 25.23	+3.7
AdvClayCv	AVK	1.13	8.8	...	16.50 12.07	135 12.83	+2.3	
AdvSDrWr	AADR	.32e	.8	...	64.00 38.15	21 40.33	+6	
AdvPerHtY	HYLD	3.54e	9.5	...	37.20 35.62	37.10	-1.3	
AdvSewT n	FNG	...	...	...	23.41 14.47	16 15.70	+8
AdvSf n	CWS	...	...	...	32.47 31.33	32.18	-1.3
AdvS Kor n	KOR	...	...	...	32.01 26.00	26.94	-1.3
AdvSmCap	SCAP	...	...	...	42.75 30.86	31.71	-1.3
AdvPacFit	FLRT	1.56e	...	...	50.64 46.78	0 36.94	+3
AdvSagge	HOLD	.41e	.4	...	103.68 97.35	0 99.12	-2	
AdvNtMS	MINC	1.34e	2.8	...	48.49 46.31	14 47.27	-1	
AdvSStarG	VEGA	...	...	...	32.34 27.67	28.67	-1.3
AdvGLEch n	GIVE	...	...	...	75.63 56.38	9 59.14	+1.0
AdvDLIne	DBLV	.47e	.8	...	35.56 32.38	33.00	-1.3	
AdvMeidl	MATH	...	...	...	27.29 21.99	0 24.25	+2
AdmMGBd	FWDB	.73e	3.0	...	33.10 22.89	1 23.57	+1	
AdmMlnt	FWDI	.37e	1.6	...	57.19 43.92	0 45.79	+1.2	
AdmMdm	FWDD	.18e	.4	...	9.99 7.22	341 8.40	-4	
AdvActBear	HGDE	...	...	...	39.90 24.83	1041 26.88	-1.4
Aecom	ACM	...	...	...	7.48 4.42	1924 4.61	-9
Aegon	AEG	.25e	5.4	...	26.52 24.66	106 25.33	+7	
Aegon cap	AEH	1.59	6.3	...	26.83 24.55	47 25.30	+1	
Aegon 6.5	AED	1.63	6.4	...	25.49 17.85	40 19.50	+3.5	
Aegon fit	AEB	.77	3.9	...	27.04 25.50	25.28	-1.3	
Aegon42	AEK	2.00	7.9	...	6 58.30	36.16 2602	40.77	+3.0
AerCap	AER	...	...	...	12.74 8.36	0 9.12	-4.8
Aerocntry	ACY	...	...	...	6.01 3.19	215 3.30	+1.2
AerohiveN	HIVE	...	...	...	38.92 24.41	717 34.03	-3.4
AerojetR	AJRD	68 38.92	44.47 717	34.03	-3.4
AfilMgrrs	AMG	1.20	1.2	7	216.99 88.47	540 98.23	-3.8	
AgeX Th n	AGE	...	...	...	5.95 1.13	83 3.00	+3
Agilent	A	.66f	1.0	67	75.11 60.42	2079 65.69	-2.6	
Agnicog	AEM	.44	49 49.80	32.18 1762	40.37	-1
AgreeRlt	ADC	2.22f	3.9	29	63.00 43.74	460 57.61	-2.1	
Air Inds	AIRI	.60	75.9	...	1.95 .70	59 .79	+10.5	
AirLease	AL	.52f	1.7	4	50.70 28.13	1469 30.77	+1.9	
AirProd	APD	4.40	2.8	24	175.17 148.44	957 159.59	-3	
AirPrd wI	APD/WI	...	...	...	15.75 9.76	496 17.64	+2.3
Aircastle	AYR	1.20f	6.8	6	25.30 17.55	496 17.64	+2.3	
AirPw of Q	ALPQ	1.25	5.2	...	26.60 22.60	79 23.81	+7	
AlamoGld	ALG	.48f	6	20	120.58 72.50	78 76.57	+4.7	
AlamosGld	AGI	.02	.5	...	6.84 2.90	2109 3.77	+1.7	
AlaskaAir	ALK	1.28	2.1	8	75.46 57.42	1287 61.52	+1.1	
Albermarle	AIN	.72f	1.2	24	82.20 57.95	236 62.38	-1.1	
Albanyne	ALB	1.34f	1.7	13	138.67 71.89	1052 78.11	+1.3	
Alcoa Cp	AA	13 62.35	25.01 3065	26.24	-1.3
AlexB Inc	ALEX	.28	1.5	19	29.23 17.58	259 18.46	+4	
Alexanders	ALX	18.00	6.0	...	403.60 295.75	3 300.99	-1.2	
AlexREE	ARE	3.88f	3.5	25	131.00 109.04	545 111.37	-3.4	
AlxRE pfD	AREpd	1.75	5.3	...	37.47 32.72	0 33.22	-1.0	
AlexcoP	AXU	...	...	...	1.79 .68	196 .96	+2.1
AlgonPw n	AGN	.51	...	...	11.18 9.45	269 9.96	-9
Alibaba	BABA	37 211.70	129.77 16576	136.70	-3
Altimind	TGDO	...	...	...	1	.48	-1.3
Tim Gls rs	ALO	...	...	...	3.93 .63	343 .93	+10.7
AlleqCp	Y	...	...	...	659.88 558.50	70 615.73	-1.2
AllegTch	ATI	...	...	...	30.25 20.84	1435 22.35	+2.7
Alliegon	ALLE	.84	1.0	...	94.30 73.85	861 81.05	+1.7	
Alliergan	AGN	2.88	2.1	21	197.00 125.84	2183 135.88	+1.7	
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Table with columns: Ticker, Symbol, Div, Yield, PE, High, Low, 1000s, Last, %Chg, YTD. Includes tickers like US AutoPc, PRTS, US Oncls, USCR, etc.

Nasdaq table with columns: Ticker, Symbol, Div, Yield, PE, High, Low, 1000s, Last, %Chg, YTD. Includes tickers like UrbanOnD, UONEK, UrbanOut, UORB, etc.

Table with columns: Ticker, Symbol, Div, Yield, PE, High, Low, 1000s, Last, %Chg, YTD. Includes tickers like WeiboCorp, WB, WstNwEnB, WNEB, etc.

X-Y-Z

Table with columns: Ticker, Symbol, Div, Yield, PE, High, Low, 1000s, Last, %Chg, YTD. Includes tickers like xG Tech rs, XGTI, XOMA rs, XOMA, etc.

Money Market Funds

Large table listing Money Market Funds with columns: Fund, Avg Maturity, Avg Yield, Fund, Avg Maturity, Avg Yield, Fund, Avg Maturity, Avg Yield, Fund, Avg Maturity, Avg Yield. Includes funds like Cash Account Tr, Gov, FIMM Government Port, etc.

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Money Market Funds

Table of Money Market Funds with columns for Fund, Avg Maturity, Avg Yield, and Fund details. Includes various government and institutional funds.

Tax Exempt

Table of Tax Exempt funds with columns for Fund, Avg Maturity, Avg Yield, and Fund details.

Toronto stocks

Table of Toronto stocks with columns for Name, Vol, High, Low, Last, Chg, and Fund details.

Treasury bonds

Table of Treasury bonds with columns for Rate, Date, Bid, Ask, Chg, Yld, and Fund details.

FOOTNOTE: Rate-The annual interest rate the Treasury bond provides to investors. Date-The month and year the bond will expire. Bid-The price investors will pay for the bond. Ask-The price at which investors will sell. A bond price is expressed as a percentage of its original purchase cost of \$1,000. The whole numbers and the decimals which represent 32nds of a point must be converted to dollars and cents; for example, 103.18 equals \$1,035.63. Chg-The change between the preceding day's final bid price and the final bid price from the day before. Yld-The annual percentage return to the investor, based on the bond's current price, if the bond is held until it matures. K-Taxes on interest will not be withheld from non-U.S. citizens. n-Treasury note. p-Treasury note; taxes on interest will not be withheld from non-U.S. citizens.

Mutual Funds

Table of Mutual Funds with columns for Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD Rtn, 3-yr Rtn/Rk, and Fund details.

How to Read the Mutual Fund Tables

Here are the 4,300 biggest mutual funds listed on Nasdaq. Tables show the fund name, sell price or net asset value (NAV), daily net change and weekly net change. Underlining highlights the funds ranked in the top 20% in each of the last 5 years:

Name: Name of mutual fund and family. Obj: The fund's objective group. Abbreviations listed below. NAV: Net asset value. Chg: Net change in price of NAV from previous day. Rtn: The fund's total return, or percent change in NAV for the time period shown, with

Footnotes: e - Ex capital gains distribution. f - Previous day's quotation. n - No front end load or contingent deferred sales load may apply. p - Fund assets are used to pay for r distribution costs less: 12(b)(1) plan. r - Redemption fee or contingent deferred sales load may apply. s - Stock dividend or split. t - Both p and r. x - Ex cash dividend d. NA - not available.

Fund Objectives: AL: Allocation - 70-85% Equity, AM: Multialternative, BL: Bank Loan, BM: Bear Market, CA: Allocation - 30-50% Equity, CC: Consumer Defense, CD: Consumer Cyclical, CH: China Region, CI: Intermediate-Term Bond, CL: Long-Term Bond, CR: Multialternative, CS: Short-Term Bond, CV: Convertibles, DP: Diversified Pacific/Asia, EB: Emerging-Markets Bond, EE: Equity Energy, EI: India Equity, EM: Diversified Emerging Markets, ES: Europe Stock, FA: Foreign Small/Mid-Value, FB: Foreign Large-Blend, FF: Managed Futures, FG: Foreign Large-Growth, FO: Foreign Small/Mid-Blend, FR: Foreign Small/Large-Growth, FF: Foreign Large-Value, FX: Foreign Currency, GI: Intermediate Government, GL: Long Government, GR: Global Real Estate, GS: Short Government, HM: High-Yield Muni, HY: High-Yield Bond, IB: World Bond, IC: Trading-Inverse Commodities, ID: Industrials, IE: Trading-Inverse Equity, IH: World Allocation, IP: Inflation-Protected Bond, IS: Trading-Miscellaneous, JS: Japan Stock, LB: Large Blend, LC: Trading-Leveraged Commodities, LE: Trading-Inverse Equity, LG: Large Growth, LO: Long-Short Equity, LP: Energy Limited Partnership, LS: Latin America Stock, LV: Large Value, MA: Allocation - 50-70% Equity, MB: Mid-Cap Blend, MC: Mid-Cap Growth, MI: Muni National Intermediate, ML: Muni National Long, MQ: Miscellaneous Region, MR: Miscellaneous Sector, MS: Muni National Short, MU: Multisector Bond, MV: Mid-Cap Value, MY: Muni New York Long, ND: Trading-Inverse Debt, NE: Market Neutral, NT: Nontraditional Bond, P-J: Pacific/Asia ex-Japan Stock, RI: Target-Date Retirement, RR: Preferred Stock, SB: Small Blend, SC: Communications, SF: Financial, SG: Small Growth, SH: Health, SI: Muni Single State Intermediate, SL: Muni Single State Long, SN: Natural Resources, SP: Equity Precious Metals, SR: Real Estate, SS: Muni Single State Short, ST: Technology, SU: Utilities, SV: Small Value, TA: Target-Date 2000-2010, TD: Target-Date 2015, TE: Target-Date 2020, TG: Target-Date 2025, TH: Target-Date 2030, TI: Target-Date 2040, TJ: Target-Date 2045, TK: Target-Date 2050, TL: Target-Date 2055, TN: Target-Date 2050, TV: Corporate Bond, TV: Tactical Allocation, UB: Ultrashort Bond, VD: Trading-Leveraged Debt, VL: Stable Value, VO: Volatility, WS: World Stock, XM: Allocation - 85% Equity, XO: Infrastructure, XQ: Target-Date 2060+, XR: Option Writing, XS: Long-Short Credit, XP: Emerging-Markets Local-Currency Bond, XY: Allocation - 15-30% Equity. Data based on NAVs reported to Morningstar by 6 p.m. Eastern.

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Mutual Funds

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Mutual Funds

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Mutual Funds

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