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Polk Regional Water Coop seeks to dig deeper

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AUBURNDALE – Some members of the Polk Regional Water Cooperative board,

who meet again today, appear to be trying to convince the public that it is not possible to solve the pending water crisis without digging into the lower Florida aquifer for

more water.

While it rains a lot in Florida, according to state and federal geologists, as more water gets pumped out of the the upper Florida aquifer,

many Florida lakes, rivers and springs have been running dry due to population growth.

Starting in around 1995, state officials started issuing permits to drill

into the lower Florida aquifer as an alternative water source. Because it was, and still is, unknown how pumping water out of the lower Florida aquifer affects water closer to the

surface, federal and state agencies started to study the matter.

Think of it like climate science. Some say the

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Speaker: Many should be remembered

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WINTER HAVEN — Keynote speaker at the 14th Annual life of Martin Luther King Jr. celebration at Polk State College Jan. 10 was Dr. Alzo J. Reddick Sr.

Like many of the African Americans he spoke about last week, Dr. Reddick is not a commonly known name.

Born in Alturas, Reddick's father plowed citrus fields in Polk County until his family moved to Orlando when Reddick was in the first grade. Three years later, he played hooky from school to watch Jackie Robinson play Major League Baseball for the first time, the same year



Dr. Alzo J. Reddick Sr. was keynote speaker at the 14th Annual MLK Celebration at Polk State College last week.

that King graduated from Morehouse College.

While he was in the 10th grade, the Supreme Court declared segregation in the schools unconstitutional. After graduating from high school in 1956, Reddick

was the first member of his family to graduate college where he learned to be a teacher. But segregation in Florida at the time was still a problem. Reddick went on to teach

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Santira Borders, foreground, a student at Polk State Lakeland Gateway to College, and Imani Flemming performed at the celebration.

Faith leader leaves legacy

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LAKE WALES – Known as an “in your face” individual, a faith leader in Lake Wales passed away,

and those who worked with him now both mourn and remember what he taught them.

Says Chevon Baccus, who knew Jim Way from St. Lucie County, now

a Lake Wales resident, “Nearly 25 years ago, a high school in Fort Pierce was the site of mounting racial tension, with a group of white supremacist skinheads

trying to stir things up. The controversial Jerry Springer Show even came to town to inflame the situation.”

Baccus noted Way worked with the

community there to help diffuse the tension.

“Jim Way walked into the school superintendent's office and offered the support of his area Business, Civic

and Ministry Coalition,” said Baccus, who was at the time, the St. Lucie County District spokesperson.

She worked closely

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‘Renaissance’ breaks ground in Lake Wales

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LAKE WALES – Construction of a \$678,243 trail connecting the

downtown area to Lake Wailes Park began last week with a groundbreaking ceremony.

The project is currently scheduled to be completed

sometime in 2019.

The first phase of the trail construction will be along Ridge Scenic Highway from Central Avenue to West Crystal

Avenue north of the library. Phase two of the project will bring the trail around Crystal Lake and connect to the trail surrounding Lake Wales.

City staff received four sealed bids for this project, but one firm retracted their bid, and another was ruled as unqualified. A third firm submitted a bid

substantially higher than the winning bid from the Bartow construction firm SEMCO Construction Inc.

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THIS WEEK

Wednesday, Jan. 17

Polk Regional Water Cooperative Board of Directors Meeting, 2 p.m. Lake Myrtle Sports Complex, 2701 Lake Myrtle Park Road, Auburndale.

Curious Kids Ages 4-8, 11 a.m. Lake Wales Public Library, 290 Cypress Gardens Lane, Lake Wales.

Coloring for Grown Ups, 11:30 a.m. Lake Wales Public Library, 290 Cypress Gardens Lane, Lake Wales.

Yoga Class, 5:30 p.m. Lake Wales Public Library, 290 Cypress Gardens Lane, Lake Wales.

Microsoft Word – Part 1 of 2, 9:15-11:45 a.m. Winter Haven Public Library, 325 Ave. A NW, Winter Haven

Little Sprouts Story Time, 9:30 a.m. Winter Haven Public Library, 325 Avenue A NW, Winter Haven

iPad Basics, 3:30 p.m. Winter Haven Public Library, 325 Avenue A NW, Winter Haven

Multimodal Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting, 5 p.m. Winter Haven City Hall, 451 Third St. NW, Winter Haven

Winter Haven City Commission Agenda Review Session, 6:30 p.m. Winter Haven City Hall, 451 Third St. NW, Winter Haven

Story Time 3-5 year olds, 10 a.m. Bartow Public Library, 2150 S. Broadway Ave. in Bartow. 863-534-0131.

Nutrition and You, 10 a.m. Bartow Public Library, 2150 S. Broadway Ave. in Bartow. 863-534-0131.

Leadership Summit, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Tickets at \$50 or \$400 for reserved seating for 8. Heartland Church Auditorium, 225 Ave B NW, Winter Haven. 863- 293-2138. barbarapscott@gmail.com

Society of the Turtle Jog, 5:15 p.m., free. Starts at fountain and is 2.5 mile route around Lake Silver and back. Central Park, 4th St. NW. <http://winterhavenlaw.com/society-of-the-turtle>

Thursday, Jan. 18
LEGO-Mania! 9:30 a.m. Lake Wales Public Library, 290 Cypress Gardens Lane, Lake Wales.

Needlework Arts Group, 9:30 a.m. Lake Wales Public Library, 290 Cypress Gardens Lane, Lake Wales.

Lake Maude Recreational Site Groundbreaking Ceremony, 11 a.m. Lake Maude, Avenue O and 7th Street NE.

Offshoots Lab, 4 p.m. Winter Haven Public Library, 325 Avenue A NW, Winter Haven

Technology Help Desk, 5 p.m. Winter Haven Public Library, 325 Avenue A NW, Winter Haven

WELCOME TO YOUR COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Want to see your event on this page? Call us at 863-533-4183 or email news@scmginc.com.

Big Brother Big Sister Orientation & Training, 5:30-7 p.m. Family Fundamentals, 1021 Lakeland Hills Blvd, 2nd Floor, Lakeland

Farm to Table Dinner: Soup's On! 6-8 p.m., \$5. Bok Tower Gardens, 1151 Tower Blvd., Lake Wales

Third Annual Water, Wings and Wild Things KIDS Festival, 4 p.m. Circle B Bar Reserve. 863-668-4673.

The MOMologues, 7:30 p.m. Book by Lisa Rafferty, Sheila Eppolito, and Stefanie Cloutier. Theatre Winter Haven, 210 Cypress Gardens Blvd., Winter Haven

Book Babies, 10 a.m. Bartow Public Library, 2150 S. Broadway Ave. in Bartow. 863-534-0131.

Teen Anime Club, 3:30 p.m. Bartow Public Library, 2150 S. Broadway Ave. in Bartow. 863-534-0131.

Weight Watchers, noon. Use main entrance. First Baptist Church of Bartow, 410 E. Church St., Bartow. The church emphasized that it is not affiliated with Weight Watchers.

The Sentimental Journeymen 7 p.m. St. Johns Methodist Church, 1800 Cypress Gardens Blvd., Winter Haven. Contact Paul Evert at 863-289-7227 or rshaw2@tampabay.rr.com

Fun Run, about 6 p.m. People take a 5K run starting and ending at the Wine Stable restaurant each Thursday. Usually they stay at the Wine Stable afterward. They start at approximately 6 p.m. Wine Stable, 150 S. Broadway, Bartow.

Service Dog Training, 9-11 a.m., 1-3 p.m. Call Marvin Desselle at 863-214-0601 for details. American Legion Post 71, 1230 Scenic Highway, Lake Wales. 863-589-5689

Friday, Jan. 19
Friday Fest, 6-9 p.m. Main Street, Bartow. 863-519-0508.

Prism Concert, 6:30 p.m. for Italian Dinner show. Interactive concert in which the different groups rotate sets throughout the night. To raise money for BHS band trip to Chicago Symphony. Bartow Civic Center, 2250 S. Floral Ave., Bartow. 863-533-7125 for tickets. Email questions to jon.eckman@polk-fl.net

Evening Knitting & Crochet, 9:30 a.m. Lake Wales Public Library, 290 Cypress Gardens Lane, Lake Wales.

UWCF 8th annual Belt Buckle Bash, 6-9 p.m. United Way of Central Florida and Leadership Giving Rocking H Ranch, 2200 Ewell Road,

Lakeland. 863-648-1500

Microsoft Word – Part 2 of 2, 9:15-11:45 a.m. Winter Haven Public Library, 325 Avenue A NW, Winter Haven

Development Special Magistrate, 11 a.m. John Fuller Auditorium, City Hall, 451 Third St., NW, Winter Haven. 863-291-5600.

Minecrafters, 3:30 p.m. Winter Haven Public Library, 325 Avenue A NW, Winter Haven

Winter Haven Florida Arbor Day Celebration, 5 p.m. Central Park, Winter Haven.

Dulcimers in The Park, 5:30 p.m. Central Park, Winter Haven.

GFWC Four Corners Junior Women's Club Charity Fashion Show, 10 a.m. Lake Eva Event Center, 799 Johns Ave., Haines City

Pints for Paws Lakeland Beerfest, 7-10 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at www.pintsforpaws2017.eventbrite.com. Lake Mirror Frances Langford Promenade 121 S. Lake Ave., Lakeland

Rummage/Bake Sale, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Holy Spirit Parish Center, 644 S. Ninth St., Lake Wales.

Seventh Annual Economic Forum, 7:30-9 a.m. \$15 per person. Andrew Adams is guest speaker. RSVP by Jan. 12. Lake Ashton, 4140 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales. 863-678-1779.

Chair Yoga, 9:30 a.m. Bartow Public Library, 2150 S. Broadway Ave. in Bartow. 863-534-0131.

STEAM for Homeschooled, 10 a.m. Bartow Public Library, 2150 S. Broadway Ave. in Bartow. 863-534-0131.

Endeavor Lunch & Learn, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Winter Haven Chamber 2nd Floor Coleman Auditorium, 401 Avenue B, NW, Winter Haven.

Creative Yoga with Michelle Pugh, noon-1 p.m. \$5 members; \$10 nonmembers. Polk Museum of Art, 800 E Palmetto St, Lakeland. 863- 688-7743.

The MOMologues, 7:30 p.m. Theatre Winter Haven, 210 Cypress Gardens Blvd., Winter Haven

The Dixie Swim Club, 7:30 p.m. Lake Wales Little Theatre, 411 N 3rd St., Lake Wales

Saturday, Jan. 20
Prism Concert, 2 p.m. for dessert matinee, 6:30 p.m. BBQ dinner show. Interactive concert in which the different groups rotate sets throughout the night. To raise money for

BHS band trip to Chicago Symphony. Bartow Civic Center, 2250 S. Floral Ave., Bartow. 863-533-7125 for tickets. Email questions to jon.eckman@polk-fl.net

Uptown Yard Sale & Flea Market, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Main Street, Bartow.

North Pointe HOA, 8 a.m. Lake Wales Public Library, 290 Cypress Gardens Lane, Lake Wales.

Pokemon Card Club! 11 a.m. Lake Wales Public Library, 290 Cypress Gardens Lane, Lake Wales.

Facebook 101, 9:30 a.m. Winter Haven Public Library, 325 Avenue A NW, Winter Haven

Book Store 1/2 Price Sale, 10 a.m. Friends of the Winter Haven Library Book Store, 325 Avenue A NW, Winter Haven

Painting Postcards by the Tower, 9 a.m. \$50. Bok Tower Gardens, 1151 Tower Blvd., Lake Wales

Cypress Gardens Ski Show, 3:30 p.m., free. MLK Jr. Park, 199 E Lake Silver Dr. NE, Winter Haven, FL 33881

Steve Forbert, 6:30-10 p.m. Gram Parsons Derry Down, 297 5th St. NW, Winter Haven

99 Degrees in the Shade, 8 p.m. , Fire Restaurant, 325 Central Ave., Winter Haven

Braden Crawford, 8 p.m. Crooked Bass Grill & Tavern, 1010 N Scenic Hwy, Babson Park

Rummage/Bake Sale, 8 a.m.-noon. Items for sale include glassware, holiday decorations, toys, appliances, jewelry, furniture, knick-knacks, and clothing. The clothing will include men's shirts and slacks, blouses, skirts, women's slacks, jackets, and pantsuits. Holy Spirit Parish Center, 644 S. Ninth St.,

Lake Wales.

Pyrography Workshop, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., \$80 for Polk Museum of Art members; \$120 for nonmembers. Florida Southern College, 111 Lake Hollingsworth Drive, Lakeland. Deadline to register is Jan. 14. Registration at <https://polkmuseumofart.org/classes/>. 863-688-5423.

Architectural Tour, 11 a.m. Polk County History Center, 100 E. Main St., Bartow.

Paws to Read, 10 a.m. Bartow Public Library, 2150 S. Broadway Ave. in Bartow. 863-534-0131.

Spanish Story Time, 11 a.m. Bartow Public Library, 2150 S. Broadway Ave. in Bartow. 863-534-0131.

Butterfly Saturdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Outback Oasis, 4000 Country Club Rd. S., Winter Haven

The MOMologues, 2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Theatre Winter Haven, 210 Cypress Gardens Blvd., Winter Haven

The Dixie Swim Club, 7:30 p.m. Lake Wales Little Theatre, 411 N 3rd St., Lake Wales

Racing Game, 4 p.m. \$1 per race. American Legion Post 71, 1230 Scenic Highway, Lake Wales. 863-589-5689

Sunday, Jan. 21
Dog Day of Winter, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. \$5. Bok Tower Gardens, 1151 Tower Blvd., Lake Wales
Sweet Brunch Treats, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., \$15, Bok Tower Gardens, 1151 Tower Blvd., Lake Wales

Music at Pinewood: Dr. Ben Pila, 4-6 p.m., \$25. Bok Tower Gardens, 1151 Tower Blvd., Lake Wales

Bartow Adult Concert Band concert, 2:30 p.m., free. "Strike Up The Band." Conductor to be Phil Wharton. Bartow Civic

Center, 2250 S. Floral Ave., Bartow.

The MOMologues, 2:30 p.m. Theatre Winter Haven, 210 Cypress Gardens Blvd., Winter Haven

The Dixie Swim Club, 2 p.m. Lake Wales Little Theatre, 411 N 3rd St., Lake Wales

Monday, Jan. 22-Friday, Jan. 26

71st Polk County Youth Fair open to public. Opens 8:30 a.m. IFAS, 1702 U.S. 17 S., Bartow. 863-944-1259

Monday, Jan. 22
Evening reception, 6:30-8 p.m. Bartow Public Library, Six members of the Circle B Bar Reserve Photography Group. 2150 S. Broadway Ave. in Bartow. 863-318-9197

Super Crafts - All Day! 6 p.m. Lake Wales Public Library, 290 Cypress Gardens Lane, Lake Wales.

Tail Waggin' Tutors, 3 p.m. Lake Wales Public Library, 290 Cypress Gardens Lane, Lake Wales.

Sage-ing Program, 10 a.m. Winter Haven Public Library, 325 Avenue A NW, Winter Haven

Winter Haven City Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Winter Haven City Hall, 451 Third St. NW, Winter Haven. 863-291-5627.

Tuesday, Jan. 23
Polk County School Board Work Session, 12:30 p.m., meeting at 5 p.m. Superintendent's Conference Room, meeting in School Board Auditorium, 1915 S. Floral Ave., Bartow

The Polk County School Board Audit & Finance Committee, 10 a.m. Finance Conference Room, 1915 S. Floral Ave., Bartow

Photo Editing, 10:30 a.m. Public Library, Winter Haven

Wreath placed at Dr. MLK Park



PHOTO BY KATHY LEIGH BERKOWITZ

During a wreath laying ceremony at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park at Lake Silver last Friday, Winter Haven Mayor Brad Dantzler presents a proclamation and the key to the city in honor of Chris Blue, a singer/musician who grew up in Winter Haven and went on to win The Voice.

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VIEWPOINT

Mobilization underscores Guard's evolving role

A mobilization ceremony in Lakeland earlier this month for the Florida National Guard's Battery B of the 3rd Battalion, 116th Field Artillery, underscores the Guard's increasing role in national security.

It is neither the first nor the largest mobilization of Florida Guard and Reserve units for the Global War on Terrorism, nor is it likely to be the last.

Since the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, Guard and Reserve forces, composed of citizen-soldiers who theoretically train for one weekend a month and two weeks in the summer, have transitioned from a strategic reserve to an operational reserve.

In simple terms, they no longer are America's last line of defense, deployed only after the resources of the active forces are insufficient. They are now an integral part of the national defense team, prepared for periodic deployments to support America's military objectives in foreign theaters.

The latest figures our research finds is that Guard and Reserve forces now make up 38 percent of America's armed might. America's Army National Guard is the 11th largest army in the world, and its

Our Viewpoint

Air National Guard is the world's fifth largest air force.

(Though both Guard and Reserve are a vital part of the nation's military force, there is one important distinction. In addition to the military missions for which both elements train, the Guard has the additional mission of being the state militia, subject to call of the governor for missions ranging from disaster relief to civil disturbance control.)

Guard and Reserve units cost a fraction of comparable active duty units, given their part-time status and minimal requirement for benefits such as medical care, housing, and other costs of maintaining an active component force.

While the comparable degree of preparedness is subject to debate, it stands to reason that part-time service members do not have the same level of training and skills as their active duty counterparts. As reliance on reserve forces has increased, resources

devoted to their training, equipping and readiness have increased as well.

It is a trade-off which we believe serves the nation well.

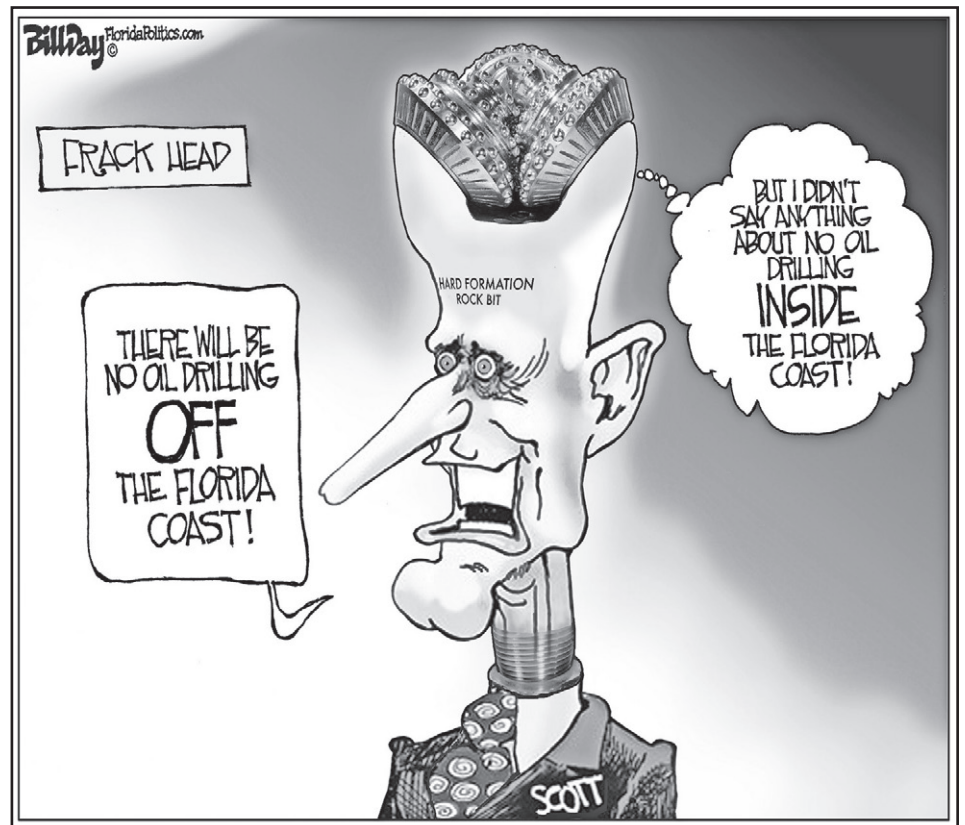
Less frequently cited is a benefit we once heard expressed at a briefing for senior Guard and Reserve leaders: "When you go to war, you take the American people with you."

It may be easy to lose sight of what active duty service members are doing on a day to day basis, but when a hundred or more citizen-soldiers are taken from a community for a year of service, their absence is felt on a daily basis.

It is an awareness which Americans should never lose.

To the Guardsmen of Battery B, 3/116th Field Artillery, God speed and stay safe.

To the families and other loved ones who share them not only for a weekend, a month, and two weeks in the summer, but for lengthy active duty deployments, thanks for supporting your loved ones - from a grateful nation.



Young drivers: You aren't invincible

A few days ago, a good friend emailed me that his children had just gotten their unrestricted drivers licenses.

It is one of the most exciting days in a kid's life (I can still remember the occasion, 61 years ago) and an unforgettable one for their parents (I have experienced that one three times).

I can also remember that in my earlier months of driving without a parent at my side, I prided myself on the number of times I got out of a tight situation behind the wheel.

I congratulated myself on my quick reflexes. And I was one of the lucky ones in that regard.

One day it occurred to me that I should become a good enough driver not to get into tight spots in the first place, rather than be proud of my ability to get out of them. That "ah-hah" moment has seen me through a lifetime of safe driving.

In those early months of getting



S.L. Frisbie

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out of tight spots that I should have avoided in the first place, I suffered from a sense of invincibility that too many young drivers have. I was convinced that serious traffic accidents — resulting in injuries or deaths — only happened to other people.

Perhaps the greatest danger was when passing other cars (four-lane highways being the rare exception in the late 1950s). It took me awhile to understand that two cars colliding head-on at a speed of 60 miles per hour was the equivalent of crashing into a brick wall at 120 miles per

hour.

An "invincible" driver figures he can always whip back into his own lane at the last spit-second to avoid that disaster. That is not invincibility; that is luck.

A skillful driver is patient enough to wait until he has plenty of time to pass safely.

There are other perils, of course: speeding, drag-racing, beating trains to the crossing, ignoring red lights or stop signs, and others.

Modern transportation technology has given us multi-lane divided highways, but modern communication technology has given us texting. Rare is the young person who does not have at least one "device," as they are collectively known.

Some studies suggest that a driver who is texting at the wheel is as much a risk to himself and others as a drunk driver.

Whatever the perils a person exposes himself and others to behind

the wheel, perhaps the greatest is a sense of invincibility — the belief that "it can't happen to me."

In a half-century of journalism, I have covered numerous fatal traffic accidents. They all had one thing in common: the victims never thought that would be their last day on this earth. The most tragic ones involved young people.

As a columnist and editorial writer, I get paid for giving people advice they never asked for.

I can think of no better advice than this:

Young drivers, always remember: you are not invincible.

(S. L. Frisbie is retired. The closest he ever came to switching careers was the Saturday morning when he covered the murder of two young people, and an hour or so later, the death of a young child in a traffic accident. He arrived at the scene moments before the victim's mother.)

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High stepping, baton twirling Priscilla Eveleth Rich



Bob Gernert Beneath the Chinaberry Tree

Bob Gernert is a student of Winter Haven history and founded the Museum of Winter Haven History.

She was only 17, but she twirled her way into the hearts of people all across America. Her name was Priscilla Eveleth, and she was a champion baton twirler who traveled the country as drum major for the American Legion Frierson Nichols Post 8 Drum and Bugle Corps. Her work with Post 8 brought recognition to Winter Haven across the United States, and for that, she became the youngest ever recipient of the Banker's Cup award in 1936. The Banker's Cup is Winter Haven's highest civic honor.

Priscilla was born June 7, 1919, in Rutland, Vt. She and older sister Pauline came to Florida with their parents, Julius M. and Sarah W. Eveleth in 1925. She graduated from Winter Haven High School in 1935, and attended Rollins College for a year.

In Florida, Mr. Eveleth owned two draglines, surplus from construction of the Panama Canal. He used those draglines to assist in the completion of our chain of lake canals. He then used them for heavy construction across Florida during the 1920s.

Prior to World War II, Priscilla married Frank Rich, a citrus grower. They bought the "Hollybrook Farm" near Davenport, and she lived there until 2007, when she was forced to move to an assisted living facility.

Priscilla Eveleth Rich died March 12, 2008 at the age of 88.

Her accomplishment, as well as one of the batons she twirled to fame, are on display in a new exhibit, "People from the Pages of Our History." The exhibit is open Saturdays through May from 9 a.m. to noon. (Please note the museum is closed Saturday, Jan. 20 for a private function.)

About the series

Early in Winter Haven's history, a



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Eveleth leads the Post 8 Drum and Bugle Corps while on tour across America.

large Chinaberry tree grew near the middle of Central Avenue at the corner of the Snell Bank (now the Times Square building). It was beneath this tree that early residents shared the news and solved the challenges of the day.

The Museum of Winter Haven History is open from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturdays. There are many new displays and pieces of Winter Haven history to see. Group visits are also available by appointment. Contact Bob Gernert at 863-206-6855 or bobgernert@gmail.com.

Priscilla Eveleth strikes a pose dressed as a drum major.



Tips for buying safely online



Grady Judd Polk County Sheriff

On Wednesday, Jan. 3, Polk County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a shooting at a residence in Polk City. One of the victims, legal a gun seller, had at least 31 guns stolen from the residence, leading the investigators to believe the motive for the murder was robbery. A second victim in the home, succumbed to his injuries on Jan. 12.

Through great detective work, three suspects were identified, and located

within one week of the murder, in Mobile, Ala., and arrested.

Investigators say the victim was very cautious when selling firearms and took precautions to prevent something like this from happening. Unfortunately, the shooter, who had been working for FEMA, got to know the victim through his work for him, and built up a trust.

Users of online classified web sites, whether buying or selling can be vulnerable to crimes. The Polk County Sheriff's Office urges citizens to make safety the highest priority when buying and selling goods advertised online.

To help ensure the experience is a positive one here are a few important safety tips:

Buyers and sellers should always meet in a busy public location, consider locations like a mall, food court, a busy parking lot during daylight or business

hours.

Consider using one of our Polk County Sheriff's Office substation parking lots as a meeting place.

Use the buddy system and always bring a cell phone.

As a buyer, bring only the cash needed for the purchase.

Arrive early and position yourself to observe and evaluate your surroundings.

Be leery of purchasers attempting to use a cashier's check from out of state or outside the country because it is likely counterfeit.

Remember ... if something seems too good to be true, it usually is.

New scams, schemes, and shysters are showing up all the time ... and not all of them get reported to the law enforcement, because some of the victims are embarrassed that they've been

duped. Let us know, let your friends and neighbors know. Education is a great tool in prevention.

The Polk County Sheriff's Office is always watching out for new types of fraud. Our Crime Prevention Unit is available to visit your communities, churches, and businesses, to speak about programs, and educational materials.

Be sure to LIKE us and FOLLOW us on Facebook (make sure it's Polk County Sheriff's Office in Florida, and not Iowa, or Texas, or wherever else), as we often alert our fans and followers about recent scams. Also on Facebook, we air live news conferences, and we share pictures, important reminders, and even stories of crimes that our community may be able to help us solve by providing us with information.

WINTER HAVEN NEWS

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parade



A dance team struts their stuff during the Winter Haven Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parade Saturday afternoon.



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Members of the Polk State College basketball team walk down Avenue T NE during the Winter Haven Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parade Saturday afternoon.



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Today's Jim Crow laws

When I was a child, I thought like a child, and was both innocent and knowledgeable to the reality of the legacy of the Jim Crow laws. As an adult, I am more conscious and concerned about the welfare of my fellow citizens, and especially those impacted by the remnants of the Jim Crow mindset. Inequality remains as the dust we still have not shaken from our heels as we enter a new year and put our youthful ways of our past behind us.



Dr. Shandale Terrell

The United States Supreme Court declared the Civil Rights Acts unconstitutional in 1883, which gave constitutional foundation to the Jim Crow laws. While Jim Crow laws were born

years ago, they brought an undisputed inequality based on race to life in a way that constructed the appearance of acceptability of racial discrimination, hate crimes, and even murders of African Americans. The depressing Jim Crow laws were statutes and ordinances established between the years of 1874 and 1975, to separate the races in the south.

During that time, the Jim Crow laws caused more than 4,000 executions to African American

men and women. Young children endured hate crimes that often times went unpunished, untried and some children were even murdered. There's no telling what other horrible acts that took place to demoralize Africa American citizens. These laws openly and systemically created separation of cultures, ethics, education, medical care and economics with the decisive and divisive condemnation of African American citizens. Inequality was the law in the United

States of America, more importantly the Southern States were the stronghold states that enforced the Jim Crow laws: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

Today we are still seeing functional separation and discrimination in our daily lives, in addition to the many institutions we operate in: K-12 schools, colleges, universities, the judicial system, health care, economic growth,

public and private jobs, communities, cities, counties, states and in our country. Inequality in unspoken laws wreak of the scent of Jim Crow laws. The interesting thing is we now have tools and resources to help us grow beyond the age of the Jim Crow laws. One of the most important tools is our vote and a critical resource is our voice.

Dr. Shandale Terrell is a community activist, leader, educator and a member of the Lakeland Branch NAACP.

Question is whether it reduces recidivism

In Polk County, the largest mental health treatment facility is the county jail. This is true for most of the 3,142 counties in the U.S. What this means is an individual with mental illness will not usually be treated until they have committed a crime. The courts do not allow the police to roundup individuals for just being crazy, they have to do something bad first. While I disagree with this, I don't have a say in the matter.

So, this leaves your county government trying to treat individuals with taxpayer dollars. This is a fine line to walk. Many among us believe this is a waste of their hard-earned money. After all, most of the patients are probably drug addicts and got there on their own. Why should the citizens be forced to pay for a problem these individuals brought on themselves? The problem with this way of dealing, or not dealing with the problem, leaves untreated mentally ill people roaming our streets. Look at the murder rate in our country. If you don't count gang murders and murders committed by the mentally ill, you have a very safe place to live.

On the one hand, we want to treat these people so they can get



Bill Braswell

back to a productive life. We all win if this occurs. Here in Polk County we are trying new and innovative ways that we hope will work. The benefit of these methods is the individual needing care receives the often neglected follow up care once they leave the jail. While they are in the jail they can be forced to take their medicine, but once they walk out, there is no follow-up. If they can get treatment and take their medicines, they are much less likely to commit a crime and return to jail. We are looking at a program that utilizes county paramedics as follow-up case workers as well as other

new treatment options.

When I tell people, we are looking for ways to keep these people out of jail, they often disagree. If they break the law, they should go to jail is the normal response. Keep in mind jails are expensive. Our South County and Bartow jails take up a large portion of the sheriff's \$165 million-plus budget. As recently as last summer, the sheriff advised the county commission the jail was nearing capacity, and action may be necessary. If you think treating mentally ill people is an expensive waste of tax dollars, wait til you see the cost of a new jail.

There are private organizations out there doing the same work, but if you dig down and find out how most of these organizations are funded, it leads back to you the taxpayer.

Here in Polk County, we will evaluate your return on investment in

these new programs. If they reduce recidivism with the dual function of making our streets safer

we will continue with them. If they don't, we will try something else. The cost of not trying is

far more in the long run. *Bill Braswell is Polk County Commissioner for District 3.*

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All Saints students explore Innovation Studio

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By **KATHY LEIGH BERKOWITZ**
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WINTER HAVEN – Students are pretty creative, that is true, but even more so when given an opportunity to find a solution.

And that is what students at All Saints Academy are doing when they enter Innovation Studios.

According to Rebecca Knowles, director of community engagement and educational partnerships, "Innovation Studios is a hands-on program where students are given an open-ended prompt and then work toward innovating a solution. It is based in the Architecture studio model, which is heavy on critique and iteration. In the semester-long course, each project will go through at least three iterations, developing in sophistication and quality each time."

All of the school's upper school students (grades 9 through 12, about 220 students) take Innovation Studios, as it is a required course.

And what does the school hope the outcome will be for Innovation students?

"At All Saints Academy, our mission is to inspire independent thinkers, principled leaders and humble learners," said Knowles. "Innovation Studios helps us carry out that mission by providing our students the opportunity to develop their skills in what we call the 'new basics.' These are: Creative Problem-Solving, Collaboration, Innovation, Iteration, Synthesis of Critique, Empathy, Tech and Media Literacy, Documentation, and Presentation Skills. These 'new basics' are the skills students will need to have in our changing economy in order to be successful. The outcome we hope for in Innovation Studio is that students develop



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A group of students works on a project at All Saints Academy.

and practice these skills."

All Saints is the first school in the country to embark on Innovation Studios.

Partnering with NuVu Studios, based in Cambridge, Mass., they have learned from NuVu how to run Innovation Studios in a more traditional school setting.

"With our success as the model, they are now expanding to other schools nationally," said Knowles.

Innovation Studio is different than other programs because it is open-ended and the projects are student-directed, she adds, noting outside of the general framework of the studio topic, students decide their next steps.

What is really cool about Innovation Studios is the types of projects the students come up with are only limited by their imaginations.

"In the past, projects have ranged from robots that interact with humans, to prosthetics for animals, to grocery carts of the future for Publix, to treehouse dwellings for Harmony on Lake Eloise, to documentaries about race, to music videos, to fan-engagement devices for the Lakeland Magic," says Knowles.

Projects are displayed in an exhibition at the end of each semester, according to Knowles.

Their Spring Exhibition will be the evening of May 1. The

public is invited.

"Some projects continue to be displayed in the Baldwin Center for Innovation and Collaboration, and projects done in partner studios are sometimes displayed by the partners. For example, the Lakeland Magic displayed the projects from their studio at a recent game, and the Watson Clinic Cancer Center's Arts in Medicine program will be displaying the projects from their partner studio later this semester," she added.

Funding for the program comes primarily from tuition and gifts to the school.

"We love being an active supporter of innovation in education throughout the community, so more than anything we want people to come see what we are doing at ASA and think about the applications this kind of innovative curriculum could have in other areas of education. We also actively seek out community partnerships for studios — where the students work on a topic that is based on a real-world problem the partner is facing," she said.

The partners serve as mentors to the students, providing background information and precedents at the beginning, and feedback and critique throughout the process, notes Knowles. Some partners Innovation

Studios has worked with include Harmony on Lake Eloise/

Harmony Institute, Publix Supermarkets, the United Way,

HEARTH, and Special Olympics.

Notice of Election Village of Highland Park, Florida

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with Section 100.21 Florida Statutes, The Village of Highland Park will hold a General Election on **Tuesday, April 3, 2018** for the election of a Commission Member for a three year term.

Qualifying begins at 12:00 noon on **Monday, February 12, 2018** and ends 12:00 noon, **Friday, February 16, 2018**. Candidates shall be qualified elector of the district from which he/she is nominated. All candidates shall have continuously been residents of the city for a period of one year prior to nomination.

Please contact the Village Clerk's office at: 863-455-6518.

WINTER HAVEN NEWS

Goal: Keep airport running smoothly through change

By **KATHY LEIGH BERKOWITZ**
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WINTER HAVEN – Winter Haven Regional Airport is in a transition right now and it is the goal of the city to keep it running in a smooth manner until it secures a new airport director. The airport advisory board met last Thursday to discuss the changes and day to day business.

With numerous runway projects going on, City Growth Management Director Merle Bishop said the city elected to appoint Tim Shea, who has worked with AVCON (one of the city's airport consultants) as interim director.

Shea retired after 35 years of airport management, and said, "It is nice to be back at an airport."

In his most recent days, he visited several people who use the airport as well as those who help run daily operations to get a good picture of what needs to be done.

"Things sort of fell off

a cliff," he noted, after former airport director Leo Treggi left, adding that there are some things, such as fuel reports, that need to be located.

"Not a good position to be in with all the knowledge in one place," he said, adding that others need to have knowledge of how to locate reports and other items needed.

Bishop said the "re-work of the way things are done at the airport will give a chance to look at issues that need to be addressed."

Bishop also said the city would like for the new airport director, once selected, to get acclimated with the airport and make recommendations as to what would make things run better.

One issue has been ongoing construction, which is due to be wrapped up in March this year.

According to Roger Buchanan, who lives at the outskirts near some of the construction, he has not been able to get his aircraft out of

his hangar for several months.

He addressed Winter Haven city commissioners last week about the issue. He was advised by Commissioner Willie Twyford, who also sits on the airport committee, to attend the meeting so he could speak with the committee and the interim airport manager.

Shea welcomed the opportunity to get to know Buchanan, noting, "Let's walk and kick the dirt," and see if they could find a solution so he could use his aircraft.

Bruce Lyons, board chair, apologized to Buchanan on behalf of the airport, saying "We regret that you have been displaced."

In other business, the city decided to combine two staff positions into one position, instead of having a senior staff assistant and a contract service manager.

Meanwhile, Growth Management's staff assistant, Jana Wasmund has been spending about three to four hours a day helping in that regard at the airport, said Bishop.



PHOTO BY KATHY LEIGH BERKOWITZ

Members of the Airport Advisory Board met last week and discussed airport operations for the next couple of months while the city searches for a new airport director. Tim Shea, far right, is the interim airport manager, having more than three decades in the business.

Lyons also told the group that airport communications need to "go beyond" the group of people in the airport conference room.

He said he would like to see all airport tenants and those who use the airport to be involved and apprised of airport news.

The group discussed a possible newsletter.

Twyford noted, "I want people to be able to say I have a problem here," adding "we need to know about it" if there is one.

Shea reached out to airport consultants for project updates and reported, "The paving,

the striping, and lighting will all come together rapidly" very soon.

The city has two interviews with potential airport director candidates set for Jan. 23 and 24.

"I am glad to see Tim on board," said committee member Jeff Donalson.

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Please be advised that representatives of the City of Bartow and the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades No. 78, representing the Bartow General Employees bargaining unit will meet on Friday, January 26, 2018 at 9:00 A.M. in the City Commission Chamber at Bartow City Hall, 450 N. Wilson Ave., Bartow, FL 33830.

This purpose of this meeting is to conduct collective bargaining negotiations.

If anyone decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons with disabilities needing special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk's office prior to this proceeding at telephone number 863-534-0100 for assistance; if hearing impaired call 1-800-955-8771 or voice impaired call 1-800-955-8770 (VOICE) for assistance.

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Please be advised that representatives of the City of Bartow and the West Central Florida Police Benevolent Association, representing the Bartow Police Department bargaining unit will meet on Friday, January 26, 2018 at 2:00 P.M. in the City Commission Chamber at Bartow City Hall, 450 N. Wilson Ave., Bartow, FL 33830.

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The Mission founder passes at 76

By CHARLES A. BAKER III
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WINTER HAVEN – The founder of The Mission, a non-profit at 180 Central Ave. whose volunteers help the homeless and other struggling local residents, passed away Thursday afternoon after a short battle with pneumonia.

Thomas Bradley Beaugard, known to many as Papa Tom, called Winter Haven his “Haven of Rest in the Lord.” Papa Tom told The Mission board member Lora Watts Donley that his teenage years were challenging and that he joined the U.S. Navy as soon as he could. “He was no angel during that time,” Donley said. “From Satan worshiping to drug dealing, he had tried it all and it was in his escape from the drug world that he ended up in Winter Haven, the place he called his Haven of Rest in the Lord. That is where he found his true calling in life.”

On March 13, 1972, at exactly 12:07 a.m., Papa Tom was listening to Bridge Over Troubled Water by Simon and Garfunkel. Donley said that is the moment Tom dedicated his life to the Lord.

In 1976, Tom felt the need to help others beyond the four walls of his home and into the community, Donley said. He taught Sunday School at First Baptist Church and later at Calvary Baptist Church in Winter Haven. In 1977, he created his first ministry, Kings Kids Counseling, serving foster children.

The Mission board member BJ Mannix said he met Papa Tom in 1987 at Calvary Baptist Church.

“He would take in troubled teens, feed them,

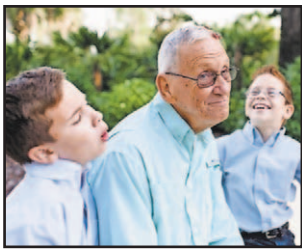


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“Papa” Tom Beaugard, pictured with Caleb and Jayden Berry, who affectionately called him grandpa, passed away Thursday afternoon.

help get their life on track,” Mannix said. “That man never met a stranger and he was loved by all.”

Papa Tom started feeding the community during regular Winter Haven events in the years that followed, and as they got larger, he rented out office space near where Jensen’s Corner Bar is now to feed more people. With help from many, including city officials who helped with zoning problems, Christian Family and Youth Services, as it was known then, moved to its current location on Central Avenue in 2000 and started doing business as The Mission.

Four years later, Papa Tom started to experience health problems.

“If he was telling his story, he would say he finally found a family to call his own in 2004, and he adopted us and we adopted him right back,” said Arlene Berry, who now runs The Mission with her husband, David.

Arlene said there will forever be a void without her beloved Papa Tom.

“If you asked Papa Tom what his greatest accomplishment was, he would tell you it was loving people and introducing them to Jesus,” Arlene said. “It’s what he did and it’s all he knew to do. But Tom

would want you to know that he couldn’t have done any of this without the help of others. Without the mentoring and discipleship of his spiritual mom and dad, Arnold and Anna Ruth Silvert, he would not have become the man he was.”

David Berry said Tom spoke a lot in his bedroom at The Mission where he passed to a better life Thursday with loved ones surrounding him.

“He told me words that every son would want to hear from his dad,” David said. “But the ones I will remember most are these, lead with grace, respond with compassion and most of all make time to be goofy, Jesus likes that.”

Born as Richard Bradley Fullam, Papa Tom was adopted by Philip and Antoinette Beaugard who have since also passed along with his sister Dorothy St. Denis. He is survived by his brother and sister-in-law Philip and Connie Beaugard, nieces and nephews, his adopted son William Beaugard and grandson Bogey Beaugard.

A Celebration of Life service is planned at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 with a reception to follow at Winter Haven Worship Center at 1835 Overlook Drive in Winter Haven. In lieu of flowers, donations are accepted in his honor to The Mission of Winter Haven, PO Box 2586, Winter Haven, FL 33883.

“He was a father to the fatherless, a pastor to the homeless and the hopeless, a friend to the broken and forgotten, joy to the heavy-hearted and could make anyone laugh, no matter how down and out they were,” Arlene Berry said.

OBITUARIES

William J. Stewart

William Joel “Bill” Stewart, 87, entered into eternal rest on Saturday, Jan. 6, 2018, surrounded by his loving family.

He is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Esther Frances Leyendecker Stewart; children, Nancy Barbara Blair (Randall), Dr. William Joel Stewart, Jr. (Sylvia), Theresa Ann Powell (Michael) and Cynthia Louise Rodriguez; sister Bobbie Stewart Diamond Edwards; niece, Sandra Raulerson (Bo); and nephew, Roger E. Diamond.

Mr. Stewart is preceded in death by his parents, Ralph Waldo and Mayne Louise Stewart; and brothers-in-law, Emory Diamond and John Edwards.

Visitation was held from 5 p.m. to



WILLIAM J. STEWART

9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12, 2018, at Joe Jackson North Funeral & Cremation Services, 1410 Jacaman Road in Laredo, Texas, where a rosary was recited at 7 p.m.

Funeral procession departed at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 13, 2018, from the funeral home to Blessed Sacrament Church for a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. Interment then followed with full military honors at the Catholic Cemetery following the mass.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Bethany House of Laredo, Inc., 817 Hidalgo Street; Laredo, Texas 78040 or online at www.bethanyhouseoflaredo.org.

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WINTER HAVEN NEWS

Florence Villa CRA advisory adds 2 new members

By **KATHY LEIGH BERKOWITZ**
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WINTER HAVEN – The Florence Villa CRA advisory board met last week and appointed two new members to their committee.

Based on consensus, the board added Joe Bogdahn of Six/Ten LLC and Brian Yates, vice president of mortgage and production at CenterState Bank to their number.

A third applicant, Dinah Joseph, owner of 5-Star Insurance Agency in Winter Haven was considered, but not approved at this time, as she lives out of the area. Her office is in Winter Haven, so she commutes to the area almost every day.

JP Powell, minutes before he would be sworn in as newly elected Winter Haven city commissioner to Seat 5, turned in his letter of resignation to the group.

He did offer his opinion as to the consideration of new CRA advisory candidates, noting he has known Bogdahn for year, and Yates, “since

he was born.”

The group chuckled. Powell noted that Yates’ involvement would be helpful with his banking background.

Joseph was considered, but board members felt it might be a challenge for her to be involved in that she lives in Orlando.

The goal of the board and its advisory board is to eliminate blight and appropriate tax increments to fight slums and deteriorating parts of Florence Villa.

Appointees to the advisory board serve a two-year term. The board is supposed to have 10 members, and two of those have to be from the Florence Villa Community development board. The group meets quarterly at 5:30 p.m. before the second Monday’s city commission meeting.

If any issue comes up that involves property owned by Six/Ten Corp., then Bogdahn will have to recuse himself from any decision making regarding the property.

Members asked Eric Labbe, manager

of the city’s Growth Management Department, who was moderating the meeting, if any other seat comes open, then does Joseph have to reapply, and Labbe answered that no, she does not have to reapply. Her application will be kept on file.

Powell said upon tendering his resignation, “I think we’ve come through some tough times,” noting “It has been an honor to serve with each and every one of you.”

Labbe advised the group that a property in the CRA has applied to open a group home at 804 Avenue T.

The property is a 6 bedroom, 6 bath house that had racked up code violations with the city, so all the former occupants had to be evicted.

The present owner is in the process of getting all the permits needed to proceed with the move. Labbe noted there will be a “significant” amount of renovating that needs to take place.

The property received a nod of approval from



PHOTO BY KATHY LEIGH BERKOWITZ

The Florence Villa CRA advisory board met last week and appointed two new members after JP Powell resigned from the board. Joe Bogdahn, left, and Brian Yates, center, were added to the board. Dinah Joseph, right, was under consideration, but because she lives out of town, was not appointed. She owns a business in Winter Haven.

the Planning Committee, Labbe said, for occupancy of no more than six adults, and they will

be those who deal with special challenges. A nurse would be required on site, he said.

The property sits across from the Winter Haven Recreational and Cultural Center.

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Man shot on morning walk

At 5:29 a.m. Monday morning, a 69-year-old man taking a morning walk was shot in the leg in Bartow, the police department reported.

The unidentified victim was walking in the 1900 block of South Floral Avenue across from the Polk County School Board office.

Officers found the victim suffering from a gunshot wound to the leg and also found that he was severely beaten.

The victim and his 88-year-old friend, were taking their morning walk as they customarily do. A white vehicle pulled alongside of them as they were walking on the sidewalk. The suspect's vehicle parked in the grass just east of Floral Avenue next to the victims. Three males exited the vehicle and one was armed with a silver semi-auto handgun, police reported. The suspect armed with the handgun demanded the victim's property and then kicked and beat the victim before shooting him in his leg. The suspects then fled the area in their vehicle, police reported.

A cellular telephone

and firearm owned by the victim were stolen during the robbery.

The suspects are described as three black males between 20-30 years old. The vehicle driven by the suspects is described as a newer white vehicle possibly four-door.

The Bartow Police Department is requesting help from the community with identifying the suspect's vehicle or the suspects involved in this robbery and shooting.

Anyone with information regarding this incident contact Detective Jason Griffith at 863-534-5042 or people can remain anonymous and contact Heartland Crime stoppers at 1-800-226-TIPS (8477).

Man killed after shootout

On Jan. 12, a Lakeland man was shot and critically injured by Polk County Sheriff's Office deputies, after he shot at them while they were attempting to conduct a traffic stop on him on Lakeland Hills Boulevard and University Boulevard in Lakeland.

The man was identified

as Joshua A Imhoff, 32, of 2507 Meadow Lane, Lakeland, according to reports.

Deputies responded to a domestic disturbance on Powerline Road, Davenport around 4:30 a.m. Imhoff's



IMHOFF

ex-girlfriend reported that he sent her threatening messages, and a photo of a gun, putting her in fear for her life. A BOLO was issued for the suspect and his blue Toyota Tacoma. Responding units were informed that Imhoff was armed and that he had made suicide-by-cop statements in the past. At 5:35 a.m., Imhoff's truck was spotted on U.S. 27 near Interstate 4, and as deputies attempted a traffic stop, he began doing donuts on the on ramp, then fled westbound on I-4.

Deputies attempted to stop the truck with stop-sticks as he was exiting I-4 at Exit 38, but he drove around them while trying to ram one of the deputies.

A second attempt with the stop-sticks was

successful, causing damage to the truck's tires. Imhoff, while still driving, began shooting at the deputies out his window.

After losing control of his truck, and coming to a stop off of State Road 33 near University Boulevard in Lakeland, Imhoff continued exchanging gunfire with deputies as he started running south on foot. One deputy knocked Imhoff to the ground with his patrol car.

As the deputies moved to apprehend him, Imhoff came at them with a knife. The deputies shot Imhoff, hitting him three times. Deputies then began life-saving measures on Imhoff. EMS transported him to a nearby hospital, where he remains in stable condition. Imhoff's next-of-kin has been notified.

None of the deputies were injured.

Imhoff is being charged with: attempted first-degree murder on a LEO (six counts), aggravated assault on a LEO, fleeing to elude, aggravated stalking, domestic violence by strangulation, carrying a concealed weapon (knife in boot), possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, and threats

against LEO.

This is an ongoing investigation.

Attorney, 2 others charged in cocaine trafficking

Polk County Sheriff's Office detectives and members of the High Intensity Drug Trafficking task force arrested a former police officer who is now a Tampa attorney, along with two other men Thursday, Jan. 10, on drug trafficking charges.

The men arrested were Robert Carr, 66, from Thonotosassa; Brandon Byars, 37, from Tampa; and Logan Sebring, 24, from Bayonet Point. Carr served with Tampa Police Department for five years, and is currently an attorney who owns the Resolute Law Group, and also happens to be representing Logan Sebring in a previous criminal case.

According to the affidavits, HIDTA detectives had become aware of possible drug trafficking by Byars, and began investigating him. An undercover detective arranged to meet Byars to make a narcotics

transaction.

Byars said that he would be coming with his supplier, who would have to see the money first. The deal was for one-to-four kilos of cocaine at \$25,000 a kilo.

Surveillance was conducted on the suspects prior to the agreed transaction location. They were first observed in the parking lot of a north Lakeland restaurant, Byars was

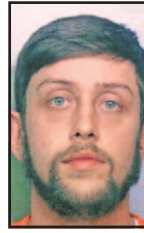
in a Ford F-150, and Carr drove a Kia Optima with Sebring as his passenger. While there, all three men were seen looking into the trunk of the Kia. They got into the vehicles, and proceeded to the parking lot of a nearby store to make the transaction.



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Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with Section 100.021, Florida Statutes, the City of Bartow will hold a Regular Election on Tuesday, April 3, 2018, between the hours of 7 AM and 7 PM, for the election of TWO City Commissioners for three-year terms.

SEAT 1 – AT-LARGE DISTRICT - currently held by James F. Clements
SEAT 2 – CENTRAL DISTRICT – currently held by W. Patrick Huff

The qualifying period begins at 9:00 AM on Monday, February 5, 2018 and ends on Friday, February 9, 2018 at 5:00 PM.

To become a candidate, you must be a registered voter in Polk County, a qualified elector in the City of Bartow residing in the corporate limits of the City continuously for eighteen months immediately preceding the date of commencement of the term of office and hold no other public office. Additionally, candidates seeking to qualify for **SEAT NO. 2** (Central District), **must reside within that district.**

The office is for the term of three years and will commence May 2018. The salary for Commissioner is \$917.89 per month. The filing fee for Commission Member is \$110.15 (1% of annual salary).

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SCHOOL NEWS

Graduation rate rises to 75.4 percent

Polk County Public Schools district's graduation rate rose to 75.4 percent, an increase of 3.6 percentage points, according to the latest data from the Florida Department of Education.

"We are beyond proud of the results we have achieved for our students and our community," said Superintendent Jacqueline M. Byrd. "Our graduation rate is the result of a lot of hard work by teachers, principals, district-based administrators and, most certainly, students. We have worked tirelessly to remove barriers, to provide targeted support to our students, to work together as a united school district in pursuit of increasing our graduation rate."

Nearly all schools maintained or saw gains in their 2016-2017 graduation rates compared to the prior year.

Two schools that experienced dramatic improvement were

School Briefs

Tenoroc High, where the graduation rate rose 13 percentage points to 70.7, and Mulberry High, which has a graduation rate of 87.3 percent, an increase of 11 percentage points.

The 14 traditional high schools saw a graduation rate of approximately 82 percent.

For details, visit: <https://goo.gl/69gdqX>.

Area students recognized by SFSC

South Florida State College recognized students who pursued and achieved academic excellence during their course of study at the college. Students are named to the President's List for receiving a semester GPA between 3.8 and 4.0.

Fort Meade students named to the fall 2017 President's List were Lizbeth Macedo, Clifton Sellers, Ethan Walker and Anna Wiley.

Frostproof students named to the fall 2017 President's List were Elizabeth Becerra, Anabel Cardenas, Ashley Cobb, Shelby Cornelius, Jodi Haley, Sonia Rodriguez, Antonio Tirado, Charles True IV, Chilo Underwood Monk and Jose Vega Hernandez.

Lake Wales students named to the fall 2017 President's List were Ashley Abbatoy, Michael Oftedahl, and Alison Wurth.

Lakeland students named to the fall 2017 President's List were Aaron DALto, Marion Groover, Donna Miranda and Michael Rosenau.

Students are named to the Vice President's List for receiving a GPA between 3.5 and 3.79.

Fort Meade student Philip Riddle was named to the fall 2017 Vice President's List.

Frostproof students named to the fall 2017 Vice President's List were Isabel Cardenas and Timothy Conley.

Lake Wales students

named to the fall 2017 Vice President's List were Cheyanne Byrd, Shyla Collins, Jessica Hignight, Edward Huff, Michael Smith Sr. and Robert Williams.

College and University recruitment night

The Virgil Hawkins Bar Association Inc., and the National Pan-Hellenic Council of Polk County plans a free College and University recruitment event for all students interested in learning in a diverse, culturally rich environment. Florida's Historical Black Tie event is planned from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Coleman Bush Building, 1104 Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave., Lakeland. The universities present will include Bethune-Cookman University, Edward Waters College, Florida A&M University and Florida Memorial University.

Recruiters will have information on financial

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POLK COUNTY SPORTS

Strickler seeks for youth soccer to grow

(Mike Strickler has been part of the Florida Youth Soccer Association for about two decades now. Normally, he and the rest of the soccer fans in Polk County would be pretty excited about the 2018 World Cup that starts in June. Except that, almost incomprehensibly, the United States failed to qualify for the once-every-four-years event. There's no doubt about the growth of the sport in the last decade or so. Look to the east and see what the Orlando City Lions have done in that time frame, or to the west, where the Tampa Bay Rowdies have revitalized a brand name and hope to join the Major League Soccer frenzy in the coming years too. Heck, even locally the sport is gaining a bigger foothold with the Florida Tropics, in their second season in the Major Arena Soccer League, and their sister franchise, the Lakeland Tropics who play at Bryant Stadium in the USL's Premier Development League. So successful was their first-season last summer that they not only will likely be invited to be a participant in the prestigious Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup this spring – yup, the same round-robin event that features teams from MLS all the way down to teams like the Tropics – Lakeland might even get to host a Cup game to boot. That would really help put the sport on the map here in a big way. Strickler is the FYSA Director of Coaching and Player Development. Earlier this month, and again in February, Auburndale's Lake Myrtle Park is the site for hundreds of Florida's best young soccer players basically youngsters born from 2001 to 2006) part of the FYSA's Olympic Development Program that aims to identify, and as the name indicates, develop the best young players in Florida, so someday, we never have to sit out a World Cup again.)

SCMG: How do you identify the players that are invited to Auburndale to attend these sessions?

MS: "We have two ways we can



bring them in. The first way is if they went to Alabama last year so they've already been to a region camp. Those players are already in. And then in the fall we hold trials for players, as well as scouting players. However way we get to see them, we add those players into the pool, so we have anywhere from 60 to 120 in a pool depending on the age group.

SCMG: And what exactly are they doing on these weekends?

MS: "Basically what we do is in the first session we do training. And then depending on what the coaches want to do from there, they'll either play Saturday afternoon or they'll train, and then the same thing on Sunday. That's for the youngest age group. For the older age groups we'll only run two sessions, we'll train on Saturday afternoon and train on Sunday morning."

SCMG: Obviously the soccer skills are fairly evident. Are there other things you are looking for on these weekends?

MS: "Really, it depends on each individual player. For example, there's a player that I have in one of the age groups, she's a finisher. She's going to score goals. There's others that will be defensively stronger in that regard, and basically what we do is compare each of the players against what we have in the pool, and at the end of the day we'll take, depending on the age group, we'll take our top 18, or 36, or even in the youngest age group we'll take 54 players. So really what they're doing is showing their abilities, and we'll move them

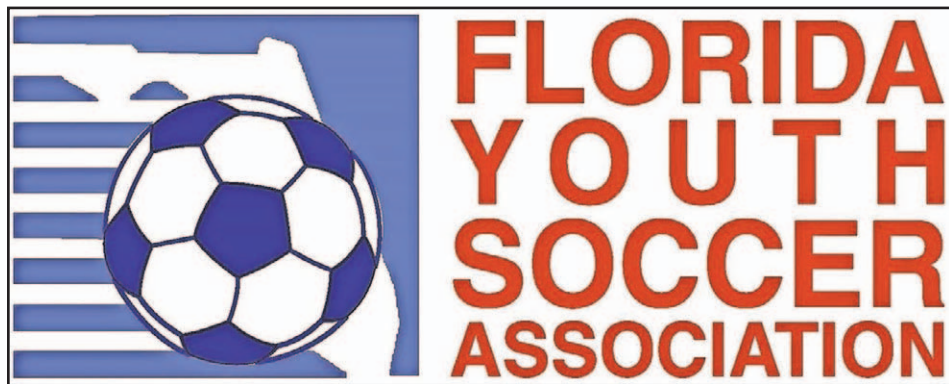


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around a little bit because some players you'll say, 'well, she's really not a forward, let's see if we can use her as an outside back.' We do take some players that way. So a lot of it is us trying to compare those players to the standard we're looking for."

SCMG: Once they're pared down, what's the next step?

MS: "Well, we'll bring them in for two team trainings in June, we'll prepare the group and then we go to region camp in Alabama where we'll play against other teams in the Southeast. And eventually we'll be one of the top teams in those age groups depending on whether we're playing our first, second or third team. And basically, when these players are playing, they're getting identified by a U.S. Soccer scout or something of that way, to bring them into a national pool. For example, we've got a group going to Phoenix at the end of the month from last year, and those players will be looked at by U.S. Soccer women's staff to see if they think any of them can play with the national teams."

SCMG: Are the kids conscious about the U.S. missing the World Cup, or are they generally happy to be there to just play soccer?

MS: "Yeah, I think they're just happy to go out and play soccer. Obviously, as they get higher up in the ages, they're looking 'what are we doing here, how are we going to

participate with our national teams,' but that's something right now that's not on the table, at least for the men. Now the women, they're still progressing through, and the women particularly have done better than the men in the past."

SCMG: Is the set up still working pretty well to identify top talent, or are there improvements in the process that you think might help?

MS: "We've done this for a lot of years. And a lot of our players, we got looked at at the regional level, the national level quite a bit. That happened a lot in Florida. Now that U.S. Soccer has added their developmental academy, for the men and the women, we don't get as many players in the upper levels anymore. In Florida, we have lots of various areas where we have really strong groups play. But they're not served by the U.S. Developmental academy, so either the player has to move or they're never going to get looked at by the national team coach. The one thing we're having a hard time with – on the girl's side we're getting some support, we've got some staff, there's coaches coming watching the players – but on the men's side we don't have any input on what they're doing. There's going to be a big discussion at the (U.S. Soccer) annual general meeting in February in Orlando, because we're really not getting to see the best players we have in the country."

More than 100 softball teams to descend on Polk

SENIOR SWINGERS – We can only hope that the weather is a little warmer by the time 108 senior softball teams from around the country – there's even a team coming from Guam – descend on Polk County early next month for the Senior Softball USA Tournament of Champions. Teams ranges from players age 40 to 85. Four teams, from West Palm Beach, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan, are entered in the age 80 and older category. There will be an all-star game, and skills competition for home run hitting, precision hitting, speed and pitching. Games will be played at the Auburndale Sports Complex, Diamondplex in Winter Haven, Loyce Harpe Park, the Southside Softball Complex in Lakeland and Westside Softball Complex in Lakeland. Games will be staged from Feb. 7 to Feb. 11. Visit seniorsoftball.com for more information.

AND THEN CAME MAUDE – It will still be some months before folks in Winter Haven will actually get to enjoy it, but the Lake Maude



recreational complex is right around the corner. In fact, the official groundbreaking on the \$4.4 million project at 11 a.m. Thursday. The site, which should take about eight months to actually complete Phase 1, will include three fields, scoreboards, concessions, a pavilion and parking to serve those in the northeast part of the city. The park will be located at Avenue O at 7th Street NE, across the street from the Lake Maude Nature Park.

BASKETBALL JONES – If you're jonsing for a little hardcourt action, and watching it on TV just isn't filling the bill, you might want to mark Jan. 27 on your calendar. That's when Webber and Warner renew their hoop rivalry. The gym is small, the crowd is large (and excitable),

and the basketball is happening. That game is at Webber's gym in Babson Park. The two teams tangled in December on Warner's campus, with the Royals taking a 97-85 win. If you can't wait that long, Warner is at Southeastern tomorrow night which is sure to be an entertaining matchup. And the Fire, ranked No. 15 in the country, will be at Webber on Saturday. Happy hoopin'!

FREE TREE – You can earn one this Friday at Winter Haven's Central Park, during the city's Florida Arbor Day celebration. There will be educational booths to disseminate information about what to plant, where to plant, the whys about proper planting so to speak, and more. Polk County master gardeners and the county forester will be on hand to help answer questions. Those who attend can get a free tree by visiting at least three of the information booths. The fun runs from 5 to 7 p.m. It's all brought to you by The City of Winter Haven Natural Resources Division and Urban Forestry Advisory Board in

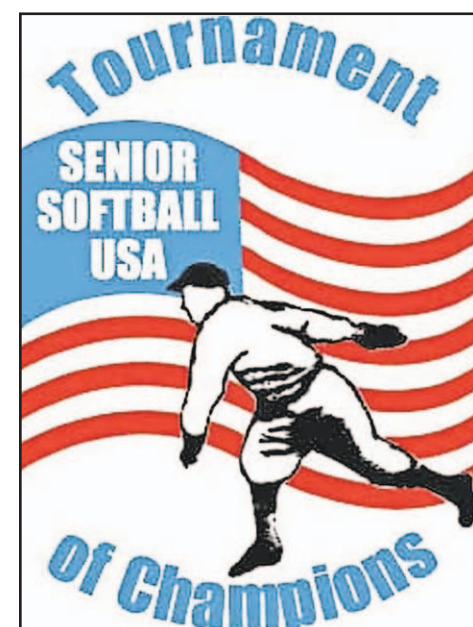


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The Senior Softball USA Tournament of Champions is scheduled Feb. 7-11 at various places around Polk County.

conjunction with the Polk County/UF/IFAS Extension Office.

POLK COUNTY SPORTS

Should have thought of this sooner

Sometimes, it doesn't take a group of Rhodes Scholars to come up with a way to improve an existing plan.

Sometimes, there's a better way to do something so obvious that you slap your forehead and wonder why it wasn't so in the first place.

For the most part, state high school football fans and coaches liked the new playoff changes implemented this past season, where a points system determined post-season spots – albeit complicated and hard to figure out on a week to week basis.

The points rankings were the only thing that mattered for Classes 1A-4A, where districts were eliminated altogether. Classes 5A-8A retained their district set up, but only the regular season champions were guaranteed a playoff spot. The rest of the field was determined by points, instead of the district runner-up getting an automatic spot too.

But a few tweaks – after living through the first season of the new



Brian Ackley
Adk's Angles

format – were in order, at least that is what many in the Florida High School Athletic Association football advisory group thought, so they got the ball rolling in that direction last week with a series of recommendations that will be voted on by the full state group later this month.

Fans in Frostproof and Fort Meade should be happiest about the update. In short, now six teams from each of four regions around the state would qualify for the post-season instead of just four.

The reason? Well, as the FHSAA

noted in giving agenda background on the proposed change, "We currently have an extra week for Class 1A-4A on the championship calendar. We should use this week to allow more teams into the playoffs. Since districts have been eliminated, it is only fair to take more into the tournament at the end to assure that the best teams are not left out."

Yup, sounds about right. It wouldn't have changed anything locally this past fall – Frostproof finished third, and Fort Meade was seventh – but obviously it makes sense to reward more teams if possible. The new system would give teams ranked No. 1 and 2 a first-week playoff bye. So instead of 16 teams statewide that qualified for the post-season, there will not be 24 Class 1A teams fighting for a title.

There are other proposed tweaks that will bring more potential fairness to the rankings for all classes.

For example, all teams will get more points for a so-called high-quality

loss. In layman's terms, the formula now means that a loss to a category 1 team (8-2 record or better) will equal the same number of points for a win against a category 4 team (3-7 or worse record).

Dove-tailing on that, teams will now qualify for more bonus points for playing schools in larger classes, something that could really benefit Fort Meade and Frostproof, who regularly have much larger schools on their slates.

Also considered, but shot down, were proposals that would spread out smaller school teams more evenly among the regions, largely because of the same reason it was set up this way in the first place, geography. The idea of reinstating districts for the small schools to was unanimously rejected by the seven-person advisory panel.

Kudos to those involved for not settling for the status quo, and instead living and learning, and adjusting, just one year into the change.

Taking adventure racing to whole new level

For those not in the know, paramotoring is effectively flying with a motor tied to your back and a paragliding wing above your head and is growing rapidly as a sport. On Friday, Jan. 5, a host of competitors took off from Lake Wales Municipal Airport for a 232 nautical mile race, which travelled to Palm Bay and Lake Okeechobee before heading back to the finish line at Lake Wales.

Few pilots had anticipated such cold temperatures when they signed up for the race however, and on the first day, the chilly weather led to one pilot having to pull out as he became too cold to carry on.

The rest of the field battled on, resulting in a close fought race with several pilots neck-and-neck as they bedded down for the first night, wherever they could find somewhere comfortable to sleep.

On Saturday morning, one of the pre-race favorites, Jon Eisele, a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, had a mechanical failure, which effectively ended his chance of a win. This left two main contenders in the air battling it out for glory, with American Bryan Richards eventually being first across the line on Saturday evening; taking the title and winning a place in the Icarus trophy (a larger scale paramotoring race taking place in southern Africa in July), before fading light stopped play for the day.

While some of the remaining pilots managed to cross the

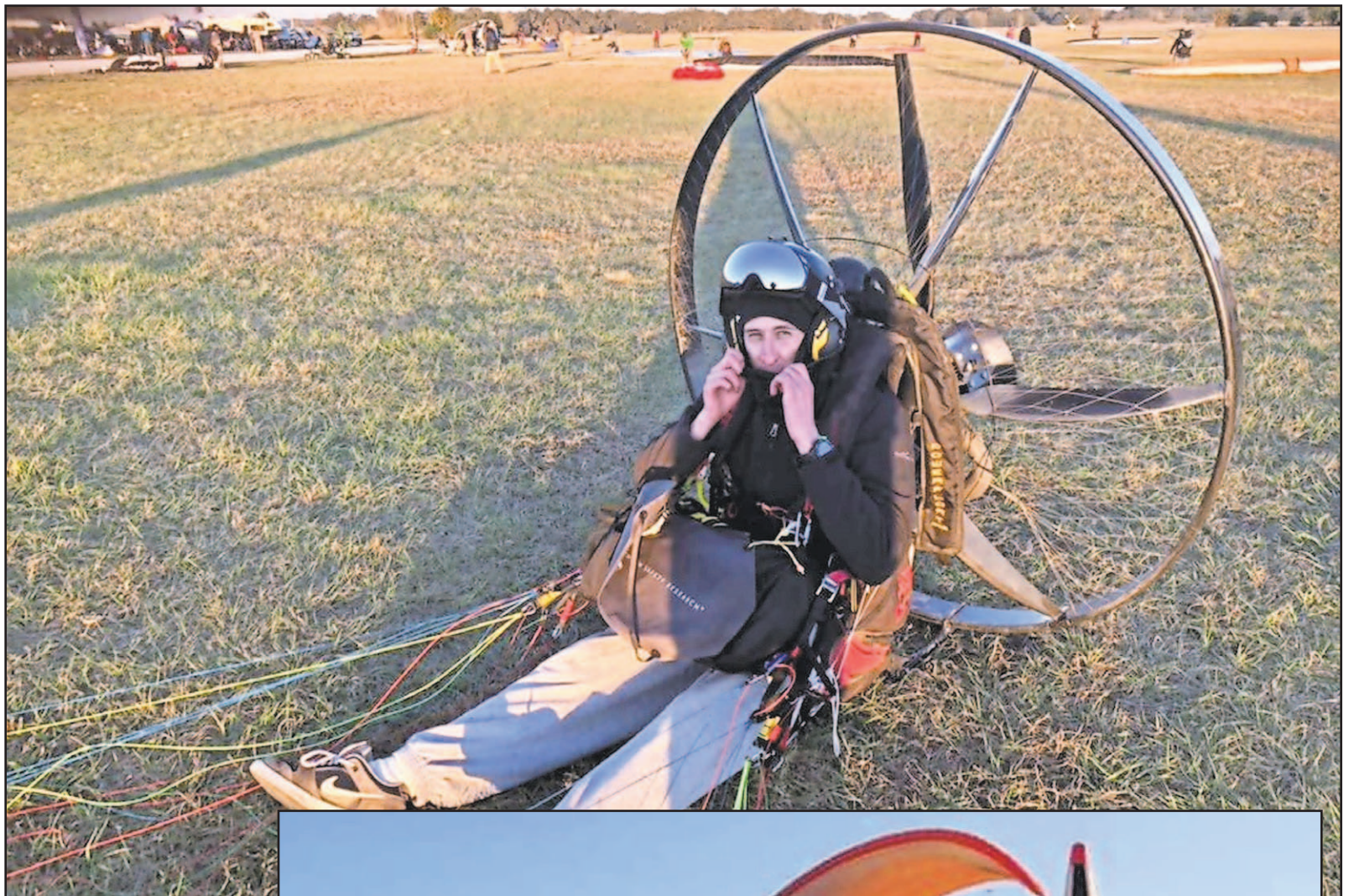


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Above: Bryan Richards after winning the Icarus X Florida 2018 at the Lake Wales Airport on Jan. 7.

line on Sunday, strong headwinds meant others had to sit out the day and wait until Monday to finish.

For more information on Icarus, go to www.icarustrophy.com.

Right: Bryan Richards crossing the finish line in the Icarus X race at Lake Wales Airport on Jan. 7.



LAKE WALES NEWS

Barnett: Water is getting worse now

By CHARLES A. BAKER III
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LAKE WALES – Staff at Lake Wales Museum and Cultural Center kicked off its 2018 Speaker Presentation Series Thursday night with award-winning environmental journalist and author Cynthia Barnett and her presentation, “Blue Revolution: A water ethic for Florida.”

Barnett’s presentation was centered around the concept that during the 1960s and 1970s, pollution was out of hand and a new ethic among the public forced change. Barnett said the Florida water crisis could be solved by people coming together once again to demand similar

change.

“For the first time since the environmental laws of the 1970s, today’s children are not inheriting water as clean and abundant as the generation before,” Barnett said.

Barnett showed those in attendance a map recently created by the United States Geological Service showing that water shortages are not restricted to places like Los Angeles and Las Vegas. Water shortages associated with over consumption are now taking place in Florida, Georgia and eight other states from Texas to South Dakota.

Barnett brought up the Tampa Bay water wars of the 1980s, a time when Hillsborough, Pinellas

and Pasco county lawyers fought over water shortages. She said problems like that are expanding to other areas of Florida now. On Jan. 8, the U.S. Supreme Court heard oral arguments in reference to a three-decade-old legal fight involving lawyers representing Florida and Georgia for example, with allegations that Georgia residents were consuming so much water from the Chattahoochee River that downstream in Florida, there were environmental repercussions as a result.

Barnett said she is not just spreading negativity. With technology advancement, industry and agribusiness have started using less water, resulting in decreases in per

capita and overall water use compared to past decades. But that message, for some, seemed to cloud the issue. After her presentation, there was even one attendee who seemed to think water shortages were decreasing, not increasing in the Sunshine State.

Barnett said the solution to the water shortage is not spending money on large infrastructure projects that increase the amount of water available but a new ethic of conservation efforts. Nationwide, Americans consume half of all available water on lawns.

“The lawn is America’s largest crop,” Barnett said. “NASA scientists using satellite imagery have found the nation is covered with

63,240 square miles of turf grass, an area larger than most individual American states.”

Barnett said the largest crop in Florida is not citrus, but sod. If Floridians were less concerned about having a lush green lawn, that could save millions of gallons of waters per day. Rather than spending \$23 million studying the effects of pumping water out of the lower Florida aquifer, which is the current local plan to solve the water crisis by the Polk Regional Water Cooperative, spending money on rain harvesting and limiting lawn watering may be a more sustainable solution. Making that transition is the subject of Barnett’s new book, Blue Revolution.

According to the Southwest Florida Water Management District, last year was the driest year in Florida since record keeping started 103 years ago. Barnett said at the same time, climate change has produced more extreme rains during the wet season. One option to be considered is rather than all that water draining down rivers to the ocean, storing some of that water here to offset droughts.

On Feb. 2, the Lake Wales Museum and Cultural Center Speaker Series continues with African American History and a review of work produced by artist Zora Neal Hurston. Subsequent speakers come to Lake Wales March 8, April 12 and May 17.

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Sexual harassment is topic of Tiger Bay Club meeting

Drawing on a topic that has dominated national headlines for the past three-plus months, the Tiger Bay Club of Polk County will have as its January program, a Tampa lawyer who specializes in labor and employment law.

Her focus will be on sexual harassment in the workplace.

The speaker will be Theresa M. Gallion, a partner in the Fisher Phillips Law Firm. Her clients in more than 30 years of practice have included "a wide variety of industries, with particular emphasis on colleges and universities, hospitality, telecommunications, and retail," according to her resumé.

She also conducts training in topics such as equal employment, diversity, and management skills.

She will speak at the Tiger Bay Club meeting at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 31, at the Bartow Civic Center.

Tiger Bay is a non-partisan political interest group that meets each month to hear speakers who hold positions of leadership in government, politics, and related fields.

Visitors are invited. The charge, which includes a buffet luncheon, is \$15 for members and \$25 for non-members.

Reservations are required by Monday, Jan. 29, and may be made by e-mail to TigerbayPolk.com, or by phone to 863-640-5357.

The club's format is to hear a 10-minute opening talk by the guest speaker, followed by 45 minutes of questions submitted in writing by members of the audience.

Chance to hear, help BHS band this weekend

In its effort for funds to attend competitions such as the trip planned in March to Chicago Symphony, the Bartow High School band is hosting its Prism concerts this weekend.

In its fourth year, the show is an interactive concert accompanied by a full meal for audience members at the Bartow Civic Center. Tickets to shows cost \$12 for children's tickets and \$25 for regular tickets to Friday's show, \$7 and \$15 for the first Saturday show and \$10 and \$20 for the second Saturday show. Tickets may be purchased at the Bartow Chamber of Commerce or online at yellowjacketband.ludus.com.

The show is a performance that is fast moving

and highlights every aspect of the band program. The Jazz Band, Wind Symphony, Concert Band, Percussion Ensembles, Dancers, Drum Line, and special soloists will perform as spectators enjoy a special meal or desserts.

On Friday, Jan. 19, there will be the Italian Dinner Show. That starts at 6:30 p.m. On Saturday, Jan. 20, there are two shows. At 2 p.m., there is the dessert Matinee, and at 6:30 p.m. is the BBQ Dinner Show.

The band is collecting themed baskets to sell in a silent auction during the dinners.

The band is also seeking corporate and individual sponsors to offset the costs of the event so they can use the proceeds to support their trip to the 2018 Chicago International Music Festival. Four high school groups nationwide are selected to perform

annually. The Wind Symphony is the only band selected from the State of Florida this year.

Supervisor of Elections to host recruitment event

Polk County residents are invited to apply to become election workers during an informational meeting scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 18.

"These are paid positions working at polling places on Election Day," said Supervisor of Elections Lori Edwards.

The meeting is scheduled at 11 am at the Lake Mirror Center Auditorium, 121 S. Lake Ave., Lakeland, and no reservation is required.

Voters who have served as election workers in Polk County in recent years are welcome, but do not need to attend.

For information,

contact the Supervisor of Elections Office at 863-534-5888, or visit PolkElections.com.

Registration deadline on Jan. 22

Residents of Florida House District 39 who wish to register to vote in the Feb. 20 Special Primary Election must do so on or before Monday, Jan. 22.

Only voters registered with the Republican Party, and who reside in House District 39 are eligible to vote in this election, as they will choose their nominee for the Special General Election on May 1 to fill the seat being vacated by Representative Neil Combee.

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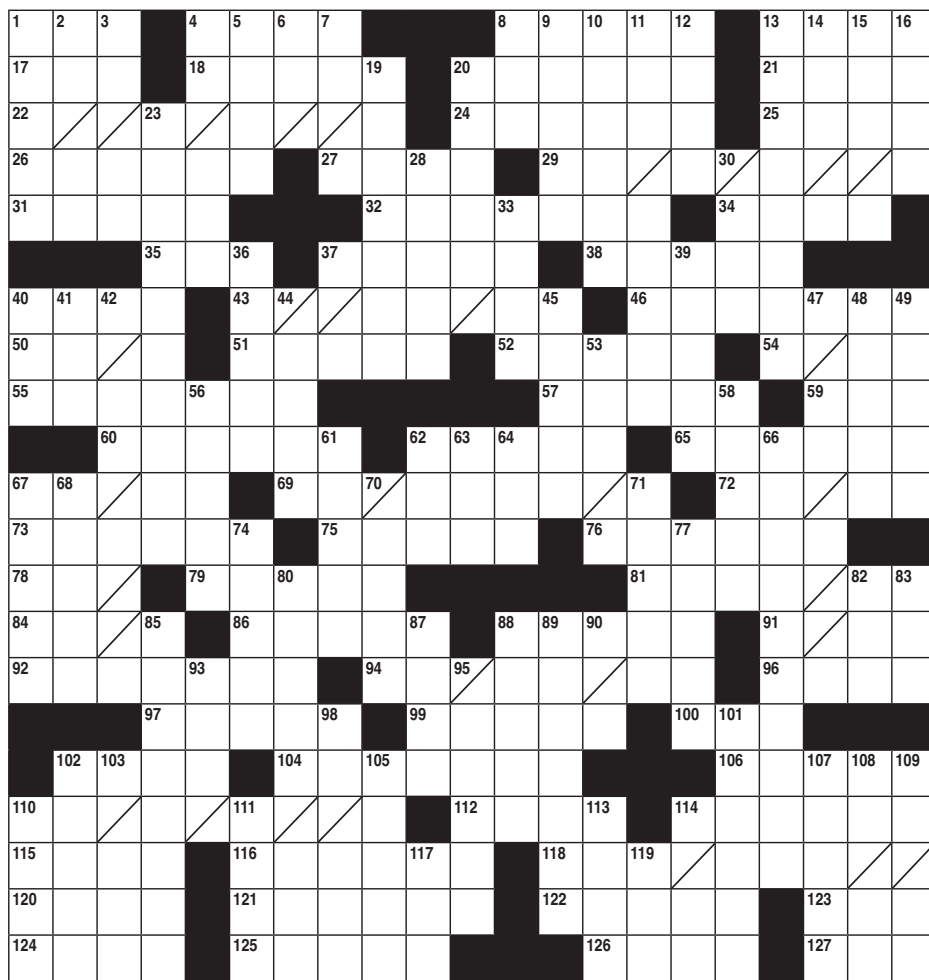
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SPEAKER

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at a segregated elementary school before being hired as the first African American teacher at Winter Park High School, then still an all white school, in 1968.

Reddick went on to become the first African American assistant dean at Rollins College, later worked at Valencia College, and he has been working at the University of Central Florida since 1991. From 1982 until 2000, Reddick represented the Orlando area in the Florida House, and served as the first African American legislator from District 39.

Polk County Supervisor of Elections Lori Edwards introduced Reddick at

Polk State College last week, having served in the Florida House with Reddick back in the day.

He described himself as an 81-year-old nerd and spoke about the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. by talking about other African Americans who did great things but are not in the history books or celebrated each year. Reddick spoke about Jesse LeRoy Brown, the first African American U.S. Navy aviator who trained in Florida and went on to earn a Distinguished Flying Cross. The U.S. Navy frigate U.S.S. Jesse L. Brown was named in his honor. He spoke of Frank Petersen, the first U.S. Marine Corps aviator and first Marine general.

Throughout his keynote speech, Reddick



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Jean Woody Luxama moved to Florida after the 2010 earthquake in Haiti and has made the most of the opportunity. Luxama and two other Polk State students earned scholarships last week.

made those in attendance laugh repeatedly, and he was the center of attention afterward. In 2015, the Orange County Library System interviewed Reddick and posted the audio online.

The oral history documented other portions of Reddick's life that were not discussed last week.

In 1949, Virgil D. Hawkins, then the public relations director at Bethune Cookman

College, applied to enter the University of Florida law school and was denied based on race. Hawkins fought the university, and three times the Florida Supreme Court ordered he be admitted. Twice, the U.S. Supreme Court did the same. Hawkins eventually withdrew his application. As a Florida legislator, Reddick said he passed a bill creating the Virgil D. Hawkins Law Clinic at the University of Florida.

"I went to the hardest places I could find to do the hardest lifting I could do," Reddick told the Orange County Library System interviewer.

Later in the interview, he described his ideology.

"I'm trying to get another group of African American children ready

for a society that may be racist," Reddick said. "I think that people must see a model that they can believe in."

Three Polk State College students were awarded \$500 scholarships for excellence at the banquet last week. Serah Alafiatayo is an aspiring journalist; Jakerria Mathis had a rough upbringing, but never gave up. Jean Woody Luxama, the third student, was living in Haiti in 2010 at the time of the earthquake. He is an aspiring human relations manager.

"I am happy to have had the opportunity to have been a soldier in the evolution going forward," Dr. Reddick said. "And America must continue to evolve, be inclusive and we need people that contribute to the change."

DEEPER

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lower Florida aquifer is very confined and pumping water from it will not affect surface water much. Others believe the two aquifers are very connected. There still does not appear to be a definitive answer as to who is right, but that has not stopped state officials from continuing to issue more permits to drill deeper. Now that trend of drilling deeper is becoming news here in Polk County.

Between 2012-13, Lakeland-based Hydro Solutions Consulting President and then Southwest Florida Water Management District Assistant Executive Director Robert Beltran signed a contract with the county to guide Polk County Utilities staff through the process of getting a Polk County well into the lower Florida aquifer permitted. In early 2014, the Polk County Board of County Commissioners voted to hire Beltran, who had since been promoted to lead the Southwest Florida Water management District, as a contract employee to develop a plan to address the water shortage. In his contract bid, Beltran claimed there were "limited" alternative water sources in the county because it was inland from the coast regardless of the fact that

multiple government reports had previously stated otherwise.

There are multiple government reports over the years that have literally listed hundreds of other options to solving the water crisis here in Polk County such as conservation efforts, using more reclaimed water and collecting and storing storm water during the summer rain season to recharge the aquifer. But from the start, County Commissioner George Lindsey, who nominated Beltran for both county contracts, and Beltran himself appear to have been laser focused on building a county well deep into the lower Florida aquifer.

Lindsey has previously told The Winter Haven Sun that reclaimed water, stormwater and conservation efforts could not in and of themselves solve the local water crisis by themselves.

As a county contract employee, Beltran and his team were literally paid to create the Polk Regional Water Cooperative and convince city managers and politicians in every county municipality, none of whom have any experience with water issues as complex as this, that digging wells into the lower Florida aquifer was the best means to deal with the pending water crisis. In May 2016, the PRWC, whose board is comprised of county politicians and city managers,

was formed to implement Beltran's plan. In October 2016, Beltran quit his job as SWFWMD executive director, quit as adviser to PRWC and started to put together a team to profit from his idea of building expensive, very rural wells into the lower Florida aquifer, expensive treatment plants to treat the salty water and expensive pipes from the rural wells to urban areas of the county.

In October, PRWC board members voted to approve a \$23 million contract with Beltran and his team to study the effects of drilling deeper locally. Of this amount, only a relatively small amount was authorized for conservation efforts. At the PRWC meeting in November, Beltran and members of his team spoke to members of the PRWC board about the benefits of drilling deeper. Beltran's team arranged to have a private geologist speak to the board about whether digging into the lower Florida aquifer was environmentally friendly.

Dr. Robert Maliva, the private geologist who spoke to the board, said he has been drilling into the lower Florida aquifer for 20 years in south Florida, that commonly brackish water is pumped up, cleaned through osmosis and then the waste water is pumped back down into the lower aquifer.

To date, there has not been much dissent in

terms of whether digging into the lower Florida aquifer was the best plan for county residents moving forward. In November, Frostproof Mayor Rodney Cannon, representing the only county municipality that decided against being part of the \$23 million contract, asked Maliva whether injecting waste water into the lower aquifer would, over time, make water in the lower aquifer harder and harder to treat through osmosis. Maliva said the waste water is pumped even deeper and that this process had been shown to work elsewhere.

Lake Wales City Manager Ken Fields, who previously worked in south Florida as a city manager, said this wastewater injection process was controversial with environmental groups during his tenure down there.

"While it's not high visibility now, as that issue starts getting public, it becomes a very hot button issue."

Maliva said science was on his side, but he did not elaborate. "There have been projects that people have objected to but we overcame that with science," Maliva told Fields and the board, "That somebody doesn't like something is not sufficient to be able to block it."

Polk City Mayor Joe LaCascia joked that maybe it was time to start drinking less water.



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Millions of dollars are being spent studying a test well into the lower Florida aquifer being built just south of Warner University, west of U.S. 27 between Lake Wales and Frostproof.

Lindsey attempted to be funny in his response. "The comfort there is that in 20 years (when the project will be complete) none of us will be here," Lindsey said.

Lindsey went on to say that no withdrawal has no consequence at the meeting, but there are possible solutions that don't involve any more withdrawals.

Aside from a private geologist attempting to publicly justify how he earns a living, there is plenty of evidence online that drilling deeper is not the only solution. For those who want to learn more, search for the following online: 2015 CFWI Water Resources Protection and Water Supply Strategies Plan, 2014 CFWI Regional Water Supply Plan RWSP, 2012 Winter Haven Reclaimed Water Aquifer Recharge Feasibility Study, 2010 Winter Haven Sustainable

Resource Management Plan, 2009 Polk County Comprehensive Water Supply Plan and the 2006 Southern Water Use Caution Area Recovery Strategy.

For example, the 2015 CFWI Water Resources Protection and Water Supply Strategies Plan states that 150 possible solutions to the water shortage have been studied. Of their top 16 ideas, three were lower Florida aquifer wells, five were reclaimed water solutions, five were surface water solutions and three were storm water solutions. According to the report, these 16 ideas could solve the water crisis by producing an additional 334 million gallons of water per day in a sustainable manner.

The PRWC board is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. today at the Lake Myrtle Sports Complex in Auburndale.

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Included in the project is the beautification of the parking lot on the east side of Ridge Scenic Highway and Central Avenue, and building a pavilion near the library. Gazebos, historic markers, lighting and free Wi-Fi will be built along the path all the way to Lake

Wales, allowing residents to use the Internet while exercising. According to the winning bid, there will be around \$17,145 in stamped concrete, \$22,684 in landscaping, \$4,800 on monuments, \$7866 on benches, 22 light poles with concrete bases and other features. Irrigation will tie into an existing water source.

"The Lake Wales Trail is the first tangible step toward what will become a

Renaissance for downtown and the town's historic center," said Lake Wales Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson during the ground breaking ceremony.

Gibson said three important components will be coming together in 2018. The first draft of the new Community Redevelopment Plan is due Jan. 19; Karen Thompson, the new full time Lake Wales Main Street manager, is now off and running;

and third, the city commission is committed to this fiscal year as the year of the downtown.

"Perhaps most important is the fact that the CRA now has money," Gibson said. "We have the responsibility to spend that money wisely and carefully. I believe in one to two years, the Renaissance we're talking about will be readily apparent, and downtown and the historic area will be well

on its way. In a word, the ground breaking for the Lake Wales Trail is only the beginning."

In addition to winning the contract to build the trail, SEMCO staff was also named as the primary contractor for the city back in December 2016. The three-year contract, which ends in September 2019, can be renewed for up to two additional one year terms. Since becoming the primary contractor,

SEMCO staff have already been awarded four other projects in Lake Wales: repairing the fishing pier, repairing the CSX building, replacing the roof on the fleet maintenance building and repairing the Depot Museum. These four projects cost around \$148,147.

According to City Manager Ken Fields, all the facilities had been in disrepair for years and were in dire need of repair.

HEALTH and WELLNESS




Lake Wales Medical Center expanding

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From left, Lake Wales Medical Center CEO Rebecca Brewer, Dr. James Nelson, Tiffany Rodriguez, Amanda Williams, Mayor Gene Fultz, and Lake Wales Chamber Chairman Wayne Weathersby throw the first shovels of dirt for the new Wound Healing Center at Lake Wales Medical Center.

LAKE WALES – Dozens of Lake Wales Medical Center supporters helped to celebrate the ground breaking of the hospital's expanded wound healing center Jan. 9.

"We are so busy at the center that the expansion has become necessary," said Lake Wales Medical Center Director of Marketing Maryemma Bachelder. "The wound care clinic is always bustling with patients."

Chronic, non-healing wounds, those that haven't shown signs of improvement in several weeks or are not responding to typical treatments, need extra time to heal according to the hospital website. Lake Wales Medical Center provides specialized treatment for

those types of wounds and now that the wound healing center is expanding, they will be able to help even more patients.

One of the hospital's supporters is Lake Wales Mayor Eugene Fultz.

"The expansion of Lake Wales Medical Center is wonderful for the city," Fultz said. "We are looking at it as not only a better quality of life for our citizens, but expanded economic development as well."

At 5,100 square feet, the new center, to be built across the street from the Lake Wales Arts Center at the corner of State Road 60 and 11th Street, will nearly double the size of the current wound center.

"This is an exciting milestone for us," said Lake Wales Medical Center Chief Executive Officer Rebecca Brewer. "It marks a significant investment in our community, and we are happy to be able to expand on the already great service we are offering patients in our area."

The new center will include six patient rooms, three hyperbaric treatment chambers, a private waiting area for hyperbaric therapy patients, and a larger lobby with enhanced wheelchair and stretcher accessibility.

Construction is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2018, Bachelder said.

"Our wound center is among the top 4 percent in the nation," said Lake Wales Medical Center Medical Director of the Wound Healing Center,

Dr. James Nelson. "We've won the Center for Excellence award four years in a row, and the Center of Distinction Award five years in a row."

Lake Wales Medical Center Program Director Tiffany Rodriguez said many of the patients develop relationships with staff at the center.

"We get to spend a lot of time with our patients and we're truly invested in helping them get a great outcome," Rodriguez said. "This new larger facility will help us provide an even better environment in which they can receive care."

The hospital is partnering with developer Fischbach Land Company, architect Chapis Design Group, Precise Construction and engineering firms of ICT and Quigg Engineering Inc.

Community blood center encourages donation

The Winter Haven Hospital Community Blood Center is having blood drive events in January.

Select Walmart stores will get a visit from a blood-mobile. Donors receive a \$5 Walmart gift card, a free wellness check-up that includes a check of blood-pressure and hemoglobin levels, along with a cholesterol screening.

There will be a stop at Walmart at 7450 Cypress Gardens Blvd., from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Jan. 20.

The Community Blood Center will mark Donor Appreciation Day in honor of National Blood Donor Month on Jan. 23 at the center, 460 First St. N. in Winter Haven. Those who give blood will receive a free limited-edition T-shirt, special food, treats and a free wellness check-up. The center is open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Community Blood Center is the sole provider of blood and blood products to Winter Haven Hospital, Winter Haven Women's Hospital and Lake Wales Medical Center. All blood types are encouraged, with an emphasis on O-negative and A-negative.

O-negative donors

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Baycare offers tools to help keep your resolutions

The hardest New Year resolutions to keep can also have the most positive impacts on one's life.

According to recent surveys, the most common resolution made every year is to lose weight. To that end, Bartow Regional Medical Center has a Weight Management Program designed to provide a multi-faceted approach. It begins with a comprehensive psychological and physical assessment to determine a patient's fitness and motivation.

Patients then receive nutrition, fitness and behavioral health counseling as prescribed by the program's medical director, Dr. Donald Fridley. Fridley is a bariatric

surgeon and offers a variety of weight-loss surgeries as an option to program participants – but only after patients complete the nutrition, fitness and behavioral health counseling and are medically and psychologically ready for the surgery.

Kim Gafford, RN, BSN, is the program coordinator for Bartow Regional's Weight Management Program and is also instrumental to the success of the program.

Gafford coordinates each patient's participation from start to end, including insurance approvals and counseling schedules.

The most recent Polk County health assessment shows that about half of Americans have at least one key risk factor for heart disease, including smoking.

The county rate of mothers who smoke during pregnancy, at 9.3 percent, is higher than the state rate, as are the percentage rates for middle- and high-school students who smoke cigarettes.

For those struggling to kick the tobacco habit, hospitals, in association with Tobacco Free Florida, offer courses that help

people make a plan and stick with it.

At Winter Haven Hospital, the "Quit Smoking Now" group class is scheduled from Wednesdays from Jan. 10-Feb. 7. In Bartow, the "Tools to Quit" class is scheduled for Jan. 18 and 30.

This two-hour class is designed to help participants develop a successful quit plan. Free nicotine replacement therapy, such as patches and gums are available with participation in either class.

Register or learn more about the Tobacco Free Florida classes available near you by calling 877-252-6094 or visiting <http://www.ahctobacco.com/calendar-2/>.

New program for women

"New Year, New You!" is the topic of the January Healthy Woman program, presented jointly by Lake Wales Medical Center and Heart of Florida Regional Medical Center, at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25, at Church on the Move, 2039 State Road 60 E. in Lake Wales.

"We designed this

program to be a fun night for women, where they can learn and ask questions about some of the topics that are of most interest to them," said Maryemma Bachelder, LWMC spokesperson. "We're taking the hottest topics from women's magazines and bringing them to life with this program."

Topics and speakers include:

Cosmetic procedures, including breast reconstruction, augmentation and reduction, body contouring and facial aesthetics, presented by Dr. Tutu Cheng.

Weight loss surgical procedures including Sleeve Gastrectomy and Mini Gastric Bypass, presented by Marianne Lehman, RN, Bariatric Program Director.

The latest in breast care services for those with breast cancer, and screening services for those without breast cancer, presented by Dr. Paul Williams.

Minimally invasive procedures offered in the physician's office for the treatment of spider veins and varicose veins, presented by Dr. Fred Silvestri.

The latest guidelines on blood pressure, designed to reduce your chances of heart attack and stroke, presented by Dr. Carolyn Pass.

Innovative treatment options for bladder incontinence, whether you have minor leakage when you laugh or cough, or something more serious, presented by the office of Dr. Ilan Bornstein.

"We'll be presenting the information in a format that makes it easy for women to get information and also ask questions of our experts, while maintaining their privacy if they choose," Bachelder said. "We'll also have opportunity for women to visit information tables for each of these topics to ask more questions. Additionally, we'll be able to book appointments that night for anyone interested in following up with one of these physicians."

To register, visit www.LakeWalesMedicalCenter.com and click on Healthy Woman on the Home page, and then click on "Already a Member" to see the list of scheduled programs. Questions? Call 863-240-0894.



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ART is deputy's eye in the sky

By **KATHY LEIGH BERKOWITZ**
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WINTER HAVEN – Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd calls it a “deputy’s eye in the air,” otherwise known as ART, Aerial Response Team.

The aerial device is deployed, Judd said, only during a priority one call – emergencies such as a missing child, a challenged adult that is possibly in danger, or even, an armed burglar on the run.

The ART is able to be quickly deployed from a trained deputy, to soar above treetop level and peer down to help locate either that person who needs help quickly, or apprehend someone who is a grave danger to society.

Regarding children, Judd said most of the time, a missing child report ends well and after searching a residence, the child is found, for example, under a pile of dirty clothes.

In those cases, deputies are relieved.

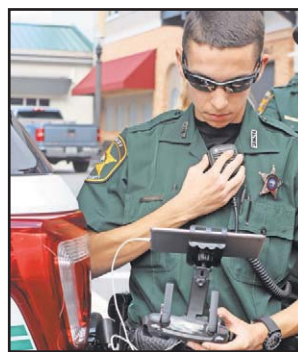
But if the child is not located at home, “We are losing time,” Judd said.

One thing deputies know, he added, is many times, people in distress go to water.

“We are losing valuable time,” he noted.

Or there is an armed burglar, and deputies have to wait on a K9 to be dispatched or a helicopter to come.

Sometimes, it is not safe to fly a helicopter, he said, because of a low ceiling, bad weather.



This Polk County Sheriff's Office deputy is operating ART: Aerial Response Team.

The sheriff's office has been using ARTs for about a decade now, with their SWAT teams.

Surveillance is easily done from the air.

The crisp technology can help locate a person in distress quickly, and help protect deputies should it be an armed runner situation.

Trees and bushes hide potential perpetrators, leaving deputies wondering what is around the next bush.

Though they are always ready, because of their training, the ART can help spot someone running from police, giving a clear look at the color of clothing they are wearing, some detail to their description.

The device is deployed by a trained deputy who sets up a perimeter and grid for the search, which is adjustable.

Sgt. Duane Tompkins, PCSO detective, said he loves the aircraft.

“Technology is increasing, and the cost

decreasing,” he said, pointing out that if he was still on patrol “how valuable a tool this would be.”

Judd said the ART is for specific circumstances, not something just so deputies “can look around” while on patrol.

“It is for emergencies only,” Judd said, adding the PCSO does not keep the footage shot by the ART.

The devices, the DJI MaviPro, is designed to not fly in FAA designated “no fly” zones, and in fact, will shut down, for example, if they tried to fly it at Bartow Airport.

Deputies who receive a device as part of their equipment will also receive about 80 hours of training to get them started on its use. After that, it becomes part of their equipment which requires them to keep up additional trainings. About every 90 days, they will have to take 10 hours of training.

“It is a skill set that we don't want to diminish,” said Tompkins.

Judd addressed the question as to why the PCSO is using these devices now.

The cost of each device is \$1,500, and the sheriff's office will be using 10 devices on day shift, and eventually, 10 on night shift. It is in this year's budget, as well. There is a cost savings to the devices, as every time a helicopter takes to the air, it can be anywhere from \$400 to \$500 an hour to operate. The goal is to at least cut the use of the helicopters by 10 percent.

“Our goal is to save and improve services,” said Judd.

The sheriff noted the popularity of aerial devices is soaring, and even a 9-year-old can purchase an aerial device.

“Shouldn't the sheriff's office be as technological as a 9-year-old?” asked the sheriff.

Additionally, he noted, even if the PCSO did not save money, the quick response to find missing children or people in distress is worth it to him.

The ART cannot be deployed without supervisor approval.

It will be a well “defined response” to emergencies, he said.

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LEGACY

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there with Way and the ministers, law enforcement and educators who strategized daily how to diffuse the tension, she said.

“Jim was amazing,” Baccus said. “His strength filled the room, and when he spoke people came together. Jim’s direct, almost in-your-face approach was annoying to some. He didn’t mince any words. But his sincerity and devotion to people spoke volumes. You could feel the love in his heart and how committed he was to bringing believers together.”

Baccus noted at the end of the two-week crisis, she and Way worked together with the coalition to host a communitywide unity event at a local football stadium, attended by nearly 4,000.

“Black, white, Hispanic, young, old, came together to pray, hold hands, sing and seek healing in the community,” she said. Baccus attended church with Way’s mother, Ruth, and they continued their friendship.

“The Unity rally was a turning point in so many lives, and many people probably never knew how hard Jim Way



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The group of pastors, leaders and community members who went to the Watchmen on the Wall conference in Washington DC with Jim Way. Way founded Capernaum Inn Ministries, a retreat center at first designed to help ministers, which later expanded to become a full retreat center with a restaurant.

worked to pull it together. Jim had plenty of detractors, but working closely with him, I became one of his biggest fans.”

Baccus said she was thrilled to reconnect when Way moved to Lake Wales, and she’s watched him grow his ministry to impact thousands more.

“Jim kept scrapbooks of his successes, but he always gave God the glory,” Baccus said. “I will miss him, but he deserves the rest. I’m sure he heard the words ‘well-done’ when he met his maker.”

Way did a lot to try to unify businesses, city and faith communities as well as meet with a group of pastors and men at Capernaum Inn

Ministries in Lake Wales.

Almost every week, a group of core pastors and leaders met with Way for breakfast, prayer and sharing time.

It was a time when ministers could be ministered to, and air their concerns about everyday things they faced, and gain, perhaps comfort.

According to Pastor Herb Schlenker, Way Side Baptist, “Jim had both the personality and the gift to bring pastors together like no other person that I have ever met. He always lifted other pastors above himself, and most of all, he possessed a wisdom that gave me many great insights into the pastoral ministry, and counseling. Jim did a lot for me; but I

grew to love him for who he was. In the days prior to his illness he called me twice wanting to talk with me; but we couldn’t coordinate our schedules. Now I really regret that lost opportunity.”

Way’s wife, Sherry, was his constant companion. Together, they went to Israel three times. They traveled to St. Augustine, Jacksonville, and Mount Dora.

Sherry said she enjoyed traveling with her husband, “And singing to his ‘50s albums and Frank Sinatra albums in the car on long drives. So, so many happy moments.” The couple had just returned from a Riverboat Cruise down the Danube River from Germany through

Hungary in December, something that had been on her bucket list.

Lake Wales Police Chief Chris Velasquez said when he got the call from Sherry that Way was in the hospital, struggling to stay alive, “I was really upset.

“It just broke my heart that I wasn’t able to see him before he passed away,” said Velasquez.

“Jim was always a fighter, always on the forefront of trying to make Lake Wales a better place. He was a great friend of the police department, a great friend of mine. He was just so proud of Lake Wales and what we have become.”

Kevin Respress, chairman of the C-12 Group, one who walked almost daily beside Way the last five years, notes he “was a man with an unusual gifting to compel and provoke people to become better, do more and challenge the status quo.”

Noting there is a group in Lake Wales “with passion to see the Kingdom of God” in Lake Wales, Respress said there needed to be a plan, and Way brought that plan.

“The fruit is obvious – the impact of Jim will be felt from me and this community for years to come,” he said.

Pastor Jack Hilligoss of HighPoint Church said, “Jim Way marched into my office and kicked open doors in my mind



JIM WAY

about the Kingdom of God. He thought differently than most ‘church people’ think, and those thoughts turned into convictions that he had to share with men like me. I doubted his approach often, and in some ways still do, but I never doubted his heart and motivation. I also have no doubt that God sent him here to Lake Wales for a purpose only he could accomplish. I am a better believer and leader for having met Jim.”

Another pastor, Scott Markley of First Baptist Church remembers going to the Holy Land with the Ways and to Washington, D.C., for a Watchmen on the Wall conference in 2017.

“Jim sought to unify pastors and community leaders the good of all in the advancement of God’s kingdom. While his manner could be brash and his communication doggedly persistent, his heart was full of love, and his aim the glory of Christ and the Building of His kingdom. I assure you, there is no one else like Jim Way,” he said.

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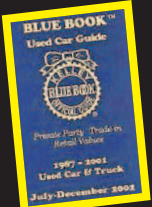
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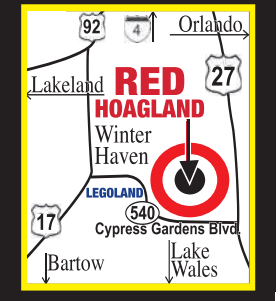
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This Sunday photo released by the Riverside County Sheriff's Department shows suspect David Allen Turpin and Louise Anna Turpin.



This Monday frame from video from KABC-TV shows the exterior of the home where police arrested a couple accused of holding their 13 children captive, in Perris, Calif. Authorities said an emaciated teenager led deputies to the California home where her 12 brothers and sisters were locked up in filthy conditions, with some of them malnourished and chained to beds.

California couple's ordinary home held torture chamber

By **AMY TAXIN and JOHN ROGERS**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PERRIS, Calif. — From the outside, the brown-and-beige four-bedroom home looked fairly orderly. The couple who owned it had purchased the house new in 2014 and soon arrived in the Los Angeles suburb of Perris with their 12 children.

They lived there quietly for at least three years and had another baby. Then on Sunday, one of the children jumped out of a window, called 911 and led authorities to what they described as a torture chamber.

Sheriff's deputies said they found the couple's 13 children ranging in age from 2 to 29 years old, some of them chained to furniture, all of them thin and malnourished. The 17-year-old girl who escaped was so tiny that deputies initially mistook her for a 10-year-old.

Sheriff's Capt. Greg Fellows

said the 911 call came from a cellphone that had been deactivated but still worked for emergency calls.

When deputies found the girl he said she showed them family photos that prompted them to visit the house. Authorities confronted the girl's mother, Louise Anna Turpin, and Fellows said she appeared "perplexed" as to why they had come.

Turpin, 49, and her husband, David Allen Turpin, 57, were jailed on \$9 million bail. They were scheduled for an initial court appearance on Thursday. Authorities said the pair could face charges of torture and child endangerment.

"If you can imagine being 17 years old and appearing to be a 10-year-old, being chained to a bed, being malnourished and injuries associated with that, I would call that torture," Fellows said.

He said there was no

indication any of the children were sexually abused, although that was still being investigated.

Neither sheriff's deputies nor child welfare officials received a single call over the years about the Turpin home, he said.

The investigation, still in its early stages, has already begun to unravel a bizarre tale of a couple married 32 years who dressed their children alike, kept them away from outsiders and cut most of the boys' hair in a Prince Valiant-style resembling that of their graying father.

Videos posted on YouTube show the couple renewed their vows at the Elvis Chapel in Las Vegas at least three times in recent years, most recently on Halloween 2015. An Elvis impersonator dressed in a glittering jacket performed the ceremony between songs. Most of the children, dressed in matching outfits, took part.

Numerous photos on the

couple's Facebook page show the children dancing at the ceremony, visiting an amusement park that appears to be Disneyland and going on other outings, looking thin but often smiling.

Although their home appeared nondescript from the outside, it was a stinking mess inside, Fellows said. He called the conditions "horrific."

State Department of Education records show the home's address is the same as the Sandcastle Day School, where David Turpin is listed as principal. In the 2016-17 school year, it had an enrollment of six. Fellows told reporters there is no indication any student other than the couple's children were enrolled there. He said six of those children are under 18.

No state agency regulates or oversees private schools in California, and they are not licensed by the state Education

Department. Private school operators are required to file an affidavit with the state annually, listing the number of students, staff members and information about the school's administrators.

Private schools are also subject to an annual fire inspection.

Representatives for the state Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and the Riverside County Fire Department would not immediately say whether the Turpins' home was ever inspected.

Mark Uffer, CEO at Corona Regional Medical Center, said seven of the couple's children were there Tuesday.

"I can tell you that they're very friendly. They're very cooperative, and I believe that they're hopeful that life will get better for them after this event," he said.

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Dems accuse GOP official of 'amnesia' on Trump vulgarity

By **ZEKE MILLER and JONATHAN LEMIRE**
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WASHINGTON — Republicans struggled to get their stories straight Tuesday as President Donald Trump's Homeland Security secretary became the latest GOP official to offer an inconclusive version of a meeting in which Trump is said to have used vulgar remarks that have been criticized as racist.

Democrats accused Republicans of selective amnesia, as Kirstjen Nielsen testified under oath that she "did not hear" Trump use a certain vulgarity to describe African countries. "It was a meeting of 12 people. There was cross-talk," she explained at a congressional hearing, but she didn't "dispute the president was using tough language."

Under persistent questioning, Nielsen said she didn't recall the specific language used by Trump.

"What I was struck with frankly, as I'm sure you were as well, was just the general profanity used in the room by almost



AP PHOTO

Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen testifies before the Senate Judiciary Committee in Capitol Hill on Tuesday in Washington.

everyone."

New Jersey Sen. Cory Booker, angrily criticized Nielsen's comments, telling her during a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing, "Your silence and your amnesia is complicity."

Nielsen's comments came five days after the president ignited what GOP Sen. Lindsey Graham termed an "s-storm" with his Oval Office remarks.

The White House has not substantively disputed accounts of the episode, in which Trump is said to have used the term "s***hole" to describe African countries of origin

for potential immigrants to the U.S. The revelations, semi-denials and continuing comments have cast a pall over the White House's legislative agenda, brought the country closer to the brink of a government shutdown and sparked international outrage.

And with the midterm elections approaching, there are fresh fears among Republicans who were already anxious over the political climate going into November — and over Trump's

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House panel subpoenas Bannon in Russia probe showdown

By **TOM LOBIANCO**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The House Intelligence Committee subpoenaed former White House chief strategist Steve Bannon on Tuesday in a showdown over whether he could be forced to testify in the panel's Russia investigation.

Bannon walked into a closed-door meeting with House members Tuesday morning and was still being grilled Tuesday evening. Lawmakers wanted answers from him about President Donald Trump's thinking when he fired FBI Director James Comey.

The committee's Republican chairman, Rep. Devin Nunes of California, said he issued the subpoena, but he declined to discuss why or what questions he hoped to compel Bannon to answer.

A person familiar with the subpoena said the committee issued the order after Bannon's counsel advised him he did not have to answer lawmakers' questions regarding his discussions



AP FILE PHOTO

In this Dec. 5, 2017, photo, former White House strategist Steve Bannon speaks during a Senate hopeful Roy Moore campaign rally in Fairhope Ala.

with Trump. The person spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss private committee deliberations.

A spokeswoman for Bannon did not respond to multiple requests for comment Tuesday afternoon. A White House official said the White House did not seek to exert executive privilege over Bannon — a move that would have barred him from answering certain questions — because they didn't have to. The official spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss internal deliberations.

At the White House,

press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said "no one" had encouraged Bannon not to be transparent during questioning but there's a "process of what that looks like."

"As with all congressional inquiries touching upon the White House, Congress must consult with the White House prior to obtaining confidential material. This is part of a judicially recognized process that goes back decades," Sanders told reporters.

The committee also

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Lightning in US is killing fewer people than ever

By **DAVID FLESHLER**
SUN SENTINEL

Like most nonfatal lightning strikes, the one outside the Aventura Mall in Florida was not a direct hit. The bolt of electricity struck the victim's umbrella, entered through his hand and left through his foot.

"The gentleman holding the umbrella sustained significant electrical injuries, but his outcome was very good," said Dr. Randy Katz, medical director of emergency services at Memorial Regional Hospital in Hollywood, who has treated about half a dozen lightning victims.

"It's very uncommon to see an entrance and an exit. In this case he actually had an exit through his shoe, so his shoe was torn open at the bottom."

Quick action by medical personnel prevented the victim from dying of cardiac arrest before he reached the hospital, Katz said.

Such improved medical care, and more awareness

of the dangers of lightning, has contributed to a record low number of U.S. lightning deaths in 2017.

Lightning killed 16 people in the nation last year, far below the previous record low of 23 and well short of the 100-plus fatalities that were routine in the 1960s, according to the National Weather Service. The total includes five deaths in Florida, the perennial leader in U.S. lightning fatalities, which receives more lightning strikes per square mile than any other state. But Florida also has stricter lightning safety policies, mirroring those taking effect across the country.

"If you go back 40 years or so, people would just simply hear the thunder and say, 'Oh, I think the storm is some distance away,'" said John Jensenius, lightning safety specialist for the National Weather Service. "What they didn't realize was that if you could hear thunder, you're in striking distance of the storm. Lightning can strike outward 10

miles from a storm, which about the distance that you can hear thunder."

Florida school systems have installed lightning detectors and imposed strict safety policies. After lightning killed a student during a football game at Monarch High School in Coconut Creek in 2005, the Broward County School District adopted the WeatherBug monitoring system, which issues warnings of nearby thunderstorms.

"If we have any alerts that go off, the athletes or the band or anyone else that's out there practicing or competing immediately need to go inside," said Shawn Cerra, athletics director for the Broward school district, who has worked in the school system for 24 years.

"If there was a policy in place decades ago, it was really loose," he said. "Not so much today. We're pretty safety-conscious. I can remember back a couple decades when lightning would be cracking around us and then we'd be going



AP PHOTO

Bolts of lightning are shown striking south of San Francisco on Sept. 11.

in, but we wouldn't detect it when it was five, eight, 10 miles away."

With Florida's stormy summers, the state averages nearly 21 lightning strikes per square mile per year, followed by Louisiana with 18 and Mississippi with 16.4, according to the monitoring company Vaisala, which produces data used by the National Weather Service. This high density of strikes helps account for the state's leading position for fatalities.

"It's that combination of

lightning and outdoor activities which make people vulnerable to a lightning strike," Jensenius said. "In terms of lightning, Florida has the most lightning per square mile of any state in the U.S. and also a sizable population. In addition, Florida has many outdoor recreational activities that cause people to be vulnerable to a lightning strike. Finally, in Florida, lightning is a very common afternoon threat for those who work outside or are outside as part of their daily routine."

HEADLINE NEWS FROM AROUND THE STATE

Bill would help first responders with PTSD

TALLAHASSEE (AP) — A bill to extend first responders' workers compensation benefits to include treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder is moving through the Florida Senate.

The Senate Commerce and Tourism Committee unanimously approved the bill Tuesday after an hour of emotional testimony.

Megan Vila of Tampa told the committee her brother was being treated for PTSD for two months when he was told the treatment wasn't covered. The firefighter was forced to repay the salary he had been receiving. He later took his own life.

Leslie Dangerfield had a similar story. She said her husband was a firefighter who suffered from PTSD after repeatedly responding to deaths during his nearly

three-decade career. He also took his own life.

And Jessica Realin talked about how her husband Gerry had to leave his job as a police officer because of PTSD following the Pulse nightclub massacre.

House hurricane committee focuses on priorities

TALLAHASSEE (AP) — A legislative committee in Florida says strengthening

the power grid, better management of shelters and increased care for seniors are top priorities for better preparing the state for future hurricanes.

The 21-member House Select Committee on Hurricane Response and Preparedness approved its final report Tuesday, listing 78 recommendations. The committee was formed by Speaker Richard Corcoran after Hurricane Irma knocked out power to

much of the state, including a South Florida nursing home where 12 people died of overheating.

Committee chair Jeanette Nunez says the report is not a comprehensive and exhaustive list but the best starting point for various House committees to pursue. Nunez also notes that the list includes most of the recommendations are long term due to costs and studies that will have to take place.

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Today is **Wednesday, Jan. 17**, the 17th day of 2018. There are 348 days left in the year.

Today in history

On **Jan. 17, 1893**, Hawaii's monarchy was overthrown as a group of businessmen and sugar planters forced Queen Lili'uokalani to abdicate.

On this date

In **1806**, Thomas Jefferson's daughter, Martha, gave birth to James Madison Randolph, the first child born in the White House.

In **1917**, Denmark ceded the Virgin Islands to the United States for \$25 million.

In **1929**, the cartoon character Popeye the Sailor made his debut in the "Thimble Theatre" comic strip.

In **1953**, a prototype of the Chevrolet Corvette was unveiled during the General Motors Motorama at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York.

In **1977**, convicted murderer Gary Gilmore, 36, was shot by a firing squad at Utah State Prison in the first U.S. execution in a decade.

In **1984**, the U.S. Supreme Court, in Sony Corp. of America v. Universal City Studios, Inc., ruled 5-4 that the use of home video cassette recorders to tape television programs for private viewing did not violate federal copyright laws.

Today's birthdays

Actress **Betty White** is 96. Former FCC chairman **Newton N. Minow** is 92. Actor **James Earl Jones** is 87. Talk show host **Maury Povich** is 79. Pop singer **Chris Montez** is 76. Actress **Joanna David** is 71. Actress **Jane Elliot** is 71. Singer **Paul Young** is 62. Actor-comedian **Steve Harvey** is 61. Singer **Susanna Hoffs** (The Bangles) is 59. Actor-comedian **Jim Carrey** is 56. Former first lady **Michelle Obama** is 54. Singer **Shabba Ranks** is 52. Actress-singer **Zoey Deschanel** is 38. Singer **Ray J** is 37. Actor **Ryan Gage** is 35. Actress **Kelly Marie Tran** (Film: "Star Wars: The Last Jedi") is 29.



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Market summary table with columns: DOW (25,792.86 -10.33), NASDAQ (7,223.69 -37.37), S&P 500 (2,776.42 -9.82), 10-YR T-NOTE (2.54% -0.01), 30-YR T-BOND (2.83% -0.02), CRUDE OIL (\$64.30 ...), GOLD (\$1,335.40 +2.00), EURO (\$1,2271 +0.002)

Money & Markets

Combined Stocks From the New York Stock Exchange and the Nasdaq.

Table of stock listings with columns: P/E Name, Last, Chg, and a list of various stock symbols and their prices.



Stocks Recap table with columns: NYSE, NASD, Vol. (in mil.), Pvs. Volume, and a list of stock symbols and their prices.

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The yield on the 10-year Treasury note fell to 2.54 percent on Tuesday. Yields affect rates on mortgages and other consumer loans.

Table with columns: TREASURIES, LAST, PVS, NET CHG, 1YR AGO, listing various Treasury instruments and their yields.

Foreign Exchange

The dollar weakened against the Japanese yen and the euro. The U.S. currency also lost ground to the British pound and the Mexican peso.

Table with columns: MAJORS, LAST, CHG, %CHG, 1YR AGO, listing various major currencies and their exchange rates.

Commodities

Crude oil prices slid, as did the price of natural gas and wholesale gasoline. Gold and silver prices rose slightly.

Table with columns: FUELS, CLOSE, PVS, %CHG, %YTD, listing various commodities and their prices.

Table with columns: PRIME RATE, FED FUNDS, LAST, listing prime rate and fed funds rate.

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Today's Sports

- 2:30 p.m. FS1 FA Cup Soccer 3rd Round Replay Norwich City at Chelsea from Stamford Bridge. (L)
6:30 p.m. FS1 College Basketball Villanova Wildcats at Georgetown Hoyas from Capital One Arena. (L)
7 p.m. ESPN2 College Basketball Arkansas Razorbacks at Florida Gators from O'Connell Center. (L)
8 p.m. ESPN NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Oklahoma City Thunder from Chesapeake Energy Arena. (L)
GOLF Asian Tour SMBC Singapore Open: Round 1. (L)
8:30 p.m. FS1 College Basketball Seton Hall Pirates at Creighton Bluejays from CenturyLink Center. (L)
9 p.m. ESPN2 2018 Australian Open Second Round. (L)
FSN Women's College Basketball Baylor Lady Bears at Iowa State Cyclones from Hilton Coliseum. (L)
10:30 p.m. ESPN NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets at Los Angeles Clippers from Staples Center. (L)
GOLF European Tour Golf Abu Dhabi HSBC Championship: Round 1. (L)
3 a.m. ESPN2 2018 Australian Open Second Round. (L)

Today's Talk Shows

- 7:00 a.m. ABC Good Morning America Actor Ricky Martin; actress Catherine Zeta-Jones from "Cocaine Godmother." (N)
7:00 a.m. NBC Today "Property Brothers" stars Drew and Jonathan Scott; actor Burt Reynolds. (N)
9:00 a.m. CBS LIVE with Kelly and Ryan J.K. Simmons; Darren Criss. (N)
9:00 a.m. NBC Megyn Kelly TODAY Actor Ricky Martin; licensed contractor John DeSilvia. (N)
10:00 a.m. CW Rachael Ray Daym Drops; David Boreanaz; meal preparation expert's Caribbean chicken recipe.
10:00 a.m. NBC Today with Kathie Lee & Hoda "Dancing with the Stars" competitors Nick and Vanessa Lachey. (N)
11:00 a.m. ABC The View Alicia Menendez guest co-hosts; interior designer Jeremiah Brent. (N)
11:00 a.m. MYN The Doctors Synthetic marijuana; Michelle Tam presents pressure cooker recipes. (N)
1:00 p.m. ABC The Chew Actress Anika Noni Rose from "The Quad" cooks a meal with Clinton Kelly. (N)
1:00 p.m. IND The Steve Wilkos Show A look back is taken at some of the more intense relationships. (N)
2:00 p.m. CBS The Talk Allison Janney discusses "I, Tonya" and "Mom"; Scott Evans. (N)
3:00 p.m. CW The Wendy Williams Show Dan Harris; Jeremy Persons. (N)
3:00 p.m. NBC The Dr. Oz Show Oz discusses artificial sweeteners; an investigation into Kratom is conducted. (N)
4:00 p.m. MYN Maury A woman wants to prove to her boyfriend and his family that she's not a cheater.
5:00 p.m. CW Dr. Phil Dr. Phil discusses a major crisis in America, drug and alcohol addiction. (N)
11:35 p.m. ABC Jimmy Kimmel Live Comic and host Bill Maher from "Real Time with Bill Maher"; musical guest Lauv. (N)
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How much water is too much?

DEAR DR. ROACH:

I am a rather healthy 35-year-old female. I drink a lot of water daily — approximately 5-6 liters, just because I feel the need to. My doctor does not seem concerned, as she says it may be normal for my body. I've been drinking these amounts for five to six years (I think it started during pregnancy). My family is concerned, as they say it is too much for the kidneys. I would truly appreciate your opinion. Also, I do not know whether any of this may be relevant, but I am not diabetic (but I am insulin-resistant); I do not use any medication; I am a smoker; I have gastritis; and I am slightly overweight.



Dr. Roach

is undertaken to look for evidence of spread, including a CT scan of the lungs. Kidney cancer also can go to the bone, so if he had any bone pain or elevated blood tests showing bone damage (called alkaline phosphatase), most experts would recommend a bone scan as well. If there is no spread, the five-year survival in people with this type of cancer is greater than 90 percent. No chemotherapy is indicated if there is no evidence of spread. I would recommend a visit with a medical oncologist, just to make sure his workup is complete.

The weight loss is concerning. It may indeed have been the tumor; cancers can make substances that cause people to lose weight. However, I personally wouldn't stop looking, especially if the weight loss continues.

DR. ROACH WRITES: A recent column on multiple myeloma noted that myeloma is uncommon in younger people. About 3.5 percent of myeloma cases occur in people under 45; however, that is still a lot of cases, and many physicians are unaware that this cancer can occur in young people. You can learn more about this cancer at myeloma.org.

READERS: The booklet on restless leg syndrome and nighttime cramps offers more tips. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Roach, Book No. 306, 628 Virginia Dr., Orlando, FL 32803. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Can. with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu or request an order form of available health newsletters at 628 Virginia Dr., Orlando, FL 32803. Health newsletters may be ordered from www.rbmamall.com.

ANSWER: Five liters a day is more than most people need. However, it is well within the ability of the normal kidneys to handle, assuming you are getting enough of the electrolytes and minerals the body requires.

People taking diuretics, which affect the kidney's ability to regulate salt, can develop dangerously low sodium levels with excess water intake.

DEAR DR. ROACH: In 2010, my husband had an abdominal/pelvic CT scan (for an unrelated reason), and they found a 14-mm mass in his lower right kidney. In 2017, a repeat scan showed that the mass was much larger, and he had the kidney removed. The pathology showed a 48-by-40-mm papillary kidney cancer, type 1. We were told that removing the kidney would be curative, and no other testing (scans) have been ordered. We have not been told of specific type or staging. I had breast cancer in the past (mastectomy and radiation) so am familiar with the process. Is renal cancer different? We just feel out of the loop and that we should have more information on this cancer. He has lost a lot of weight. — K.K.

ANSWER: Several kinds of cancers start in the kidney, but papillary kidney cell cancer is a less common type. Fortunately for you and your husband, type 1 generally are not as aggressive, and people with this kind of kidney cancer have a better prognosis than people with other types. It is completely obvious, at least in hindsight, that the 14-mm mass should not have gone so long without a follow-up.

Around the time of diagnosis, an evaluation

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2. Swedish carmaker's work positions (1)

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3. Leg joints turn icy-cold (1)

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4. Old Roman venue voting minimum (2)

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5. Rich-in-gray-matter Bush V.P. Dick (2)

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6. Stock-price-displaying machine decal (2)

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7. Japanese warlord's dart-shooting tubes (2)

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ANSWERS
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- 45 Banished
- 47 Black bird
- 48 Egyptian dam
- 50 Poetic contraction
- 51 Brick bakers
- 52 Was made of

- 55 Shark tagalong
- 58 Hole for a shoelace
- 62 Ship's boom
- 63 Scratchy
- 67 Renoir model
- 68 Marble streak
- 69 Physicist Marie
- 70 Song refrains
- 71 Markers
- 72 Burn slightly
- 73 Bird-feeder treat

DOWN

- 1 Bug
- 2 Low-fat spread
- 3 Wedding
- 4 Lull or gap
- 5 Lairds' households
- 6 "She Done — Wrong"
- 7 Wane
- 8 Title of respect, in India
- 9 Spud
- 10 Fake drakes
- 11 Stoltz or Idle
- 12 Far East nanny
- 13 Thailand neighbor
- 21 — Dawn Chong
- 23 Beseeches
- 25 Some TV dinners
- 26 Bikini top

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED

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- 27 Breadwinners
- 28 Open-air lobbies
- 29 Wares
- 30 Softly lit
- 33 Wassailers' tune
- 34 — rings
- 35 Compares notes
- 37 Chicago White
- 51 Sardine-can opener
- 53 DEA agents
- 54 Snicker (hyph.)
- 55 Host's plea
- 56 Thrust-and-parry sword
- 57 Principal
- 59 Kauai feast
- 60 Threshold
- 61 Challenge
- 64 Garçon's yes
- 65 Coffee brewer
- 66 Temporary job

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HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Watch out for laziness in others, and be vigilant against the tendency yourself. As the ancient wisdom suggests, "He who is lazy in his work is brother to him that destroys." **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). It's time to travel light, both metaphorically and literally. Why carry more than is necessary? Leave past pain and future worries out of the satchel. Carry only what you'll need in this hour. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Did you know that over half of college graduates don't wind up in the field of their major? Relatedly, today you will not apply

what you've learned in a direct and logical fashion. You're still better for having learned it, though! **CANCER** (June 22-July 22). To handle the current problem, you will need more data about it. You'll also need a few different tools and resources. Gather information, and look for people who have already solved this or something similar. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). It's not too late. It's never too late. If you knew with every fiber of your being that this was the truth, what would you do now? That's the best way to spend your day. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Getting out of yourself will be the biggest challenge. One way to settle in more comfortably (which is the first step) will be

to turn your focus to the environment and become curious about the people in it and all that's going on there. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Seductive and glamorous propositions abound. Before you head further into this, find out more from trusted sources. Ignorance, like darkness, is a lack of illumination that can cause some pretty serious stumbles. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). What if you knew that trying to make something better was as absurd as trying to perfect the sea or improve upon the sunlight? What then? Maybe this isn't about changing so much as it's about learning the magnificence of a thing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Some use the term "free spirit" as a put-down akin to "flaky." It's a stance rooted in the fear that, given the entire range of choices, we'd go all wrong. Loosen the reins on yourself today and you'll see how untrue this is. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The light inside you will be quietly, constantly reflected. You'll feel at once big enough to hold the vastness of space in your palm and small enough to be enveloped in it. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Any harm that is done in the name of believing the wrong thing can be undone in the name of believing the right thing. Go back and examine the beliefs that led to the discontent. One or more of them is faulty. Root it out.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The message can be the most eloquent, reasonable and perfectly crafted expression in the world, but if it is pitched to a non-receptive person it's still definitely a communication fail. **TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Jan. 17). If there's one thing that will make this solar return a sweet dream for you, it's good timing. Don't rush! Life only happens one moment at a time and trying to cram in too much will rob you of the delicious experience. Stick to your top wish. Prioritize and hold it sacred and you will succeed beyond your wildest imaginings. Leo and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 22, 23, 14 and 38.

BIBLE

"A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. — Matthew 7:18-20.

It's what we bear not what we say that counts!



MALLARD FILLMORE By Bruce Tinsley



Challenger

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

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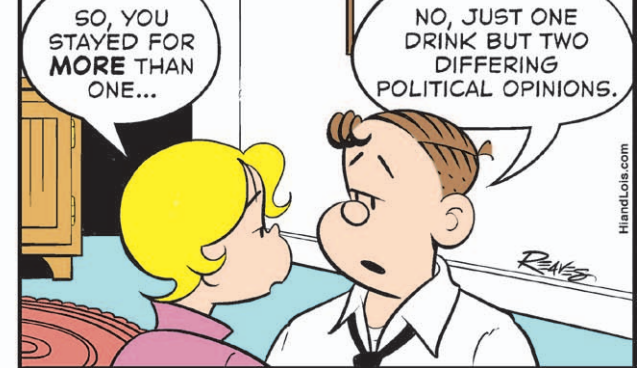
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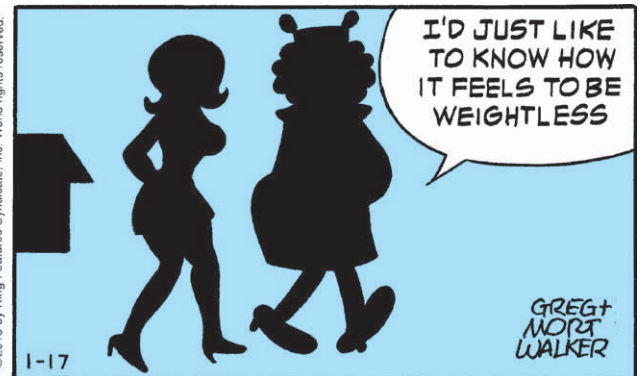
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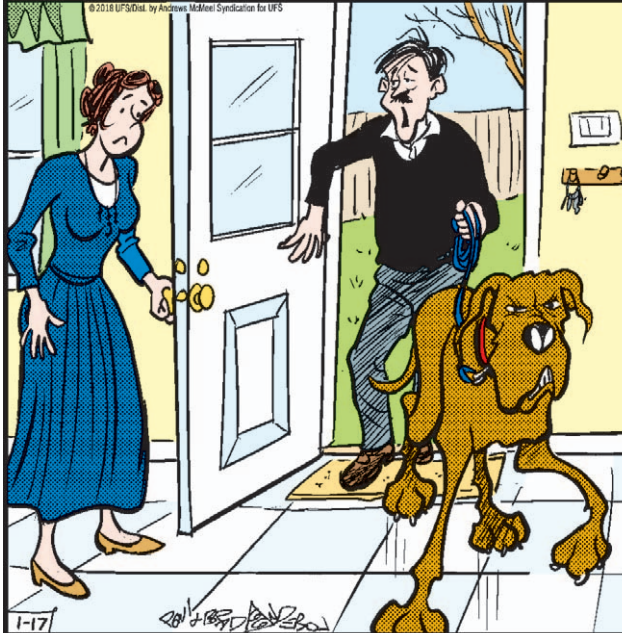
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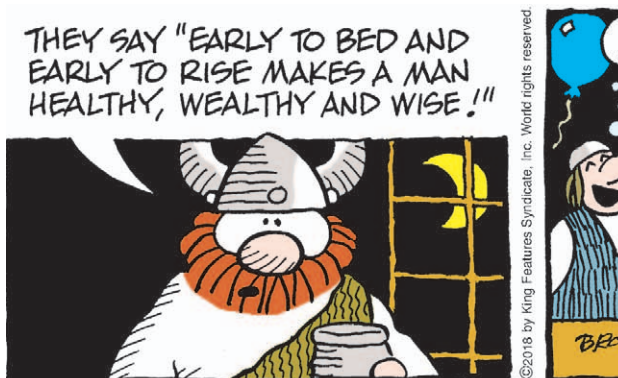
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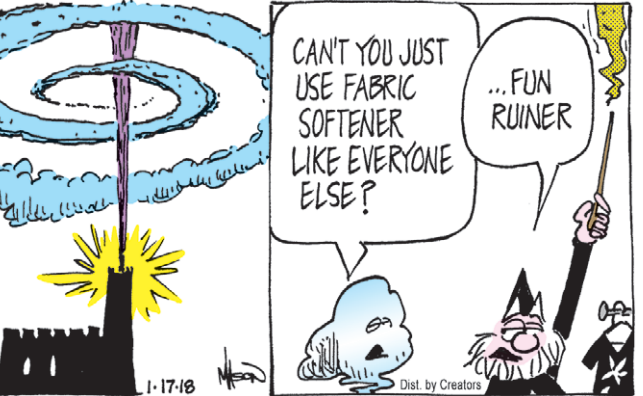
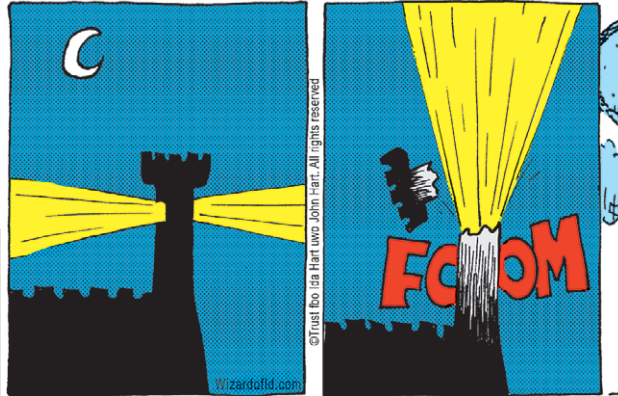
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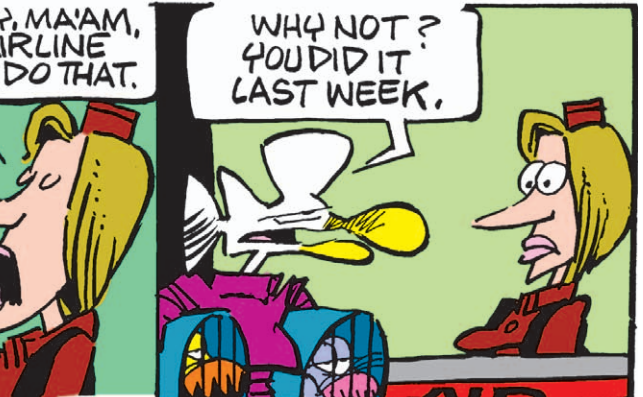


Cryptoquip

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MZRUQ TGXHQUIUO'B FHZK XO
 VGXTG SGU CBU AM WXSTGUO
 VGXBWB XB TARFHUSUHK
 ACSHZVUQ: "JUZSUI JZO."
 Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF A COMPANY FIRED A MEMBER OF THE CLERGY, I BELIEVE THEY'D HAVE TO GIVE HIM REVERENCE PAY.
 Today's Cryptoquip Clue: F equals P

MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM By Mike Peters



WORD SLEUTH

NATIONAL TOY HALL OF FAME

T R O L J D G D A X V S P N K
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 S Q E O S L L J H E C A X V T
 B R P S N L A S K C A J L E J
 H A E F R H E B R D B Y X E V
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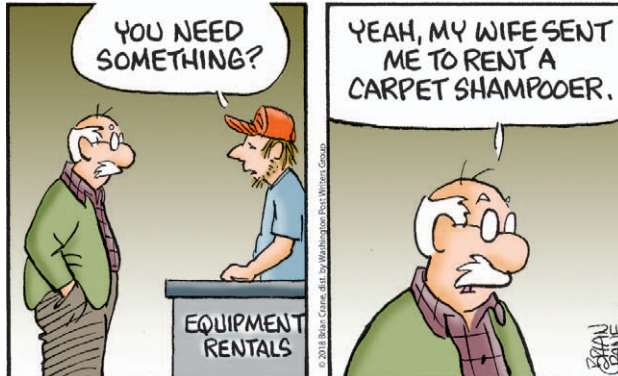
Tuesday's unlisted clue: #SMILE

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Wednesday's unlisted clue hint: DUNGEONS & —

Ball	Clue	Frisbee	Puppet
Barbie	Dollhouse	Hot Wheels	Twister
Big Wheel	Dominoes	Jacks	Wiffle Ball
Chess	Erector Set	Monopoly	

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PICKLES By Brian Crane



B.C. By Mastroianni & Hart



Anger explodes in words, deeds woman later regrets

DEAR ABBY: I am 28 and I'm disgusted with myself about how I talk to my mother when I'm stressed out. I know it's not her. It's me.



Dear Abby

My other issue is road rage. When I'm behind the wheel and the cars ahead of me are going too slow or the drivers make stupid moves, I'm annoyed to the point that I sometimes take risky chances to get away from them. I know it puts my life and the lives of others at risk, and I don't want to be like this.

I sometimes wonder why my parents didn't teach me ways to tone down my anger when I was younger. I'm lucky they still love me, even when I snap at them. Do you have any tips on how to control my temper? — **SIMMERING IN SUBURBIA**

DEAR SIMMERING: If you think you are alone in having these issues, you are mistaken. We are living in increasingly stressful times that have affected most of us in one way or another. If, however, you continue allowing your stress to dictate your behavior, it may eventually drive a wedge between you and the people you care about.

It's important that you realize anger is a normal emotion. At one time or another, anger is experienced by everyone. Recognizing what is causing your stress and anger can help you to avoid taking it out on others.

It takes self-control — and maturity — to react calmly, instead of reacting angrily. Being able to identify what's triggering the anger and causing you to verbalize it can help to prevent an outburst. Instead say, "When you do or say that, it makes me angry." Or try saying, "Mom, I'm stressed right now. Can we discuss this later?" Or, "I've had a really rough day. I need to be alone for a little while." Then go for a walk to help you to regain your perspective. Developing the ability to do this will not only lessen your guilt, but also earn you the respect of those with whom you interact. My Anger Booklet contains many suggestions for managing and constructively expressing anger in various situations. It can be ordered by

sending your name and mailing address, plus a check or money order for \$7 in U.S. funds to Dear Abby — Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. Shipping and handling are included in the price. As to your "over the top" reactions when you are in your car driving, try to remember that we are all human and make mistakes. I have made them, and so have you.

If you must drive during rush hours, try listening to music or an audio book. And count to 10 before you hit the accelerator. Avoid blasting the horn or making rude gestures. (Screaming is permissible as long as your windows are closed.)

People who lose control not only can get hurt in a variety of ways, but also hurt others — including innocent bystanders. That's why it is very important to be able to express anger in healthy ways.

We are living in a time when the anger level in our society has reached new heights. As we have seen all too often in news reports, explosive anger is the most dangerous of all. Perhaps constructive anger management should be taught in schools to help people more effectively communicate in a healthy manner.

DEAR ABBY: I've been seeking the answer to this for years. My husband is deceased. Am I still related to his family? How do I introduce them? — **IN LIMBO IN PENNSYLVANIA**

DEAR IN LIMBO: You are as related to them as you want to be. Introduce them by their names or as your former in-laws.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Angelic biscuits

Dear Heloise: I love your angel biscuits! Please, please reprint the recipe for me and everyone who loves good biscuits. — Anne M., Fairbanks, Alaska



Hints from Heloise

Anne, this is a reader favorite! The name "Angel Biscuits" (I think) is because they are so light, they will just float off the plate! You'll love them!

Heloise's Angel Biscuits
1 package dry yeast
¼ cup warm water
2 ½ cups flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
½ teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
⅛ cup sugar
½ cup shortening
1 cup buttermilk
Preheat oven to 400 F. Grease a baking sheet.

Let the yeast dissolve in the warm water, and set aside. Mix all the dry ingredients together as listed. Cut the shortening into the dry mixture until it resembles coarse meal. Gently stir in the buttermilk and yeast mixture. Thoroughly blend, but don't overmix. The dough can be refrigerated as is, or, if using right away, knead it lightly. (If refrigerated, let it sit at room temperature until it rises.) Roll the dough out

on a floured board or countertop. Use a biscuit cutter, or cut into "squares" for tasty square biscuits. Place them in the prepared pan, then set out, covered with a clean dish towel, so the dough can rise a little before baking. Bake them for 12-15 minutes.

Oh, here's a hint from me when serving these: Make up some flavored butter to serve along with them. Add some herbs to the butter, or, for a sweet taste, add cinnamon for a sinfully delicious butter! — Heloise

Soaking beans

Dear Heloise: Before I cook dried beans, I add a couple of tablespoons of baking soda into the water used. By soaking dry beans in baking soda, the component that, well, can cause gas is reduced. — Ruth L., Salem, Ohio

PEANUTS By Charles Schulz



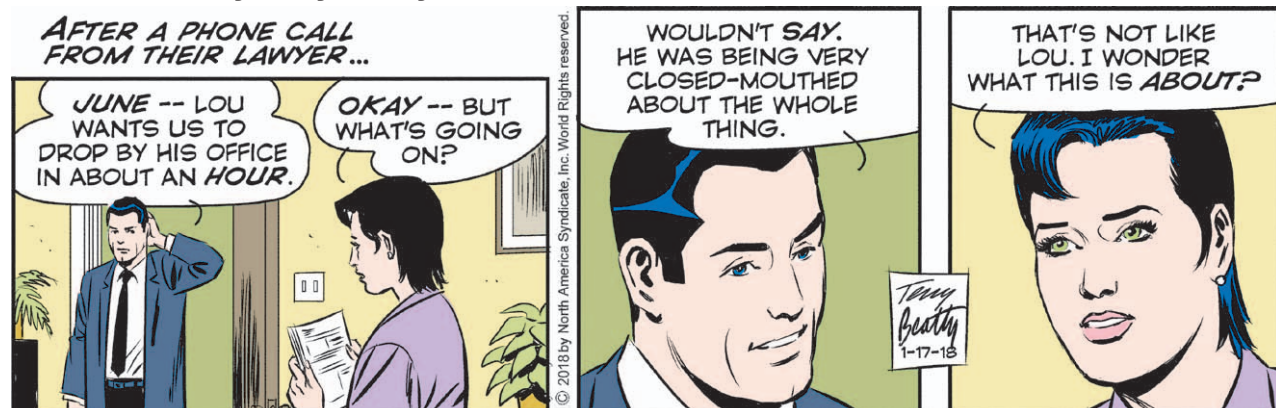
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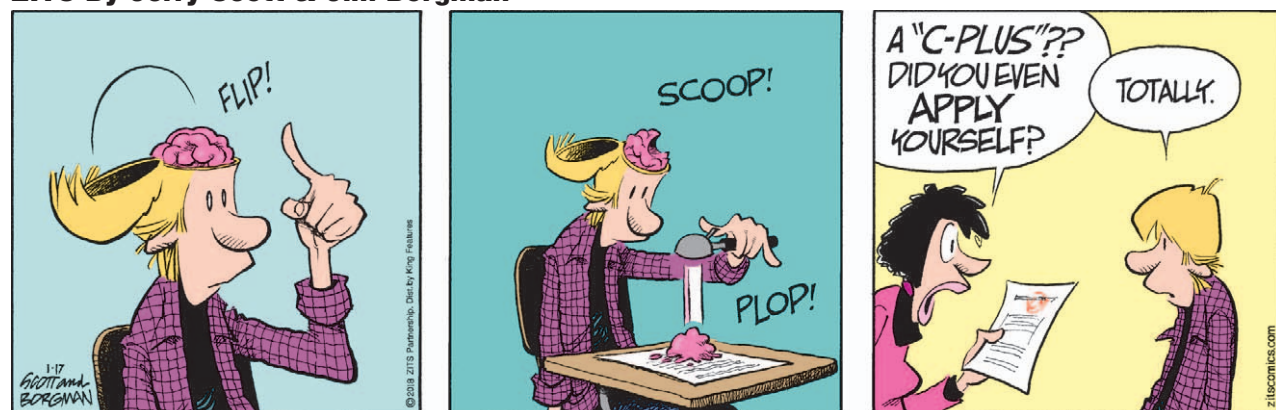
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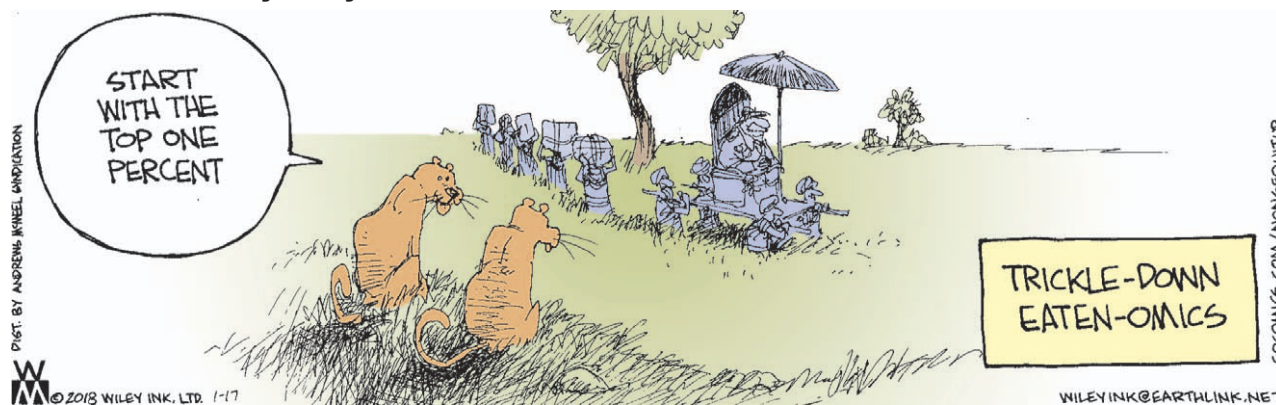
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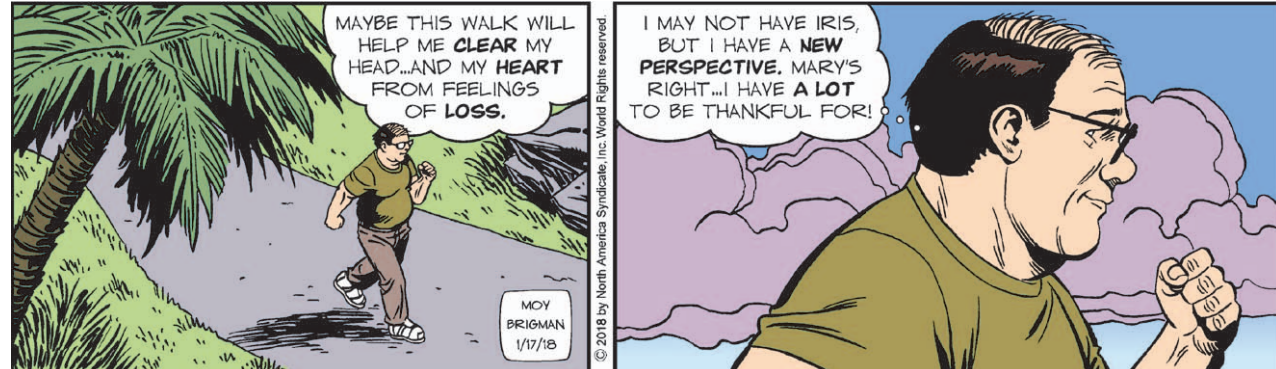
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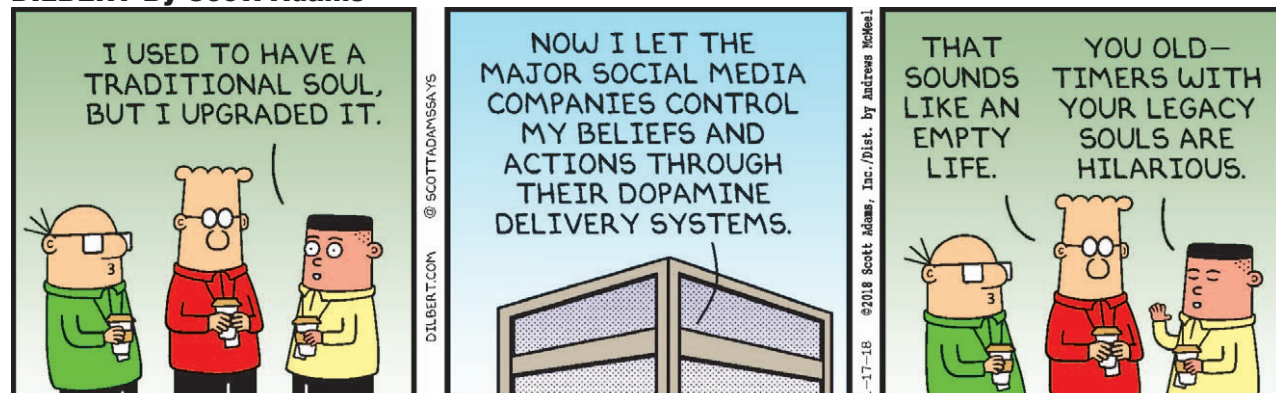
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MARY WORTH By Karen Moy and June Brigman



DILBERT By Scott Adams



Wednesday, January 17, 2018

GOREN BRIDGE

WITH BOB JONES

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FAR-SIGHTED PLAY

East-West vulnerable, South deals

NORTH
 ♠ K 10 7
 ♥ 9 4 3
 ♦ A 9 6
 ♣ Q J 6 5

WEST
 ♠ J 6 3 2
 ♥ Q 6
 ♦ Q J 7 5 4 3 2
 ♣ Void

EAST
 ♠ Q 8 5
 ♥ 10 8 7 2
 ♦ K 10
 ♣ 10 9 8 3

SOUTH
 ♠ A 9 4
 ♥ A K J 5
 ♦ 8
 ♣ A K 7 4 2

The bidding:
 SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
 1♣ Pass 2♣* Pass
 2♥ Pass 2NT Pass
 4♣ Pass 4♦ Pass
 6♣ All pass
 *Inverted, at least 4 clubs and at least 10 points

Opening lead: Queen of ♦

Today's deal is from a tournament in The Netherlands 15 years ago. The actual auction is not known to us except that West never made a bid. South was Dutch expert Huub

Bertens, who relocated to Bend, Oregon, not too long ago. We have supplied a reasonable auction above.

Bertens won the opening diamond lead with dummy's ace and made the far-sighted play of ruffing a diamond in his hand at trick two. When he next cashed the ace of clubs, learning about the 4-0 split, he was in a good position to overcome it. He led a low heart from his hand. Say that East won and led a trump. South could win that in dummy and ruff another diamond. Bertens could then cash the king of clubs and the ace of hearts, then cross to dummy with the king of spades. He would draw the last trump, discarding his low spade, and lead a heart toward his king-jack. He would then make his best guess in that suit if the queen hadn't already appeared.

The queen had long since appeared, as West rose with the queen when Bertens ducked a heart at trick four — not that it would have helped West to play low. Well played!

(Bob Jones welcomes readers' responses sent in care of this newspaper or to Tribune Content Agency, LLC., 16650 Westgrove Dr., Suite 175, Addison, TX 75001. E-mail: tcaeditors@tribpub.com)

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

- 1 temporary transfer of goods (8)
- 2 Shell gas station symbol (7)
- 3 string tie type (4)
- 4 "Saturday in the Park" band (7)
- 5 alcohol used as disinfectant (9)
- 6 figured maple type (10)
- 7 "Swanee" composer George (8)

SOLUTIONS

ISO	BO	NT	BAI	AL
LME	IC	GE	LO	PRO
LOP	PYL	AGO	SC	LEB
FIDD	WIN	ACK	RSH	CH

Tuesday's Answers: 1. BEACHSIDE 2. EBOOK 3. VOLUNTARY 4. OPTOMETRIC 5. REILLY 6. CRAZY 7. RIDESHARE

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JUMBLE

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

NORGP

LIHEW

PPUTEP

DISARH

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

What is it like exploring the deep seas?
 The sea, once it casts its spell, holds one in its net of wonder forever.

Wow!

THE INTERVIEW WITH UNDERSEA-EXPLORER JACQUES COUSTEAU WAS

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

Print answer here: ○ ○ ○ ○ - ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

Yesterday's Jumbles: GIANT BROKE SKINNY TIPTOE
 Answer: He said he was going to win the poker tournament, but his wife wasn't — BETTING ON IT

KENKEN

THE LOGIC PUZZLE THAT MAKES YOU SMARTER.

EASY

24X	3-		2
	1-		12X
	3+		
2÷		3	

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CHALLENGING

3-	3÷	15X	11+		2
			2-	3-	5-
1-		2			
3-	4-	24X	3	3-	
			2÷	1-	2-
6	4-				

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RULES

- Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 4 (easy) or 1 through 6 (challenging) without repeating.
- The numbers within the heavily outlined boxes, called cages, must combine using the given operation (in any order) to produce the target numbers in the top-left corners.
- Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

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BORN LOSER By Art and Chip Sansom

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

ANOTHER BRUTALLY COLD DAY!

IS THIS THE COLDEST WINTER YOU HAVE EVER EXPERIENCED, BRUTUS?

BLONDIE By Dean Young and John Marshall

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

HOW DO YOU LIKE YOUR TEACHER THIS YEAR, ELMO?

SHE'S NICE... SHE SAID WE'RE GOING TO LEARN ABOUT THE HISTORY OF EVERY WAR EVER FOUGHT

WOW! AMAZING!

NOT REALLY...

WE'RE ONLY GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE WINNERS

MUTTS By Patrick McDonnell

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

WHY DON'T WE HIBERNATE IN A CAVE, MOOCH?

MEOW

MEOW

OH

DID YOU BOYS WANT A TREAT?

CAVES DON'T HAVE ROOM SERVICE.

BABY BLUES By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

HOW'S THIS ONE?

GROSS. ALL I SEE ARE NOSTRILS.

DID YOU TRY ZOOMING OUT?

IT'S ZOOMED OUT AS FAR AS IT'LL GO!

MY ARMS ARE TOO SHORT FOR SELFIES.

LIFE IS TOUGH FOR EVERYBODY, SON.

DOONSBURY By Garry Trudeau

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

WELL, THANKS FOR THOSE COLORFUL REMARKS, LORD HUNK-RA. BUT NOW IT'S TIME TO WRAP THIS... / TO WRAP THIS...

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE "STUDY"?

UH... "STUDY"?

WE WERE TOLD TO STUDY THE LINK BETWEEN SELF-ESTEEM AND SOCIAL ILLS! BUT WE CITE NO HARD DATA! NOT EVEN IN THE APPENDIX!

ER... AS YOU KNOW, HUNK, ALL OF THE STUDIES WERE... UH... INCONCLUSIVE.

DOES THAT MEAN ALL OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ARE INCONCLUSIVE, TOO? HUH?

COUGH! BOOPSIE? YOU IN THERE? HUNK'S KILLING US!

BAD LUCK, SUCKAH! THE AIR-HEAD WENT FOR LUNCH!

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE By Lynn Johnston

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

HI, EL... BEEN ON THE PHONE ALL DAY?

PREVIOUS ANSWERS

3-	4	1	18X	3	2
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12+	2	3	1	8X	4
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2÷	4	2	6	5	3	1	8X
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7	3	6	2	1	4	5	
5	3	1	2	6	4		

NATION

Number of Americans without health insurance grows in Trump's first year

By **NOAM N. LEVEY**
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WASHINGTON — The number of Americans without health coverage, which declined for years after passage of the Affordable Care Act, shot up in President Donald Trump's first year in office, according to data from a new national survey.

At the end of 2017, 12.2 percent of U.S. adults lacked health insurance, up from 10.9 percent at the end of 2016, as President Barack Obama was completing his final term.

The increase of 1.3 percentage points, although modest, marks the first time since at least 2008 that the share of adults without insurance increased from the previous year, according

to the report from Gallup, which conducts a widely followed survey asking Americans about their health coverage.

The increase indicates that 3.2 million Americans lost health coverage in 2017, Gallup concluded.

The decline in coverage was most pronounced among slices of the population on which the Obama administration and its allies had focused enrollment efforts: young adults, blacks, Latinos and households making less than \$36,000 a year, Gallup found.

The losses follow years of historic insurance gains driven by the health care law's expansion of coverage, which started being fully implemented in 2014.

National survey data from the federal government and other sources



AP PHOTO

President Donald Trump speaks at an event at the Eisenhower Executive Office Building on the White House complex in Washington on Tuesday.

suggest that more than 20 million previously uninsured Americans gained coverage between 2013 and 2017.

There is increasing evidence that these gains are improving patients' access to medical care

and relieving financial pressure, particularly on poorer households.

A recent study of data from two states that have dramatically expanded coverage, Arkansas and Kentucky, found, for example, that low-income

patients with chronic illnesses are now much more likely to seek recommended care.

By contrast, there has been significantly less improvement among such patients in Texas, which has not expanded coverage fully through the health care law.

But many Republicans, including leading Trump administration officials, have dismissed the coverage gains as meaningless. They have argued that the coverage provided under the health care law is unaffordable — because out-of-pocket costs are too high — or that patients face too many restrictions in their choice of doctors.

Trump came into office last January pledging to roll back the law, commonly called Obamacare. His administration undertook a sustained

campaign throughout 2017 to discredit the law while congressional Republicans tried to repeal it.

The repeal campaign failed. But it helped weaken health insurance markets around the country, particularly in regions that already had few insurers and higher prices than the rest of the country.

At the same time, the Trump administration dramatically cut outreach and advertising efforts.

It is unclear how much each of those actions contributed to the erosion in health coverage, but the Gallup survey indicates a decline in the percentage of adults who bought insurance on their own rather than got it from an employer or a government program such as Medicare or Medicaid.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Mormon church appoints 93-year-old ex-surgeon as president

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A 93-year-old former heart surgeon with three decades of experience with the Mormon church's top leadership panel has been officially named the faith's president.

High-ranking Mormon D. Todd Christofferson announced the selection of Russell M. Nelson as president Tuesday in an address from Salt Lake City that broadcast to Mormons

around the world.

Nelson's selection follows a longstanding succession plan that makes the longest-tenured member of the faith's Quorum the next church's president.

Nelson becomes the 17th president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The Utah-based faith counts nearly 16 million members worldwide.

He succeeds Thomas S. Monson, who died Jan. 2.

The faith's presidents are considered prophets who lead the church through revelations from God

in collaboration with two top counselors and members of the Quorum.

FAA probes reason storm snarled flights at Kennedy airport

NEW YORK (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration says it is investigating the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey's actions during a winter snowstorm that caused major disruptions at Kennedy Airport.

The FAA says it will seek to determine whether the Port

Authority complied with regulations requiring the timely removal of snow from all aircraft movement areas.

The Jan. 4 snowstorm created days of cancellations and delays at the airport. A burst pipe also caused flooding in one terminal.

Democratic U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer also wants federal transportation officials to urge foreign airlines to work better with Kennedy Airport operators.

The Port Authority did not immediately comment on the FAA statement, but has previously said it already

has commenced its own investigation into what happened.

State attorneys general sue to block net-neutrality repeal

NEW YORK (AP) — A group of attorneys general for 21 states and the District of Columbia has sued to block the Federal Communications Commission's repeal of net-neutrality rules.

These rules barred companies like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon from interfering with

internet traffic and favoring their own sites and apps. FCC Chairman Ajit Pai's push to undo them inspired both street and online protests in defense of the Obama-era rules.

New York attorney general Eric Schneiderman, who is leading the suit, said Tuesday that the end of the net neutrality rules would hurt consumers and businesses.

Tech companies and public-interest groups are also expected to file suit or help with litigation against the repeal.

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<p>2015 DODGE JOURNEY</p> <p>CROSSROAD PACKAGE, ONE OWNER, LEATHER, THIRD ROW SEAT</p> <p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">\$15,985</p>	<p>2015 RAM 1500</p> <p>CREW CAB, 5.7 LITER HEMI, TRADEMAN PACKAGE, 20" WHEELS</p> <p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">FOUR DOOR</p>	<p>2015 CHRYSLER TN & CTRY</p> <p>TOURING-L MODEL, ONE OWNER, 24,100 MILES, 5/100 WARRANTY</p> <p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">NAVIGATION</p>	<p>2016 JEEP PATRIOT</p> <p>6,000 MILES, ANNIVERSARY EDITION, LEATHER, SUNROOF, LOADED</p> <p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">\$15,881</p>
<p>2015 FORD ESCAPE</p> <p>ONE OWNER, SE MODEL, POWER HATCH, 33,000 MILES, WARRANTY</p> <p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">\$16,881</p>	<p>2015 TOYOTA SIENNA</p> <p>LE MODEL, ONE OWNER, 21,700 MILES, FULLY LOADED, CREAM PUFF</p> <p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">\$23,781</p>	<p>2015 MAZDA CX-5</p> <p>31,500 MILES, ONE OWNER, TOURING MODEL, NEW TIRES, QUALITY</p> <p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">\$16,781</p>	<p>2016 BUICK ENCORE</p> <p>19,600 MILES, ONE OWNER, 5/100 WARRANTY, A MUST DRIVE</p> <p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">\$16,881</p>

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CRYPTO FUN

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to babies.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 7 = n)

Answers: A. infant B. nurture C. parent D. gestation

- A. 17 7 25 16 7 10**
Clue: Baby
- B. 7 9 19 10 9 19 18**
Clue: Care for
- C. 2 16 19 18 7 10**
Clue: Guardian
- D. 3 18 4 10 16 10 17 21 7**
Clue: Growth period

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to motherhood.

T P R N A E G N

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Answers: Pregnant

Guess Who?

I am an actor born in New York in 1952. I usually play authority figures and cops. I starred opposite Tom Hanks in a movie about a large, slobbering dog, but many know me best as "Carl Winslow."

Answers: Reginald VelJohnson

BABY WORD SEARCH

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T F G K U B S I A P S M D S D T G F S P
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WORDS

- BABY
- BATHING
- BIRTH
- BLANKET
- BOTTLE
- BOUNCER
- BUNDLE
- BURPING
- CARRIER
- COO
- CRADLE
- CRIB
- CRIES
- DECORATE
- DIAPERS
- FEEDING
- FOOD
- FORMULA
- GROWTH
- GUIDANCE
- HOSPITAL
- INFANT
- LABOR
- NURSERY
- PACIFIER
- PEDIATRICIAN
- PREGNANCY
- REGISTRY
- SEAT
- SHOWER
- SLEEPING
- SLING
- STRAIN
- STROLLER
- SWADDLE
- TODDLER

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Table listing Nasdaq stocks with columns for Name, Ticker, Div, Yield, PE, 52-week High/Low, Vol, YTD %Chg, and similar metrics. Includes sections for L, N, and M.

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Nasdaq

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Nasdaq

Table of Nasdaq stock market data including Ticker, Name, Div, Yield, PE, High, Low, 1000s, Last, %Chg, Vol, and YTD. Includes major tickers like AAPL, MSFT, GOOGL, AMZN, and various other public companies.

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Table of Nasdaq stock market data for companies starting with 'U', including tickers like UAL, UPS, UNH, and various utility and healthcare companies.

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Table of Nasdaq stock market data for companies starting with 'T', including tickers like TSMX, TMO, TFC, and various technology and financial companies.

- W -

Table of Nasdaq stock market data for companies starting with 'W', including tickers like WDC, WMH, WIPAC, and various technology and financial companies.

- V -

Table of Nasdaq stock market data for companies starting with 'V', including tickers like VBI, VEON, VOXX, and various technology and financial companies.

Money Markets

Table of Money Markets data including Fund, Assets, Mat, Yld, and various financial instruments like BLFF TrFund, BLFFedAdm, and various bond funds.

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Top 20 Mutual Funds

By Year-to-Date Percent Return

Table with 7 columns: Name, Obj, Pct Load, NAV, YTD Rtn, Phone Number. Lists top 20 mutual funds by year-to-date percent return.

By Total Net Assets

Table with 7 columns: Name, Obj, Assets, Percent Return/Rank, YTD, 5-Yr, Pct Load. Lists top 20 mutual funds by total net assets.

By 4-Week Percent Return

Table with 7 columns: Name, Obj, Pct Load, NAV, 4-Wk Rtn, Phone Number. Lists top 20 mutual funds by 4-week percent return.

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Continuation of the Top 20 Mutual Funds table, listing funds from A to Z.

Mutual Funds

Main table of Mutual Funds with 7 columns: Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD Rtn, 3-yr Rtn/Rk. Lists various mutual funds.

By 4-Week Percent Return

Continuation of the Mutual Funds table, listing funds from A to Z.

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Mutual Funds

Table listing various mutual funds with columns for Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD Rtn, 3-yr Rtn/Rrk, and 5-yr Rtn/Rrk. Funds are grouped into categories like Fairhorne Funds, Federated, Dodge & Cox, Dominion, DoubleLine, and others.

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Mutual Funds

Table containing multiple columns of mutual fund data including Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD Rtn, 3-yr Rtn/Rk, and various fund categories like Fidelity Advisor, First Eagle, and others.

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Mutual Funds

Table with 15 columns: Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD Rtn, 3-yr Rtn/Rk, Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD Rtn, 3-yr Rtn/Rk, Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD Rtn, 3-yr Rtn/Rk, Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD Rtn, 3-yr Rtn/Rk. Contains various mutual fund entries such as StksPLUSIUSDH, SAMgmtFlxIncC, InvnlvGrdBdS, etc.

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Mutual Funds

Table containing multiple columns of mutual fund data including Name, Obj, NAV, 4-wk Rtn, YTD Rtn, 3-yr Rtn/Rk, and other performance metrics for various funds.