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### Opioid lawyer to pitch lawsuit

County could recoup costs of addiction, says Gainesville atty.

By **CARL MCKINNEY**  
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A plan to calculate how much taxpayers have spent combating the opioid crisis and sue manufacturers, distributors or any other potentially liable party is set to go before the Columbia County Commission on Thursday.

Gainesville-based attorney Rod Smith of Avera & Smith, part of a larger coalition that has been pitching similar lawsuits to local governments throughout the East Coast, will make the case for mounting a lawsuit over the public cost of prescription opioid abuse, said County Attorney Joel Foreman.

"The theory of the case is that, on an industry level, the medications that were prescribed over the course of the last several years were prescribed for more conditions than they should have been," Foreman said. "They were prescribed for long-term pain management, which resulted in addiction."

As a result, Columbia County saw an influx of opioid use that required government intervention, whether by law enforcement or emergency medical services.

"And all of that costs the taxpayers money," Foreman said.

The targets of the lawsuit would be up to the County

#### What do you think?

Let us know in a Letter to the Editor. See 4A.

## MANAGER CANDIDATES

# City can't trim field yet

### 2 council members didn't complete rankings

By **TONY BRITT**  
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City officials, hoping to narrow the field of 54 city manager applicants to 10, were unable to do so Monday night when two council members failed to turn in their top-10 lists of candidates.

During Monday night's city council meeting, city officials spent more than 30 minutes discussing how they wanted to handle the process of selecting the next city manager.

Last week council members were asked to bring a list of their top 10 candidates to Monday's meeting, but council member Eugene Jefferson said he didn't have his list and Melinda Moses said she had not ranked 10 candidates. Jefferson and Moses both said they would turn their rankings in today.



Jefferson



Moses



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Michele Greene, the city's director of human resources, hands out forms on which council members were to list their top-10 candidates at City Hall Monday night. Eugene Jefferson, left, and Melinda Moses, second from left, had not ranked the candidates and did not complete their forms.

Three council members — Mayor Stephen Witt, Jake Hill and George Ward — did present their rankings Monday.

Cumulatively, their top pick was a tie between

Joseph Helfenberger of St. Cloud and Dannielle Judd of Green Cove Springs, each of whom received 19 points. Third was Glenn A. Irby of Umatilla with 16 points.

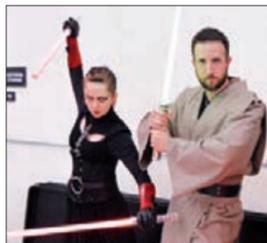
All three are current or former city administrators. Michele Greene, the city's director of human resources, said the top-ranked candidate on each list was to get 10 points,

the second, nine points, etc. She will tabulate the points and provide a top-10 list for the council. The list will be used to deter-

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## STRANGE DAYS

Infinity Con, called Lake City's Comic Con, held its fifth annual event over the weekend. Scores of comic book, graphic novel, anime and manga fans, fueled by a uniting fandom and decked in elaborate cosplay walked the corridors of the Lake City armory full of vendors. Outside, several re-enactments were staged by groups performing live scenes of Comic Con favorites.



**RIGHT:** Elle Reed and Fred Reed said they were premiering at the event as characters from the game Warhammer 40K. **LEFT:** The Last Council Saber Academy's Galaxy theme cosplay performers pose in costume as Feanix Nacil and Jib Qa'nen.



Photos by COREY ARWOOD/Lake City Reporter

## Sheriff's report: Rant over ATV ride lands woman in jail

Husband was drunk and took daughter for a ride, she told CCSO.

By **COREY ARWOOD**  
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A nighttime four wheeler ride, alcohol and one civil

dispute later a stun gun was pulled and the Department of Child and Families was called on a Lake City woman who was later placed in jail, a CCSO report shows.

Jessica Marie Sturgeon, 30, was placed in Columbia County Jail on \$2,000 for dis-

turbing the peace and obstruction of justice without violence after her exchange with a Columbia County Sheriff's deputy.

The deputy's probable cause statement in the CCSO arrest report said he responded to the 300 block of Little

Road for a civil dispute.

"While attempting to gather information from Jessica about what was occurring she continuously screamed at me to find her daughter. I attempted several times to calm Jessica down to which she would not," the deputy's statement

said. "I was eventually able to obtain that Jessica's boyfriend ... took their daughter ... for a ride on his four wheeler without her permission."

She said her boyfriend was out with their



Sturgeon

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COURTESY

Shepherd's Hands of Suwannee Valley Director Marcia Kazmierski is pictured with the mobile unit that transports medical equipment and supplies.

## QUICK HITS

### Scripture of the Day

"Arise for our help, and redeem us for thy mercies' sake."  
— Psalm 44:26 (KJV)

### Thought for Today

Ambition is a dream with a V8 engine.  
— Elvis Presley, 1935-1977, U.S. singer

### Winning Lottery Numbers

**Pick 3:** (Saturday p.m.) 2-1-4  
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# Free clinic for the uninsured

Program is joint effort of churches in three counties.

From staff reports

At 5:30 p.m. Thursday, St. James Episcopal Church, will open the doors to Shepherd's Hands of Suwannee Valley, a free medical clinic for medically uninsured adults who fall within specified state-

wide poverty guidelines. Shepherd's Hands is a community outreach ministry established and governed under the auspices of the Florida Department of Health and the Episcopal Diocese of Florida. The program is staffed by physicians, nurses, pharmacists, technicians and support staff who volunteer their time to support this ministry.

Shepherd's Hands Ministry was developed two years ago by the Reverend George L. Hinchliffe at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Live Oak. A second program was established under the supervision of the Reverend D. Joseph Boyles at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Madison. Both programs have provided critical outreach services

to the medically needy in their communities.

Medical facilities and equipment are transported as necessary in a mobile unit. Clinics are held one evening a month and last two to three hours depending upon the number of patients served.

For more, call Marcia Kazmierski at 386-288-2695 or 386-752-2461.

# SRWMD celebrates Springs Awareness Month

From staff reports

With over 300 documented springs, the Suwannee River basin is home to the largest concentration of freshwater springs of anywhere

in North America. District springs represent significant historical, economic, environmental and recreational value to local communities and Florida. The Suwannee

River Water Management District is celebrating April as Springs Protection Awareness Month to bring attention to these unique natural wonders.

"Our springs are the literal lifeblood of our communities, and they face some major challenges," said Hugh Thomas, executive director for the District.

# Fort White educator named to Florida Association of Science Teachers board

From staff reports

Fort White Elementary School Science Teacher Janet Schnauss Sweat was recently named to the Board of Directors of the Florida Association of Science Teachers, representing Region Three. This is a tremendous professional honor, especially considering that Jan works in Fort White and is representing teachers from numerous school districts across north Florida. Sweat is well known to the science education community in Columbia County, having taught at several schools and also serving as a teacher support colleague for Science. She transferred to Fort White Elementary in the 2017 school year.

"We are extremely blessed to have Jan Sweat on staff, both from a teaching

perspective for the kids and from a peer perspective, to learn from her. She is an extremely talented and innovative educator, well versed in STEM and other new areas for science and mathematics," said her principal, Tom Lashley. "In addition, she is always up for volunteering for anything that will help kids. I couldn't be happier with this for her, and for our school to be where she teaches each day."

Sweat's innovative approach to teaching STEM was featured in on front page of the April 2018 edition of NSTA Reports, a publication of the National Science Teachers Association. When

she taught middle grades science, Sweat's project include making running cars by reworking broken toys. As she was quoted in NSTA Reports, her students "would take apart broken toys to create cars that run. We would repurpose motors and create circuits. A broken PlayStation became a car with a pop-up top and headlights. The students were extremely creative." She went on to say that before diving into auto assembly, the students were required to sketch out their designs.

Said Sweat, "The art piece was necessary to show what will the thing look like? What is the energy source? How will the circuit be designed?"

She noted that after this hands-on project, the students "remembered those circuits and did well on tests."



Sweat

## ATV

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daughter on his all terrain vehicle at night and was drunk, the report said.

His statement said Sturgeon then became "extremely irate," prompting him to turn on his patrol car camera to record the escalating scene.

The report said he couldn't get the full story from Sturgeon but somewhere between 9-10:30 p.m. the boyfriend returned.

Sturgeon approached the man, reportedly yelling, and then grabbed the daughter and took her inside, it said.

The deputy said he told her to stop, but she came back and continued.

He told her to stop again, the report said. "At this time I advised Jessica multiple

times that she was interfering with my investigation and that if she did not separate herself from the situation she would be arrest(ed) for resisting without. Jessica continued to impede my investigation and continuously yelled at (the father)," the report said.

It said the father then asked the deputy what would happen from the incident, and he responded that DCF would be called.

In an apparent attempt to beat the deputy to the call, the report said Sturgeon called DCF to speak with a supervisor.

"Once off the phone Jessica once again approached (the father) and I and began yelling profanity at us. At this point I pulled my agency issued Taser X2 and ordered Jessica to place her hand behind her back to which she complied after multiple commands," the report said.

# THE WEATHER



## REGIONAL FORECAST MAP for Tuesday, April 17



### LAKE CITY ALMANAC

TEMPERATURES	SUN
High Monday 68	Sunrise today 7:00 a.m.
Low Monday 48	Sunset today 7:59 p.m.
Normal high 80	Sunrise tom. 6:59 a.m.
Normal low 55	Sunset tom. 8:00 p.m.
Record high 90 in 1967	
Record low 37 in 1962	
PRECIPITATION	MOON
Monday 0.00"	Moonrise today 8:21 a.m.
Month total 2.74"	Moonset today 9:50 p.m.
Year total 5.25"	Moonrise tom. 9:06 a.m.
Normal month-to-date 1.56"	Moonset tom. 10:54 p.m.
Normal year-to-date 12.40"	

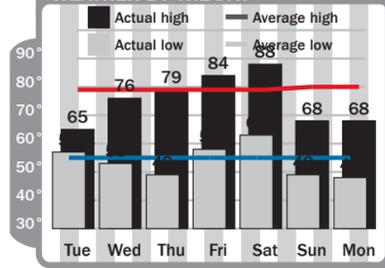
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Today's ultra-violet radiation risk for the area on a scale from 0 to 10+.

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### WEATHER BY-THE-DAY



### WEATHER HISTORY

The stretch of the Mississippi River near Minneapolis crested at a new record on this date in 1965, topping the previous record by four feet. Even though this flood caused 100 million dollars damage, early warnings saved the lives of countless people as only 12 fatalities were reported.

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# Williams gets major nod at UWSV

## Presidential Volunteer Service Award

From staff reports

United Way of Suwannee Valley recognized Mike Williams with the Presidential Volunteer Service Award at the agency's 50th annual meeting and awards banquet conducted at the Country Club at Lake City Friday evening.

John W. Burns III, last year's honoree, presented the award, citing Williams' years of service to our community which followed his 24 years of service to our country. "This year's Presidential Volunteer Service Award recipient, like many, supports our community through a diverse array of volunteer efforts, all of which benefit from his exceptionally strong leadership, organizational, and interpersonal skills," said Burns.

Williams has served the local United Way in various capacities including as president of the board of directors, chair of the leadership giving committee, secretary of the board, and member of both the Building Committee and Capital Campaign Committee.

Williams has also fulfilled many community service roles including the Kiwanis Club, in which he has served as president and as lieutenant governor; March of Dimes Walk for Babies; Foundation for Florida Gateway College; Catholic Charities Lake City; Columbia County School District Strategic Plan Advisory Committee; and the Haven Hospice Advisory Board. Also an active member of the Chamber, Williams was recognized by the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce as the 2017

Citizen of the Year.

United Way initiated the annual presentation of the Presidential Volunteer Service Award, a national recognition of outstanding community volunteers who have given a lifetime of service, in 2008 in conjunction with the agency's 40th anniversary. Williams joins a distinguished list of outstanding community leaders who have been bestowed this honor through the local United Way. Past recipients include Tom Brown, the 2008 award recipient; Joe Persons, 2009; Jeff Parker, 2010; Keith Leibfried, 2011; Vern and Maureen Lloyd, 2012; Mike McKee, 2013; Dave and Renee Cobb, 2014; Jim Moses, 2015; James Montgomery, 2016; and John W. Burns III, 2017.

The Presidential Volunteer Service Award is the highest honor the White House gives for volunteer service to thank and honor citizens who, by their demonstrated commitment and example, inspire others to serve. The award was initiated to acknowledge our country's long and proud tradition of volunteer service. In 2002 President George W. Bush issued a challenge to all Americans to dedicate at least 4,000 hours to volunteer service and help to foster a culture of service, citizenship, and responsibility. In 2003 the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation was formed to find ways to recognize the valuable contributions volunteers are making to our nation. The President's Council on Service and Civic Participation created the President's Volunteer Service Award.



TONY BRITT/Lake City Reporter

Mike Williams (left) accepts the United Way of Suwannee Valley's Presidential Volunteer Service Award from John W. Burns III during the agency's 50th annual meeting and awards banquet Friday at The Country Club at Lake City.

## UWSV

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are prepared when hazardous weather threatens. Before joining the National Weather Service she was an air quality forecaster for the State of Alaska. Cindy discussed weather threats that impact northern Florida, the services of the National Weather Service, and new technologies used by forecasters.

Don Fenneman, the local United Way's 2017-2018 general campaign chair, kept to the end of the program the announcement of funds benefitting the community as a result of United Way's efforts. The community fundraising campaign raised \$478,124. Grant funds secured through collaborative applications submitted by United Way totaled \$1,209,464. Cumulatively, this results in a total community impact of \$1,687,588.

"It has been a good year," stated Chris Dampier, 2017-2018 Board President, "challenging at times, but good."

The fundraising campaign dollars help support the community safety net of services provided by local United Way affiliated agencies and are allocated through a citizen review process. The grant funds primarily provide for services for those who are homeless or at risk of homeless with funds sub-granted to local agencies such as Another Way and Vivid Visions for emergency shelter services for victims of domestic violence, Catholic Charities and United Way for homeless prevention and re-housing services; and Volunteers of America

of Florida for permanent supportive housing for chronically homeless individuals including veterans. Additionally, funding for homeless services administered by the local United Way includes Projects for Assistance in Transition

is an early literacy initiative focused on screening, training and engaging volunteers in local Florida communities to increase the number of students who read at grade level by the end of third grade. This is United Way's

Irma and Maria through the Suwannee Valley Long Term Recovery Committee's work with individual households.

Special recognition was provided to Florida Gateway College and to Nutrien, formerly

employee campaign team received recognition for its outstanding results which the corporation matched.

Supporting the efforts of the general campaign team is the Challengers' Club, the local United Way's leadership giving

efforts of the County Health Improvement Plans and utilized grant funds received by United Way. Two projects focused on minimizing accidental injuries among children by providing scholarships for summer programming and swimming lessons. National Children's Dental Health Month was observed by providing dental health kits distributed in coordination with the Health Departments to elementary school children in the four-county United Way service area.

During the event, attended by more than 140 community members, outgoing board members were recognized and the 2018-2019 leadership announced. 2017-2018 United Way Board President Chris Dampier passed the gavel to incoming 2018-2019 Board President Don Fenneman.

Fenneman announced the officers for the 2018-2019 board. These included Pam Cochran, president elect and general campaign chair; Mike Williams, secretary; Cammy Scott, treasurer; Chris Dampier, past president; Lori Simpson, Columbia County Campaign Chair; Kecia Robinson, Suwannee County Campaign Chair; Christine Cribbs, Hamilton County Campaign Chair; Dave Cobb, Challengers' Committee Chair; Barbara Doonan, Admissions and Allocations Chair; Dr. Alvin Jackson, Jr., Loaned Executives Chair; Renee Cobb, Communications Committee Chair; Janie Richardson; Planning Committee Chair; Mark Hilliard, Homeless Coalition Liaison; and Shayne Morgan, Community Disaster Preparedness, Recovery and Response Liaison.



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United Way of Suwannee Valley staff members gather for a photo following the agency's 50th Anniversary Annual Meeting and Awards banquet Friday night. Front, from left: Lynne Hodges, senior case manager; second row, from left: Jennifer Lee, homeless coordinator; Rita Dopp, executive director; Jamie Pelham, IT/homeless management information system; back, from left: Dawn Stalter, campaign assistant; Rebecca Layman, ReadingPals coordinator; Susie Roman, case manager; Jayne Wilson, business manager.

from Homelessness (PATH) which provides for homeless outreach and case management.

Other grant funds received during the organization's 2017-2018 fiscal year include its ReadingPals grant and funds for long-term recovery assistance. ReadingPals

third year of the grant, thanks to a gift by the Carol and Barney Barnett Fund within the GiveWell Community Foundation. Locally, ReadingPals currently has 142 Volunteers working with 227 children. Long-term recovery funds have been used to assist survivors of Hurricanes

PotashCorp-White Springs. Mike McKee, past United Way Board President and emcee, received an award on behalf of Florida Gateway College to recognize the contributions made above its employee giving campaign in the form of facilities and staff expertise. Nutrien's local

group. Chaired in 2017-2018 by Dave Cobb, the Challengers' Club contributed 32 percent of the overall amount raised.

Janie Richardson, chair of the United Way Planning Committee, highlighted the community impact initiatives undertaken during the year which supported

## OBITUARIES

### Addie Maude (Pat) Carroll

Pat Carroll went to be with the Lord on Friday, April 13, 2018, after a brief illness.

At age 88, she died surrounded by her husband, Ed Carroll; children, Eddie Carroll, Cheri Stoeckert and Debbie Brown; grand-children, Kelli Ellsworth, Dawn Scholten, Kevin Stoeckert, Heather Brown, Todd Meister and Amy Palmero and 19 great grand-children, some there physically and some in spirit.

Pat was born on February 6, 1930 in Laurel Hill, Florida. She

was the youngest of 11 children and step-children. She married her high school sweetheart at the age of 18 and they just celebrated their 70th anniversary. They have 3 children, 6 grand-children and 19 great grand-children.

Through the years, Pat was a beautician, seamstress, Kindergarten teacher, mother and homemaker, sign language interpreter, organist, and she owned her own knit shop.

She leaves behind a legacy of love, hard work and strong Christian faith. Her husband, children, grand-children and

great grand-children will miss her but know that they will be with her again in heaven.

### Ralph J. Morton

Ralph J. Morton, 92, of Lake City, FL, passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 15, 2018, following an extended illness.

Born February 24, 1926 in Madison, NC, to the late Eulie E. Morton and Irma Ferguson. He was a U.S. Navy veteran during WWII stationed in Lake City, FL. He graduated from the first class of Lake City Forest Ranger School. Mr. Morton worked 25

years as Agency Management with Farm Bureau, and 10 years operating his own Cotton State Insurance Agency. He was a member of Bethel Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge and the Shrine Temple. After his retirement he enjoyed fishing, gardening, and raising his pigeons. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather.

Survivors include his loving wife of 43 years; Betty Lou Carroll Morton, of Lake City, FL, daughters; Sarah Corky Knox

(Jimmy), of Lake City, FL., Irma Louise Wehrli (George), of Lake City, FL., Linda Gayle Babbitt (Ken), of Battle Creek, MI., and Carrie Lynn Park (Kelvin) of Lake City, FL., grandchildren; Bernice Elizabeth Randall, Kenny Babbitt, Jr., Amanda Robertson (Jamie), Amy Babbitt, Allison Carey (Tommy), Ashley Babbitt, Daniel Faris, Wes Faris, Kelsey Park, and 5 great-grandchildren, and numerous Nieces and Nephews also survive.

Graveside service will be conducted at 11:00am on Wednesday, April 18, 2018

at Bethel Cemetery with Rev. Ken Hamilton officiating. Arrangements are under the care of **GATEWAY-FOREST LAWN FUNERAL HOME**, 3596 S US Hwy 441, Lake City, FL., 32025, (386) 752-1954. Please leave words of love and comfort for the family at [www.gatewayforestlawn.com](http://www.gatewayforestlawn.com)

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OUR OPINION

## Congrats to UWSV on 50 years

Much of today's paper is devoted to documenting the 50th anniversary of United Way of Suwannee Valley, the umbrella organization that serves so many so well in this community.

It is paper and ink well spent.

UWSV has long been the leader in the Suwannee River Valley when it comes to taking care of those in need. On Friday, at the organization's 50th annual meeting at The Country Club of Lake City, it was good to see the folks behind the scenes get some much-needed recognition.

Allow us to join our voices to the chorus of those expressing our gratitude for all you do — and have done so long.

And let's not forget the one pivotal figure at the center of it all — UWSV Executive Director Rita Dopp, who has announced she will soon be stepping down after 19 years.

We'll have plenty more to say about Mrs. Dopp's good work and selfless service in the weeks to come. For the moment, a simple "thank you" will have to suffice.

*(Friday was a great night for a great cause. If you weren't there, check out the coverage on pages 3A and 6A to get a sense of what you missed.)*

### TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:

In 1492, a contract was signed by Christopher Columbus and a representative of Spain's King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella, giving Columbus a commission to seek a westward ocean passage to Asia.

In 1861, the Virginia State Convention voted to secede from the Union.

In 1924, the motion picture studio Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer was founded, the result of a merger of Metro Pictures, Goldwyn Pictures, and the Louis B. Mayer Co.

In 1937, the animated cartoon character Daffy Duck made his debut in the Warner Bros. cartoon "Porky's Duck Hunt," directed by Tex Avery.

In 1941, Yugoslavia surrendered to Germany during World War II.

In 1961, some 1,500 CIA-trained Cuban exiles launched the disastrous Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba in an attempt to topple Fidel Castro, whose forces crushed the incursion by the third day.

In 1964, Ford Motor Co. unveiled its new Mustang model at the New York World's Fair, five days before the fair's official opening.

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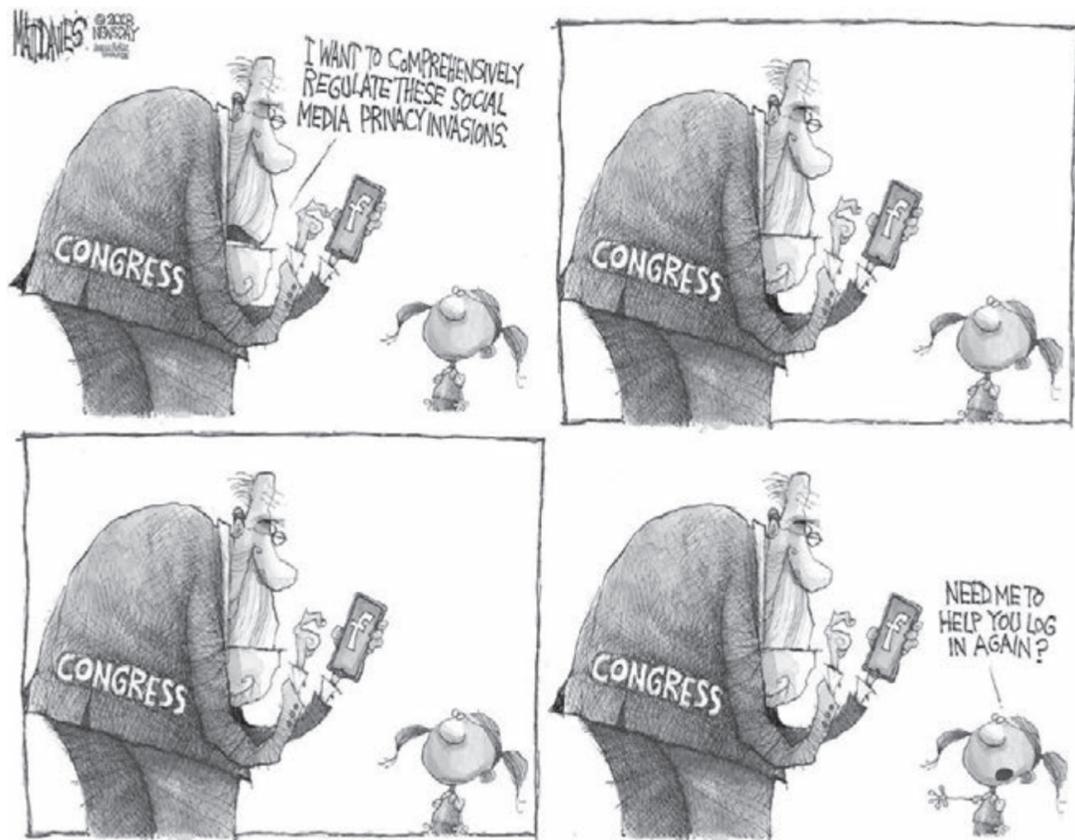
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## Down Syndrome Protection Act

There are opinions, and there are facts. First, some facts.

It used to be that pregnancies were divided into trimesters and the state could not regulate abortion in that first trimester, could regulate it in the second only to protect the health of the mother, and could regulate or limit it in the third to protect the welfare of the fetus. That was the holding in *Roe v. Wade*.

Then, Pennsylvania became the battleground in the abortion debate with *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, in which the Supreme Court eliminated the trimester framework, finding it flawed. It reiterated a woman's right to choose, but made this important distinction, which was missing from the sterile posture of *Roe*: "The very notion that the state has a substantial interest in potential life leads to the conclusion that not all regulations must be deemed unwarranted."

And so was born the concept of viability. For the first time, even though it continued to agree that a pregnant woman had a "liberty" interest in not being pregnant, the law gave dignity to the fetus and started to establish parameters by which this dignity — this "life" — should be recognized and protected by the government.

So these are facts: Women can have abortions, with some legal restrictions. While my opinion is that they should be legally prevented from aborting a child, my opinion is not a fact.

But if we acknowledge that women can have abortions in some circumstances, we also have to accept that they can be prevented from having them in others. And that is what brings us back to Pennsylvania, and our beautiful state Capitol.

This week, the state House of Representatives fast-tracked a bill



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that would ban abortions based on a diagnosis or suspicion that the fetus has Down syndrome. The bill was moved out of the chamber's Health Committee on Monday, and the full House will likely vote on it next week.

Abortion rights groups are apologetic. Newspapers have published op-eds opposing the bill as a grotesque infringement on the "woman's right to choose," as if no one had ever read *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* or understands the "fact" that women do not have unlimited choices when it comes to being "un-pregnant."

*Planned Parenthood* has, predictably, come out full force in opposition to the bill. But I think the saddest part is that some parents of Down children have actually come out publicly against the bill, too, which strikes me as supremely inhumane. Just my opinion, of course. Here are some more of them:

To hear that a woman who has given birth to a child with Down is still willing to allow other children to be denied a future because she doesn't want to infringe on another mother's "choice" is a perfect example of the way society has dehumanized unborn life. It is the same principle at play when someone says, "I am personally against abor-

tion but I don't want to deny another woman that right." Sorry to shatter your carefully crafted illusion, my open-minded friend, but you are not then personally against abortion. You just won't have one yourself.

Those who try to turn the mother into a victim by lamenting society's lack of resources for the disabled are so breathtakingly hypocritical, or naive, that I have to wonder if they even believe their own words, or are simply spouting a script prepared for them generations ago by Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, who wrote the majority decision in *Buck v. Bell*, the case that authorized the sterilization of the "mentally impaired." He stated in one chilling passage, "Three generations of imbeciles are enough."

For the woman or man who thinks it's OK to abort a fetus that would grow into what we once called "Mongoloid," Holmes' reasoning makes sense.

I believe the real reason people oppose this bill is because they are afraid to open Pandora's Box. Once the lid comes off, it will reveal the stark barbarity of abortion taken to the extreme: a desire to eliminate the random imperfections and inconveniences of life. Just like Justice Holmes and his fear of imbeciles.

My friend Kurt Kondrich shares that opinion. He is the father to beautiful Chloe, who was diagnosed with Down in utero. He observes, "It is time to stop the ultimate form of bigotry: terminating individuals who do not meet the cultural mandate for perfection."

I am thrilled that Pennsylvania is poised to turn our opinions into incontrovertible fact.

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## How we interact with internet giants

The tumult in Washington over Facebook founder and CEO Mark Zuckerberg's two days of testimony before Congress is the best opportunity yet for all of us to re-examine our relationships with the Internet giants that exert enormous influence in our society. Facebook as well as Google and the vast number of other companies that trade free services for access to our private information, now occupy a central place in too much of our daily lives.

The result is that we've turned over enormous troves of information that these firms repackage and sell to third parties eager to influence our purchases and what we think about politics, culture and a variety of other issues.

What should be clear now is just how easy it has been for bad actors to exploit Facebook and other platforms. And what should also be clear after the hearings is just how little care social media giants have taken to construct products that are difficult for bad actors to exploit. Or

as Zuckerberg admits, Facebook didn't do enough to guard against downstream consequences.

"The big mistake that we've made looking back on this is viewing our responsibility as just building tools, rather than viewing our whole responsibility as making sure that those tools are used for good," Zuckerberg said in an answer to a question from Sen. John Cornyn of Texas.

The hearings raised other concerns beyond privacy. As most Facebook users will attest, the site can be addictive. Is it dangerous for so many Americans to use social media to filter their news and even how they interact with society?

Should Facebook make it easy to identify all users who post political messages? Are there limits that should be placed on the way automated accounts, or bots, interact with real users, given how they push divisive messages to large audiences?

Have Silicon Valley giants been allowed to too easily scoop up

would-be competitors — firms that might have created new business models with better privacy protections? Can it be made easier for users to download or even delete the data they give these firms? Should it be easier to rescind privacy permissions?

But even as the hearings teed up such questions, it should also be clear there are a few things the rest of us need to confront about ourselves.

It seems clear that social media has played a large role in coarsening our political discourse. We can blame the companies for building infrastructure that encouraged that behavior. But within all of us is the capacity to change the way we use these services, and to stand up for civility.

Were we to resolve to do that, then the moment of reflection these hearings have engendered will have lasting effects no matter what Congress or the companies do now.

■ Dallas Morning News

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ To submit your Community Calendar item, stop by the Reporter office or email Justin Caudell at [jcaudell@lakecityreporter.com](mailto:jcaudell@lakecityreporter.com).

## Today

### FDOC career fair

The Florida Department of Corrections Probation and Parole 3rd Circuit will be hosting a Career and Resource Fair, Tuesday April 17, from 9:00a.m.-2:00p.m. at the Robert B Harkness Armory-Florida National Guard, 490 NW Lake Jeffery Rd, Lake City, FL 32055. The event is free and open to the public. There will be resources available to those with criminal backgrounds. The LifeSouth Blood Mobile will be in attendance and taking much needed donations. Blood Donors will receive a recognition item and be entered to win a Yeti cooler through LifeSouth. Those that attend and meet with all vendors will be entered into a drawing. For more information on becoming a vendor, or attending the event, please contact Melissa Capps, FDC Employment Specialist, at 386-688-0865.

### Art league meets

The Art league of North Florida invites the community to the monthly meeting on April 17 at 6:30 pm at the First Presbyterian Church located at 697 SW Baya Dr. Lake City.

### Volunteers needed

Lake City Medical Center Auxiliary needs volunteers who have a heart to serve. The auxiliary need volunteers for all positions. Those interested in participating in the program may pick up an application at the Lake City Medical Center Gift Shop or the H2U office. For more, call 386-719-7713.

### 'Gardening questions?'

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### New member for DAR

Linda Johns (left), chapter regent, Jane McClelland and Mary Jane Weaver, registrar, welcome new member, Joy Coleman (right) who was inducted into the Edward Rutledge Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, at its recent meeting.

9 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Columbia County Extension Office, 971 W. Duval St., Lake City. Stop by or call 386-752-5384 to receive research-based information from university trained volunteers.

### Club registration

The Boys' Club of Columbia County is accepting registration for the fall session. All children ages

6-14 are eligible to attend. There are bus pickups from all elementary and middle schools. Fees for the session are \$200. For more, call 386-752-4184 or visit the club on Jones Way in Lake City.

### Seed Lending Library

The Columbia Seed Lending Library is available at the main library branch in downtown Lake City on Tuesdays from

2 to 4 p.m. The CSLL meets at the Fort White Branch from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wednesdays, and volunteers will also be on hand on the first and third Tuesday of each month from 2 to 4 p.m. at the West branch library, 435 NW Hall of Fame Drive (off U.S. Highway 90 just past Interstate 75). Patrons can select a wide variety of seeds and receive advice

from seasoned gardeners.

### GeriActors

Residents are invited to join the Reader's Theater Group on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the Lifestyle Enrichment Center, 628 SE Allison Court.

### Wednesday

#### Volunteers needed

Community Hospice

and Palliative Care recently opened a new office at 163 SW Stonegate Terrace, Suite 105, Lake City. We are looking for volunteers to serve in several different capacities including: relief visits for our patient's families, pet therapy, veteran pinning and clerical help. Visit our web site, [Volunteer.CommunityHospice.com](http://Volunteer.CommunityHospice.com) to learn more about our volunteer on-boarding process and to complete a volunteer application.

### 'Terrific Twos'

"Terrific Twos," a library program for toddlers, is offered on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. at the main branch of the Columbia County Public Library, 308 NW Columbia Ave. in downtown Lake City. For more information about the library's children's programs, call 386-758-2101.

### Al-Anon meeting

An Al-Anon group meets at First Christian Church (403 W. Duval St., Lake City) at 6 p.m. on Mondays and 10 a.m. on Wednesdays. Newcomers group meets on Mondays at 5 p.m.

### Volunteers needed

The Christian Service Center (421 NW Washington St., Lake City) is in search of volunteers. The center's mission is to serve those in need in Columbia County through Christian faith and resources. For more, call 386-755-1770.

### Duplicate Bridge Club

Lake City Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays at The Country Club at Lake City. All bridge enthusiasts are welcome. For more, call Dottie Rogers at 386-758-8606.

## CITY

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mine which candidates get interviews.

Greene will be tasked

with notifying each of the candidates on the top-10 list and performing background checks and collecting other necessary information. She will also see whether the candidate is still interested in

the position.

The council has scheduled a 6 p.m. meeting on Thursday to reveal the results of the rankings and discuss the next step in the process of hiring a city manager.

City officials plan to conduct applicant interviews during the week of May 14-18. However, the council has not yet determined how many candidates will be interviewed for the position.

In other business on Monday, the council unanimously approved a contract with Passero Associates for professional engineering services to provide the city with field investigations to doc-

ument studies in compliance with the National Environmental Protection Act concerning selective tree clearing at the city airport. The contract is not to exceed \$20,000.

## OPIOIDS

Continued From 1A

Commission to decide, but can range from the companies that developed and created the drugs to distributors, doctors and pharmacies.

Distributors who have been slapped with fines for ignoring the DEA's warnings to curb suspicious sales of hundreds of millions of pills, as has been happening for years, could be liable.

"The question would

be, did the entity have reason to know that this was the wrong thing to do?" Foreman said. "That this was likely to cause harm?"

Marion County has Avera & Smith to represent it in a similar case.

The firm would work on contingency, meaning the county would only pay if the lawsuit prevails.

If the county chooses to move forward, the lawsuit will be handled at the local level and go before a local judge and jury.

Nationwide, the total

value of lawsuits filed over the opioid crisis is estimated to be \$100 billion, Foreman told the County Commission during a March meeting.

There is ongoing litigation on the federal level over claims brought forward by multiple state and local governments.

Those cases are all being heard out of a single court in Cleveland.

On the state level, Delaware in January brought legal action in one of its courts against man-

ufacturer Purdue Pharma, distributors CVS and Walgreens and other entities, alleging manufacturers engaged in a "massive marketing campaign to misstate and conceal the risks of treating chronic pain with opioids."

Distributors, according to the lawsuit, allowed opioids to be diverted — meaning they filled suspicious orders and failed prevent the drugs from being lost or stolen.

As many as 110,000 out of every 860,000 opioid pre-

scriptions issued each year in Delaware are diverted for non-medical uses, according to the lawsuit.

"The misconduct of Defendants, including their consistent failure to comply with their legal obligations, has led to an epidemic of prescription opioid abuse in Delaware," the lawsuit states. "The epidemic resulted in 694 prescrip-

tion opioid-related deaths in Delaware between 2007 and 2016, and 112 prescription opioid-related deaths in 2016 alone, and at least \$100 million drained annually from State resources for the healthcare, criminal justice, social services and welfare and education system."

It's not clear to what degree the opioid crisis has affected Columbia County.

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# UWSV marks 50th anniversary



Mike Williams (from left), Chris Dampier, Don Fenneman, and David DePlato are pictured as Nutrien was recognized for its employee and company contributions to the United Way of Suwannee Valley at the 50th anniversary meeting and awards banquet of UWSV. Nutrien, formerly PotashCorp-White Springs, was recognized for its local employee campaign team after the team raised more than \$60,000. The amount was matched by the company, totaling more than \$120,000 for the United Way of Suwannee Valley on Friday at The Country Club of Lake City.

## Celebrates a half-century of giving back

From staff reports

With a change in date and in venue to set apart its 50th anniversary event, United Way of Suwannee Valley announced the year's achievements at the organization's annual meeting and awards banquet at the Country Club at Lake City Friday evening.

The event focused on the many volunteers whose collective efforts resulted in the 2017-2018 community fundraising campaign results and on the receipt of grant funds for human services. Numerous companies and individuals were acknowledged for their contributions toward the accomplishments achieved.

John Burns III, the 2016-2017 Presidential Volunteer Service Award recipient honored by United Way, presented the 2017-2018 award to Mike Williams, a United Way past president and participant on a variety of committee and community efforts.

Columbia County Emergency Manager Shayne Morgan, who is a long-time United Way Board participant, introduced the guest speaker, Cindy Elsenheimer, a lead forecaster at the National Weather Service Forecast Office, Jacksonville. "Our United Way has been responsible for supporting our community through recoveries following tropical storms, hurricanes, river flooding, and a tornado as well as for supporting response efforts in the county Citizens Information Center and Emergency Operations Center," Morgan said. "Community members may not be aware of the support provided by the National Weather Service."

In addition to issuing forecasts and warnings, Elsenheimer works closely with local broadcast meteorologists and emergency managers to ensure communities



**LEFT:** Chris Dampier (from left), United Way of Suwannee Valley outgoing president, stands with Florida Gateway College board chairperson Suzanne M. Norris and Executive Director of Media & Public Information Mike McKee after FGC was given the 2017-18 Outstanding Community Service Award.



**TOP:** Chris Dampier (left), United Way of Suwannee Valley outgoing president, is given a ceremonial gavel from incoming president Don Fenneman. **ABOVE:** Cindy Elsenheimer, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service, gets a gift bag that includes an umbrella after serving as the guest speaker during the United Way of Suwannee Valley's 50th anniversary meeting.

UWSV continued on 3A

Photos by  
TONY BRITT/Lake City Reporter

A large advertisement for the 'S&amp;S Food Stores &amp; Budweiser Present The South's Country Music &amp; Camping Festival'. The main graphic features the 'Suwannee River Jam' logo with a river scene and the dates 'MAY 2-5TH, 2018' in 'LIVE OAK, FL'. Below the logo are photos of performing artists: Alan Jackson, Josh Turner, Locash, Easton Corbin, Tyler Farr, Rodney Atkins, The Lacs, Kentucky Headhunters, Williams and Ree, Cody Johnson, and Pam Tillis. At the bottom, it provides the location: 'SPIRIT OF THE SUWANNEE MUSIC PARK &amp; CAMPGROUND | 3076 95TH DRIVE - LIVE OAK, FL 386.364.1683'.

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Section B



Columbia's Christian Chiong won one out of two singles matches Monday morning. Chiong, the team's No.1, still advanced to the doubles semifinal round.

## HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

# Tigers advance to district finals

Columbia's Thomas pulls off upset, both doubles teams moving onto Day 2.

By ERIC JACKSON  
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Columbia boys have come a long way from its season opener sweep. Their progression was evident during the opening day of the District 3-3A meet Monday morning.

Columbia isn't done yet after a strong showing against some of the league's best.

Tanner Thomas, Christian Chiong, Jacob Zecher and Cole Wehrli advanced by knocking off tough competition in the first round and second round.

Wehrli and Thomas will compete in singles today after winning both their matches Monday.

Columbia's No.1 Chiong won his opening match before falling in his second. He and Zecher didn't get out of the singles bracket, but will compete in doubles with Thomas and Wehrli. An impressive opening day showing for the rebuilding Tigers.

"I'm so proud of this team, doing as much as they did on the first day," Columbia boys coach Tom Moore said.

Columbia enters the second day tied for first place with Atlantic Coast and host school Robert E. Lee. The strong start wouldn't be possible without impressive finishes from the Tigers' double teams (Zecher and Wehrli, Chiong and Thomas).

Cole, the younger brother of former standout, Reid, wasn't going to

be denied as he won his first singles match 6-2, 6-2. Wehrli followed up with a second round win to advance (6-3, 6-1). But it was Thomas who highlighted the opening day outing.

After suffering defeats for most of the year, Thomas defied the odds with a first round upset over Atlantic Coast's No.1. He followed up with another win over a Middleburg player during the second round.

No.2 Thomas and No.4 Wehrli will compete for a district title in today's singles finals while the doubles semifinal round will follow.

Columbia entered the tournament as a clear underdog, yet the Tigers have seemed to heat up at just the

TIGERS continued on 2B

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

# Florida's Pineiro, Townsend eye rare feat in NFL draft

Duo could be first specialists from the same college drafted in the same year since 1985.

By MARK LONG  
Associated Press

GAINESVILLE — Florida kicker Eddy Pineiro badly wanted to show off his leg.

He pleaded with NFL scouts to kick with the breeze at his back during the school's pro day last month, believing he was capable of hitting an 80-yarder that would open eyes and raise his draft stock.

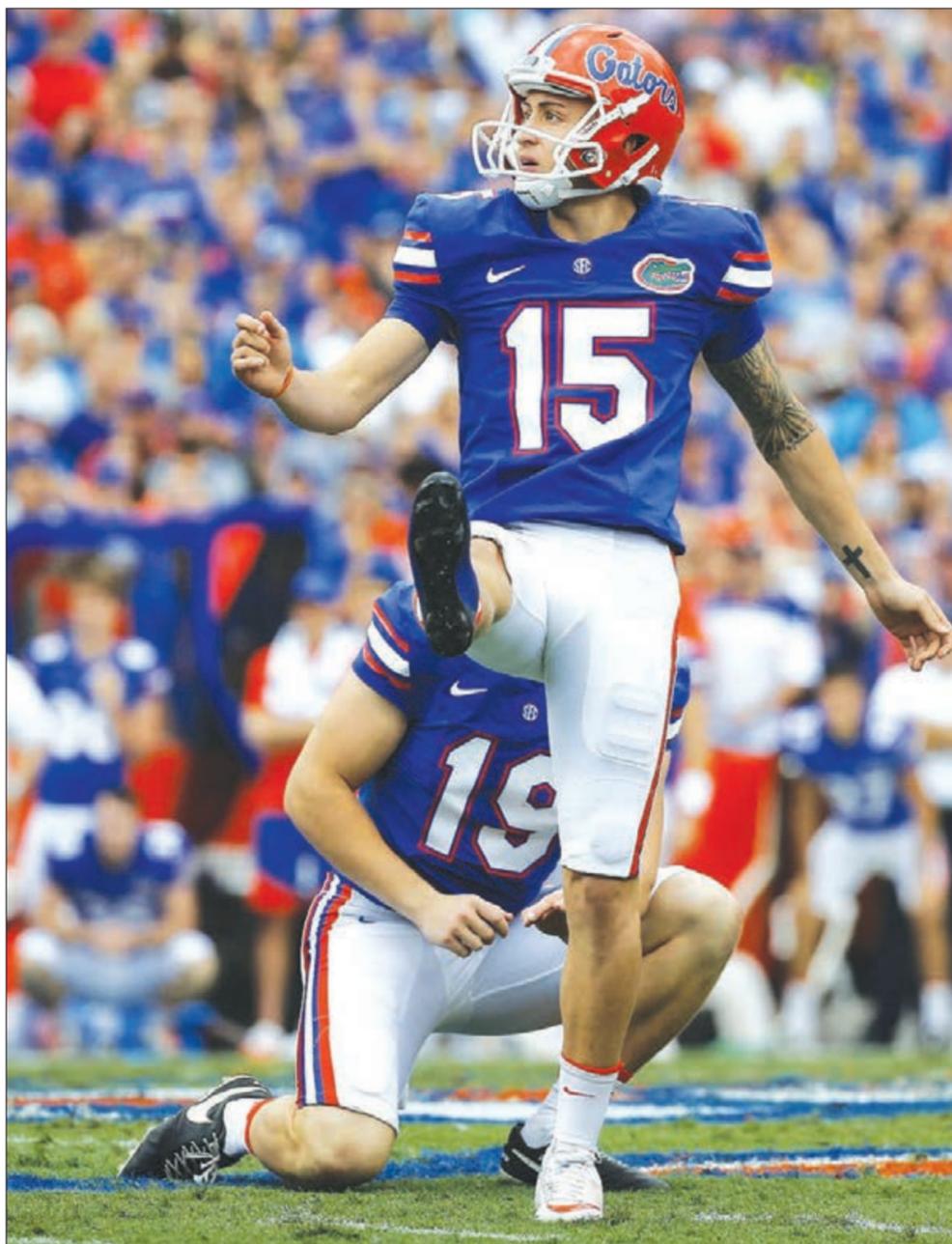
"They were like, 'No, no. Coaches want to see you kick into the wind,'" Pineiro said.

They did the same to punter Johnny Townsend. The college teammates obliged, and performed just fine in the other direction.

Pineiro and Townsend hope they did enough to get drafted. If so, they would become the first specialists from the same college drafted in the same year since Clemson's duo of Dale Hatcher (third round) and Donald Igwebuike (10th) in 1985. Pineiro and Townsend would be the first teammates to do so — call it a "rare feat" — since the NFL draft was shortened to seven rounds in 1994.

Pineiro and Townsend are hardly locks, but they're far from long shots after working out at the NFL combine, at Florida's pro day and for a number of teams in private.

They are widely regarded as the second-best prospects at their positions, trailing only Auburn place-kicker Daniel Carlson



COURTESY

Florida kicker and NFL prospect Eddy Pineiro made 29 of his last 30 field-goal attempts and finished his college career having made 38 of 43, including all five from 50 yards or longer.

GATORS continued on 5B

## HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD

# CHS sends 7 to regionals

Raffay, Collins shine at district meet Saturday.

By ERIC JACKSON  
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After strong performances in this past weekend's District 3 meet, Columbia's track and field team is sending seven athletes to the Region 1-3A meet next Thursday.

Columbia's 4x100m relay team is returning to regionals after a second place finish (43.51) in Jacksonville. James Williamson, Jamari Pate, Lorinza Jelks and Tracy White together will vie for a spot in the state finals next week in Tallahassee.

Columbia also had impressive individual performances coming from Yassin Raffay, Konstance Washington and Asherah Collins. Washington, a senior, is headed back to regionals after placing third in the shot put finals (9.37m). Collins stole the show with a first-place finish in the triple jump finals (11.46m). The sophomore also took third in the 200m dash (25.69) and fifth in the 100m dash (12.49).

"She's been excelling in just about every event that she's

REGIONS continued on 2B



COURTESY

Columbia's Asherah Collins winning her 200m spot for the Region 1 meet next Thursday.

## NFL

# Jaguars' Paul Posluszny would rather retire a year early than a play late

By MARK LONG  
Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE — Sitting in the front row with his wife and two young daughters, Jacksonville Jaguars linebacker Paul Posluszny got blind-sided like never before in his NFL career.

A guy known for his meticu-

lous preparation wasn't ready for teammate Telvin Smith's heart-warming speech.

So Posluszny started to cry as soon as Smith paused to collect himself. A few minutes later, both of them had tears rolling down their cheeks.

It was an emotional farewell — for them and just about everyone else in the room.

Posluszny formally and reluctantly retired Monday after 11

seasons in the league, including the last seven in Jacksonville. He finished his career with 1,381 tackles, 41 pass breakups, 16 sacks, 15 interceptions and eight forced fumbles.

He explained his decision in detail during a ceremony inside EverBank Field, saying he start-



Posluszny

ed contemplating walking away late last season.

"I don't want to do this," said Posluszny, who enjoyed one winning season during his time in Buffalo and Jacksonville.

"I don't want to retire right now. I want to keep playing. But what was more important for me was I didn't want to go back on the field and be a step too slow or miss a play. If I'm out on the field with Telvin and Myles (Jack) and

they expect me to do something and I miss that play because I held on a year too long, I don't know how I look at them.

"That was unacceptable to me. ... I know that's right around the corner, and once it hits, it hits. You don't stop it. Avoiding that was the most important thing."

"It's my time. I love the game too much and I respect it too

RETIRE continued on 2B

# SCOREBOARD

## TV LISTINGS

**Today**  
**MLB BASEBALL**  
**7 p.m.**  
 FS1 — Cleveland at Minnesota  
**10 p.m.**  
 MLB — Regional coverage, Boston at L.A. Angels OR Houston at Seattle  
**NBA BASKETBALL**  
**7 p.m.**  
 NBA — NBA playoffs, Eastern Conference, first round, Game 2, Washington at Toronto  
**8 p.m.**  
 TNT — NBA playoffs, Eastern Conference, first round, Game 2, Milwaukee at Boston  
**10:30 p.m.**  
 TNT — NBA playoffs, Western Conference, first round, Game 2, New Orleans at Portland  
**NHL HOCKEY**  
**7:30 p.m.**  
 NBCSN — NHL Stanley Cup playoffs, Eastern Conference, first round, Game 3, Washington at Columbus  
**8 p.m.**  
 CNBC — NHL Stanley Cup playoffs, Western Conference, first round, Game 4, Winnipeg at Minnesota  
**10:30 p.m.**  
 NBCSN — NHL Stanley Cup playoffs, Western Conference, first round, Game 4, Vegas at Los Angeles  
**SOCCER**  
**2:45 p.m.**  
 NBCSN — Premier League, Brighton & Hove Albion vs. Tottenham

**Thursday, April 26**  
 x-Boston at Milwaukee, TBA  
 x-Philadelphia at Miami, TBA  
 x-Golden State at San Antonio, TBA  
 x-Portland at New Orleans, TBA  
**Friday, April 27**  
 x-Toronto at Washington, TBA  
 x-Cleveland at Indiana, TBA  
 x-Houston at Minnesota, TBA  
 x-Oklahoma City at Utah, TBA  
**Saturday, April 28**  
 x-Milwaukee at Boston, TBA  
 x-Miami at Philadelphia, TBA  
 x-San Antonio at Golden State, TBA  
 x-New Orleans at Portland, TBA  
**Sunday, April 29**  
 x-Washington at Toronto, TBA  
 x-Indiana at Cleveland, TBA  
 x-Minnesota at Houston, TBA  
 x-Utah at Oklahoma City, TBA

## MLB STANDINGS

		National League		
		East Division		
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	12	2	.857	—
Philadelphia	9	5	.643	3
Atlanta	8	6	.571	4
Washington	7	9	.438	6
Miami	4	11	.267	8½
		Central Division		
	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	11	4	.733	—
St. Louis	9	7	.563	2½
Chicago	7	7	.500	3½
Milwaukee	8	8	.500	3½
Cincinnati	2	13	.133	9
		West Division		
	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	11	4	.733	—
Colorado	9	8	.529	3
San Diego	7	10	.412	5
San Francisco	6	9	.400	5
Los Angeles	5	9	.357	5½

		American League		
		East Division		
	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	13	2	.867	—
Toronto	9	5	.643	3½
New York	7	7	.500	5½
Baltimore	5	11	.313	8½
Tampa Bay	3	12	.200	10
		Central Division		
	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	7	4	.636	—
Cleveland	8	6	.571	½
Chicago	4	8	.333	3½
Detroit	4	9	.308	4
Kansas City	3	10	.231	5
		West Division		
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	13	3	.813	—
Houston	10	6	.625	3
Seattle	8	5	.615	3½
Oakland	6	10	.375	7
Texas	6	11	.353	7½

## NBA Daily Playoff Glance

**FIRST ROUND (Best-of-7; x-if necessary)**  
**Saturday, April 14**  
 Golden State 113, San Antonio 92, Golden State leads series 1-0  
 Toronto 114, Washington 106, Toronto leads series 1-0  
 Philadelphia 130, Miami 103, Philadelphia leads series 1-0  
 New Orleans 97, Portland 95, New Orleans leads series 1-0  
**Sunday, April 15**  
 Boston 113, Milwaukee 107, OT, Boston leads series 1-0  
 Indiana 98, Cleveland 80, Indiana leads series 1-0  
 Oklahoma City 116, Utah 108, Oklahoma City leads series 1-0  
 Houston 104, Minnesota 101, Houston leads series 1-0  
**Monday, April 16**  
 Miami at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.  
 San Antonio at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday, April 17**  
 Washington at Toronto, 7 p.m.  
 Milwaukee at Boston, 8 p.m.  
 New Orleans at Portland, 10:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, April 18**  
 Indiana at Cleveland, 7 p.m.  
 Utah at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.  
 Minnesota at Houston, 9:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, April 19**  
 Philadelphia at Miami, 7 p.m.  
 Portland at New Orleans, 9 p.m.  
 Golden State at San Antonio, 9:30 p.m.  
**Friday, April 20**  
 Cleveland at Indiana, 7 p.m.  
 Toronto at Washington, 8 p.m.  
 Boston at Milwaukee, 9:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, April 21**  
 Philadelphia at Miami, 2:30 p.m.  
 Portland at New Orleans, 5 p.m.  
 Houston at Minnesota, 7:30 p.m.  
 Oklahoma City at Utah, 10 p.m.  
**Sunday, April 22**  
 Boston at Milwaukee, 1 p.m.  
 Golden State at San Antonio, 3:30 p.m.  
 Toronto at Washington, 8 p.m.  
 Cleveland at Indiana, 8:30 p.m.  
**Monday, April 23**  
 Houston at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
 Oklahoma City at Utah, 10:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday, April 24**  
 x-Milwaukee at Boston, TBA  
 x-Miami at Philadelphia, TBA  
 x-San Antonio at Golden State, TBA  
 x-New Orleans at Portland, TBA  
**Wednesday, April 25**  
 x-Washington at Toronto, TBA  
 x-Indiana at Cleveland, TBA  
 x-Minnesota at Houston, TBA  
 x-Utah at Oklahoma City, TBA

## TE Gavin Escobar signs with Dolphins, his 5th team

MIAMI (AP) — Tight end Gavin Escobar has signed with the Miami Dolphins, his fifth team in a six-year NFL career. Escobar has played in 64 games, with seven starts, and has 30 career receptions. He played in two games last year for Baltimore, and has also spent time with Dallas, Kansas City and the Cleveland Browns, who cut him last week. He was a second-round draft pick by the Cowboys in 2013.

## Guard McGusty transferring to Miami from Oklahoma

MIAMI (AP) — Guard Kameron McGusty is transferring to the University of Miami after two seasons at Oklahoma. McGusty announced his decision Monday on Twitter. He averaged 8.0 points in 32 games last season, including eight starts, and averaged 10.9 as a freshman, when he started 17 games. The native of Katy, Texas, will be eligible to play for Miami beginning in 2019-20. Last week, guard Anthony Mack said he was transferring to Miami. Mack didn't play as a freshman at Wyoming last season.



COURTESY

Columbia's boys tennis team is pictured: Cole Wehrli (from left) Christian Chiong, coach Tom Moore, Brien Boudreau, Tanner Thomas and Jacob Zecher. The Tigers competed at Robert E. Lee High in Jacksonville.

## TIGERS

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right time. "That's what I am proud about is that they kept getting better," Moore said. "For Tanner, he won one match the whole year, so he was out there trying. And we finally found the formula for him to play and he utilized it (Monday). It was really nice to see that, for him to beat the No.1 seed in his singles."

Regardless of the outcome on Tuesday, Moore says he couldn't be prouder. "The goal was to get better," he said. "And this is better than I expected."

## LADY TIGERS FALL:

Columbia's girls tennis team season came to an end at the District 3-3A meet in Jacksonville Monday morning. The Lady Tigers were swept on all courts (0-7), falling to Oakleaf, First Coast, Middleburg and Atlantic Coast. Columbia's Ally Mitchell and

Hanna Wheeler had their matches come down to the end, but couldn't muster out the victories. "Tough loss at districts," Columbia girls coach Michelle Lear said. "We had several close matches. They had some great points and played some of the best tennis I have seen them play. The girls have come a long way, and coach John [Lear] and I are very proud of their progress. We have some work to do, but we will come back stronger and ready for some more wins next year."

## REGIONS

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been in," Columbia coach Audre Ruise said about Collins. "She was previously in training with (former Columbia) coach Travis Sheppard, who runs an AAU program and coach [April] Morse at the middle

school. I'm just building on what they already put in her really." Raffay, a cross country star, placed second in the boys 3200m run (9:45.53). His strong showing was enough to advance him to regionals for a consecutive year. "He's a senior this year so he really wants to go to state this time," Ruise said. "We have taken him to

regionals twice I believe – he's been saying he's ready to take it onto state at this point." Columbia hopes to send at least one athlete to the state meet May 4. "Believe it or not, I feel like we're just as good as some of the schools we're going to be competing with, especially in the events that we're going in," Ruise added.

## RETIRE

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much to not be able to physically do everything that I've done in years past. And if that's a year too early, maybe I'm going to regret it. But I'd rather be a year too early than one play too late."

The Jaguars played highlights of Posluszny's time in Jacksonville during the celebration. It included interceptions against Peyton Manning, Russell Wilson, Andrew Luck and Joe Flacco.

It featured Posluszny playing with a bloodied face from a gash on the bridge of his nose. And it showed him making several plays with a cast on his right hand.

Smith stole the show, though, with his tearful introduction. "Forever and ever and ever his legacy will live on through what he's done here," Smith said. "I love him. I appreciate him. ...

Just know, I never met a better man than you. I've never had a better teammate than you. I don't think I've ever been able to say someone loved me who I didn't do something for than you. And I promise you — I promise you, I promise you — I won't let you down.

"And I feel like that last game we let you down, so I dedicate this next season to you and I promise you we're going to head down and give everything I got because of you and the legacy you left."

Posluszny announced March 13 that the 2017 season would be his last. He waited until Monday, the day players returned for their voluntary, offseason conditioning program, to make it official.

Coaches, front office personnel and teammates, including a few from back in the day, were on hand for the festivities.

Posluszny thanked most of them and later said he wants to attend graduate school and get a second degree, possibly a Masters of

Business Administration or something in the aerospace field.

Whatever he chooses, he hopes it can fill a void created by losing being around his teammates.

"The great fear of mine is I don't know where to find that in the rest of society or what occupation — I'm sure they're out there — where you can be in that type of environment where it doesn't matter where you're from and you can work with Telvin Smith every day or you can work with Myles Jack every day and be in a room together and learn together and grow together," Posluszny said.

"That's the best part of the NFL: Your teammates and the environment that you create in that locker room where you know that ... I'm going to play as hard as I can so that (a teammate) has success so that we win as a group.

"To me, that's priceless. That's the most important thing, and I know that's what I'm going to miss the most, hands down."

## TUESDAY EVENING

APRIL 17, 2018

	Comcast	Dish	DirecTV	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
3-ABC	3	-	-	TV20 News	ABC World News	Ent. Tonight	Inside Edition (N)	Roseanne (N)	Alex, Inc. (N)	blackish (N)	Splitting Up	For the People (N) Ⓢ		News at 11	Jimmy Kimmel Live
4-IND	4	-	4	News4JAX	News4JAX	Ent. Tonight	Inside Edition (N)	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	The 10 O'Clock News (N) Ⓢ		News4JAX	(:35) DailyMailTV
5-PBS	5	-	-	DW News	Nightly Business	PBS NewsHour (N) Ⓢ		Civilizations The formative role of art.		American Experience (N) Ⓢ (DVS)		Frontline "McCain" (N) Ⓢ		BBC News	Nightly Business
7-CBS	7	47	47	Action News Jax	CBS Evening News	Judge Judy Ⓢ	Family Feud (N)	NCIS "Sight Unseen" (N) Ⓢ (DVS)		Bull "Justified" (N) Ⓢ		NCIS: New Orleans "Powder Keg" (N)		Action News	Late Show-Colbert
9-CW	9	17	17	2 Broken Girls Ⓢ	2 Broken Girls Ⓢ	Mom Ⓢ	The Goldbergs	The Flash "Lose Yourself" (N) Ⓢ		Black Lightning (Season Finale) (N)		Dateline "The Last Dance" Ⓢ		Impractical Jokers	The Game Ⓢ
10-FOX	10	30	30	Action News	Action News	TMZ (N) Ⓢ	Access (N) Ⓢ	Lethal Weapon "Leo Getz Hitched" (N)		LA to Vegas (N)	New Girl (N)	Action News	Action News	Action News	(:35) Page Six TV
12-NBC	12	12	12	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	The Voice "The Live Playoffs, Night 2"		(:01) Rise "Bring Me Stanton" (N)		Chicago Med "An Inconvenient Truth"		News	Tonight Show
WGN-A	16	239	307	Blue Bloods "The Price of Justice"	*** "Troy" (2004, Adventure) Brad Pitt, Eric Bana, Orlando Bloom. Achilles leads Greek forces in the Trojan War. Ⓢ	*** "Troy" (2004) Brad Pitt. Achilles leads Greek forces in the Trojan War. Ⓢ						*** "Troy" (2004) Brad Pitt. Achilles leads Greek forces in the Trojan War. Ⓢ			
TV-LAND	17	106	304	M*A*S*H Ⓢ	M*A*S*H Ⓢ	M*A*S*H Ⓢ	(:36) M*A*S*H	(:12) Everybody Loves Raymond		Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond		Mom Ⓢ	King of Queens	King of Queens
OWN	18	189	279	Undercover Boss Ⓢ	Undercover Boss "Massage Heights"	Undercover Boss Ⓢ	Undercover Boss Ⓢ	Undercover Boss Ⓢ		Undercover Boss Lynne Zappone		Undercover Boss "Menchie's" Ⓢ		Undercover Boss Ⓢ	
A&E	19	118	265	The First 48 Ⓢ	The First 48 "The Ties That Bind"	The First 48 "Without a Trace Decomposed body found in the woods." (N) Ⓢ						(:01) Marcia Clark Investigates The First 48 A case of politics, sex and murder.			
HALL	20	185	312	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	The Middle Ⓢ	The Middle Ⓢ	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls
FX	22	136	248	(4:00) ** "Man of Steel" (2013) Ⓢ	*** "X-Men: Days of Future Past" (2014) Hugh Jackman. X-Men and their earlier selves must alter a pivotal event. Ⓢ	*** "X-Men: Days of Future Past" (2014) Hugh Jackman. X-Men and their earlier selves must alter a pivotal event. Ⓢ						Legion "Chapter 11" David navigates the maze. (N) Ⓢ		Legion Ⓢ	
CNN	24	200	202	The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer	Erin Burnett OutFront (N) Ⓢ	Anderson Cooper 360 (N) Ⓢ	Anderson Cooper 360 (N) Ⓢ	Anderson Cooper 360 (N) Ⓢ		Anderson Cooper 360 (N) Ⓢ		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	
TNT	25	138	245	(5:00) *** "Transformers" (2007) Shia LaBeouf, Tyrese Gibson. Ⓢ (DVS)	d NBA Basketball First Round: Teams TBA. (N Subject to Blackout) Ⓢ	d NBA Basketball First Round: Teams TBA. (N Subject to Blackout) Ⓢ						d NBA Basketball First Round: Teams TBA. Ⓢ			
NIK	26	170	299	Henry Danger "Henry & the Bad Girl"	Henry Danger	Keep It Spotless	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	Full House Ⓢ	Friends Ⓢ	Friends Ⓢ	Friends Ⓢ	Friends Ⓢ
PARMT	28	168	241	Roseanne Ⓢ	Roseanne Ⓢ	Roseanne Ⓢ	Ink Master: Angels	Ink Master: Angels		Ink Master: Angels (N)		Ink Master "Final Exam" (N) Ⓢ		Ink Master: Angels	
MY-TV	29	32	-	Hawaii Five-0 Ⓢ	M*A*S*H Ⓢ	M*A*S*H Ⓢ	The X-Files "Patient X" Ⓢ	The X-Files "The Red and the Black"		The X-Files "The Red and the Black"		Seinfeld Ⓢ	Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	Perry Mason Ⓢ
DISN	31	172	290	Jessie Ⓢ	Jessie Ⓢ	Bunk'd "Fog'd In"	Bunk'd Ⓢ	Gravity Falls	Gravity Falls Ⓢ	Bunk'd Ⓢ	Bunk'd Ⓢ	Stuck/Middle	Stuck/Middle	Bizaardvark Ⓢ	Bizaardvark Ⓢ
LIFE	32	108	252	Grey's Anatomy "No Man's Land"	Married at First Sight Ⓢ	Married at First Sight Ⓢ	Married-Sight	Married-Sight		Married at First Sight "Eleventh Hour"		(:02) Love at First Flight Trust is tested in Sin City. (N)		Married-Sight	
USA	33	105	242	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	WWE SmackDown! (N) Ⓢ				Unsolved: Murders of Tupac and BIG	(:04) Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		
BET	34	124	329	(4:57) ** "Barbershop" (2002, Comedy)	Ice Cube.	** "Baggage Claim" (2013, Romance-Comedy) Paula Patton, Derek Luke, Taye Diggs. Ⓢ						In Contempt Gwen defends a teenager.	(:01) In Contempt		
ESPN	35	140	206	SportsCenter (N) (Live) Ⓢ	SC Special: QB	SC Special: QB	SC Special: QB	SC Special: QB	SC Special: QB	SC Special: QB	SC Special: QB	SportsCenter Special (N)	SportsCenter (N) (Live) Ⓢ		
ESPN2	36	144	209	Around the Horn	Interruption	NFL Live Ⓢ	SEC Special: QB	SEC Special: QB	SEC Special: QB	SEC Special: QB	SEC Special: QB	Inside/Ultimate	SC Special: QB	SC Special: QB	SC Special: QB
SUNSP	37	-	-	NHL Hockey	Rays Pregame	a MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Tampa Bay Rays. From Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg, Fla. (N)						Rays Postgame	Baseball Begin	Baseball Begin	Baseball Begin
DISCV	38	182	278	Deadliest Catch: On Deck "Battle Lines"	Sig and Jake have a falling out. (N)	Deadliest Catch: The Bait (N) Ⓢ	Deadliest Catch "First Blood" (N)	Deadliest Catch "First Blood" (N)		Deadliest Catch "First Blood" (N)		Last Outpost (Series Premiere) (N)	Deadliest Catch "First Blood" Ⓢ		
TBS	39	139	247	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	The Last O.G. (N)	Conan "Jeff Daniels; Lauren Ash" (N)	
HLN	40	202	204	Crime & Justice	Crime & Justice	Death Row Stories "Two Brothers"	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files
FNC	41	205	360	Special Report With Bret Baier (N)	The Story With Martha MacCallum (N)	Tucker Carlson Tonight (N) Ⓢ	Hannity (N) Ⓢ	Hannity (N) Ⓢ		Hannity (N) Ⓢ		The Ingraham Angle (N) Ⓢ		Fox News at Night with Shannon	
EI	45	114	236	(4:30) * "Fool's Gold" (2008) Ⓢ	EI News (N) Ⓢ	* "Bride Wars" (2009, Comedy) Kate Hudson, Anne Hathaway. Ⓢ	The Zimmern List	The Zimmern List		The Zimmern List		The Royals Ⓢ		EI News Ⓢ	
TRAVEL	46	196	277	Bizarre Foods With Andrew Zimmern	Bizarre Foods America Ⓢ	Bizarre Foods (N) Ⓢ	The Zimmern List	The Zimmern List		The Zimmern List		Delicious	Delicious	Crazy Delicious	Crazy Delicious (N)
HGTV	47	112	229	Fixer Upper Ⓢ	Fixer Upper Ⓢ	House Hunters (N)	Good Bones (N) Ⓢ	Good Bones (N) Ⓢ		Good Bones (N) Ⓢ		House Hunters (N)	Hunters Int'l	House Hunters	Hunters Int'l
TLC	48	183	280	Trading Spaces (N) Ⓢ	My Little Life "Little by Little" Ⓢ	Little People, Big World (N) Ⓢ	Little People, Big World (N) Ⓢ	Little People, Big World (N) Ⓢ		Little People, Big World (N) Ⓢ		(:02) My Little Life (N) Ⓢ		(:04) Little People, Big World Ⓢ	
HIST	49	120	269	Forged in Fire "Master & Apprentice"	Forged in Fire "The Cinquedece" Ⓢ	Forged in Fire: Cutting Deeper (N)	Forged								

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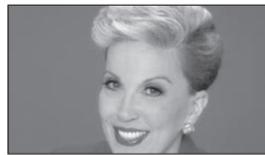


**FOR BETTER OR WORSE**



**DEAR ABBY**

**Bride accuses mom of using wedding to spotlight herself**



**Abigail Van Buren**  
www.dearabby.com

**DEAR ABBY:** Once I announced my engagement, my already thin, fit mother went on a diet and lost 20 pounds. My weight has always been an issue with her, and I can't believe she would draw attention to it in this way.

She called me a bridezilla because I told her I think she's trying to showboat my wedding because she's the one with the insecurity issues. I would have been happy to elope, but she insisted on this big wedding to show off to her friends and "recoup the gifts she gave to their kids."

How do we get through the next six months and keep our already fragile relationship intact? - DAUGHTER OF MOMZILLA

**DEAR DAUGHTER:** Weddings are supposed to be about the happy couple, not a means for a third party to "recoup" gifts she gave to her friends' children. If you feel you would be happier eloping rather than be miserable "going on with the show," that's what you and your fiancé should do. However, if you do decide to go through with the wedding, you and your mother should agree there will be no further discussion about weight - hers or yours. Period.

**DEAR ABBY:** I came into work Monday morning to the news that one of my co-workers had passed

away the day before from a massive heart attack. I was shocked and saddened. I was also appalled that my employer posted her death on Facebook less than 24 hours later.

I don't feel that this is an appropriate forum to announce a death, and I also don't think it was my employer's responsibility to notify the world. In my opinion, the family should notify the public if they choose. Are there any rules of etiquette regarding social media and announcing a co-worker's death? - SAD NEWS IN CALIFORNIA

**DEAR SAD NEWS:** Of course it is the prerogative of family members to post that kind of news. Ideally, your employer should have waited an extra day or two to allow the family to get the word out. However, unless a family member complained to you about what your employer did, you shouldn't be so quick to judge.

While you have experienced a shocking loss, your boss has, too, particularly if the employee was a longtime one. That he/she

shared it on social media isn't surprising these days, considering how much information is being posted online, nor was it a breach of etiquette.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been with my boyfriend nearly 19 years, and we both agree that we don't want marriage. I just found out that for the last nine months he has been seeing someone else on his lunch break.

He says he loves me and doesn't want to lose me, but he loves her, too, and she is his friend. He said he would stop the affair, but because she's his friend, he won't stop texting and seeing her "as a friend."

Should I trust what he is saying? We don't have kids together, but we raised his two and my one together as our own. - SILENT PAIN

**DEAR PAIN:** Should you trust that your boyfriend won't resume the affair with his "friend" - or that he has stopped it? I don't think so. Although the two of you aren't formally married, you have had an understanding that lasted almost 19 years, and he has breached it. You now must decide whether you want to be part of a "threesome," and for that, you have my sympathy.

Write Dear Abby at [www.DearAbby.com](http://www.DearAbby.com) or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

**HOROSCOPES | THE LAST WORD BY EUGENIA LAST**

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Don't disregard what others do or say. Size up your situation and consider your options. Learn from past mistakes and leave no room for error. If you want something, be willing to work for it. ★★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Opportunity knocks. Don't sit back when you should be doing everything in your power to get things done. Take a unique path if it will result in higher returns. ★★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** You'll thrive on change and taking on new challenges. Don't underestimate the extent of a job, or you may end up falling short of the expectations you set. ★★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Your generosity will send a message to someone special. Nurture relationships and make plans that will bring you closer to the people you enjoy being around most. ★★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Don't leave anything to chance when it comes to work and money. A responsible attitude will help you bring about changes that will make you look good. A personal incident should not be allowed to hinder your efficiency. ★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Business trips, educational pursuits and networking functions are favored. Your involvement will help you figure out the latest trends and set new goals that will help you keep up with technology or research in your chosen field. A partnership will intrigue you. ★★★★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Look for opportunities that will encourage you to take on a new challenge or pick up skills that fit the current economic trends. Take care of personal money and domestic

matters that can affect your lifestyle or an important relationship. ★★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Examine alternative ways to deal with matters that put you in charge of other people's affairs. A creative approach to your relationship with an older family member will help you avoid cleaning up a messy situation. Discuss family matters openly. ★★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Put more into your job and how you earn your living. Look for a way to make your money stretch and to use your space to create a less extravagant lifestyle. Adopt changes that promote a healthier environment. ★★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Stick close to immediate family, and be careful when dealing with outsiders. You'll be given poor information or limited support and should be prepared to do your own research. Opportunity comes to those who are willing to do the legwork. ★★★★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Emotional troubles will surface when dealing with peers, a friend or relative. Choose your gestures carefully, or someone will misinterpret the signal you are trying to send. You don't want to be accused of a slight you never intended. ★★

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Memories will encourage you to attend a reunion or to connect with someone you haven't seen in ages. ★★★★★

**CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS**

Actor David Bradley ("Game of Thrones") is 75. Musician Jan Hammer is 69. Actress Olivia Hussey is 66. Actor Clarke Peters ("Treme") is 65. Singer Pete Shelley of The Buzzcocks is 62. Rapper Afrika Bambaataa is 60.

**CELEBRITY CIPHER**  
by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

" D I B P J A L D N J R H L B Y N J T T L R B R H . . . B  
A N B R M A N B Y B Y T L F N J T Y A N L P G Y A  
Y L F B G C Y L R X B F G R P L R A J I B Y Y C L  
O J D B R H C Y . " — W B I I R K L

Previous Solution: "You didn't just show up on planet Earth by accident. You were handpicked by Almighty God." — Joel Osteen

TODAY'S CLUE: *— e u a l s f e o*

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**CLASSIC PEANUTS**





**805-HOMES FOR SALE**

Jackie Taylor & Associates Realty 752-4663 MLS99970 3/1 in town, close to VA, fenced back yard, hardwood floors \$62,000

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100082 \$775,000 Executive pool home w/covered lanai, chef's kit, guest suite w/separate kit, lg theater rm

Poole Realty Nelda Hatcher 688-8067 MLS100163 2/1 in Jasper w/new appliances, counter tops & cabinet doors, bath w/jacuzzi tub \$89,900

Coldwell Banker-Bishop Sherry Ratliff 365-8414 MLS100226 4/2 mfg home in Deer Creek S/D, new metal roof & A/C excellently maintained \$129,900

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100258 \$225,000 Pool home, open great rm w/FP, covered lanai, split plan, lg open kit w/eat-in bar.

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100274 \$340,000 Beautiful home in country setting, mast on 1st floor, upstairs br, full bath & open living rm.

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100279 \$155,000 3/2 newly renovated w/step-down sun rm, lg screened in-ground pool & privacy fence.

Jackie Taylor & Associates Realty 752-4663 MLS95873 Rustic 2/1 partially furnished, workshop w/elec. & loft @ end of private road. \$39,000

Coldwell Banker-Bishop Elaine Tolar 365-1548 MLS97810 3/2 underway in Cannon Creek Pl, split plan, side entry garage, covered back porch \$185,900

Jackie Taylor & Associates Realty 752-4663 MLS97880 3/2 w/cook's dream kit, new stove, upscale master BA, sec system, 4+car garage. \$239,900

Poole Realty David Mincey 590-0157 MLS97886 \$250,000 Immaculate home close to town on 3.21ac, open floor plan, lg porches, formal dining room.

Coldwell Banker-Bishop Elaine Tolar 365-1548 MLS98034 4/3 on 17th Green alongside the 18th Fairway in Country Club, brick FP, \$249,900

Rockford Realty Group, Debi Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS98482 4BR/3BA 2198hsf \$298,200

Hallmark Real Estate Anita Tonetti 697-3780 MLS98624 In-ground pool home, pool is enclosed & heated, home is like new & very well maintained.

Rockford Realty Group, Debi Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS98684 3/2 in Live Oak, granite counter tops, open plan \$139,900

Poole Realty Kelli Shirah 208-3847 MLS98877 \$209,000 3/2 brick, kit has al stainless appliances & breakfast bar, screen-in porch, fenced back yard

Coldwell Banker-Bishop Patti Taylor 623-6896 MLS98928 2 story river home w/2/2 upstairs \$ 1/1 down w/elevator, gas FP, 24ft floating dock, 18x20 wkshp \$450,000

Country Rivers Realty, LLC 497-3305 MLS99278 \$199,900 2nd floor loft/BR w/storage, cozy den, chef's kit w/island, lg master, 2 blks from Hodor Park

Rockford Realty Group, Debi Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS99425 \$339,700 4/3, open kit, lg master, covered porch areas.

Rockford Realty Group, Debi Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS99447 5/3 on 5ac 1280sf workshop, stone patio w/FP \$379,900

Rockford Realty Group, Debi Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS99455 \$189,440 Reserve at Jewel Lake, community dock.

Coldwell Banker-Bishop Elaine Tolar 365-1548 MLS99605 Country home & 3/2 SWMH, 5.01ac, enclosed in-ground pool \$224,000

Rockford Realty Group, Debi Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS99617 1/1 cottage on Suwannee River, kitchenette. \$98,900

Hallmark Real Estate Vic Lantroop 623-6401 MLS99666 3/2 lg kit, open floor plan, lg garage, near schools & shopping, fenced yard, \$129,000

Country Rivers Realty, LLC 497-3305 MLS99718 \$319,000 Working hay farm, fenced & cross-fenced 50'x100' hay barn, 2100+ sqft 3BR home.

Remax, Pam Beauchamp 303-2505 MLS99752 \$220,000 4/2 on 5 ac, SS appliances, lg BR's, detached workshop, 2 septic tanks, storage shed

Daniel Crapps Agency 397-3002 MLS99858 \$205,900 3/2.5 brick w/formal LR, fam rm, fenced back yard on 6.9ac west of Lake City on SR-247

Poole Realty Glenda McCall 362-4539 MLS99894 \$95,000 3/2 w/hardwood floors, new insulated windows, downtown Jennings, new exterior doors.

Coldwell Banker-Bishop Elaine Tolar 365-1548 MLS99913 Country home on 3.5 ac, fam rm w/FP, XLg utility/storage rm, newer A/C \$114,900

Country Rivers Realty, LLC 497-3305 MLS99962 \$110,000 Currently used as residence w/office & workshop detached from home, Ft White

Remax, Pam Beauchamp 303-2505 MLS99973 \$239,000 3/2 open floor plan, gas FP, FL rm off kit & master, close to city limits w/o city taxes!

**805-HOMES FOR SALE**

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**806- MANUFACTURED HOMES WITH LAND**

Daniel Crapps Agency 397-3002 MLS99113 \$255,000 15+ ac on US90, 4/2 mfg home, 40x60 metal bldg, outbldg for yard equip fenced & xfenced.

**810-LAND & LOTS FOR SALE**

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JORDAN KROEGER/Lake City Reporter

All-SEC punter Johnny Townsend starred for the Gators on special teams during his career.

**GATORS**

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and Texas punter Michael Dickson.

"Anything can happen," Townsend said. "The draft is a hectic process. As a specialist, you just have to control what you can and sit back and see what happens."

There's no doubt Pineiro and Townsend have to talent to make NFL rosters.

Pineiro made 29 of his last 30 field-goal attempts and finished his college career having made 38 of 43, including all five from 50 yards or longer. His career conversation rate of 88.4 percent broke the school record set by

Bobby Raymond in 1984. The Miami native hit 17 of 18 field goals as a junior in 2017, making him the most accurate kicker in the country. And there's no telling how well he would have done had he played with an offense that could move the ball with any consistency.

The Gators ranked 109th in total offense, in triple digits for the sixth time in the last seven years.

Pineiro was arguably the team's biggest scoring threat. "They know I can hit the ball," said Pineiro, who made an 81-yarder in practice last summer. "Just how consistent can I be? How consistently can

I make it into the wind? That's the most important thing: Can you kick in windy conditions? Can you kick when it's raining? When it's snowing? That's what they really want to know, you know?"

Three place-kickers were drafted last year: Jake Elliott (fifth round), Zane Gonzalez (seventh) and Harrison Butker (seventh). Only Gonzalez (Cleveland) won a job in training camp. Elliott and Butker landed elsewhere and shined as rookies.

"I feel like every kicker is replaceable," Pineiro said. "It's the NFL — Not For Long — so that's how it goes."

No punters were drafted in 2017, the first time that's

happened since 1998.

Several will be under consideration in the final few rounds April 28, and Townsend hopes to be high on draft boards.

He broke a Southeastern Conference record by averaging 46.2 yards a punt during his career. He averaged 47.5 yards as a senior and was even better (47.9) in 2016. He often helped Florida's mostly inept offense flip the field.

"I have a legitimate opportunity," Townsend said. "It's a timing thing. ... It all depends just on the need of the team. You kind of have to fall into it. There is only one spot in every squad. It is a big timing thing for us."

**MLB**

**Rays beat Rangers 8-4 to end 4-game losing streak Monday**

By **DICK SCANLON**  
*Associated Press*

ST. PETERSBURG — Mallex Smith had four hits and Blake Snell struck out nine Monday night to help the Tampa Bay Rays stop a four-game losing streak with an 8-4 win over the Texas Rangers.

Smith bunted for a single against starter Martin Perez (1-2) in a four-run second inning that gave the Rays a 5-0 lead. He doubled and scored in the third on his way to a second four-hit game in eight days.

Wilson Ramos had three hits for the Rays and drove in two runs.

Snell (2-1) gave up one run and five hits in 6 1/3 innings, the third time this season a Tampa Bay starter has pitched at least six innings.

Joey Gallo hit his sixth home run to get Texas on the board in the fourth. It was the first home run by a left-handed hitter against Snell,

who has made 47 career starts. Nomar Mazara added a three-run shot in the eighth off reliever Chih-Wei Hu.

C.J. Cron hit his second homer and Daniel Robertson connected for his first off Perez, who gave up seven runs and 10 hits in four innings.

Rays third baseman Matt Duffy and Rangers shortstop Jurickson Profar left the game early with injuries.

Profar was in concussion protocol after being upended by Smith's slide in the second inning. Profar came down on the side of his head after making a throw toward first base.

Duffy left in the first inning with right hamstring tightness.

**MOVING DAY**  
INF-OF Renato Nunez, claimed by Texas on waivers Sunday from Oakland, was added to the 25-man roster and OF Ryan Rua was

optioned to Triple-A Round Rock. ... The Rangers acquired C Tony Sanchez from Cincinnati for a player to be named or cash and assigned him to Round Rock.

**TRAINER'S ROOM**  
Rangers: OF Delino DeShields (broken left hamate bone) is hitting off a tee.

Rays: CF Kevin Kiermaier, who tore a ligament in his right thumb sliding into second base Sunday, will have surgery Friday and be out two to three months. ... 1B Brad Miller (strained left groin) could start a minor league rehab assignment Tuesday with Class A Charlotte.

**UP NEXT**  
Rangers LHP Matt Moore, who pitched his first 5 1/2 seasons for Tampa Bay, will make his first start at Tropicana Field as a visiting pitcher. The Rays' starter is to be determined.

**LONG DISTANCE RUNNING**

**Linden wins Boston Marathon, 1st US woman since 1985 race**

By **JIMMY GOLEN**  
*Associated Press*

BOSTON — After slogging through just a few miles of icy rain and a near-gale headwind that made her feel like she was running in place, Desiree Linden decided she'd seen enough of the Boston Marathon for another year.

"My hands were freezing, and there are times where you were just stood up by the wind. It was comical how slow you were going, and how far you still had to go," Linden said. "At six miles I was thinking, 'No way, this is not my day,'" she said. "Then you break the tape and you're like, 'This is not what I expected today.'"

A two-time Olympian and the 2011 Boston Marathon runner-up, Linden decided to stick around, outlasting the weather and the rest of the field to win the race's 122nd edition on Monday in 2 hours, 39 minutes, 54 seconds. That was more than four minutes better than second-place finisher Sarah Sellers but the slowest time for a women's winner in Boston since 1978.

Yuki Kawauchi splashed through the pelting rain, temperatures in the mid-30s and wind that gusted as high as 32 mph to win the men's race, passing defending champion Geoffrey Kirui in Kenmore Square to earn Japan's first Boston title since 1987 and the \$150,000 first prize.

Wearing a white windbreaker that was drenched and billowing in the wind, Kirui slowed and stumbled across the Copley Square finish line in second, 2:25 back, followed by Shadrack Biwott and three other U.S. men. The winning time of 2:15:58 and was the slowest since Jack Fultz overcame temperatures in the high 90s to win the "Run for the Hoses" in 1976.

"For me, it's the best conditions possible," said Kawauchi, who competed in 12 marathons last year — six times the usual number for an elite runner — and also works as a school administrator.

Runners donned hats and extra layers, and the lead packs tried to draft off the media truck to avoid the rain that was hitting them horizontally at times. Wheelchair winners Marcel Hug of Switzerland and American Tatyana McFadden, both five-time champions, said they were unable to see through the spray that spun off their wheels.

"It was just tough, it was so freezing," Hug said through chattering teeth as a volunteer draped a second towel around his shoulders. "I'm just very glad that I made it."

McFadden said she wore two jackets, with plastic bags between layers to stay dry, and hand warmers against her chest. The wet roads made it treacherous to turn and impossible to stop.

"I could start to feel my arms getting heavy just from all the rain

soaking in," she said. "You can't put your brakes on right away, so you had to be tedious on the turns. I couldn't even see because the wind was so strong."

On the fifth anniversary of the finish line explosions that killed three and wounded hundreds more, Linden became the first U.S. woman to win since Lisa Larsen Weidenbach in 1985 — before the race began offering prize money that lured the top international competitors to town.

Linden nearly ended the drought in 2011 when she was outkicked down Boylston Street and finished second by 2 seconds. This time she made the turn off of Hereford with a lead of more than half of a mile.

"Probably 2011 is what put the fear in me," Linden said. "That sprint battle is not super fun. It was nice to get it right down Boylston this time, that's for sure."

A 34-year-old California native who lives in Michigan, Linden said she was so broken by the weather that she wanted to drop out after a couple of miles but instead stuck around in case she could help one of her fellow Americans.

When four-time Olympian and reigning New York City Marathon champion Shalane Flanagan fell behind after needing a bathroom break, Linden let her draft so she could catch up to the pack. Later, she helped Molly Huddle reconnect with the group.

# Fort White High crushes Hamilton 17-6



Photos by CHRISTINA FEAGIN/Special to the Reporter  
Fort White's Jessica Burns (above) takes a swing during the non-district matchup against Hamilton County on Monday night. Fort White's Anissa Penniman stands tall at first base after recording an out. The Lady Indians won the home contest 17-6.

Fort White's Aubrey Callum (above) connects at the plate against Hamilton County. Fort White's Jessica Burns slides into second base during Monday's game. The Lady Indians head to West Port tonight. Fort White softball ends the regular season against Chiefland at home on Thursday night.



# Fort White Middle routs Hamilton 17-2



Fort White's Alyssa Hopkins (below) makes a tough outfield catch Monday. Fort White's Breanna Barrs takes a swing against the visiting Hamilton County team. The girls are on a winning streak after beating Branford this past weekend.

Fort White's Emma Maggart (below) slides into home plate for a run. The middle school Lady Indians defeated Hamilton County 17-2 Monday. Fort White's Sydney Southwell (above) slides home for another run during the contest.

