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## LAWSUIT:

### Medical material not well suited

Local man joins march to court.

By **CARL MCKINNEY**  
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Following in the footsteps of other litigants across the country, a local man has filed a lawsuit against a New Jersey-based company over a hernia mesh that was supposed to be a medical breakthrough — but was actually made with materials that are “biologically incompatible with human tissue” and react “negatively and sometimes dangerously” with the user, a civil complaint alleges.

James Weeks of Columbia County underwent surgery in August 2017, during which time a Bard Ventralex Hernia Patch was used.

The product, manufactured by C.R. Bard Inc., is made of a self-expanding patch containing two layers of polypropylene mesh stitched with polytetrafluoroethylene monofilament, according to the complaint, filed May 22.

In English, that translates to fatigue, severe abdominal pain, loss of appetite and vomiting, the complaint alleges, describing the product as “unreasonably dangerous.”

The mesh is not adhering and a revision surgery is necessary, the complaint states.

Weeks is not alone in suing Bard.

Multiple law firms are actively courting clients to file suit against the company for the product.

According to Kansas-based firm Hollis Law, Bard has already faced thousands of lawsuits over its transvaginal mesh and bladder sling products, which are also made from polypropylene — a material that poses known health risks.

Many victims who were implanted by surgeons with the Ventralex Hernia device

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## FGC TO CITY:

# PUT UP OR SHUT UP

College wants proof that tree-removal orders are actually coming from FAA



FILE PHOTOS

## Documents unclear to date

By **CARL MCKINNEY**  
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Florida Gateway College asked city officials to provide documents backing up their claim that federal and state authorities were demanding the removal of vast swaths of trees at Florida Gateway Airport, and the results were overwhelming, college administrators say.

FGC, which fears the city’s plan to cut down trees on the neighboring airport property will worsen flooding issues on campus, requested documents showing the removal is necessary to resolve issues with line-of-sight and flight obstruction. The city has previously claimed the Federal Aviation Administration and Florida Department of Transportation were

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**TOP:** Security was one of several reasons city officials cited for wanting to remove 133 acres of trees from Florida Gateway Airport. As the open, unattended gate in this file photo shows, their commitment to security has not always been clear. **ABOVE:** Deer intruding on runways was also a problem requiring removal of the trees, the city said, though as this surveillance still shows, at least some deer entered through a huge gap in a perimeter fence. The gap has since been repaired.

## SUV VS. MOTORCYCLE

# Critical injuries in bike crash

Memorial Day wreck sends motorcyclist to UF Shands.

By **COREY ARWOOD**  
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A motorcyclist and SUV collided on Memorial Day, sending the biker to an area hospital by helicopter for emergency care. He remained in critical condition Tuesday, Lake City police said.

Public Information Officer Mike Lee said the man, whom police did not identify, was flown to UF Health Shands at the University of Florida.

“There was a helmet at the scene that we believe he was wearing,” Lee said.

The collision happened at the intersection of U.S. Highway 441 and State Road 100 around 8:30 p.m., he said.

Few details were available, but Lee said the motorcyclist was traveling north on Highway 441 and the SUV was turning onto State Road 100 at the time of the collision.

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## Man stole fence, say deputies

By **COREY ARWOOD**  
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A Lake City man was arrested by sheriff’s deputies for stealing roughly \$400 worth of new fence he said he helped install and wanted back from the owner, a CCSO report says.

Gregory Allen Warner, 23, of Lake City, was arrested for grand theft and placed in county jail with no bond, jail records show.

The missing fence was reportedly taken from a residence in the 400 block of NE Sunnybrook Street.

The victim “advised the fence cost

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## Second fire deemed non-suspicious by state fire marshal

Two blazes in a week had prompted probe.

By **COREY ARWOOD**  
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A trailer fire in the same neighborhood

as a blaze that broke out only days before has been deemed non-suspicious by a state fire marshal investigation, though the cause of the blaze remains unknown.

A county fire official said the incident was turned over to state

investigators only because of its proximity to a fire at another trailer days before.

Columbia County Fire Rescue Division Chief Josh Wehinger said as far as CCFR is now concerned there is no longer cause for suspecting a connection between the

two events. State investigators recently reached the conclusion about the May 3 fire that destroyed the Camelot Loop residence.

A public information officer with the State Division of Investigative and Forensic Services relayed its

details. “Investigators have not uncovered any indications of suspicious activity surrounding this incident. At this time, the cause of the fire is undetermined,” said Leighton

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# Prove it, FGC tells city

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requiring the trees to come down, said FGC President Lawrence Barrett.

But what the college got was a document from the city's own engineering firm and a pair of FDOT inspection reports that make no mention of cutting down the trees, Barrett said.

"I would hope that if they had other documentation, they would provide that to us," he said. "I would assume they provided us everything they have."

The two FDOT inspection records, dated June 2017 and April 2018, do mention trees obstructing runways, but don't specify how many or whether they have to come down, Barrett said.

"I was told the documentation said they needed to cut down the trees," he said.

Another document included in the city's answer to FGC's public records request came from Crews Engineering Services, and it did recommend clearing trees within 50 feet of the property boundary from Southeast Timberwolf Drive.

"That is their engineer telling them to cut those trees down," said FGC spokesperson Mike McKee.

"That's a far cry from the Department of Transportation telling them that they need to do that," McKee added.

During a January meeting of the Airport Advisory Committee, Airport Manager Roland Luster said the city had to cut down 133 acres of trees to control the deer population, which threatens landing and departing planes, and to bolster security and improve the line of sight from Timberwolf Drive.

When city officials met with FGC representatives earlier this year, the city claimed the FAA was requiring them to go through with the plan to give troublesome deer no habitat in which to hide, Barrett said.

Emails from FAA officials show the agency had no knowledge of the city's plan.

FAA officials advised the city to hold off on cutting down the trees until it conducts the appropriate wildlife and environmental studies.

The city is saying it will not remove any trees until those studies have been conducted, Barrett said.



FILE

The fence seen in the surveillance photo on Page 1A is seen here after the approximately 200 square foot gap beneath it was filled.

## QUICK HITS

### Scripture of the Day

"He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth: he toucheth the hills, and they smoke."  
—Psalm 104:32 (KJV)

### Thought for Today

Glory is fleeting, but obscurity is forever.  
— Napoleon Bonaparte, 1769-1821, French leader

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## June SongFarmers Gathering set for Saturday at St. James

From staff reports

The June Gathering of the SongFarmers of the Suwannee River Valley will be Saturday, June 2, from 7-9 p.m. at St. James Episcopal Church, 2423 SW

Bascom Norris Drive, Lake City, Florida 32025.

Acoustic jam style format. Musicians, friends and families welcome. All ages and skill levels welcome. No charge.

For additional informa-

tion, contact Skip Johns at 386-344-2906 or visit the Suwannee Valley SongFarmers Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/songfarmersofthesuwanneerivervalley/>

## SUIT

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es are now pursuing similar litigation, with "scores" of Ventralex lawsuits pending in state and federal courts, according to the firm.

The FDA originally approved Bard's Ventralex in July 2002. Bard used the FDA 510(k) approval program for the Ventralex.

## FENCE

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him \$33 per panel and there is 12 panels missing with a total value of \$398 and desires prosecution," the report said.

The testimony taken from the property owner implicated Warner in the fence theft and appeared in the report's probable cause details.

The victim "advised he arrived at his rental property and observed his new wooden privacy fence missing with only the post standing," the reporting deputy's statement said.

The owner's testimony said his daughter told him she saw Warner on Saturday at 4 a.m. in their yard with a flashlight.

According to the victim, Warner has a connection to

his family through a relationship with his daughter.

The deputy added a statement that said, "It should be noted Gregory was arrested on 5/26/2018 while driving without a license and I observed the fence in the back of the vehicle he was in possession of."

Details show the incident was reported around 12:30 p.m. Sunday.

## CRASH

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The driver of the Nissan Xterra, whom police also declined to identify, was uninjured, he said.

"Basically the issue is that the driver of the motorcycle was not in any condition to give us any information last night," he said.

Responding officers had to work to obtain the motorcyclist's identification

because the bike didn't have a license plate and the vehicle identification number showed the machine was not registered to the man, Lee said.

Both vehicles were impounded, he said.

## FIRES

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Tomkins III, in response to investigation inquiries.

Both fires occurred on Camelot Loop off U.S.

Highway 441. The second fire was in the 200 block of the trailer park and occurred around 2:30 p.m. on May 3.

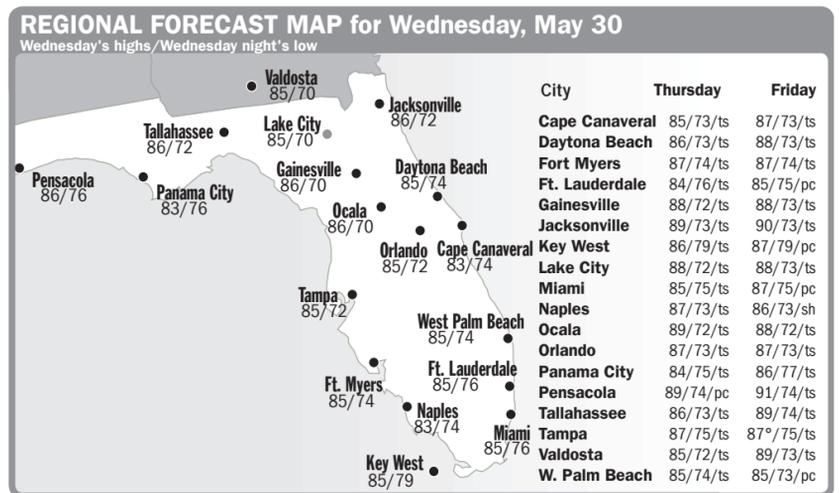
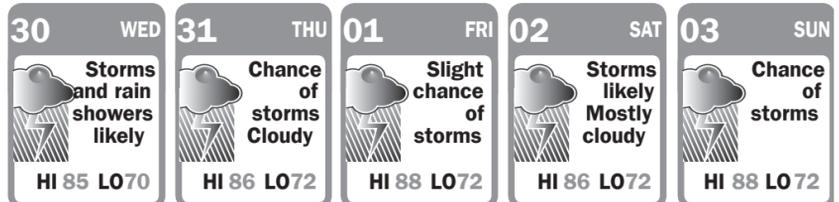
It slowed traffic along the highway as firefighters worked to extinguish

hotspots.

The earlier fire broke out the preceding weekend, Wehinger said.

The residence was occupied by a tenant who lost his dog in the fire but was not home at the time.

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# SVEC presents donation check to United Way

From staff reports

Suwannee Valley Electric Cooperative (SVEC) proudly continues its tradition of outreach to its community, including its outstanding support of United Way through multiple fundraising avenues.

During the 2017-2018 United Way community fundraising campaign, SVEC employees committed \$5,076 through payroll deduction, a more than 11 percent increase over the prior year. These contributions were matched 50 cents to the dollar by the cooperative. Employee-organized fundraisers brought in an additional \$526.

The cooperative additionally continued its tradition of sponsoring Santa's visit from the North Pole to the Lake City Holiday Inn and Suites' Breakfast with Santa event which benefitted United Way.

SVEC was also able to supplement its support of United Way with a \$5,000 Sharing Success Matching Grant from CoBank. Part of the Farm Credit System, CoBank provides loans, leases and financing for agriculture businesses and rural utilities.

Altogether, the cooperative's support of United Way's 2017-2018 campaign totals \$13,267.

Already, SVEC has raised funds toward United Way's 2018-2019 campaign through its First Annual Suwannee Valley Charity Cornhole Tournament which contrib-



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Suwannee Valley Electric Cooperative employees presented checks for the matching funds received through Co-Bank's Sharing Success Matching Grant, bringing to conclusion the cooperative's 2017-2018 United Way campaign support. The SVEC employees also presented funds from the First Annual Suwannee Valley Charity Cornhole Tournament. These funds represent the first contribution to be received in support of the local United Way's 2018-2019 fundraising efforts. In addition to the amount of Co-Bank funds, SVEC employees saw an 11 percent increase in employee giving, which was increased thanks to a corporate match of 50 percent. The cooperative also continued its sponsorship of Santa's trip from the North Pole to be at the Lake City Holiday Inn & Suites' Breakfast with Santa event benefiting the local United Way. Pictured left to right are Chief Financial Officer Christine Moor, Member Service Representative Christy Tuckey, Director of Administrative Services Vicky Talmadge, United Way Executive Director Rita Dopp, Director of Communications Jon Little, Member Service Coordinator Trevita Riley, Cashier Debbie Edwards, Member Service Director John Robinson, and Member Service Representative Denny Tompkins.

uted \$3,157.

"Not only is United Way of Suwannee Valley very fortunate to have SVEC as such a tremendous supporter, it is always such a pleasure to participate with the SVEC employees in their efforts. This is a company

which cultivates community participation through the engagement of the company in many community efforts as well as individual employee volunteerism," stated Rita Dopp, United Way of Suwannee Valley executive director.

Many people in our community have unmet needs," said SVEC Executive Vice President and CEO, Michael McWaters. "We support the United Way because they are able to leverage our contributions to help their affiliated agencies meet those needs."

For more information on the United Way of Suwannee Valley, visit [www.unitedway-suwanneevalley.org](http://www.unitedway-suwanneevalley.org).

SVEC provides safe, affordable and reliable electric service to its consumer-members in Florida's Columbia, Hamilton, Lafayette and

Suwannee counties. SVEC maintains over 4,000 miles of electric distribution lines and serves an area of about 2,000 square miles. SVEC's headquarters is in Live Oak, Florida. More information about SVEC is available at [www.svec-coop.com](http://www.svec-coop.com).

# Spirit of the Suwannee set for Live Oak in June

From staff reports

Open Mic Night with Lyndie is set for June 1 while Sondra Hunt and her band will perform June 2 in the Music Hall at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park (SOSMP) in Live Oak, Fla.

Lyndie Burriss, a former Nashville artist now returned to Orange Park, will keep the music going all evening, performing some music herself along with North Florida and South Georgia country artists who love to entertain. Those already signed up include artists Kam Williams (Mayo), Josh Edwards (High Springs), Allie Caile (Jacksonville), Reginald Stacy (Bronson), JA Weisner (Branford), Kassidy Kolwyck (O'Brien) and Katelyn Hurtado (Jacksonville).

If you haven't signed up, now's the time. If you would like to take part in this special evening, please contact Lyndie Burriss at [Lyndie@Lyndieonline.com](mailto:Lyndie@Lyndieonline.com). If you did not get the chance to sign up, come on out and if there's still a spot open, you may still get a chance to perform on stage. Be sure to bring your CD or other music.

Music begins at 7 p.m. Friday night, doors open at 6 p.m. for dinner. Friday night dinner special is prime rib! Yum, yum! And you will like the price!

Saturday night, hold on to your dancing shoes! It's the exciting Sondra Hunt and her band lighting up the Music Hall Stage with tons of great music! The dancing floor will be waiting while the dynamic Sondra Hunt just owns the stage with her terrific singing and performances. Doors open at 6 p.m. for dinner, show begins at 8 p.m. Sondra, of Lake Butler, will keep your attention for sure! SOS Café has various Saturday night specials so come on out and see what's cooking!

Why not come spend the



weekend and enjoy a great weekend and some great music? If you would like to make reservations, just call us at 386-364-1683 to get any details needed.

If you would like to rent one of our beautiful cabins, a spot to park your RV/camper or primitive camp for these events or one of our many other exciting events such as the Garth Brooks Tribute Show June 23 or if you just need additional info, please call the SOSMP at 386-364-1683, email [mailto:spirit@musicliveshere.com](mailto:mailto:spirit@musicliveshere.com) or go to [www.musicliveshere.com](http://www.musicliveshere.com). The SOSMP is located 4.5 miles south of Interstate 75 and 4.5 miles north of Interstate 10 at the beautiful Suwannee River off US 129 at 3076 95th Drive in Live Oak, Fla. Stop in and say hello!



Clockwise, from top left: Lyndie Burriss, Kam Williams, Sondra Hunt, JA Weisner, and Josh Edwards are the artists set to perform at Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park (SOSMP) in Live Oak June 1-2. Music begins at 7 p.m. Friday night, doors open at 6 p.m. for dinner. For more information call 386-364-1683, email [mailto:spirit@musicliveshere.com](mailto:mailto:spirit@musicliveshere.com) or go to [www.musicliveshere.com](http://www.musicliveshere.com).



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ANOTHER VIEW

## Threat from China's navy growing

From humble beginnings, the U.S. Navy has expanded to become the world's most powerful. In April, some 325,673 Americans were on active naval duty, and 98,481 on ready reserve.

But America's dominance is now being seriously challenged by communist China, which is using our own money — through our repayment of massive loans on the national debt — to help dramatically grow its navy.

While the U.S. has 283 deployable battle force ships at present, for example, China's People's Liberation Army Navy is expected to have 415 combat ships by 2030.

J. William Middendorf, a former secretary of the Navy, provided some chilling context on these pages last year ("America faces grim peril in the seas," Commentary, April 7, 2017). "The rising capabilities of China's navy and related air assets have been underestimated," he warned. China has been building "new and larger surface units, including destroyers that are roughly comparable to the American Arleigh Burke-class and frigates and corvettes better suited to fight at sea than the American Littoral Combat Ship (LCS)."

Mr. Middendorf sees a particularly troubling threat in China's missile and anti-missile programs. The DF-21D mobile ballistic missile, "when fully developed, could be capable of destroying decks of a U.S. super carrier at a distance of up to 1,000 miles," he noted. Meanwhile, the WU-14 hypersonic glide vehicle could "from 60 miles above the earth ... release a precision-guided, supersonic missile and against which there is no present defense."

Recently, China's navy reportedly launched anti-ship cruise missiles, as well as surface-to-air missiles, on the Spratly Islands near the Philippines. This has been a disputed territory for some years, and it's the first time the Chinese have ever done something like this.

Hence, as its sea power gets stronger and more advanced, China is becoming more defiant.

These developments could be highly problematic when it comes to control of the Pacific. While the U.S. has been able to protect and promote free sea trade for all countries since the end of World War II, China seems bent on controlling important sea lanes.

Seth Cropsey, director of the Hudson Institute's Center for American Seapower, noted in *The Wall Street Journal* on May 15 "the histories of Athens, Venice, Spain, Holland and England show that losing control of the oceans leads ineluctably to losing great-power status."

Few Americans would want this country, as the bastion of freedom and the champion of economic growth throughout the world, to join this list.

The White House has committed to increasing our naval fleet to 355 ships by 2050, and it has proposed spending an additional \$20 billion for new ship construction in 2019. The Congressional Budget Office has suggested the buildup would require an additional \$6.6 billion a year over the next 30 years.

The stakes are enormously high. As Mr. Cropsey wrote, should China gain control of the Pacific region, "the White House would find it more difficult to prevent distant crises from escalating into direct threats. American business around the world, meanwhile, would be decimated." However much we might wish the reality was different, American military strength remains essential to a safe and prosperous world.

■ Panama City News Herald

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## Fighting abortion till the end

At common law, there was a widely accepted principle that silence means consent. Unless you spoke out in opposition to a specific policy or event, you were presumed to be in agreement.

Silence speaks volumes, at ear-piercing decibels.

And so, I am speaking out, unlike Pope Francis, who has so far been quiet about the single most devastating defeat for human and civil rights of this young century: Ireland's repeal of its constitutional abortion ban.

I descend from a long line of Irishmen on my redheaded father's side. I know little about my Celtic roots, but I was fiercely proud of the distant history of courageous Catholic warriors who refused to be victims of a fickle and brutal fate. My heart is American, my soul is Italian and my spirit was once Irish. Now, I reject that last bit of my heritage, as two-thirds of my ancestral countrymen rejected humanity in their embrace of a progressive morality that sees dead babies as an easy price to pay for modernity. The Irish joined the Europe Club, and punched their ticket with an "in crowd" that despises tradition, superstition and the heavy lifting required of the unfashionably Catholic.

In demanding the right to abort babies who are three months from being born, the people of Ireland were not just looking to emancipate the vaginas of their women. This was something deeper, more personal and more targeted than the battle we in America are waging against the culture of death.

In America, abortion is legal not because the people rose up and said, "It must be so!" but rather because seven men imposed the "right" by judicial fiat. In fact, the



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reason the battle is still being waged and the so-called right to kill the developing child is constantly being challenged in the courts and legislatures is precisely because the people of America (multitudes of us women) refuse to yield to the nihilism of the abortion rights tsunami. We speak, we march, we vote. We are not going away.

The difference between Ireland and the United States is that the Irish have been taught to resent the Catholic Church, something that is as much a part of their identity as the moody sadness that manifested itself in the greatest poetry in the world. The Irish suffered through famine and occupation, and the church was a source of strength and a weapon of defiance.

But then came the catastrophic revelations of sexual abuse, the scandal of the forced adoptions and enslavement of the Magdalene women, the stories of women who were forced to bear many children because the church forbade birth control. The church became the target of an easy, useful anger manipulated by the faithless, the secularists, the atheists, and the angry Catholics who felt betrayed.

So this decision to allow women to end their pregnancies up to the

sixth month is the act of a resentful child lashing out at the parent who disappointed her, and an act of defiance more than a declaration of independence. The abolition of the Eighth Amendment in Ireland is a statement of rebellion.

But in declaring their independence, the Irish have become the victimizers. In order to seek freedom, these children of historic bondage, they have enslaved the unborn Irishmen by turning them into "property," disposable because invisible.

The *New York Times* carried a photo of young women celebrating with glee. My paper ran a headline describing a "decisive win for abortion rights." And those who see abortion as just another privilege of the female citizen are exultant. The festive mood is repellent, ghoulish, and a sad glimpse into the souls of those who call themselves "advocates for women's rights."

And so, we will fight back, we who cherish life. We will not be silent, because we do not consent to this assault on decency. My favorite teacher and former law professor, Howard Lurie, wrote this to me in the hours after the Irish referendum:

"There is a very powerful weapon that Catholics can use against this silence: embarrass them. EMBARRASSMENT is a powerful weapon. Just look at the recent Starbucks incident. EMBARRASS them, EMBARRASS them, and then EMBARRASS them again. That is how you win."

And we are in this to win.

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## Care is in short supply. Ask nurses

By Christie Watson

Betty was lying on a gurney in a hospital corridor. She was elderly, frail and shivering with cold. More than that, she was frightened and completely alone.

I took her temperature — a low temperature being a sign of sepsis in the elderly — but it wasn't extreme. She'd been admitted with chest pain and she clutched her chest, starfishing her hand. Betty's heart wasn't diseased but it was broken nonetheless: her husband had died a few weeks earlier of a heart attack. I suspect she hadn't been eating and was without home heating.

I didn't do anything medical for Betty, though increasingly nursing requires such expertise: Nurses are cheap doctors. I carefully tucked a blanket around her. Her skin was paper-thin and she had bruises at different stages patterning her arms like late summer roses. I found her a sandwich, made her a cup of tea and held her hand as she told me about her husband, Stan. How they danced. What a privilege to hold a person's hand at their most defenseless and extreme moments of life. To be a nurse.

Yet nursing remains the most undervalued of all professions. If how a society treats its most vulnerable is a measure of its humanity, then any nurse will tell you that

humanity is in trouble.

It seems that in both Britain and the United States, care has become a dirty word. Compassion and kindness are just slogans to earn likes on Instagram, not career goals. Instead, our cultures promote isolationism and revere narcissism. We have abandoned empathy and community along with it.

**Another day, a woman, clearly homeless, was lying in the entrance to the hospital bleeding and crying. People — hospital staff included — stepped around her.**

While working as a resuscitation nurse, I was called to the hospital cafe where a man was in cardiac arrest. Visitors and patients around us continued drinking their tea; some recorded the event on their phones. Another day, a woman, clearly homeless, was lying in the entrance to the hospital bleeding and crying. People — hospital staff included — stepped around her.

A clear symptom of the problem is how the nursing profession itself is in crisis. The population is aging and we need more and more nurses, but applications are down. People are leaving the profession and retiring faster than they can be

replaced. Even if we could recruit enough younger people — people not expecting an executive salary for a first job, people who are willing to deal with the blood and bones of us — a new nurse cannot replace one with 40 years' experience.

America has 3 million nurses. That is not enough. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates there will be more than 1 million vacancies for registered nurses by 2024. This is twice as bad as the worst previous nursing shortage. If there is no national and international strategy to build a workforce of nurses, we will witness — very soon — crippled healthcare systems across the world.

Betty, after a while, stopped shivering so much. She sat up straighter as she held my hand. She thanked me and said I had saved her life. Of course, I had done no such thing, but I had given her something important: dignity, peace, care. What greater gift is there?

Hospitals are full of patients like Betty. Any one of us might be like her one day, dependent on receiving care from a stranger. Or, we will nurse a loved one. And at that time, we will understand that the only things that matter in the end are the qualities that unite humanity, ones that are almost but not quite forgotten: compassion and kindness.

■ Christie Watson, a nurse for 20 years, is also a novelist.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ To submit your calendar item, stop by the Reporter office or email Steve Wilson at [swilson@lakecityreporter.com](mailto:swilson@lakecityreporter.com)

## Today

### Golf cart drivers needed

Shands Lake Shore Regional Medical Center Auxiliary is seeking volunteer golf cart drivers. 4 hours per week. For more information, please call 386-292-8000, ext. 21216.

### Club registration

Girls Club Summer Camp and Boys Club @ Teen Town Summer Camp will be holding their General Public registration beginning May 16 at 8:00 am at the Girls Club Facility. We will take registration until our summer camp is full. Spots are limited and on a first come first served basis. The cost for the 9 week summer camp is \$275.00.

Boys and Girls must be 6 years of age and completed the first grade through 12 years of age to attend. If you have any questions please contact Tara Kriehauser at 386-719-5840 for information on the Girls Club Program or Heyward Christie at 386-754-3607 for information on the Boys Club at Teen Town Program.

### 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



STEVE WILSON/Lake City Reporter

## A sunny car wash

Ja'Niya Williams, her sister A'mariona Williams, and Azariah Anderson work hard at washing the car owned by Cornelius Levan, the last car washed that day at a fundraiser by the Miracle Tabernacle Church, which took place between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday at the First Federal Bank of Florida at the Lake City Mall. "It went great," said Tamika Whitley of the church's youth department, for which the event was a fundraiser. To learn more about the church visit [cjsteleministries.org](http://cjsteleministries.org).

### 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.

### Volunteer at Haven

Haven Hospice is currently seeking volunteers for many tasks including office assistance, reception, family greeters and patient support visitors at the Lake City Care Center, at home for respite and socialization, pet visitors, photographers for our Legacy Program and resale store volunteer at the Haven Attic thrift shop. No experience necessary.

To apply online visit [www.beyourhaven.org/volunteer](http://www.beyourhaven.org/volunteer), stop by the office or an appli-

cation can be mailed to you.

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### Free soil testing

Free soil pH tests are available every Wednesday morning at the Columbia County Extension Office, 971 W. Duval St., Suite 170, in Lake City. Residents may bring a sample to the office during regular business hours. For more, call 752-5384.

### 'Catholics Come Home'

A "Catholics Come Home"

and Adult Catholic Education Inquiry Program will be presented at San Juan Catholic Mission each 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 7-8:15 p.m.

## Thursday

### Bingo at Amer. Legion

Bingo games are offered every Sunday, Monday and Thursday at 6:45 p.m. at the American Legion Post 57, 2602 SW Main Blvd. in Lake City. There are three \$250 jackpots each night. Quarter games are played at 3 p.m. Mondays, Thursdays and Sundays. Refreshments are available at reasonable prices. For more information, call 752-7776.

## 'Preschool Storytime'

"Preschool Storytime," a library program for families with preschoolers, is held on Thursdays at 11 a.m. at the main branch of the Columbia County Public Library, at 308 NW Columbia Ave. in downtown Lake City. For more information about the library's children's programs, call 386-758-2101.

## Friday

### Dare to Dream

Lake City Dance Arts will present their 23rd annual recital "Dare to Dream" on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 1, 2 and 3 at the Florida Gateway College Performing Arts Center. The Friday show is a benefit performance for the "Friends of the Columbia County Public Library" featuring our older dancers in Ballet, Tap, Jazz and Modern. Showtime is 6:30 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door. Come out and support your library Friends!

The Saturday and Sunday recitals feature all of our students in Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Modern and Hip Hop with showtime at 3 p.m. both days. Tickets are available online until midnight Thursday, May 31st @ [www.TuTuTix.com/](http://www.TuTuTix.com/) Lake City Dance Arts.

## Sunday

### Nesmith Family Reunion

IT'S TIME AGAIN FOR THE ANNUAL NESSMITH FAMILY REUNION: Sunday, June 3. 1 to 3 p.m. Providence Village Community Center; Providence Village, Florida South of SR 238 on SW 45th Ct and SW 86th Street. Bring your favorite potluck food dishes and desserts and enjoy fellowship with kinfolks and guests.

BRING A FRIEND AND EXPECT SOME BLESSINGS.

## OBITUARIES

### Irene "Susie" Alford

Irene was a resident of Lake City, Fla. She passed away peacefully at home on May 25, 2018 with her family by her side.

Irene was an amazing and awesome wife and mother of five children and NaNa to four grand and 3 great-grandsons.

Irene was always willing to help anyone in need of anything.

Irene worked many years as an Electrician and then chose to go back to school for her GED and then attended college so she could work in the medical field and during this time she also worked at Dollar General, where she was known as "The God Bless You Lady."

Irene is preceded in death by her mother, Rose Marie Clayton, her daughter Bonnie Sue Webb-Brett, her uncle/brother JW Johnson and long time family friend Lafayette Sherouse.

Survivors include husband Steve Alford of Lake City, daughter Barbara "Nickie" Brett of Lake City, son Mike Alford of Lake City, daughter Tracy (Darrell) Laird of Alachua, grandsons Kaleb (Jessica) Alford of Lake City, Garrett (Kayla) McElhenney of Lake City, Tristan (Sidney) Alford of Alachua, Kayden Mitchell of Lake City, great grandsons: Talan Alford of Lake City, Layton Alford of Alachua, Weston McElhenney of Lake City, Father James Clayton of Lake City, special aunt/sister Lois (Henry) Horton of Lake City, Aunt Inez Wallace, brother Buddy (Cindy) Clayton of Lake City, sisters Dorothy (Wilbur) Regar of Lake Butler, Kathy (Jessie) Truluck of Lake City, Barbara Putnel of Lake City, eight nieces and nephews, 17 great-nieces and nephews. Visitation will be 6 p.m.-7:15

pm with the memorial service at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 31, at Mount Carmel Baptist Church, 1205 SW Mount Carmel Ave, Lake City, FL 32024.

### Mary Annette Holton

Mary Annette Holton, 87, of Lake City, passed away on Friday, May 25, 2018 at Haven Hospice Suwannee Valley Care Center.

Born in Douglas, Ga., on May 25, 1931 to the late Willis C. Smith and Avie Hutto. She moved to Lake City in 1975 from Jacksonville. She worked in the cafeteria for the Columbia County School System. She was a member of Calvert Baptist Church and loved going to church and working in the garden. She was a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother. Mrs. Holton is preceded in death by her parents, her loving husband; John Holton, Sr., three sisters and three brothers. Survivors include her daughters; Cecelia Brown (Bobby), Barbara Johnson (Jerry), sons; Ralph Holton, Robert Holton (Mon-

ica), 8 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, and 6 great great grandchildren, and numerous nephews and nieces also survive.

Funeral services for Mrs. Holton will be conducted at 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 31, in the chapel of Gateway-Forest Lawn with Pastor Ivan Clements officiating. Interment will follow in Forest Lawn Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Thursday, May 31, 2018 from 10-11 a.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers the family ask the memorial donations in Mrs. Holton's honor please be made to Haven Hospice, 6037 West US Hwy 90, Lake City, FL, 32055. Arrangements are under the direction of GATEWAY-FOR-EST 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)

### Michael Terry Wilson

Mr. Michael Terry Wilson, age 70, of Lake City, Fla. died Sunday, May 27, in the North Florida Medical Center, Gainesville, Florida following an extended illness. Mr. Wilson was

born in Richmond, Virginia and resided in Lakeland, Florida before moving to Lake City, Florida in 1980. He worked as a mining engineer for over 40 years until his retirement in 2014 from PCS, White Springs, Florida. He held a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of South and was an Army veteran of the Vietnam War. He is survived by his wife

of 50 years, Diane E. Wilson of Lake City, Florida: Two daughters, Jessica (Scott) Cassidy of Lake City, Florida and Teresa Marie Wilson of Ocala, Florida: Two sons, Christopher Travis Wilson of Mexico City, Mexico and David Anthony Wilson of Lake City, Florida: Three grandchildren, Darien Amory Wilson, Jacob Andre Cassidy and Caid-

en Brooks Cassidy: One sister, Lee Yancey Kaiser of St. Petersburg, Fla.: Two brothers, Ceals Yancey of Illinois and Roy Yancey of Jasper, Florida. The family will hold a private service at a later date. **GUERRY FUNERAL HOME**, 2659 S.W. Main Blvd., Lake City, Florida is in charge of arrangements.

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## Aloe Vera has 10 impressive uses

Aloe vera made a couple of headlines recently. The first was when the actress Drew Barrymore dabbed some on a facial sore and it instantly took out the redness. The second was when Prop 65 regulations in California called out a known carcinogen in aloe vera called "aloin."

Don't worry, aloe will never get banned! Not to be morbid from the get-go, but extracted compounds from this spiky succulent were used in the middle east during ancient times to clean dead bodies and prepare them for burial.

Plants of aloe very give us two different substances, one is called "gel" and the other is called "latex. Both have medicinal value. The gel is the clear part that comes from the center of the leaf. You know it well... it looks like jelly and it's what you put on the skin for cuts and minor

burns. The aloe latex is visible just beneath the plant's outer skin, and it's yellow in color. This has a laxative effect on the body.

Aloe is very useful for psoriasis, food sensitivities, diabetes, gastritis and gingivitis. If these topics interest you, I have a way longer version of this article which I'll email to you next week if you sign up to receive my free health newsletter at suzycohen.

Right now, here are 10 things you can use your aloe plant for:

### 1. Moisturize Yourself

Mix some into your favorite lotion and put on your face or arms.

### 2. Heal Bug Bites

Dab aloe gel directly onto painful or itchy bug bites, or combine the aloe in the palm of your hand with some hydrocortisone cream.

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### 3. Cool off burns

Squeeze a dab of aloe vera into traditional burn ointment and use on superficial burns.

### 4. Soothe eczema itch

You can buy any salt or sugar scrub that feels good to you and just mix in aloe vera gel.

### 5. Ease dandruff

Find a selenium sulfide-based shampoo and add some aloe vera gel to the shampoo then massage to your scalp.

### 6. Fix gingivitis

Squeeze some aloe vera gel onto your toothbrush and brush like normal.

### 7. Shave your legs

Instead of using expensive, perfumed shaving cream on your legs, use aloe vera gel.

### 8. Get moving

There are commercially prepared products used as dietary supplements which might help constipation. Some people like this, others react poorly.

### 9. Succulent Facial

Do you want softer skin and

more radiance without spending a fortune on fancy creams? Apply the gel to your cheeks and forehead, and rest for 15 minutes. Rinse and pat dry.

### 10. Soothe a sunburn

Snap off a stalk from your aloe plant and apply the clear gel onto the sunburned area for a natural cooling balm. It helps with redness and inflammation.

These sound great and they are for most people. Occasionally with aloe, you hear of unexpected problems such as diarrhea, skin or eye irritation and possibly dehydration from the laxative effect.

■ Suzy Cohen is a Colorado-based pharmacist who got her start in Gainesville. The Lake City Reporter was the first newspaper to carry her column.

## Pediatric Weight Management Center taps into a child's motivation

From UF Health

Children who struggle with obesity may not be able to do the same types of physical activities as their peers, or may feel dizzy or winded when they do. When a child's weight prevents him or her from enjoying activities with friends, professional help may be needed.

Significant weight gain in childhood can lead to physical illness and may cause social exclusion and low self-esteem, challenges faced daily by as many as one in five children in the United States. A child who has a body mass index, or BMI, at or above the 95th percentile is considered obese.



Joseph

The UF Health Pediatric Weight Management Center provides a comprehensive and unique program that cares for patients ages 4 to 18 with obesity and related health issues.

The program began three years ago and is part of a national registry of only 33 pediatric weight-loss centers. UF Health is ranked among

the top three programs and first in the nation among centers that have a maximum of 150 patients.

Medical Director Madeline Joseph, MD, leads the multidisciplinary team of specialists at the center. The team includes a pediatric cardiologist, a certified nurse practitioner, a licensed psychologist and a clinical dietitian. Working together, a patient receives support and treatment for the various areas affecting his or her physical and emotional health.

The center's psychologist meets with the new patient

and at least one supporting household family member for an initial interview. The psychologist gathers details about the child's history, identifies events or circumstances

that may be contributing to weight gain, educates him or her about the program and assesses their level of motivation.

"It's important to deter-

mine if the child is ready for change," Joseph said. "We don't tell them what to do, but allow them to identify for us what is important to them in their weight loss journey."



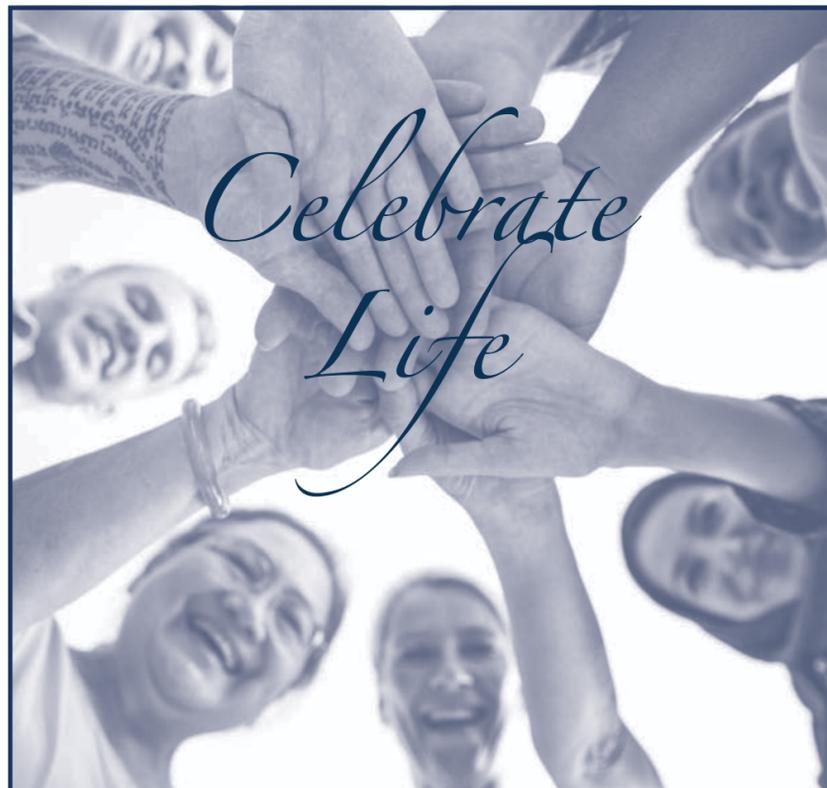
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Section B

NBA FINALS

# Round 4 for Warriors & Cavs

Golden State and Cleveland face off in NBA Finals again.

By **TIM REYNOLDS**  
*Associated Press*

Here we go again. And again. And, well, again. Round 4 — as many predicted, and others probably lamented — is happening. Cleveland and Golden State will meet for the fourth straight year in the NBA

Finals, the Warriors looking for a third championship in that span and LeBron James and the Cavaliers trying to wrestle the crown away just as they did in the 2016 series. On one side, the best team of this era. On the other, the best player of this era and maybe any era. Game 1 will be hosted by the Warriors at Oracle Arena on Thursday night. “You’ve got to appreciate the moment,” Warriors guard Stephen Curry said. “Somebody asked, ‘Four

years in a row getting to the finals, do you appreciate it?’ Yes.” Both teams are entering this title matchup with injury concerns. Cleveland’s Kevin Love is in the concussion protocol and will need to complete a series of tests before he’s cleared to return, and Golden State’s Andre Iguodala — a former NBA Finals MVP — wasn’t able to finish the Warriors-Rockets series because of a bone bruise in his leg.

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Golden State Warriors guard Stephen Curry (30) shoots against Cleveland Cavaliers forward LeBron James during the second half of Game 1 of the 2017 NBA Finals in Oakland, Calif.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## Hudson returns for senior year

Florida guard removes name from NBA Draft consideration.

By **ERIC JACKSON**  
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DESTIN — With a chance to improve his draft stock, Jalen Hudson has withdrawn from the upcoming 2018 NBA Draft and has vowed to return to Florida for his senior season.

The team’s leading scorer from last season opted to come back after exploring the draft process. Hudson, who transferred from Virginia Tech, led Florida with 15.5 points per game, including 23 in the team’s season-ending loss to Texas Tech in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

“Exciting day for the Gators and for Jalen,” Mike White said at the SEC meetings in Destin, according to the Orlando Sentinel. “There’s nothing wrong with not being a guaranteed first-round pick right now. That wasn’t expected a year ago. But he made a lot of headway. He built his brand. He helped the Gators have a good year. There should be a lot of positivity that he’s feeling right now.”

White said he spoke with Hudson last week about the draft process. The coach believes his shooting guard was often the best player on the floor throughout last season.

“I think that Jalen understands that he’s got an opportunity to do that more often, and just be more consistently that guy potentially can take a game over.”

Florida will be without point guard Chris Chiozza and wing Egor Koulechov moving forward so Hudson’s return gives the Gators’ much-needed experience to the lineup.

The Gators are slated to have a strong backcourt again with Hudson and senior KeVaughn Allen. The eyes of the NBA will be watching Hudson next season as the returning shooting guard strives to improve his draft stock one final time in Gainesville.

PREP SOFTBALL



Photos by **ERIC JACKSON**/Lake City Reporter

Pictured are Columbia’s award winners from the team banquet Tuesday night at Gator’s Dockside: Cris’Deona Beasley (from left), Defensive Player of the Year; S.K. Lewis, Golden Glove; Whitney Lee, Utility Award; Dara Gaylard, Offensive Player of the Year; and Story Giebeig, MVP. Not pictured: Morgan Hoyle, Gold Slugger.

# THE FINAL WORD

Columbia wraps up another season at team banquet.

By **JORDAN KROEGER**  
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Columbia’s season ended earlier than it hoped, but the softball team still celebrated a successful season at its end-of-the-year banquet on Tuesday at Gator’s Dockside.

The Lady Tigers finished 21-5, losing to Bartram Trail 7-5 in the Class 7A regional quarterfinals. But it was still a dominant year for Columbia, which outscored its opponents 190-90.

Third baseman Story Giebeig was a big reason for Columbia’s success in 2018 and the junior was rewarded the team MVP



Columbia’s S.K. Lewis hugs assistant coach Mitch Shoup prior to receiving her Golden Glove Award.

award. Giebeig led the Lady Tigers with a .462 batting and a team-high 30 RBI, 37 hits and 14 doubles. The Liberty commit was also

second on the team with two home runs, 35 runs scored, on-base percentage (.545) and slugging percentage (.737).

“She’s a great teammate, a team player, outstanding defensively and pretty much outstanding in all categories almost in hitting this year,” Columbia assistant coach Mitch Shoup said. “When we all talked about it the first name to come up was this lady...she was the heart and soul.”

Other awards handed out were: —SS S.K. Lewis, Golden Glove (.938 fielding percentage): “She’s been solid player since her freshman year. Each year she got better and better and better and she’s going to be one that is truly missed.... her effort was always there and that’s what it takes, courage and effort to be a good defensive player. You

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ON THE FRINGE

## Woods has come a long way from arrest

DUI on Memorial Day of last year made it seem as if he’d never return to form.

By **DOUG FERGUSON**  
*Associated Press*

DUBLIN, Ohio — Tiger Woods has made plenty of progress in his return to golf, especially in the last three months.

Starting with the Honda Classic, 19 of his 24 rounds have been at par or better. Four of the last six times on Sunday, he has gone into the final round with at least a remote hope of

winning. At two tournaments, he was within one shot of the lead over the final three holes.

But that’s not the best measure of progress.

Think back to a year ago this week.

Just over a month after he had back surgery for the fourth time, the image of Woods in a red shirt charging to victory was replaced by a mug shot from a Florida jail after his arrest on a DUI charge in the early morning hours of Memorial Day.

He had a white shirt and hollow eyes.

He had a problem with painkillers. A mixture of them were in his system after police found him asleep

behind the wheel of his car, which was parked awkwardly on the side of the road, the motor running and a blinker flashing.

The idea of Woods catching Jack Nicklaus and his 18 majors, or Sam Snead and his 82 career PGA Tour titles, was no longer part of the conversation. It was hard to imagine Woods even getting back to golf at that point.

That now seems like a long time ago, almost as if it never happened.

Woods is playing again, and playing well enough to win. It could happen this week at the Memorial, a course

**WOODS** continued on 5B



JEFF SENER/Charlotte Observer

Tiger Woods watches the flight of his ball from a sand trap along the 9th fairway at Quail Hollow Club in Charlotte, N.C., during third-round action in the Wells Fargo Championship on May 5.

# SCOREBOARD

## TV LISTINGS

Today	AMERICAN LEAGUE
<b>COLLEGE GOLF</b> 4 p.m.	<b>East Division</b>
GOLF — Men, NCAA Division I Championships, team national championship, at Stillwater, Okla.	W L Pct GB
<b>GOLF</b> 4:30 a.m. (Thursday)	Boston 38 17.691 —
GOLF — European PGA Tour, Italian Open, first round, at Brescia, Italy	New York 34 17.667 2
<b>MLB BASEBALL</b> 1 p.m.	Tampa Bay 26 26.500 10½
MLB — Regional coverage, Toronto at Boston OR Chicago White Sox at Cleveland	Toronto 25 30.455 13
<b>NHL HOCKEY</b> 8 p.m.	Baltimore 17 38.309 21
NBCSN — NHL Stanley Cup Final, Game 2, Washington at Vegas	<b>Central Division</b>
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	Minnesota 22 27.449 4
	Detroit 24 30.444 4½
	Kansas City 18 36.333 10½
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	Houston 35 21.625 —
	Seattle 33 20.623 ½
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## NBA FINALS

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

**Game 1: Thursday, May 31**  
Cleveland at Golden State, 9 p.m.

**Game 2: Sunday, June 3**  
Cleveland at Golden State, 8 p.m.

**Game 3: Wednesday, June 6**  
Golden State at Cleveland, 9 p.m.

**Game 4: Friday, June 8**  
Golden State at Cleveland, 9 p.m.

**x-Game 5: Monday, June 11**  
Cleveland at Golden State, 9 p.m.

**x-Game 6: Thursday, June 14**  
Golden State at Cleveland, 9 p.m.

**x-Game 7: Sunday, June 17**  
Cleveland at Golden State, 8 p.m.

## STANLEY CUP FINALS

Vegas 1, Washington 0

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

**Game 1: Monday, May 28**  
Vegas 6, Washington 4

**Game 2: Wednesday, May 30**  
Washington at Vegas, 8 p.m.

**Game 3: Saturday, June 2**  
Vegas at Washington, 8 p.m.

**Game 4: Monday, June 4**  
Vegas at Washington, 8 p.m.

**x-Game 5: Thursday, June 7**  
Washington at Vegas, 8 p.m.

**x-Game 6: Sunday, June 10**  
Vegas at Washington, 8 p.m.

**x-Game 7: Wednesday, June 13**  
Washington at Vegas, 8 p.m.

## 76ers agree to 3-year extension with Brown

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The Philadelphia 76ers will continue to put their trust in coach Brett Brown.

Brown, who took the 76ers from 10 wins to the third seed in the Eastern Conference in just two seasons, has agreed to a three-year contract extension that runs through the 2021-2022 season.

Brown had one year left on his contract. The extension is a sign the franchise believes he's still the right coach to lead the Sixers into Eastern Conference contention.

## In Paris, Serena Williams wins Slam return

PARIS (AP) — Competing as a mom for the first time at a major, and only about nine months since giving birth to her daughter, Alexis Olympia, then dealing with postpartum complications, Serena Williams edged 70th-ranked Kristyna Pliskova of the Czech Republic 7-6 (4), 6-4 at Roland Garros.

Seeded winners in the women's first round: No. 3 Garbine Muguruza, No. 7 Caroline Garcia, No. 11 Julia Georges, No. 12 Angelique Kerber, No. 17 Ashleigh Barty, No. 18 Kiki Bertens, No. 24 Daria Gavrilova, No. 27 Shuai Zhang, No. 28 Maria Sharapova, No. 30 Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova.

Seeded winners in the men's first round: No. 3 Marin Cilic, No. 5 Juan Martin Del Potro, No. 6 Kevin Anderson, No. 16 Kyle Edmund, No. 18 Fabio Fognini, No. 24 Denis Shapovalov.

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## Tuesday's Games

Cleveland 7, Chicago White Sox 3  
N.Y. Yankees 6, Houston 5, 10 innings  
Washington 3, Baltimore 2  
Chicago Cubs 8, Pittsburgh 6  
Boston 8, Toronto 3  
L.A. Angels 9, Detroit 2  
St. Louis 6, Milwaukee 1  
N.Y. Mets at Atlanta, 7:35 p.m.  
Minnesota at Kansas City, 8:15 p.m.  
San Francisco at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.  
Cincinnati at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.  
Texas at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.  
Miami at San Diego, 10:10 p.m.  
Philadelphia at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

## Today's Games

Toronto at Boston, 1:05 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox at Cleveland, 1:10 p.m.  
St. Louis at Milwaukee, 1:10 p.m.  
Houston at N.Y. Yankees, 6:35 p.m.  
Washington at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.  
Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.  
L.A. Angels at Detroit, 7:10 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets at Atlanta, 7:35 p.m.  
Minnesota at Kansas City, 8:15 p.m.  
San Francisco at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.  
Cincinnati at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.  
Texas at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.  
Miami at San Diego, 10:10 p.m.  
Philadelphia at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

## Villanova's DiVincenzo stays in NBA draft

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Final Four most outstanding player Donte DiVincenzo is staying in the NBA draft after helping Villanova win the national championship.

he school announced DiVincenzo's decision Tuesday, the day before the NCAA deadline for players who haven't hired an agent to withdraw from the draft and return to school. The 6-foot-5 guard had two years of eligibility remaining.

DiVincenzo was the Big East sixth man of the year and averaged 13.4 points with 4.8 rebounds, capped by a dazzling 31-point showing against Michigan for the Wildcats' second NCAA title in three seasons.

In a statement, DiVincenzo said the decision to leave Villanova and hire an agent was "not easy." Coach Jay Wright said the team supports DiVincenzo's decision after he received "very positive feedback from NBA teams" while testing the waters.

## STANLEY CUP FINALS

# Knights, Caps try to keep their cool

By GREG BEACHAM

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Gerard Gallant and the Vegas Golden Knights still think Tom Wilson's third-period hit on Jonathan Marchessault in the Stanley Cup Final opener was too late and probably a bit dirty.

The coach also believes it sparked his team's comeback victory in that Game 1 thriller.

So while he wasn't happy to hear Wilson will face no discipline from the NHL, Gallant is hoping his team will remember the hit — and more importantly, how they played right after it — when they attempt to take a 2-0 series lead on the Washington Capitals on Wednesday night on the Strip.

"The good thing about the hit is it really woke our team up," Gallant said after an optional practice at the Golden Knights' suburban training complex. "I think it was a 4-4 game?"

Indeed, two novice Stanley Cup finalists were deep into an entertainingly ramshackle opener, but the Knights took charge after that fateful collision left Marchessault sprawled on the ice. Vegas quickly got Tomas Nosek's go-ahead goal, eventually

won 6-4 and surged one game closer to an improbable championship.

The focused aggression necessary to be a successful postseason team is a delicate concoction. The Golden Knights and Caps both had it during the conference playoffs, but they both admit it got away from them in Game 1.

"I think both teams can be better," Washington coach Barry Trotz said. "It was a pretty sloppy game."

After one game to get used to the sky-high stakes of the last round of this tournament, both teams intend to channel their nervous energy more constructively in the future. Both coaches stressed the importance of discipline, completing assignments and not allowing the frenetic Vegas crowd to overwhelm their emotions.

"There's obviously nerves," Washington's Jay Beagle said. "I'm not surprised at anything anymore, but in the Stanley Cup Final, usually it's 2-1 or 1-0, not (6-4). But you don't know what to expect from a team that you don't know that much. Now we've got to know them a little bit more."

The mistakes that worry coaches also lead to exciting hockey, and the opener was thoroughly entertaining even before Wilson lowered

the boom on Marchessault. The teams combined for a Final-record four lead changes in the highest-scoring opener in eight years for this final round.

Wilson, who served a three-game suspension in the second round for breaking the jaw of Pittsburgh's Zach Aston-Reese, and the Capitals still insist the hard-charging forward did nothing wrong when he leveled the Golden Knights' top playoff scorer.

"It's within the rules," Wilson said after practice at T-Mobile Arena. "It's a clean hit. I don't know why it got so much media attention, to be honest. It's a hard hit, but that's the day and age we're in. ... I'm trying to play my game. There's a lot of those hits that are going on, but it's the Stanley Cup Final, and it's within the rules."

The NHL Department of Player Safety agreed when it decided not to discipline Wilson for the shoulder-to-shoulder hit, clearly deciding that Wilson's timing wasn't extraordinarily late.

Marchessault went to the dressing room and was examined for a possible concussion, but returned to the game. Gallant said the forward is feeling fine for Game 2.

The Capitals had their

own complaint about Vegas forward David Perron, who jumped on the ice after the whistle and made contact with Washington captain Alex Ovechkin during the scuffles immediately after the hit.

Once the emotions died down, both teams realized they've got to check their more primal urges if they hope to play a solid game on the NHL's biggest stage. The atmosphere in Las Vegas for the city's first Final has been electric, but the Caps weren't intimidated by the frenzied crowd.

Washington goalie Braden Holtby said the biggest difference about playing in Vegas is "the bass they put in the building. Maybe that's a little false when ... you're literally shaking from the bass. That's the only difference. (Their) fans are loud. Our fans are loud. Tampa's, Pitt's, Columbus, all fans are loud."

The condition of the T-Mobile Arena ice also caused occasional problems for both teams with its inconsistencies and general roughness, but nobody is claiming the first-year NHL building has any unusual problems. The conditions certainly didn't hurt the offensive players in any meaningful way, given the final score.

# FINALS

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The Warriors hoped Iguodala would return to the Houston series, but his progress stalled.

"That's just not an easy injury to predict in terms of recovery," Warriors coach Steve Kerr said.

There wasn't a lot of similarity in Cleveland's and Golden State's seasons, but their last few days have been mirror images of one another — both teams had to win Game 6s at home to fend off elimination, then had to go on the road and prevail in Game 7s to win their respective conference finals.

"One of the most challenging seasons I've had," said James, who may be playing the best basketball of his life right now at the end of his 15th season.

Here's some of what the Cavaliers have dealt with since Golden State-Cleveland III ended last June: Kyrie Irving got traded for Isaiah Thomas over the summer, coach Tyrone

Lue had to miss time to deal with health issues, Love missed two months, they lost 11 games by 16 or more points, revamped their roster in February and spent much of the season unable to guard anybody.

They're in the finals again anyway, led by someone who will play in the last series of the season for an absurd eighth consecutive year.

"It's been a roller coaster," said James, who is seeking a fourth ring in his ninth finals appearance overall. "It's been good, it's been bad. It's been roses. There have been thorns in the roses. There's been everything that you can ask for."

This wasn't all peaches for Golden State, either. The Warriors didn't get the No. 1 seed out West, lost Curry to a knee injury late in the regular season, lost 10 of their final 17 games and got pushed to the brink.

"I'm glad we're going back," Warriors forward Kevin Durant said.

The Warriors swept the two regular-season meet-

ings with the Cavaliers, winning by seven at home on Christmas Day (without Curry) and prevailing by 10 in Cleveland about three weeks later.

Film-wise, those two games are meaningless now. Of Cleveland's five leading scorers against Golden State this season, three no longer play for the Cavaliers. James and Love combined to score 100 points in the two games, but Dwyane Wade, Jae Crowder and Isaiah Thomas were all shipped elsewhere by the Cavs in a series of trade-deadline moves.

"We obviously know what LeBron's capable of," Curry said shortly after the Warriors' Game 7 win at Houston ended. "It's a new team over there, so the other guys, we've got to lock in on their tendencies. But we'll worry about that when we get home."

If the Cavaliers win this championship, it might be time to declare the regular season irrelevant.

Cleveland was only 50-32 this season. Should James and his mates get it done, that would be the

second-worst, regular-season record for an eventual champion in the last 40 seasons. Houston went 47-35 on the way to the 1995 title; to find another champion who was worse, go back to Washington in 1978 when the Bullets were a mere 44-38.

"Everybody doubted us," Cavaliers forward Jeff Green said. "Everybody had their opinions on what our team was, what we would do, what we can't do, from the start. ... And now, I mean, we're where we want to be. We're where we set out to be and where we knew we could be at this point."

Same goes for the Warriors. This season was no cakewalk for them, either.

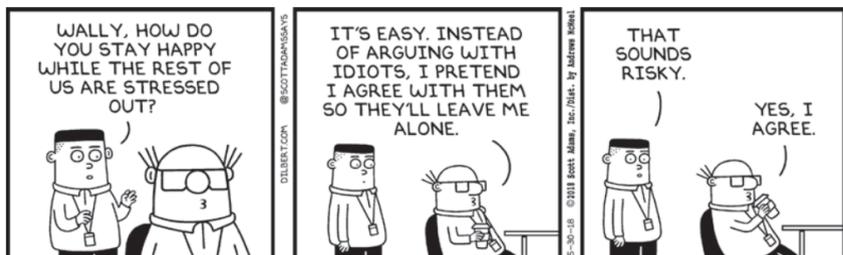
"We've been through a lot with this team," Warriors guard Klay Thompson said. "Believe it or not, it's not all success with the Warriors. We got our bumps throughout the season. But to get to this point again, we earned it."

And now it's time for one of these teams to earn a title. Again.

## WEDNESDAY EVENING

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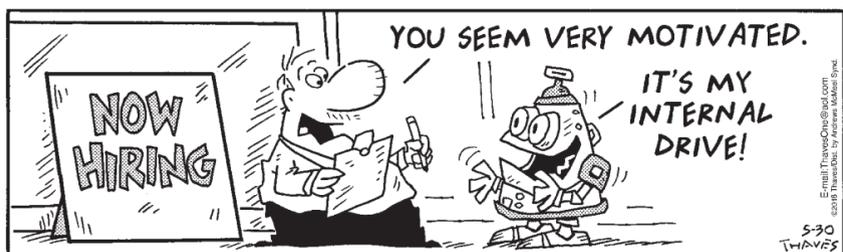
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FOR BETTER OR WORSE



DEAR ABBY

Man must choose between wife and pregnant mistress



Abigail Van Buren  
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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been married for 13 years and have two beautiful children. I recently found out that for the last two years, he has been having an affair, and his mistress is now three months pregnant.

When I confronted him about the situation, he claimed he doesn't know what to do. I have told him I'm willing to work things out and be supportive of the child, but the affair has to stop. The problem is, he's having a hard time letting go. He says he's in love with both of us.

I love my husband deeply and do not want to throw it all away for a mistake that I, too, once made. I know his mistress wants to be with him and has been slowly working her way into his life. Please give me some advice. -- LOST IN LOVE IN HOUSTON

DEAR LOST: Insist that you and your husband talk with a licensed marriage and family therapist to see if you can get your marriage back on track. While it may be possible to be in love with two women at the same time, here in the USA plural marriage is frowned upon.

Texas, thank the Lord, is a community property state, so it's important that you understand what that will mean to you and your children financially should a divorce become necessary. Discuss this with a lawyer, so you know your options. Your husband KNOWS what he should do; he just doesn't want to do it. Trust me on that.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 53-year-old man, twice divorced, raising a 16-year-old son as a single parent. I have been dating a woman with the same history, but her children are grown. Both of us are alcoholics. We are best friends, or at least drinking buddies. At least, we were.

Recently, she has experienced the deaths of a sibling and her ex-husband. Now she feels I

don't give her enough attention. How can I convince her that I love her more than ever, but my free time needs to go to my son? In the past, our bar time would suffice, but lately she needs more. What should I do? -- SHE WANTS MORE IN OHIO

DEAR SHE WANTS: I understand your drinking buddy wants more, but your first responsibility must be to your teenaged son. She may not like what I have to say, but I hope you will take it to heart. You would be a better father -- and a better partner, if you're so inclined -- if you were sober. Alcoholics Anonymous can help you achieve sobriety if you reach out to them. You can find a meeting online at aa.org. Then, be a "best friend" to your lady by telling her she could find the support and companionship she's desperate to experience by attending meetings at AA herself. Perhaps you could attend together instead of going to the bar. It would be a win-win for all three of you.

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

HOROSCOPES | THE LAST WORD BY EUGENIA LAST

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take part in outside interests. Distance yourself from anyone putting demands on you. Be direct when dealing with people asking for something. Don't take over or take on something you don't have time for. ★★★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Remain silent when it comes to conversations that might reveal your financial, legal or medical situation. The less others know, the easier it will be for you to take care of important matters without interference. Stabilize a romantic situation. ★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Talks will lead to actions. Don't sit back when you should be making a difference that will impact your life. Start the ball rolling and don't stop until you reach your goal. Physical challenges will help build strength and stamina. ★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Personal changes will turn out well if you let your creative imagination take over. Relationships will undergo an adjustment that will change your life. Children, friendships and elders will play a role when it comes to making a decision. ★★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Think before you end up in a compromising position. If your objective is to have a little fun, find a way to do so without being excessive or inconsiderate. Focus on health, personal relationships and living within your means. ★★★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Listen carefully and document what's going on around you. Someone will mislead you or withhold information that can cause an emotional situation to fester. Take the high road and enforce positive thought and integrity in everything you do. ★★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Be open to suggestions, but gather your own research and facts. The time and effort you put in will ensure that someone trying to control or manipulate you will not take advantage of you. Trust your judgment. ★★★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Settle into whatever it is you are trying to accomplish. Give your undivided attention to doing the

best you can and to finishing what you start. Your effort will not go unnoticed, and an unusual reward will be offered. ★★★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Face whatever comes your way. Don't take anyone's word or leave personal decisions up to someone else. Your involvement will be necessary if you want situations to unfold fairly. Focus on alternative methods when dealing with health and finance. ★★★★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Observe what other people do, but don't follow suit. You are better off biding your time and making decisions that will add to your security and stability, not tear it apart. Do your own thing and don't look back. ★★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Stick close to home and make changes that will require you to use your physical and mental attributes to alter your current personal situation. Know what you want; don't stop until you have made it happen. ★★★★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Stick close to home, and don't share personal information. Problems with a friend, relative or communications in general will leave you in an uncertain position. Concentrate on yourself and the physical changes you'd like to make. ★★

CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS

Actor Keir Dullea ("2001: A Space Odyssey") is 82. Actor Michael J. Pollard is 79. Guitarist Lenny Davidson of The Dave Clark Five is 74. Actor Colm Meaney ("Star Trek: The Next Generation") is 65. Actor Ted McGinley ("Hope and Faith," "Married—With Children") is 60. Actor Ralph Carter ("Good Times") is 57. Country singer Wynonna Judd is 54. Guitarist Tom Morello of Audioslave and Rage Against the Machine is 54. Actor Mark Sheppard ("Supernatural") is 54. Actor John Ross Bowie ("Speechless," "The Big Bang Theory") is 47. Guitarist Patrick Dählheimer of Live is 47. Singer-actress Idina Menzel is 47. Singer Cee Lo Green (Gnarls Barkley, Goodie Mob) is 43. Rapper Remy Ma is 38.

CIPHER

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.

" L H S B J E D Z R Z X ' U B Z J U D Y ' T B P Y L B  
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K A D R U X Z J L B , L Y R . D K J B Y V V H  
K Z F P A B W L B . " — J Y H P A Y J V B E

Previous Solution: "When I first came to Nashville... we lived in old cars and dirty hotels, and we ate when we could." — Loretta Lynn

TODAY'S CLUE: U equals I

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430766  
May 29, 30, 31, 2018  
June 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 2018

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Fiberglass tech needed. Apply in person at 139 NW Taft Ln or call 386-438-3333

Needed Laborer for machine shop work must have good math skills and be able to read tape measure, need to be a hard worker and drug free full-time start \$12.00/hr apply in person Grizzly Mfg, 174 NE Cortez Terr. Lake City

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O'Neal Roofing now hiring. No experience required. Apply in person 212 SE Hickory Dr. 386-752-7578

Now hiring one position for Warehouse manager. Must have experience in inventory management, receiving, pulling product and shipping. Full time position 40-50 hours a week subsidized health insurance, holiday pay, vacation pay and safety bonus. Must have computer skills. Please apply in person 3631 E US Hwy 90, Lake City FL 32055 or email to Quality831@qiagroup.com

## 315-MEDICAL

**C.N.A.'s Needed - \$10.50 to \$11.75/hr**  
Avalon Healthcare is seeking CNA's. All candidates must pass a drug screen and background check, as well as possess an active license. Please apply in person @ Avalon Healthcare, 1270 SW Main Blvd. Lake City, FL

## 325-EDUCATION

- Certified Middle School Science teacher
- Certified Middle School Math teacher

Anyone interested should send a cover letter and resume to rklen@ecslc.org and contact Epiphany Catholic School at 752-2320 for an application.

## 340-BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

**FUMC PIANIST NEEDED**  
Pianist needed for Sunday Service. Please inquire @ (386) 752-4488

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## 705-HOMES FOR RENT

3/2 brick w/carport, lg pantry, fenced backyard, \$975/mo 1st+last+sec 386-288-8401

3BR/2.5 BA Pool 2 story Country Home 6 miles So of Columbia City. \$1500/mo, First and last plus \$500 dep Smoke free No pets. 386-365-1171

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## 745-LOTS FOR RENT

Five Ash Forest, Lake City's premier 55 plus manufactured home community. 752-7207 Lot lease includes water, sewer, garbage & lawn maintenance.

## 805-HOMES FOR SALE

Creekfront w/Log Cabin 7.8 acres near TIEC. New 1400 sf cabin features screened porch, fpl, lg. deck, vaulted ceilings, hdwd floors \$189,900 Horse friendly 828-286-1666

Jackie Taylor & Associates Realty 752-4663 MLS90282 Great investment, currently rented at \$900/mo, lg lot in town, detached garage. \$124,900

Rockford Realty Group, Debi Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS10002 \$289,800 2/2 on Suwannee River, dock w/boat shelter

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100045 \$267,900 Executive home w/Lake Jeffery access, lg kit, oversized master w/ French doors to sunroom

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100057 \$175,000 Spacious home on 10 ac, lg porches on front & back, split plan, lg kit w/center island.

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100151 \$194,500 Fantastic home in Wise Estates, lg great rm w/sliding glass door to covered porch.

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100188 \$39,900 Cannon Creek Airpark lot, runway license will convey with lot. Great price for runway lot.

Poole Realty Ronnie Poole 208-3175 MLS100208 4/3 LR & fam rm w/FP's, office, fla rm, 2 car garage w/safe rm/basement, fish pond. \$385,000

Remax, Pam Beauchamp 303-2505 MLS100286 \$574,900 3/2 home & 4/2 DWMH, 45 ac, 3 stall barn, 60x80 metal shop w/3 bay doors, power & water.

Country Rivers Realty, LLC 497-3305 MLS100362 1997 mfg home w/open floor plan on 8ac, approx 1ac fenced, lg covered porch \$87,500

Country Rivers Realty, LLC 497-3305 MLS100366 2/2, huge great rm, & front porch, on 2 lots back yard overlooking Sante Fe River. \$129,300

Poole Realty Anita Handy 208-5877 MLS100403 \$94,500 3/1 2 mi from Live Oak, new HVAC, move in ready & has awesome Oak trees for shade.

Jackie Taylor & Associates Realty 752-4663 MLS100413 2/2 w/3rd started by closing in garage, carport, partially fenced w/nice trees, great location.

## 805-HOMES FOR SALE

Poole Realty Mindy Wilkson 209-7658 MLS100430 3/2 in Jennings, LR w/vaulted ceiling & FP, lg laundry rm, bonus room upstairs. \$179,900

Hallmark Real Estate Janet Creel 719-0382 MLS100460 4/3 home on Suwannee River. Floating 2-story dock w/screened upper deck.

Hallmark Real Estate Jay Nash 269-2581 MLS100490 3/2 in established neighborhood, close to everything you need in Lake City! \$112,000

Poole Realty Anita Handy 208-5877 MLS100536 \$244,900 4/2 custom brick on 22.79ac, fenced back yard as well as the entire property.

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100593 \$285,000 Custom brick in southern end of county, lg great rm, open kit, oversized master to Fla rm.

Remax, Pam Beauchamp 303-2505 MLS100640 \$155,000 2/2 loft style home on 5.3ac, wraparound porch, 2 car carport, workshop, 2 sheds

Jackie Taylor & Associates Realty 752-4663 MLS100654 3/2 brick on 1+ac, new appliances, HVAC, 10x20 deck, 2 sheds, chain link fenced backyard

Coldwell Banker-Bishop Elaine Tolar 365-1548 MLS100685 \$143,900 4/2 freshly painted & new carpet, private backyard, wired for sec system.

Rockford Realty Group, Debi Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS94089 \$669,000 Colonial on 5ac, 4/3 & 2 partial BA, 3 HVAC units

Coldwell Banker-Bishop Elaine Tolar 365-1548 MLS96726 3/2, FL rm, screened patio & covered deck great for entertaining. \$149,900

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

Daniel Crapps Agency 755-5110 MLS97936 \$149,000 2 homes, conc block w/ceramic tiled flooring thru-out & move in ready plus 1828 sf mfg home.

## ACROSS

- 1 Zen master's poem
- 6 Scenic sights
- 11 Adds beauty to
- 13 Sore
- 14 Coffee go-with
- 15 Watch sites
- 16 — Paulo, Brazil
- 17 Formic acid producer
- 18 Ruby
- 21 "Lorna —"
- 23 Qt. parts
- 26 Yale alumnum
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- 28 Castle defense
- 29 Baroque composer
- 31 Protest
- 32 Rust or water
- 33 Wield a scalpel
- 35 Notorious pirate

## DOWN

- 36 Troop group
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- 38 Prior to
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- 41 Cry out loud
- 42 Hack's vehicle
- 44 Chevy or antelope
- 47 Cream puff
- 51 Spruce up
- 52 Rugged
- 53 Gave a darn
- 54 Know intuitively
- 1 Ate for dinner
- 2 Oklahoma town
- 3 Charged particle
- 4 Momager — Jenner
- 5 Bare a mare
- 6 Jules of sci-fi
- 7 Put one's foot —

## Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 8 Magazine execs
- 9 Clammy
- 10 Almost-grads
- 12 Frightened a fly
- 13 Guitar sound
- 18 Rescind
- 19 Alchemist's potion
- 20 Multiply, to amoebas
- 22 Pungent
- 23 Hair ointment
- 24 Not as loose
- 25 Scatters
- 28 Sea, to Cousteau
- 30 Total
- 31 Takes away
- 34 Jigsaw components
- 36 Kind of sprawl
- 39 Allotted
- 41 Cloy
- 43 Between green and indigo
- 44 Financial mag
- 45 — culpa
- 46 Birdie plus one
- 48 Comics prince
- 49 Badges and such
- 50 Deli bread choice

## JUMBLE

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

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UDEFGR  
MILNEB  
CRAFEA

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## THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Please, please, please settle down. You need to learn this.

"I'm French! Why do you think I have this outrageous accent?"

Do the Monty Python scene again.

TEACHING RUDE STUDENTS TO SAY "THANK YOU" IN FRENCH CLASS MADE HER

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

“( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( )”

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: RANCH TARDY OPAQUE INVOKE  
Answer: When the little boy arrived at the gates of the amusement park, he was — ENTRANCED

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**805-HOMES FOR SALE**

Rockford Realty Group, Debi Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS99616 \$298,900 2/2 river house on Suwannee, wraparound porch

Daniel Crapps Agency 397-3002 MLS99858 \$189,500 3/2.5 brick w/formal LR, fam rm, fenced back yard on 6.9ac west of Lake City on SR-247

Daniel Crapps Agency 397-3002 MLS99893 \$777,500 gorgeous setting for this 2518 sqft home w/73 ac plus 1800sf guest qtrs, 45ac lake & more!

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 \$99,900

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

Coldwell Banker-Bishop Elaine Tolar 365-1548 Now underway in Mayfair, split plan 3/2, open kitchen to living area \$194,900

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Country Rivers Realty, LLC 497-3305 MLS100434 \$64,900 10 ac ready for your dream home, already has well, septic & power, cleared homesite.

Country Rivers Realty, LLC 497-3305 MLS100590 \$29,900 2.3 ac w/well, septic & power. mature hardwoods already thinned & ready for a home

Country Rivers Realty, LLC 497-3305 MLS100669 \$30,000 Camping lot on Sante Fe, walking dist to public boat ramp, Fort White.

Hallmark Real Estate Vic Lantrop 623-6401 MLS98661 2.5 ac deep in Cannon Creek Airpark, corner lot & dead end street. \$44,500

Rockford Realty Group, Deb Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS99218 \$83,900 7.5ac lot in Rose Creek Plantation.

Hallmark Real Estate Lacie Lantrop 697-1681 MLS99513 \$29,500 parcel at end of cul-de-sac minutes from town, beautiful lake at entrance.

Daniel Crapps Agency 397-3002 MLS99767 24.8 ac w/paved rd frontage just east of Ft White HS. Owner financing avail. \$198,400

Daniel Crapps Agency 397-3002 MLS99868 \$55,110 Wooded corner lot 10 square ac, offers easy access to Lake City, Ft White & Gainesville

**830-COMMERCIAL FOR SALE**

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100629 \$399,000 Great location, convenient to Hwy 90, I75 & I10. 5000ft warehouse, office space w/reception

Daniel Crapps Agency 397-3002 MLS98342 \$1,100,000 21+ac tract west of Lake City on US90, 4027sf bldg & 6461sf bldg

Hallmark Real Estate Paula Lawrence 623-1973 MLS99618 well-known establishment in Suwannee Co w/full liquor license. Call for details

**1005-MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE WITH LAND**

Jackie Taylor & Associates Realty Jackie Taylor 397-3479 MLS97359 \$139,900 4/2 on fenced 4.78ac, wkshp w/roll-up doors, fenced & cross fenced.

United Country, Dicks Realty 752-8585 MLS100394 \$99,000 4/2 DWMH on 5ac in White Springs within walking dist of Stephen Foster State Park.

Remax, Pam Beauchamp 303-2505 MLS100442 \$94,900 4/2 DWMH w/covered front porch & back decks, 45x19 garage, stocked pond w/boat ramp.

United Country, Dicks Realty 752-8585 MLS100668 73.52 ac of raw land in Lake City, planted pines & oaks.

Hallmark Real Estate Anita Tonetti 697-3780 MLS91217 Mobile Home park w/5 units on 2.5ac 3/2 DW to live in while collecting rental income.



COURTESY

**Not so little**

The Lil Guys(5-0-0) placed first after five matches of play in the 3v3 Live Soccer Tour Saturday in Jacksonville. Coach C stated, "I always set high expectations, and you guys always find a way to reach that expectation." Front row: Colyn Weatherspoon (from left), Phillip Yaxon, Carlos Ortiz, Christian Cofield and Ty Handy. Back row: Coach C.

From staff reports

Twenty-one players competed in Saturday Blitz on May 19. Allen Rose came in first place in the A division with a +5. Jim Carr, Nick Goff and Steve Patterson tied for second place with a +4. Eddy Brown, Bud Johnson and Scott Kishton tied for fifth place with a +2. Skin winners were: Nick Goff #1, Ken Radcliffe #6, Allen Rose #9, Steve Thomas #13, Scott Kishton #14 and Greg Lyons #17. The Saturday Blitz costs \$15 plus cart fee and is open to anyone but you must tee off by 9:30 a.m. Just call the pro shop to make a tee time.

The Sunday Blitz cost \$20 plus cart fee and is open to anyone and you can tee off at anytime.

The LGA plays every Tuesday starting at 9 a.m.

Sixteen players competed in the Wednesday Blitz on May 23. Dennis

**WOODS***Continued From 1B*

on which he has won five times and has powerful memories. He was at Shinnecock Hills on Monday, gearing up for the U.S. Open in two weeks. It could happen there.

It could happen anywhere.

Nicklaus believes the next step for Woods is simply learning how to win again after a drought approaching five years, most of them interrupted by back pain. Nicklaus never went more than two years without a victory during his prime. He also never had a significant injury. In that respect, it's hard for him to relate.

"But he has got to get through the barrier of not having done it for a while," Nicklaus said Tuesday. "When you haven't won, that always happens and that's human nature. But when you got a guy that's as good as he is and as competitive as he is, he'll break through that barrier."

Nicklaus, however, saw the bigger picture.

Winning appears to be the last obstacle. A year ago, Nicklaus was more concerned about Woods' life than how many fairways he hit. He is thrilled to have Woods back at Muirfield Village for the first time since 2015. He is thrilled to see him healthy physically and emotionally.

Just over a month after he had back surgery for the fourth time, the image of Woods in a red shirt charging to victory was replaced by a mug shot from a Florida jail after his arrest on a DUI charge in the early morning hours of Memorial Day.

He had a white shirt and hollow eyes.

He had a problem with painkillers. A mixture of them were in his system after police found him asleep behind the wheel of his car, which was parked awkwardly on the side of the road, the motor running and a blinker flashing.

The idea of Woods catching Jack



Crawford and Kevin Roberts tied for first place with a +10. Jerry Smith came in third place with a +7. Charlie Timmons and Mickey Wilcox tied for fourth place with a +5. Skin winners were: Dennis Crawford #2 and #16. he skins pot hole was #11; there was no birdies and the pot worth \$30 carries over. The Wednesday Blitz costs \$13 (plus optional pot) plus cart fee and is open to anyone and you can tee off at anytime. Just call the pro shop to make a tee time.

The Good Old Boys Match 1 – Marc Risk, Jim McGriff, Randy Register and Carl Wilson -7, Noidrie

Nicklaus and his 18 majors, or Sam Snead and his 82 career PGA Tour titles, was no longer part of the conversation. It was hard to imagine Woods even getting back to golf at that point.

That now seems like a long time ago, almost as if it never happened.

Woods is playing again, and playing well enough to win. It could happen this week at the Memorial, a course on which he has won five times and has powerful memories. He was at Shinnecock Hills on Monday, gearing up for the U.S. Open in two weeks. It could happen there.

It could happen anywhere.

Nicklaus believes the next step for Woods is simply learning how to win again after a drought approaching five years, most of them interrupted by back pain. Nicklaus never went more than two years without a victory during his prime. He also never had a significant injury. In that respect, it's hard for him to relate.

"But he has got to get through the barrier of not having done it for a while," Nicklaus said Tuesday. "When you haven't won, that always happens and that's human nature. But when you got a guy that's as good as he is and as competitive as he is, he'll break through that barrier."

Nicklaus, however, saw the bigger picture.

Winning appears to be the last obstacle. A year ago, Nicklaus was more concerned about Woods' life than how many fairways he hit. He is thrilled to have Woods back at Muirfield Village for the first time since 2015. He is thrilled to see him healthy physically and emotionally.

"I'm very happy for him," Nicklaus said. "With all the meds that he had for pain, that can happen to anybody. To have the thing that happened to him and come back from that and get his game and his life back in shape, and quickly, he did a nice job."

It was at the Masters last year that Nicklaus tried to persuade Woods to see the physical therapist

Moses, Jeff Mayne, Eli Witt and Howard Whitaker – 5. Match 2 – Rhea Hart, Bill Rogers, Emerson Darst and Dan Stephens - 3, Rob Brown, Steve Crane, Tom Elmore and Steve Peters - 1.

Good Scores were: Noidrie Moses 76 (40-36), Dan Stephens 76 (38-38), Marc Risk 78 (38-40), Rhea Hart 78 (38-40) and Jim McGriff 79 (38-41).

For more information on any events and tournaments or specials at The Country Club, please call the pro shop at 386-752-2266 or check out our website at www.thecountryclubatlakecity.com.

**UPCOMING**

- June 4-8, Golf Camp #1
- June 11-15, Tennis Camp #1
- June 16, U.S. Open Blitz
- June 18-22, Golf Camp #2
- July 9-13, Golf Camp #3
- July 16-20, Tennis Camp #2
- July 21, The Open Blitz

Nicklaus had used for years. But that was going to take time that Woods didn't have, and fusion surgery followed a few weeks later.

"I never thought he would play again after that," Nicklaus said. "I never dreamed you could fuse somebody and he could go play golf."

Nicklaus has spent the better part of two decades facing questions that only time could answer — whether Woods could break his record in the majors.

Woods has gone 10 years since his last major.

"Time flies when you're having fun, or sometimes when you're not having fun, too," Nicklaus said. "I don't think Tiger has had a lot of fun the last 10 years. I would hate to have been through what he's been through, because he's been through a lot. But I think that he is a tough competitor, he's a hard worker, and he's still driven. So that's why I never counted him out."

Five years without winning is a lot, especially for a 42-year-old with four surgeries on his knee and four surgeries on his back. But that requires an asterisk. Woods has played only 35 tournaments on the PGA Tour and European Tour since he last won at Firestone in August 2013.

It's not wise to count him out because Woods remains a mystery.

When he was recovering from leg injuries and had gone 30 months without a PGA Tour victory, he walked off the course at Doral with soreness in his left Achilles tendon. And then he won two weeks later. At the Presidents Cup last September, he had no idea what his future in golf held because of the fusion surgery. Just over two months later, he was hitting drives beyond Justin Thomas and Henrik Stenson at his tournament in the Bahamas.

He never looked more lost on Memorial Day a year ago. Now he relishes his time on tour with players nearly half his age, and they love being around him.

**BRIEFS****Pop Warner registration to take place in June**

The Lake City Pop Warner Association will begin taking registration for the 2018 Pop Warner Football and Cheer Season. Registration will be held each Saturday in June (June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30) from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The registration fee is \$100.00/per player (Cash or check only). Children ages 5-12 are able to participate. Football teams are limited to the first 25 players to sign up. For more information contact Nicole Callum (Football) 386-754-7096 or Michelle De la Cruz (Cheer) 386-365-6706

**Tryouts for 16U baseball travel team**

Impact Zone Training Academy is holding a tryout for a summer 16U baseball travel team that will play three tournaments in Florida and South Georgia over the course of June, July and August and hold two practices a week throughout the summer. Team will be coached by former college players. Tryouts will be held at Lake City Southside Sports Complex Blue Field No. 8 on June 3 at 3:30 p.m. There will be a \$10 fee payable in cash or check collected at time of tryout. Refer to our Facebook page or call Jessica at 386-867-1897 for more details.

**Carl Ste-Marie's Junior Golf Camps in June**

Carl Ste-Marie's popular Junior Golf Clinics are back again this year at The Country Club at Lake City. There will be four Junior Golf Clinics this summer. All the clinics will be held from Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost will be \$85 for non-members and \$70 for members. The dates for the clinics are #1 – June 4-8, #2 – June 18-22, #3 – July 9-13 and #4 – July 23-27. Drinks and snacks will be provided free of charge. The clinics are limited to the first 20 paid kids. This is the longest running Junior Golf Clinic in Lake City. Make sure you register your kid up early as they will fill up. You can register your child or pick up information at The Country Club at Lake City. For more information, please call Carl Ste-Marie at 386-752-2266 or 386-623-2833.

**CYSA holding elections in first week of June**

The Columbia Youth Soccer Association (CYSA) will be holding its annual election for volunteer officer positions on June 6. Current officer positions available for election are Secretary, Vice President and IT Director.

Other volunteer positions available are Awards & Uniforms Coordinator, Fort White Representative, Live Oak Representative and Club Scheduler. CYSA is always accepting volunteers to help out with the administrative tasks and assist with keeping the game of soccer thriving in our community.

Interested in contributing to the growth of youth soccer? Email info@cysa.com with what position you are interested in or if you would like to volunteer.

CYSA summer recreational season will run June 18-28. Check out our Facebook page or cysa.com for information on registration.

**4-Week summer tennis clinic registration**

LCCCTA will offer a 4-week summer tennis clinic to the youth of our community on Thursday mornings in June. Registration will take place at 8am at the Young's Park tennis courts on June 7 for the two sessions (9 a.m. and 10 a.m.), which will be limited to the first 20 children who register per session. Equipment will be provided by LCCCTA. In addition, there are no registration fees associated with the summer tennis clinic. Based upon interest and demand, there could be another two-week tennis clinic scheduled for July.

**Johnny Young's Junior Tennis Camp in June**

The Country Club at Lake City is proud to bring to you Johnny Young's Tennis Camp. There will be three Junior Tennis Camps this summer. All the clinics will be held from Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost will be \$85 for non-members and \$70 for members. The dates for the clinics are #1 – June 11-15, #2 – July 16-20, and #3 – July 30-3. Drinks and snacks will be provided free of charge. The clinics are limited to the first 16 paid kids. You can register your child or pick up information at The Country Club at Lake City. For more information on the clinics, please call Johnny Young at 386-365-3827 or Carl Ste-Marie at 386-752-2266.



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Columbia's junior varsity team receives their letters during Tuesday's banquet.

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didn't have to worry if she was going to show up for a game. She showed up every night," Shoup said.

—OF Morgan Hoyle, Gold Slugger (team-high 27 runs, second on team 10 doubles and third on team on team with .412 batting average): "She was pretty clutch. We moved her up and down the lineup a lot throughout the year but when the game was on the line and we needed a big hit to start a rally in a tough situation, there was nobody on the team I'd rather have hitting because I knew she was going to come through. She's gritty, she's tough and she gave it all she had. She puts a lot of pressure on herself and she works hard and that's what it takes," Shoup said.

—1B Dara Gaylard,

**Offensive Player of the Year (led the team with six home runs and 32 RBI, second team with .684 slugging percentage, third on team with nine doubles):** "She won a couple of games with walk-off home runs and I'll take that. I'll take a girl that hits the ball a long way... she definitely produced in that area for us several times. She has a lot of fight in her and we're looking for great, great things out of her next year as well," Shoup said.

—P Cris'Deona Beasley, **Defensive Player of the Year (14-4 record with a team-high 1.38 ERA and 106 strikeouts in 116 2/3 innings):** "We had an outstanding pitcher that put in a lot of work and to see her grow a lot this year from a very good player that worked really hard to a girl that really started to learn how to pitch and really understood what she was doing on the mound.

She understood how to attack different batters," Shoup said.

—OF/P/DP Whitney Lee, **Utility Player Award (third on team with 22 RBI and nine doubles, fourth on team with .392 batting average, 6-0 pitching record with a 2.89 ERA):** "She can hit, she can play defense and pretty much does it all. She was willing to play wherever we asked her to play. She's just one of those great team players...se played her role as good as I think anybody's ever played that role. You always have to have role players and this lady is one."

—FACA All-Academic team selections (GPA 3.5 or higher): Caroline Lewis, Reece Chasteen, Lucy Giebeig, Story Giebeig, S.K. Lewis and Hoyle.

—FACA All-State teams selections: Lauren Hutcherson, S.K. Lewis, Caroline Lewis, Story Giebeig, Lucy Giebeig, Lee, Gaylard, Hoyle and Beasley.



Columbia head coach Trudy Andrews hugs Cris'Deona Beasley as she receives the Defensive Player of the Year Award.



TOP: Columbia's varsity team receives their letters during Tuesday's banquet. BOTTOM: Columbia's varsity team poses together following the team banquet.



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