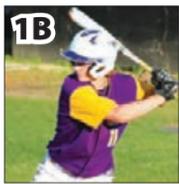


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## Tariffs eat away at local growers' profits

Farm Bureau officials here, nationally, are registering concerns.

By **COREY ARWOOD**  
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Some local farmers and ranchers feeling the sting of Trump administration tariffs are sounding an alarm that trade war targets abroad are hitting agriculture at home. They said they can trace the root of growing financial strain to tariffs and trade deals they say are worsening an already precarious economic landscape.

Katrina Moseley, chairman of the Columbia County Farm Bureau's Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee, described a ripple effect the smallest players in the business have already felt from tariffs industrywide.

"They had priced a grain bin and were going to get it built, but the price of steel skyrocketed to the point they couldn't afford it," said Moseley of one local grower.

Moseley and her husband Troy Moseley are District Three representatives for the organization.

They operate a small cattle ranch in the Ellisville area. Moseley said it was a part-time operation with roughly 80 head

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**FORT WHITE**

# Robbery suspect jailed, town can sleep again



**PLUS: HOW CCSO CRACKED THE CASE**  
**Both stories, 3A**

**ABOVE:** Trussia Cox, victim of a June 27 armed robbery at the Fort White Subway, where she works. **INSET:** Robbery suspect Michael David Lantner of Fort White. Cox says she can finally rest now that he's in jail. **Stories, 3A.**

CARL MCKINNEY/Lake City Reporter

## Marc Vann seeking District 10 state House seat

Lake City business owner has record of public service.

By **CARL MCKINNEY**  
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Business acumen, a sense of responsibility to the taxpayer and years of

experience in public service are what state representative District 10 candidate Marc Vann says he brings to the table.

Vann said he threw his hat in the ring after term-limited incumbent Elizabeth Porter, a Lake City-based Republican, asked him to run.

"It was a high compliment," Vann said.

Vann, co-owner of Vann Carpet One, has been involved with the family business since 1979, after he obtained an accounting degree from Trevecca Nazarene University in Nashville.

Helping to grow the business made him realize that every dollar the state spends comes from stores like his family's, Vann said.

"And we should spend every dollar just like it's our own money," Vann said. "We should remember that it's people's earnings."

Vann said he applied that philosophy when he served for nine years on the Lake Shore Hospital Authority



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SEXUAL MISCONDUCT CLAIM

# Schools drop probe of woman cleared by cops

Criminal case had been long since abandoned.

By STEVE WILSON  
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The school district investigation into a former Columbia County teacher accused of improper conduct with a 17-year-old male student has been officially closed.

On Monday, the Columbia County School District informed Jenny Lang, a former middle-school level exceptional student education teacher at Fort White High School, in writing, that there is "no probable cause to charge you with

any misconduct."

The alleged incident took place in Dixie County, in or near a hot tub, and the mother of the student involved made the complaint against Lang after overhearing her son speak about it to a family member.

In response to the allegations, CCSD officials suspended Lang on Sept. 26, 2017, with the suspension amended on October 10 to include pay. Since that time, CCSD has opted not to renew her employment contract.

In addition to closing the investigation, CCSD has forwarded their findings related to the investigation to the State of Florida Practices Commission for review.

In June, prosecutors

announced that criminal charges against Lang would not be filed. Third



Lang

Circuit State Attorney Jeffrey Siegmeister confirmed that the evidence in the case showed that the alleged incident could not have happened during the time witnesses told investigators it took place. Specifically, digital forensic evidence indicated that Lang was visiting family and friends more than 100 miles away which the misconduct allegedly occurred, according to Fred Koberlein, Lang's attorney.

The Dixie County

Sheriff's Office investigated the allegations.

"He wasn't the traditional victim, where he ran to a cop or a counselor and said 'I've been victimized,'" Siegmeister said in February.

When contacted in regard to Monday's letter from CCSD, Koberlein declined comment.

"We are discouraged that the students and taxpayers must go without an employee of the school district simply because an adolescent has made an allegation," Koberlein wrote in October. "Yet no additional proof has been presented in support of that allegation."

District Superintendent Lex Carswell also declined comment.

## QUICK HITS

### Scripture of the Day

I have chosen the way of truth: thy judgments have I laid before me.

— Psalm 119:30 (KJV)

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Less is only more where more is no good.

— Frank Lloyd Wright, 1867-1959, American architect

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## TARIFFS

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of livestock they sell to markets and individuals.

She said she hears the concerns of others in agriculture here.

"It basically affects anybody involved in the industry," Moseley said. "We have a lot of people and friends that are being hurt really bad."

Moseley said she's a registered Republican, a strong supporter of the Trump administration and feels the efforts to be well-intended.

However, she said the effects have not been well received by farmers.

"Most of your produce is coming from family farms. The administration is directly to blame. I don't think it was their intention. We're struggling with prices. We're struggling with getting labor. While they're trying to do things to make it better, it's actually having the reverse effect," Moseley said. "The way we look at it, they are trying to increase the use and the need for products grown here. But by implementing the tactics of the tariffs, it has directly affected the agriculture nationwide in a negative way."

On Thursday the president of the American Farm Bureau, Vincent "Zippy" Duvall, published an essay outlining his organization's opposition to the Trump administration's escalating trade war.

As the "voice" of the nation's farmers, the AFBF president cites another



COURTESY

A bull and heifers, part of the Moseley family herd, are pictured.

round of \$200 billion tariffs aimed at Chinese imports.

He said farmers were the first target in the sights of those countries returning fire.

"The question at the top of farmers' and ranchers' minds now is whether our livelihoods will be the first casualties," Duvall wrote.

Falling prices of agricultural commodities, crops and livestock are now accompanied by decreased demands overseas due to tariffs, he wrote.

One of his recommendations was to renegotiate trade deals like NAFTA and secure trade partners versus implementing tariffs. The AFBF was also a strong supporter of the Trans-Pacific Partnership, from which Trump withdrew.

"While the U.S. rains down tariffs on our leading ag markets, the rest of the world continues to move forward with trade deals that don't include us," Duvall wrote.

However, he said AFBF

remains supportive of the Trump administration despite what it fears could be cataclysmic trade consequences.

"We believe he will remain true to his word to look out for farm country in this trade war," Duvall wrote. "Holding onto that optimism can be tough, though, when you begin to watch your livelihood slip way."

Moseley said production value for farmers on feed grains, like corn, soy and cotton hull continue to fall, which down the road will affect supply and later price.

"The price of income for the farmer has decreased by 52 percent," Moseley said. "At the end of the day the corporate farms will be just fine."

John Willis owns Columbia Livestock Market, which has been around since 1936.

He said the short-term

TRADE continued on 6A

## Town Hall rescheduled for Monday

A County Commission town hall meeting set for Tuesday has been moved up to Monday at the Columbia County Fairgrounds due to a scheduling conflict.

The town hall will start at 6 p.m. The topic is a proposed one-cent sales tax to improve county roads.

— From staff reports

## VANN

Continued From 1A

Board of Trustees, leaving in 2015. During that time, he worked to help decrease the amount spent on indigent care from \$3.5 million a year on average to about \$1 million.

He also served for 10 years on the Industrial Development Authority, the precursor to the Columbia

County Economic Development Advisory Board, on which he currently sits.

Vann said that as a member of the Florida House, he would work to ensure the state is a responsible steward of the taxpayers' money.

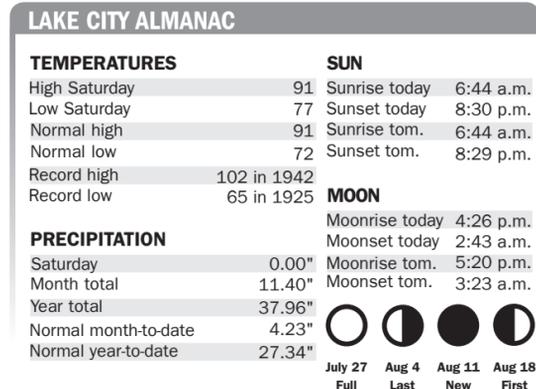
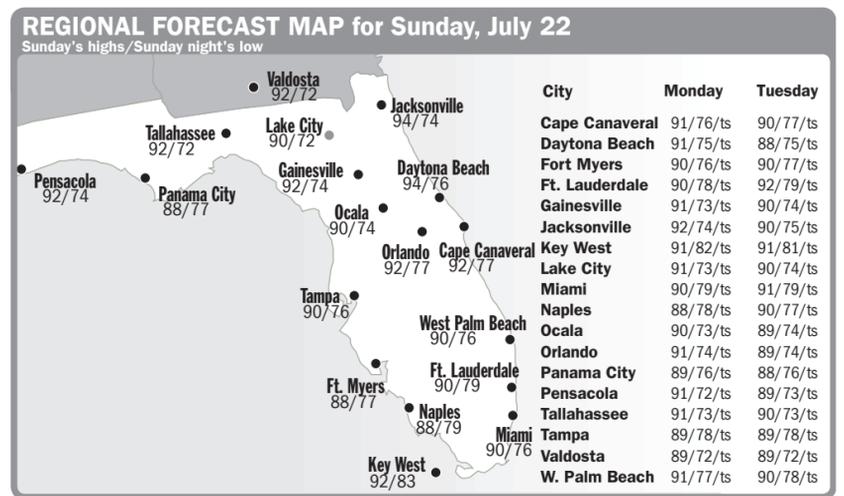
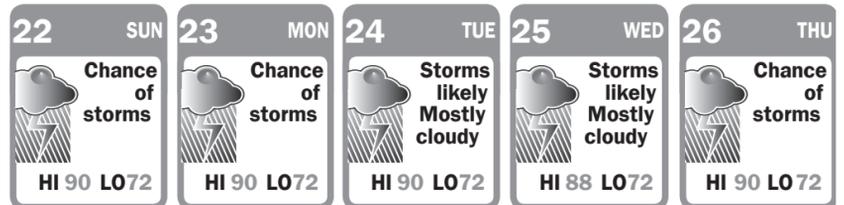
"Our goal as legislators is to offer opportunities to help people improve themselves," he said.

In recent weeks, Vann has obtained endorsements

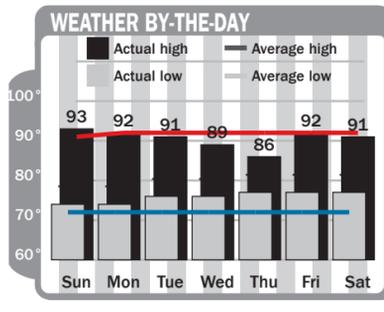
from the Florida Chamber of Commerce, Florida Realtors Association, Florida Retail Federation and Florida Homebuilders Association.

"I am extremely humbled by the response I have received from the major business organizations and associations in the state, indicating the importance they see in my ability and my business background," Vann said.

## THE WEATHER



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**WEATHER HISTORY**  
The state of Alaska usually conjures up images of pristine snow covered mountains and intense storms. In fact Barrow, Alaska, located on the northern tip of the state, has an average annual precipitation rate of 4.75 inches. On this date in 1987, an all-time 24-hour precipitation record of 1.38 inches of rain was set for the city.

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**FORT WHITE ROBBERIES**

# Town can sleep after arrest

'Out here, we're not used to this. People moved here to get away from this stuff.'

By **CARL MCKINNEY**  
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For the first time in weeks, Trussia Cox can sleep again. Proper sleep. A full night's rest without waking up in a sweat at every random sound, fearing the gunman has returned.

When Cox found out about the arrest on Thursday of 41-year-old Michael David Lanter of Fort White, the suspect in armed robberies at the town's Subway and Dollar General, she breathed a sigh of relief. Others in Fort White joined her.

"It felt like a hundred-pound weight was lifted from my shoulder," she said.

Cox, 48, works at the Fort White Subway, just across the street from her home.

On June 27, she had the closing shift when a man walked into the restaurant wearing a gray jogging suit.

"At first, I thought it was an employee coming inside to check the schedule," Cox said.

First Cox noticed the man's heavy build, which was unlike any of the other workers.

Then she noticed the gun in his hand.

"Then I still didn't want to believe it was happening," she said.

The robber never pointed the gun directly at anyone, but held it in front of him.

After forcing Cox and another employee to hand over \$340 from the register, he locked them in a walk-in cooler and told them to count to 100.

As a single mother who lives with her 20-year-old daughter and 17-year-old son, Cox's panicking mind forced itself to think the unthinkable.

"I was worrying about my kids and whether I was going to be alive to ever see them again," she said.

Her children were at home nearby, and she feared they might have left the door wide open — a



Photos by **CARL MCKINNEY**/Lake City Reporter

**ABOVE:** Trussia Cox hugs her daughter, Crystal, in her Fort White home on Friday. Trussia Cox was one of the victims in a pair of armed robberies in Fort White in recent weeks. **LEFT:** James Faron Richardson, who runs a Facebook group called Around Fort White, says residents there have been able to breathe easier following the arrest of a suspect on Thursday.

## How CCSO cracked the case

By **STEVE WILSON**  
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Thanks to diligent police work, and the help of some brave robbery and kidnapping survivors, a Fort White man is facing multiple charges connected to a crime spree that had this small community in southern Columbia County on edge for three weeks.

Michael David Lanter, 41, was arrested on Thursday in connection with two armed robberies that took place in Fort White, first at the Subway restaurant and then at Dollar General, both in late June. Assault, kidnapping-false imprisonment and grand theft charges have also been filed.

### June 27

Columbia County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to the Subway robbery shortly after 9:30 p.m., on Wednesday, June 27. There, two employees told them an unknown male entered the store, brandishing a handgun and demanding money. After the two employees complied, the suspect ordered them into the store's storage cooler and fled, instructing the employees to count to 100 before leaving.

The following day, Detective Chris Parker of CCSO was assigned as lead investigator on the case. His first step was to obtain a copy of video camera footage from Subway. On the footage, the suspect's vehicle could be seen and from his seven

tempting invitation for a fleeing gunman.

Cox gave a statement to Columbia County deputies and went home.

After checking on her children, Cox watched movies on the couch with a friend for several hours.

"I drank a can of beer that night, and I am not a drinker," she said.

But when it came time to lie alone in bed, Cox noticed

something had changed — her.

"People don't realize how much it affects you," she said.

The sound of a thud outside carried into her bedroom.

"Is that a stray cat or, is he coming back?" Cox thought to herself.

She spent much of the next two days crying.

She thought about calling

in sick the next day, but decided to soldier on.

"I figured that was the best way to deal with it," she said.

When she got home the

night after the robbery, Cox's children were on the front porch with the lights on. Not because they were

**ROBBERIES continued on 5A**

**CCSO continued on 5A**

**The Chairman of the Lake Shore Hospital Authority hereby declares an EMERGENCY MEETING of the Lake Shore Hospital Board of Trustees. The emergency meeting will be held in the meeting room of the Authority located at 259 NE Franklin Street, Suite 102, Lake City, FL 32055 at 9:00 am on Monday, July 23, 2018.**

The following items will be placed on the agenda for Authority approval. All items are related to the "Lake Shore Hospital Roof/Envelope Project":

- 1.) A proposal from O'Neal Companies, Inc. to perform required roof envelope masonry probes.
- 2.) A supplemental cost change order for additional expenses related to the prioritization of "Roof O."
- 3.) Resolution No 2018-005. This resolution will authorize the Chair of the Lake Shore Hospital Authority to approve certain additional expenditures related to the "Roof/Envelope Project" without consent of the Authority.

The meeting is deemed to meet the definition of an emergency due to the current condition of "Roof O", the value of equipment within the building that is at risk, the amount of expected rainfall, and the need to maintain an expedited construction schedule.



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OUR OPINION

## How to get educated on the issues

If you plan to go to the polls to cast a ballot on Tuesday, August 28, you should first go to the Fort White Community Center on Tuesday, July 24.

Scheduled for 7 p.m. is the first of four biennial candidate forums sponsored by the Columbia County Republican Executive Committee.

Most of those seeking local office will be there to speak and explain their views on the issues of the day. This is a GOP-sponsored event, but mostly that's of no matter, as county races here are non-partisan.

It's a great way to see who's ready to lead and who may need to go back and do their homework.

If you can't make it Tuesday, you'll have three more chances to make one of these REC forums. They are also scheduled for Lulu on July 31; Mason City on August 7; and the county fairgrounds on August 14.

The speaking starts at 7 each night but there's a free dinner at 6:30, so plan for that as well.

We hope to see you there.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:

In 1587, an English colony fated to vanish under mysterious circumstances was established on Roanoke Island off North Carolina.

In 1796, Cleveland, Ohio, was founded by General Moses Cleaveland (yes, that's the correct spelling).

In 1862, President Abraham Lincoln presented to his Cabinet a preliminary draft of the Emancipation Proclamation.

In 1916, 10 people were killed when a suitcase bomb went off during San Francisco's Preparedness Day parade; two anti-war labor radicals, Thomas Mooney and Warren K. Billings, were jailed but eventually released amid doubts about their guilt.

In 1934, bank robber John Dillinger was shot to death by federal agents outside Chicago's Biograph Theater, where he had just seen the Clark Gable movie "Manhattan Melodrama."

In 1937, the U.S. Senate rejected President Franklin D. Roosevelt's proposal to add more justices to the Supreme Court.

In 1946, the militant Zionist group Irgun blew up a wing of the King David Hotel in Jerusalem, killing 91 people.

In 1977, Elvis Costello's debut album, "My Aim Is True," was released by Stiff Records.

■ Associated Press

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## CHS's missing valedictorian

Columbia High School has been graduating classes and announcing valedictorians since 1889 — except for the Class of 1951.

That class had many outstanding scholars including 24 who made nearly all A's all four years of high school. But it seemed there were two students who stood out above all the rest: Ed Milton and Ann McBride, though neither was named class valedictorian. Nobody was.

Ed was so bright he later earned a Ph.D. in physics at UF and taught physics there his entire career. Ann was Google before there was a Google. She had other-worldly smarts and everyone knew it.

The two were named the class's Most Intellectual, but nobody knows exactly which was the class valedictorian or if either was. You can examine their yearbook, their class newspapers, their baccalaureate and graduation programs, and Lake City Reporters of that year, but there is no mention of who was class valedictorian.

When Ann and Ed met at a class reunion each thought the other was valedictorian so nothing got settled. Nobody at the class reunion knew either.

So, in these 67 years since their class graduated from CHS, it's time



Morris Williams

to end the mystery and declare both Ed and Ann the official class valedictorians for CHS 1951. Belated congratulations, Ed and Ann.

By the way, several classes after 1951 also had multiple valedictorians. In 1981, for example, there were four valedictorians: Tricia Ives, Janet Brannon, Doug Kirkland, and Sherri McDonald.

SCHOOL BOARD ENTRANCE

As soon as Superintendent Lex Caswell was elected he set about to improve the appearance of the School Board offices' outside entranceway. Here are four of the improvements.

- Repaved all the concrete entranceway, taking out all the old cracks, improving the appearance 100% and making it much safer.

- Erected three brand new flagpoles with new flags. The highest, of course, is our American flag, a bit lower the Florida state flag, and the Missing in Action (MIA) and Prisoner of War (POW) flag. Just beautiful.

- Erected a colorful large electronic message board, easily visible to passing traffic, announcing important school system dates and words of positive messages regarding our schools, teachers, and students.

- A beautiful marble plaque with these dedicatory words: "These flags fly in honor and memory of the brave men and women who have defended our country both here and abroad. We honor these military and first responders and their families."

If you haven't seen these new additions, stop by and take a look. You will be impressed.

HERE I COME

When famed pool player Minnesota Fats died, these words were part of his obituary: "I beat everybody on this earth shooting pool. Now, St. Peter, rack 'em up!"

■ Morris Williams is a local historian and longtime retired educator.

## Middle child an endangered species

Being a middle child is like being one of those presidents between Ulysses S. Grant and Theodore Roosevelt. Yeah, you made it, but does anyone really care? Anyone saddled with this fate had better get used to being overlooked and shortchanged.

Other children can expect better. The firstborn enjoys a period of exclusive parental attention that confers a lifelong assumption of being wonderful. The baby is spoiled by dint of the cuteness that goes with being the youngest. Parents who shower the eldest with attention, because they're new at this and afraid of what could go wrong, often adopt a lax approach to the last one out of exhaustion or complacency.

But the kid in between gets none of these benefits. Parents tend to be strict with the middle child, as they were with the first — not indulgent, as they are with the last.

Plus this kid is stuck between an elder sibling and a younger one. As one woman we know recalls, "I used to fear being alone with my older sister, who delighted in pinning me

on the floor and drooling on my face. Meanwhile, my younger sister rarely got grounded, met curfew or paid for gas or clothes or makeup."

Another, the fourth of eight, says of the eldest, "There were a lot more pictures of him than me, and a lot more home movies of him than me." Her younger siblings, meanwhile, got luxuries the parents couldn't afford in earlier years. One middle child we know well, when asked about his experience, replied: "I have no comment."

The obvious unfairness that they endure shapes middle children. They often turn out to be independent because Mom and Dad aren't going to do everything for them, hardworking because how else can they expect to get their due and humble because they learn from an early age they're not that important. They also tend to be rebellious and hungry for attention, and who can blame them?

As if these poor souls haven't had enough pain, now comes the news that middle children are becoming extinct in America. Back in the 1970s, reports Adam Sternbergh in New

York Magazine, "four kids (or more) was the most common family unit." But today, the typical family with children has just two. And guess who loses out this game of musical chairs? It's not the oldest or the youngest.

Even if you're not a middle child, though, this looming absence should concern you. "What few people realize is that middle children are actually more likely to successfully effect change in the world than any other birth order," psychologist Catherine Salmon told Sternbergh.

You need evidence? Well, the roster includes Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther King Jr., Susan B. Anthony, Bill Gates, Chief Justice John Roberts, Michael Jordan and Madonna. Also Donald Trump. Say what you will, you can't say they didn't effect change in the world.

So if middle children largely disappear, everyone else will lose the distinctive qualities they have to offer. And here's one last bit of injustice: If the experience of middle children is any guide, no one will notice.

■ Chicago Tribune

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## One-cent sales tax will benefit all

To the Editor:

Our family moved to Columbia County almost 7 years ago from a large metropolitan area. Our former county had adopted the 1 percent sales tax many years prior. To be honest, we never really missed that extra penny on the dollar while enjoying many benefits from it.

They were able to improve roads

and construct a beautiful trail through the entire county dedicated to hiking and bicycle riding. After attending the community forum in our district, I'm even more convinced of the important benefit this will be for our county. The funds collected can ONLY be used to improve our roadway, which we all use whether we walk, bike or drive.

I would like to see this fall under

the Sunset Review Act, so if we don't see the benefits in 7 years we vote it down, however I don't believe that will be the case.

Come on, Columbia County, let's come together to improve life for everyone.

Debbie Smith  
Lake City

# ROBBERIES

Continued From 3A

scared, but because they didn't want her to be when she returned.

For one, she became suspicious of everyone and checked their eyes.

The robber, who concealed his face with a mask and hood, wore yellow safety goggles over his eyes, but she could still see them.

"I'll never forget those eyes," she said. "That's what I looked at, is everybody's eyes."

Two days after the Subway robbery, a gunman who appeared to be the same person hit the Dollar General on State Road 47, according to the Columbia County Sheriff's Office.

CCSO detectives reviewed footage from both incidents and identified the gray SUV the robber fled in was a 2010 to 2015 model Chevrolet Equinox.

Detectives used the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles database to locate owners of such vehicles in Columbia County and identified Lanter, who matched the physical description of the robber.

As the investigation continued, detectives discovered Lanter pawned

a pistol soon after the second robbery that matched the description of the gun used in both crimes.

With Lanter now behind bars as a suspect in both robberies, Cox said she finally realized how much of an impact the ordeal had.

"I know I haven't been myself," she said. "But I was a totally different person today at work. Relaxed. Calmer."

James Faron Richardson, who runs a Facebook group called Around Fort White, said the rest of the town shares her relief.

Local retail and food industry employees were living in terror between the robbery and Lanter's capture, Richardson said.

He recalled one woman exclaim "thank God" upon learning of the arrest.

"Out here, we're not used to this," he said. "People moved here to get away from this stuff."

Richardson was himself victimized in two armed robberies at previous jobs.

"All this crap goes through your brain and it's nerve-racking," he said.

He gave credit to CCSO for checking local pawn shops for the weapon.

"That's some pretty dang good detective work," he said.

# CCSO

Continued From 3A

years of automotive industry work experience Parker concluded the vehicle was a Chevrolet Equinox, manufactured between 2010 and 2015. The footage showed the suspect inside the vehicle between 9:14 and 9:29 p.m., after which he heads into the store wearing a long sleeved hooded shirt, a baseball hat, and gloves.

At this point, video footage from inside Subway shows the suspect making contact with the employees, and later the outside camera shows the suspect returning to the Equinox and driving away.

### June 29

Two days later, a suspect with a similar description robbed the Dollar General store in Fort White. Det. Joshua Samson was assigned to that robbery, and due to similarities between the two incidents Samson and Parker began a joint investigation.

### July 10

Follow-up interviews with

robbery victims, the two from Subway and one from Dollar General were conducted. These interviews helped to verify similarities in the suspect's behavior between both incidents.

That same day, a Chevrolet Equinox was located at the Fort White home of Michael David Lanter. Parker made contact with Lanter at his home at that time, who initially denied any knowledge of the robbery cases but then admitted to have read about them. Parker noted at that time that Lanter shared certain physical characteristics of the suspect seen in the surveillance video.

### July 13

An interview was conducted in Lake City with an outside vendor who was in Dollar General at the time of that robbery. This individual provided information that helped to confirm the manner of clothing the suspect was wearing and the type of weapon used.

### July 17

As a result of a criminal background check, it was determined that Lanter had pawned

an "Urban Grey" CZ 75 p-01 9 millimeter handgun at a High Springs shop, the type of weapon used by the robbery suspect.

At which time, security video showed Lanter signing the pawn receipt with his left hand, the same hand with which the robbery suspect was seen brandishing his weapon.

### July 19

Investigators obtained a search warrant for Lanter's home and vehicle. No one was home at the time, but in Lanter's room in the house a pair of dark sunglasses were found, consistent with those seen on the robbery suspect.

Parker and Samson remained in the area and confronted Lanter when he returned home, detaining him as his car was searched. This search yield further evidence, including a gray hooded sweatshirt identical to the one used by the suspect.

"Based on this, Michael Lanter was arrested at his home," Samson said in his report.

As of Saturday Lanter remained jailed on \$300,000 bond.

# OBITUARIES

## Dorothy "Dot" L. Harden

Dorothy "Dot" L. Harden, 78, of Lake City, FL, passed away on Thursday, July 19, 2018, at Haven Hospice Care Center.

Born September 19,

1939, in Nichols, Ga., to the late Herbert Lee Stokes and Laura Bell Lewis. Mrs. Harden worked and retired from The K-Mart Restaurant and Five Points Elementary School Cafeteria. She was a member at First Full Gospel for 50 years; she loved her church, her family, and her friends, also loved making banana pudding. She is preceded in death

by her parents, her loving husband of 56 years Printice Harden, one son; Gene Harden, and brother; Vernon Wade.

Survivors include her son; Emory (Donna) Harden, of Richmond, Ky., two daughters; Cynthia (John D. Jr.) Mills, of Live Oak, FL, and Sara Ann (Robert) Lambert, of Jacksonville, FL, two brothers; Jr Stokes

(Jo Ann), of Alma, Ga., and Ruben Sidney Stokes (Theresa), of Villa Rica, Ga., two sisters; Vinnie Mae Meeks (Donald Ray), of Nichols, Ga., and Gloria Sue Carter (Roger), of Nichols, Ga., six grandchildren, five great grandchildren, best friend; Betty Haltiwanger and numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral service for Mrs.

Hardens will be conducted at 2:30 pm on Sunday, July 22, 2018 at First Full Gospel of Watertown with Pastor Stanley Ellis officiating. Interment will follow in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens. Visitation with the family and friends will be held from (1:30pm-2:30pm) one hour prior to service at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of

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# TRADE

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affects of the trade policies would be painful to small growers, but the changes had to be made.

"I think the vast majority of the people agree with the direction of the tariffs in the fact that there's got to be something done with trade," said Willis. "At least we have somebody finally that will put their foot down and said we want to make trade equal."

He called the responses an overreaction, saying he'd heard nothing negative from local cattle ranchers.

"All this in a nutshell, short-term, I'm sure there's going to be a little uneasiness on tariffs but once it levels out and people get out an even trade level it will be better for all of us,"

The Florida AFB is headquartered in Gainesville.

National spokesperson John Walt Boatright said they were taking a precautionary stance for the future.

"We are concerned and waiting to see what happens and encouraging the administration to talk through things as opposed to resort-



COURTESY TAMMY JOHNS PHOTOGRAPHY

Katrina and Troy Moseley, shown here feeding their herd of beef cattle with twin daughters Hadley and Christy, age 3, have expressed concerns regarding tariffs imposed by the Trump administration. As District Three representatives for the Columbia County Farm Bureau's Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee, and as cattle ranchers themselves, they believe such tariffs are placing strain on the area's ag industry. This, in Katrina Moseley's view, represents misguided but well-intended policies of the administration that have not been well received by area farmers. She cites a recent article by the head of the American Farm Bureau Federation saying the same thing.

ing to impulsive tariffs," Boatright said.

He said the top industries here were timber and cattle.

"I think a lot of Columbia County producers are paying attention to it as well," Boatright said. "Before

we were having these tariff conversations we were already seeing a very slow farm economy."

# Stolen gun recovered in car-theft arrest: Cops

From staff reports

A Lake City man, arrested Thursday morning, faces felony charges after authorities reportedly caught him in a stolen car with narcotics and a stolen gun at a local apartment complex.

Michael T. Amerson, 25, of SW Windsong Circle, faces charges of burglary, possession of a stolen fireman, possession of a fire-arm by a convicted felon, two counts of possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, possession of narcotic equipment and violation of probation in connection with the case.

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Section B

## YOUTH SPORTS



ERIC JACKSON/Lake City Reporter

Columbia Swim Team's Callie Hale, 10, dives in for her short freestyle heat during her team's season finale at the Jared Allison Aquatic Complex Saturday morning. The TigerSharks competed against Suwannee and Sun Country (Gainesville) in their final summer meet. Over 60 swimmers participated with CST this year.

# JUST ADD WATER

## TigerSharks host season finale

By ERIC JACKSON  
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The TigerSharks finished out their summer campaign in style as they hosted the season finale at the Jared Allison Aquatics Complex on Saturday. Columbia Swim Team, a local development team, fared well against Suwannee and Sun Country.

It was the team's first and last home meet of the season. The TigerSharks competed in Tifton, Moultrie among other places this summer before the finale Saturday. Over 60 CST swimmers participated in the year's campaign, with ages ranging from six to 17.

"We're so proud of our swimmer that have worked all season long," said head coach Sabrina Sibbersen. "And really improved in all their strokes. Swimming truly is an individual sport, but it's a lifelong sport that they can use for the rest of their lives. We really enjoy seeing those first-time swimmers compete. Our motto has always been: winning is better your own best time. We're really proud of our swimmers and hope to see all of them back next year and then some."

**'We're really proud of our swimmers and hope to see all of them back next year and then some.'**

— CST head coach  
Sabrina Sibbersen

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## COLLEGE BASEBALL

# Former CHS star Edge named to NJCAA All-Star Team

Santa Fe outfielder Brock Edge had the first cycle for the Saints since 2009 on Mar. 9 in a 13-5 win over Kalamazoo Valley CC. Edge was a star at CHS where he played both soccer and baseball for the Tigers.



COURTESY

Santa Fe outfielder only one of two Florida JUCO players to be selected

By ERIC JACKSON  
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Lake City native Brock Edge has been named to the NJCAA National All-Star Team after a phenomenal freshman season at Santa Fe. Edge, the son of former Florida Gators punter Shayne Edge, starred for the Saints this season with a .409 batting average along with 10 home runs.

The Santa Fe rightfielder is joined by teammate Devin Hemenway, a pitcher who was also named to the national JUCO team. They're the only junior college players out of Florida to receive the honor. "They gave me the call and

I almost didn't believe them at first," Edge said of the news. "They told me about the Team USA (selection) and it was all pretty surreal."

Hemenway – like Edge, his roommate at Santa Fe – was selected First-Team All Conference this season. Both are on a 26-man roster which will begin competing on Aug. 1-11 leading up to the NBC World Series, where teams from around the globe are slated to participate. Edge prepares to travel to Tyler, Texas this coming week to begin practice, alongside Hemenway, representing the entire state.

Edge says the summer exhibition will be made easier

having his teammate by his side as they prepare to head west to Texas then Kansas.

"We were definitely worried about not knowing anybody, especially coming from Florida. So I'm glad he's coming," Edge said.

The former two-sport star athlete out of Columbia is entering his sophomore year at Santa Fe. But not before things heat up with some summer competition against the best across the nation.

"I just want to see how I would stack up against those guys, should be neat for sure," he said. "I've never been out of the state much, so this should be pretty cool."

## NASCAR

# Bell tops New Hampshire field for second straight Xfinity win

By DAN GELSTON  
Associated Press

LOUDON, N.H. - Christopher Bell has cracked the Cup supremacy in Xfinity.

The 23-year-old Bell held off hard-charging 2012 Cup champion Brad Keselowski over the final 18 laps at New Hampshire Motor Speedway to win his second straight Xfinity Series race.

Bell pulled off the towering achievement of winning two straight Xfinity races against former champs from NASCAR's top-tier series who moonlight on Saturdays. Bell topped 2015 Cup champi-

on Kyle Busch to win last week's race at Kentucky Speedway and he followed up Saturday in the No. 20 Toyota by keeping Keselowski at bay down the stretch for his third win this season.

"You hope to race those guys at one point, so I'm thankful that I get the opportunity here in the Xfinity Series to race with them and proud that I'm able to compete with them, let alone beat them," Bell said.

Keselowski had won the pole Saturday but was dropped to the rear of the field

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COURTESY

New Hampshire winner Christopher Bell also topped 2015 Cup champion Kyle Busch to win last week's race at Kentucky Speedway.

# SCOREBOARD

## TV LISTINGS

**Today**  
**AUTO RACING**  
**9:05 a.m.**  
 ESPN2 — Formula One, Emirates German Grand Prix, at Hockenheim, Germany  
**2 p.m.**  
 NBCSN — NASCAR, Monster Energy Cup Series, Foxwoods Resort Casino 301, at Loudon, N.H.  
**BASEBALL**  
**8 p.m.**  
 MLB — All-American Game, at Chicago (taped)  
**BASKETBALL**  
**Noon**  
 ESPN — The Basketball Tournament, regional round, at Columbus, Ohio  
**2 p.m.**  
 ESPN — The Basketball Tournament, regional round, at Columbus, Ohio  
**4 p.m.**  
 ESPN2 — The Basketball Tournament, regional round, at Columbus, Ohio  
**6 p.m.**  
 ESPN2 — The Basketball Tournament, regional round, at Columbus, Ohio  
**CYCLING**  
**7:30 a.m.**  
 NBCSN — Tour de France, Stage 15, from Millau to Carcassonne, France  
**DRAG RACING**  
**3 p.m.**  
 FOX — NHRA, Mile-High Nationals, finals, at Morrison, Colo.  
**EXTREME SPORTS**  
**1 p.m.**  
 ABC — X Games Minneapolis  
**GOLF**  
**7 a.m.**  
 NBC — British Open, final round, at Carnoustie, Scotland  
**4 p.m.**  
 GOLF — PGA Tour, Barbasol Championship, final round, at Auburn, Ala.  
**HORSE RACING**  
**4 p.m.**  
 FS2 — Saratoga Live, Coaching Club American Oaks, at Saratoga Springs, N.Y.  
**MLB BASEBALL**  
**2 p.m.**  
 TBS — St. Louis at Chicago Cubs  
**8 p.m.**  
 ESPN — N.Y. Mets at N.Y. Yankees  
**MIXED MARTIAL ARTS**  
**Noon**  
 FS1 — UFC Fight Night, prelims, at Hamburg, Germany  
**2 p.m.**  
 FS1 — UFC Fight Night, Mauricio Rua vs. Anthony Smith, at Hamburg, Germany  
**RUGBY**  
**2:30 p.m.**  
 NBC — 2018 World Cup Sevens, Challenge Trophy semifinals, at San Francisco  
**7 p.m.**  
 NBCSN — 2018 World Cup Sevens, Cup bracket and Ceremony, at San Francisco  
**SOCCER**  
**2:30 p.m.**  
 ESPN2 — ICC Futures Tournament, Final, at Orlando, Fla.  
**4 p.m.**  
 ESPN — International Champions Cup, Liverpool vs. Borussia Dortmund, at Charlotte, N.C.  
**WNBA BASKETBALL**  
**3 p.m.**  
 NBA — Seattle at Atlanta  
**6 p.m.**  
 NBA — Los Angeles at Chicago

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Tampa Bay	49	48	.505	19
Toronto	45	52	.464	23
Baltimore	28	71	.283	41
Central Division				
Cleveland	53	43	.552	—
Minnesota	44	51	.463	8½
Detroit	41	58	.414	13½
Chicago	33	63	.344	20
Kansas City	28	68	.292	25
West Division				
Houston	65	35	.650	—
Seattle	59	39	.602	5
Oakland	55	43	.561	9
Los Angeles	49	49	.500	15
Texas	41	57	.418	23
National League				
East Division				
Philadelphia	54	42	.563	—
Atlanta	53	42	.558	½
Washington	48	49	.495	6½
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### Feds: Basketball coach bribed by indicted Florida man

MIAMI (AP) — Federal authorities say a Florida businessman already charged with orchestrating a massive Medicare fraud scheme bribed a former university basketball coach to help get his son admitted to an Ivy League university. Prosecutors allege the payments were intended to help the son of nursing home owner Philip Esformes, who is accused of filing false Medicare and Medicaid claims. The Miami Herald initially reported the new charges. Howard Srebnick, an attorney for Esformes, said his client will plead not guilty. The indictment released Friday did not name the university or coach. But Srebnick said prosecutors disclosed in court that assistant Celtics coach Jerome Allen received the payments while he was head coach at University of Pennsylvania. Allen has not been charged.

### AP Source: Thunder F Dakari Johnson being traded to Orlando

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The Oklahoma City Thunder are trading reserve center Dakari Johnson to the Orlando Magic. A person with knowledge of the details confirmed the move to The Associated Press on Friday. The person spoke on the condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss the situation publicly. Yahoo Sports, which first reported the deal, said Oklahoma City will get guard Rodney Purvis in the deal. Purvis averaged 6.0 points and 1.7 rebounds in 16 appearances for the Magic last season. The Orlando Sentinel said the Thunder also sent cash to the Magic. Johnson played 31 games last season for the Thunder with six starts. He averaged 1.8 points and 1.1 rebounds per game. The 7-footer averaged 23.3 points and 10.3 rebounds in 10 games for the Oklahoma City Blue, the Thunder's G-League affiliate, last season.

## MLB STANDINGS

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## BELL

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because he was late to the mandatory drivers meeting. It proved to be nothing more than a mild inconvenience for Keselowski in the No. 22 Ford. He stormed past the second-tier regulars and had his fourth straight Xfinity win in sight.

Bell, who drives for Joe Gibbs Racing, had the fresh tires that Keselowski needed and that was enough to ring in a victory lane celebration. Bell gave his checkered flag to a young fan in the stands.

"I hope it means a lot more to that kid than it is to me," he said. "You know, we get trophies, we get all sorts of trophies, so hopefully it means a lot to that kid."

JGR fields cars for Busch and Bell, one reason it's continued to have success in Xfinity.

"They've won before me, they're going to win after me," Bell said. "It's my job to make sure they win with me."

Ryan Preece, John Hunter Nemechek and Matt Tift completed the top five to complete a solid showing for the Xfinity regulars.

"You see all this crap going around the Internet that Cup guys shouldn't be allowed in Xfinity," Bell said. "Why?"

Because Xfinity is supposed to be the series

where the stars of NASCAR's future are discovered. Instead, they spent this season looking up at Cup regulars Busch, Keselowski, Kevin Harvick, Kyle Larson, Joey Logano, Ryan Blaney and Austin Dillon as race winners.

But Bell said he wanted them in Xfinity so he could race against the best drivers in NASCAR.

Busch led more than 100 laps last week at Kentucky before he faded late and Bell took advantage for the win. At New Hampshire, Bell was aided by four fresh tires down the stretch that helped make the difference.

Keselowski nipped at Bell's bumper over the final three laps but could never

reel him in for the decisive pass.

"I didn't have any rear left tire," Keselowski said. "I think we would have won today on four (tires) but that's not the way it played out."

Bell, the 2017 Truck Series champion, is certainly talented enough to find himself in a Cup ride the next few years. It's just a matter of where he'll fit in a series where top rides are scarce.

Bell said he's just getting started in Xfinity.

"Whenever you come to here, you step in this equipment at Joe Gibbs Racing, you're expected to win," he said. "Pressure's on for you to deliver and thankfully I've been able to deliver, at least some of the time."

## JUMBLE

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

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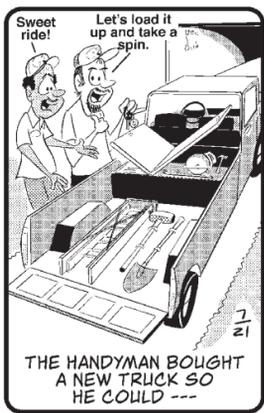
Answers Monday

Yesterday's Jumbles: PRIVY RERUN INFANT PHOTON

Answer: Would the weather be clear for their balloon flight? It was — UP IN THE AIR

### THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

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## Fore!

Quail Heights Country Club wrapped up its third summer session of its Junior Golf Camp this past week. Campers, ages five to 17, learned fundamentals, game rules and other aspects of the game during the camp this week. Dozens of young golfers participated in the three-session camp this summer. **LEFT:** Payton Gainey practices chip shot during Thursday's session. **RIGHT:** Micah Blackwell (Left) and Chad Sanders in action.



PHOTOS BY JEN CHASTEEN/Special to the Reporter

## AUTO RACING

# Vettel takes pole for German GP; Hamilton down in 14th

Associated Press

HOCKENHEIM, Germany — Sebastian Vettel secured pole position for the German Grand Prix while Lewis Hamilton's hopes took another blow on Saturday.

Already trailing Vettel by eight points in the title race, Hamilton starts Sunday's race from 14th place after a hydraulic failure.

A huge roar went up from German fans at the Hockenheimring as their local favorite — Vettel grew up near the track — moved to the top of the leaderboard with seconds left in qualifying.

Mercedes driver Valtteri Bottas had only just beaten Vettel's leading time when Vettel produced a stunning lap to move back in front by about 0.2 seconds.

"To do it here, just minutes from where I was born and grew up, it means a lot," Vettel said. "I'm confi-

dent for tomorrow." Vettel has won the German GP only once — five years ago when it was held at the Nuerburgring — but never at Hockenheim.

His 55th career pole position felt even sweeter.

"Today's one of my best. I have a mixed relationship with this track. For some reason it has never come together," Vettel said. "The car was really a pleasure to drive. Some days you can feel you have something in your hands. That's the feeling I had."

Ferrari's good day was completed with Kimi Raikkonen third fastest, ahead of Red Bull's Max Verstappen.

Earlier, German fans cheered for a different reason when Hamilton's Mercedes suddenly stalled on track in the first part of qualifying, known as Q1. It happened shortly after Hamilton slid off the track, went through some rough grass, and

jumped a kerb — momentarily airborne — before coming back onto the track.

"It was the hydraulics ... the power steering failed," Hamilton said. "I was carrying a lot of speed and I couldn't really slow down."

The British driver desperately tried to push his car back to the pits so he could continue qualifying, but even with the help of track officials he realized it was a futile effort. Moments later, Hamilton was slumped over his car, head down for several moments.

"It was a shame to see him go out, and I mean it," said Vettel, who is aiming for his fifth win this season and 52nd overall.

Hamilton is one win away from matching F1 great Michael Schumacher's record of four German GP wins, but he will need an exceptional drive — and probably a little good fortune — to achieve that.

- ACROSS**
- 1 Razor-billed bird
  - 4 Sci-fi Doctor
  - 7 Splatter
  - 11 — Beta Kappa
  - 12 Young horse
  - 13 Verdi princess
  - 14 Placed
  - 15 Sea eagle
  - 16 Winter weather
  - 17 Robberies
  - 19 Earth color
  - 21 To — (namely)
  - 22 Prospects for gold
  - 23 Gridiron units
  - 26 Corset stiffener
  - 28 Kind of trip
  - 29 Roll-call yell
  - 31 Seize
  - 35 Oz pooch
  - 37 Two fives for —
  - 39 Ms. Lupino
- 40 Funny — Rudner**
- 42 Receded
  - 44 Crumples (up)
  - 46 Levin or Gershwin
  - 47 Helps a thief
  - 49 Insulation meas. (hyph.)
  - 53 Culture medium
  - 54 Sunblock additive
  - 56 Refinery shipment
  - 57 Solar plexus
  - 58 Quagmires
  - 59 Guy's date
  - 60 Mr. Flintstone
  - 61 Selene's sister
  - 62 Overhead railways
- DOWN**
- 1 Dr.'s visit
  - 2 No dice! (hyph.)

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 5 Chinese dynasty
- 6 No-cholesterol spread
- 7 Struts
- 8 Pharaoh's textile
- 9 Nose stimuli
- 10 Handle roughly
- 12 Charm
- 18 Chain email abbr.
- 20 1040 pro
- 23 Even so
- 24 Have — — at
- 25 Compost
- 26 Tijuana Ms.
- 27 Golf peg
- 30 Lunch
- 32 Ballpoint point
- 33 Lemon drink
- 34 Wander
- 36 Sent for
- 38 Brain messengers
- 41 Adherent
- 43 Ewe's plaint
- 44 Stake
- 45 Lessen
- 46 Presses
- 48 Vault
- 50 Mezzanine
- 51 Siberian river
- 52 Morays
- 53 Fido's reply
- 55 August kid, maybe

OUTDOORS

# Fishing destination – upper Suwannee River

By **MONTY STEPHENS**  
Special to the Reporter

Freshwater anglers should add fishing the upper Suwannee from the Cone Bridge Boat Ramp on their “to do” list. Although the Cone Bridge no longer exists, its’ legacy lives on in a boat ramp named in its’ honor. The Cone Bridge Boat Ramp is located about 25 miles north of Lake City just west of HWY 441. Although the road leading to the boat ramp is dirt, it is well maintained and an easy ride. The actual boat ramp itself is concrete and is in very good condition. Even though the boat ramp sign depicts a canoe, the ramp could easily handle boats 18 ft. and under.

Flowing at a steady 1.5 mph or so, the river twists and winds its way through dense forest land. Because of the mild turbulence, a trolling motor is a good thing to have in order to keep the boat properly positioned while fishing. I fished upstream (north) of the boat ramp and let the current drift me back down. I checked water depth numerous times with my five foot boat paddle. It never touched bottom. Nonetheless, it would be inadvisable to run a boat at speeds needed to plane because of submerged logs in the river.

The banks of the river rise sharply on each side to 25-30 feet. Trees line the river’s edge but are not so thick as to make fishing difficult. Only twice did I entangle my plastic worm in a tree’s branches. Below the surface are numerous unseen logs and branches. It’s these underwater, unseen limbs and logs that snag tackle. Be prepared to lose several lures.

Numerous sandbars and limestone outcroppings are present along this portion of the Suwannee River. Although the land surrounding the river is private, there are numerous foot trails along the river. This presents opportunities for some good fishing from shore, without a boat.

During my visit, only two other fishing parties were present. One was from Hamilton County and were targeting catfish. I was able to speak with them at midday. They were not regular visitors to the Suwannee and had decided to fish from the Cone Bridge Boat Ramp for a change of pace. They hadn’t had much luck and attributed this to their being new to the area. Judging from the trailer behind a truck with an Alabama license plate in the parking lot, the other group was presumed to be canoers. Hopefully they were floating down to the boat ramp and the truck was their “pickup vehicle.” Because paddling back upstream would be a chore.

For myself, I strictly bass fished. I managed to catch two small bass but had at least four “boils” on a top water lure. After losing three plastic worm setups, I switched to a top water lure in order to stop from getting hung up. As noted before, this part of the river requires plenty of extra tackle.

Just as a guess, the river averages 60 ft. wide. In a boat, it’s easy to cast from bank to bank. For this reason, as a matter of etiquette, boaters need to distance themselves from each other. But this was no problem during my fishing trip as I never passed another boat.

A lot of outdoorsmen and outdoorswomen want to experience “Old Florida.” I do too. But fishing the upper Suwannee is more “Wild Florida” than “Old Florida.” Hopefully this unspoiled section of the River will stay like it is for years to come. This is the Suwannee River as it was 100 years ago. There are no jet skis, high powered bass boats, or homes built on its banks. Without a doubt, the Suwannee River is one of the crown jewels of north Florida. And our section in Columbia County is just as nature intended it to be, a diamond in the rough...unspoiled, wild, and untouched.



COURTESY

Fishing is excellent on the Suwannee River. **TOP:** Fishermen from Hamilton County departing the Cone Bridge Boat Ramp for a day of fishing. **BOTTOM:** Upper Suwannee River bass just before being released at boat side.



## Help plan the future of L. Kirk Edwards Wildlife and Environmental Area

From staff reports

A 10-year plan for the L. Kirk Edwards Wildlife and Environmental Area will be presented at a public hearing in Leon County on Thursday, July 26.

People are invited to the 7 p.m. public hearing at the Renaissance Center, 435 N. Macomb St., in Tallahassee.

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) staff will present the draft land management plan for the FWC-managed WEA, and people

will be encouraged to comment and ask questions.

The L. Kirk Edwards WEA is about 7 miles east of downtown Tallahassee in eastern Leon County. It encompasses most of lower Lake Lafayette and the upper St. Marks River.

Its outdoor recreation opportunities include paddling, hiking, biking, fishing, wildlife viewing, hunting and horseback riding.

Wood storks, Sherman’s fox squirrels, gopher tortoises, eastern indigo snakes, bald eagles,

white-tailed deer, wood ducks and American alligators are among the native wildlife species living in its swamps, bottomland forests and upland pines.

“L. Kirk Edwards WEA was purchased to ensure the conservation of fish and wildlife resources, other natural and cultural resources, and for fish- and wildlife-based public outdoor recreation,” said Lindsay Slutterback, an FWC land conservation planner. “This draft plan will specify how we intend to do that.”

All lands purchased with public funds must have a management plan that ensures the property will be managed in a manner that is consistent with the intended purposes of the purchase.

Hunting and fishing regulations are not included in this plan or meeting; those are addressed through a separate public process.

To obtain a copy of the land management prospectus for L. Kirk Edwards WEA, contact Lindsay Slutterback at 850-487-

9982 or Lindsay.Slutterback@MyFWC.com.

For more information and background on the public hearing as well as management plans and their goals, visit MyFWC.com/Conservation and select “Terrestrial” and then “Management Plans (WMA).”

Learn more about the L. Kirk Edwards WEA by going to MyFWC.com and selecting “Wildlife Viewing,” “Wildlife Management Areas” and then “Explore by Name.”

## Free women’s and adult saltwater fishing clinics coming up in Panama City Beach

From staff reports

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) is hosting a Women’s Saltwater Fishing Clinic on July 28 and an Adult Saltwater Fishing Clinic on July 29, both in Panama City Beach.

The free, day-long clinics are from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at St. Andrews State Park, 4607 State Park Lane.

Advance registration is required. To register, go to MyFWC.com, External Website click on “Calendar” and select “Fishing Clinics – Adult and Women’s” from the drop-down menu “All Categories.” If you have issues registering or have other questions, email Heather Sneed at Heather.Sneed@MyFWC.com or call 850-487-0554.

The Adult Saltwater Fishing Clinic is for women and men 18 years of age or older, with no prior saltwater fishing experience needed.

Participants will take home a lifelong hobby and leave with a new appreciation for the marine environment. They will learn the basics of conservation stewardship, fishing ethics, angling skills, safety and the vulnerability of Florida’s marine ecosystems, all in a fun, laid-back atmosphere.

Lessons include knot tying, rod and reel rigging, how to be a responsible marine resource steward, marine fish and habitat identification, catch-and-release techniques and more.

If conditions allow, participants will have the opportunity to practice their newly learned skills by fishing from shore or a pier. This event is a catch-and-release activity. All participants must have a valid recreational saltwater fishing license unless exempt. Saltwater fishing licenses can be purchased



at your local tackle shop or online. Learn more by visiting MyFWC.com/License. Fishing equipment and bait are provided during the clinic, but participants are encouraged to bring their own gear.

### JUMBLE

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

SAIDY

UTTAN

ABRREB

DULPED

### THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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

(Answers tomorrow)  
Saturday's Jumbles: DIGIT OUTDO GLANCE FORGOT  
Answer: The handyman bought a new truck so he could — TOOL AROUND

- ACROSS**
- 1 Protrudes
  - 5 Alps, for short
  - 8 Wordplay
  - 11 Ms. Dinesen
  - 12 Get real! (2 wds.)
  - 14 Smug exclamation
  - 15 Mr. Lugosi
  - 16 Libra’s gem
  - 17 Conflict
  - 18 Prevent
  - 20 Mummy locale
  - 22 New Haven student
  - 23 Scruggs of bluegrass
  - 24 Pile up
  - 27 “The Big — Theory”
  - 29 Overly
  - 30 Flat bottom-feeder (2 wds.)
  - 34 Kind of orange
  - 37 Tokyo, to shoguns
- DOWN**
- 1 Triangular sail
  - 2 Put to work
  - 3 Fish story
  - 4 Moves on ice
  - 5 Early New Zealander

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

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	WIT	PANS
YARDS	STAY	
EGO	HERE	SNAG
TOTO	ATEN	IDA
	RITA	EBBED
	WADS	IRA
ABETS	RVALUE	
AGAR	ALOE	ORE
RETE	FENS	GAL
FRED	EOS	ELS

- 6 Kitchen meas.
- 7 Where
- 8 Anna taught
- 8 Clout
- 9 Trailer rental (hyph.)
- 10 Average
- 13 Fully conversant
- 19 Urban people-movers
- 21 Heroic tale
- 24 Off-road vehicle
- 25 Kiwi’s extinct cousin
- 26 Yahoo rival
- 27 It may be posted
- 28 “Wheel” buy (2 wds.)
- 30 1,101, in old Rome
- 31 Shinto or Zen (abbr.)
- 32 Citrus cooler
- 33 Over there
- 35 Roberts or Clapton
- 36 Idea
- 39 Happy sighs
- 40 Wane
- 41 Ms. Verdugo
- 42 “Blondie” pooch
- 43 Showy lily
- 44 Think ahead
- 45 Olive —
- 47 Tar’s patron saint
- 48 Back-fence yowlers
- 51 Crack pilot
- 53 “— cool!”

## PGA TOUR

## Woods creates buzz at Carnoustie with 66

By STEVE DOUGLAS  
Associated Press

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland — For 20 minutes on a warm Saturday afternoon at the British Open, Tiger Woods' name was back atop a leaderboard at a major championship and Carnoustie was buzzing.

Not much in golf compares with Woods on a charge. So when he rolled in a 40-foot birdie putt on No. 9, stiffed an approach inside two feet for birdie at No. 10, and nearly drove onto the green to set up a tap-in birdie at No. 11, there was a feeling something special was happening.

Then three holes later, Woods two-putted for birdie at No. 14 and there he was, right at the top of the giant yellow leaderboards dotted all around Carnoustie, tied for the lead with five players at 6 under.

"It would be ... better on Sunday," Woods said after his 5-under 66 to get back into the mix. "But I'm right there."

A bogey at the par-3 16th stalled the momentum, and Woods had to scramble for a par at the last after landing his drive on the bank of the Barry Burn and into the deep rough.

His 66 wasn't even the best of the day — Justin Rose shot 64, Francesco Molinari 65 — but it likely will be what fans talk about when they leave. With two hours left in the third round, Woods was three shots off the lead and in contention for his first major in 10 years.

"It's been a few years since I've felt like this," Woods said.

The sun was peeking out of the clouds and Woods was walking up the first fairway when one spectator, a beer in his hand, shouted: "Go on Tiger, we got your back."

It certainly felt that way when the deep gallery surrounding the first green roared their approval at Woods holing a 10-foot putt for par, after he sent his approach right of the green.

It was one of the few times Woods was out of position all afternoon in a round where he hit driver six times, compared with three times in the second round and once on Thursday.

"You're the man, Tiger, everyone knows it," shouted another spectator flanking the fairway on the sixth hole. And Woods' playing partner sensed an aura around the 14-time major champion.

Woods was "back at the top of his game," said Shaun Morris, who got Woods to sign four new gloves after the round and planned to give them to his friends back home in South Africa.

The last time Woods led or held a share of the lead at the end of a round at a major was in 2012, at the U.S. PGA Championship. On Saturday, it happened during a round, and only briefly.

"I didn't know I was tied for the lead," Woods said. "I knew I was within one. But I was right there."



Tiger Woods of the US celebrates a birdie on the 9th hole during the third round of the British Open Golf Championship in Carnoustie, Scotland, Saturday.

COURTESY

## COMMENTARY

## Woods has a chance, but don't get too excited

By TIM DAHBERG  
Associated Press

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland — They crowded 15 deep against the metal railings down the left side of the 18th fairway, beers put aside and phones pulled out for the moment at hand. All day long they had heard the cheers rolling across the links of Carnoustie and, finally, he was here.

This was their chance to help bring Tiger Woods home.

"Tigah," they shouted as Woods hacked out of the rough and then stuck a wedge to 3 feet on the final hole. "Go on Tigah!"

If it wasn't exactly Tigermania, it was close. On this day Zach Johnson didn't matter to most of the crowd at the British Open, and neither did Kevin Kisner.

Even defending champion Jordan Spieth seemed ordinary, in a round where he was doing some extraordinary things.

On a British Open leaderboard full of big names, there was only one star.

And that could lead to a lot of disappointed golf fans in the final round when it really matters.

For Woods, Saturdays have been the easiest part of his latest comeback. The real test comes Sunday, when he'll have to find a way to come from behind and actually win the Open — something he didn't do even in his prime.

He's four shots back of Spieth and two others after a sparkling 5-under 66. It's the closest he's been to the lead in a major championship since he was two back at Muirfield in 2013.

But there are five players between him and the outright lead — and what amounts to two threesomes tied with him.

At the age of 42, finding a way to win is going to be a tall task.

"It would be, as you said,



Tiger Woods prepares to tee off the 14th tee during the third round of the British Open Golf Championship in Carnoustie, Scotland, Saturday.

COURTESY

better on Sunday," Woods said in response to a question afterward. "But I'm right there. I've got a chance at this, which is great."

Woods isn't the only one who thinks so. The possibility of him vying for the lead on Sunday is as tantalizing for at least one of his competitors as it is for golf fans.

And therein lies another problem for Woods.

The players of yesterday used to roll over for him. The players of today want to mix it up with him.

"I've always wanted to battle it out in a major with Tiger," Spieth said. "Who hasn't? It's kind of a dream come true just to have the opportunity."

Spieth believes there will be a much different golf course in front of players Sunday than there was in the third round, when the greens were holding, the wind was nonexistent and the temperature as warm as it gets this time of the year in Scotland.

That will make it more difficult on the opening stretch of holes for everyone in

the later groups, including Spieth who hit a driver onto the first green and made eagle on his way to a 65 that tied him with Kisner and Xander Schauffele.

It could also lead to early players leapfrogging over the group of players — and there are seven in all — tied with Woods for sixth place and making it even more difficult to move up the leaderboard.

"That's certainly doable with hopefully the weather that comes in tomorrow," Woods said of his chances. "If it doesn't come in and we get conditions like this, then we know we're going to have to shoot between 6-, 7-, 8-under par tomorrow to have a chance."

For Woods, there's an added burden. He not only hasn't won in his latest comeback, but has made crucial mistakes on the few occasions he was able to sniff a leaderboard.

He surely hasn't forgotten how to win, but he hasn't been able to will himself to a win as he might have in the past. And the fact remains

it's been 10 years since he last won a major championship, no matter how much he still excites a crowd.

Still, on Saturday he did his best imitation yet of Tiger Woods in his prime. Woods pulled driver out of the bag six times — after using it only four times in his first two rounds combined — and for the most part hit it straight and long.

His putts were also spot on, and it could be argued he ran enough of them around the hole that his round should have been even lower. For 20 or so glorious minutes he even had a share of the lead, before a 3-putt on 16 and a surge from those playing behind him toppled Woods from the top.

Best yet, he's feeling a bit like the Tiger of old.

"It's been a few years since I've felt like this," Woods said.

He's got 18 holes to make a move, 18 holes to make a statement.

Eighteen holes where he will have to believe just as much as the fans.

## Spieth part of 3-way tie for lead

By DAN GELSTON  
Associated Press

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland — Jordan Spieth set the tone pulling driver on the 396-yard opening hole and sending it bouncing and rolling to 10 feet for eagle. Moments later, Tiger Woods sent the gallery into a frenzy with three straight birdies to get into contention at a major for the first time in five years.

On a day of calm conditions, low scores and endless cheers, the biggest buzz on Saturday was anticipating what the final round might bring.

"We've got pretty much a new tournament tomorrow," Spieth said.

Spieth rode his eagle to a bogey-free round of 6-under 65, giving him a three-way tie for the lead with Xander Schauffele and Kevin Kisner, and giving him a chance to become the first player in 10 years to win back-to-back at the British Open.

Schauffele, the PGA Tour rookie of the year last season, holed a 30-foot putt from behind the 18th green for a 67.

Kisner made a tough par save on the 17th and saved par again from behind the 18th green for a 68.

They were at 9-under 204.

And for the first time, all of them get to experience a final round at a major with Woods in the hunt.

Woods started quietly enough with a few birdies through eight holes, not exceptional because Justin Rose already matched the course record at Carnoustie for the British Open with a 64. But Woods rolled in a 40-foot birdie putt on No. 9, followed with short birdie putts on the next two holes and with a two-putt birdie on the par-5 14th, he put his name atop the leaderboard.

It was there for only 20 minutes. But it was there.

A bogey on the 16th and a par save from short of the Barry Burn on the 18th gave him a 66, his lowest score in a major since the 2011 Masters, and left him only four shots behind going into the final round. Woods, winless in the majors since the 2008 U.S. Open, hasn't been this close to the lead going into the final round at a major since he was two shots back at Muirfield five years ago.

"I'm right there," he said. "I've got a chance at this, which is great."

And he has company.

Kevin Chappell, who spent most of his round watching Spieth put on a show, birdied the 18th for a 67 and was two shots behind.

Francesco Molinari had a 66 and will play in the third-to-last group with Woods.

## MLB

## Oakland A's acquire closer Jeurys Familia from N.Y. Mets

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — After three years of missing the playoffs and dealing away fan favorites like Yoenis Cespedes, Josh Donaldson and Sonny Gray, the Oakland Athletics are trying to steer themselves in the opposite direction.

They certainly took a significant step Saturday by

acquiring New York Mets reliever Jeurys Familia to bolster a bullpen that includes All-Star closer Blake Treinen.

"You always want to be in this position where you're potentially adding," A's manager Bob Melvin said. "We've had three years where it's been just the opposite. Three weeks ago, maybe this isn't a conversa-

tion but the way the team's played in the last month put is in a position to be able to do something like this."

Traditionally sellers at the deadline, the A's overcame a slow start and are in the midst of the wild card picture in the American League. They went into Saturday night's game against the San Francisco Giants having won 21 of 28

since June 16, tied with the Boston Red Sox for the best record in the majors during that stretch.

An All-Star in 2016, Familia was 4-4 with a 2.88 ERA and 17 saves in 21 chances with the Mets this season. The 28-year-old right-hander struck out 43 and walked 14 in 40 appearances covering 40 2/3 innings.

Although the right-

hander can become a free agent after this season, the A's didn't shy away from making the move in hopes of enhancing their playoff prospects this year.

There were reports that the two sides were close to a deal late Friday night. Familia was at Yankee Stadium on Saturday morning but left before the start of the Mets' 7-6 loss.

"We thought he was the best guy out there," Oakland general manager David Forst said. "Adding a reliever right now was the best option and we thought Jeurys was the best guy. We've been talking to the Mets for a while, and we're happy that it came together."

The move is a distinct change from what the A's have done in recent years.



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The administration of the estate of LELAND N. DOUBERLEY, deceased, whose date of death was December 17, 2017; File Number 18-057-CP, is pending in the Circuit Court for Columbia County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 173 NE Hernando Avenue, Lake City, Florida 32055. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and their attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is: July 15, 2018.

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442000 July 15, 22, 2018

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE CHANGE OF TOWN HALL MEETING

County Commissioner District 5 Tim Murphy invites all citizens to attend a town hall meeting to discuss the County's road infrastructure. The meeting originally scheduled for July 24, 2018 has been rescheduled for July 23, 6pm at the Columbia County Fairgrounds located at 164 SW Mary Ethel Lane, Lake City, FL. If you have a disability that will require special assistance or accommodations for your attendance at the town hall meeting, please call (386) 758-1005 (TDD no. 386-758-2139) prior to the date of the meeting.

443966 July 20, 22, 2018

#### PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN HALL MEETING

County Commissioner District 2 Rusty DePratter invites all citizens to attend a town hall meeting to discuss the County's road infrastructure. The meeting will be held on July 31, 6pm at the Ft. White Community Center located at 17579 SW SR 47, Ft. White, FL. If you have a disability that will require special assistance or accommodations for your attendance at the town hall meeting, please call (386) 758-1005 (TDD no. 386-758-2139) prior to the date of the meeting.

443719 July 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 31, 2018

The Chairman of the Lake Shore Hospital Authority hereby declares an **EMERGENCY MEETING** of the Lake Shore Hospital Board of Trustees. The emergency meeting will be held in the meeting room of the Authority located at 259 NE Franklin Street, Suite 102, Lake City, FL 32055 at 9:00 am on Monday, July 23, 2018.

The following items will be placed on the agenda for Authority approval. All items are related to the "Lake Shore Hospital Roof/Envelope Project":  
1.) A proposal from O'Neal Companies, Inc. to perform required roof envelope masonry probes.  
2.) A supplemental cost change order for additional expenses related to the prioritization of "Roof O".  
3.) Resolution No 2018-005. This resolution will authorize the Chair of the Lake Shore Hospital Authority to approve certain additional expenditures related to the "Roof/Envelope Project" without consent of the Authority.  
The meeting is deemed to meet the definition of an emergency due to the current condition of "Roof O", the value of equipment within the building that is at risk, the amount of expected rainfall, and the need to main-

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# TigerSharks make a splash



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LEFT: Braden Hough (right), 8, and Anderson Mitchell, 9, have chat before their heats Saturday morning. RIGHT: Kayden Ellis, 11, performs the butterfly stroke during a race in the season finale.



LEFT: Audrey Mitchell, 6, gasps for air during her freestyle heat. RIGHT: Cassidy O'Neal, 11, performs the butterfly during the season finale Saturday morning.



Columbia Swim Team's Annabelle Glenn, Avery Crocker, Daney Kendron, and Casey Fair show off their medals after a strong race finish.

## NASCAR Stars push for 'new' to improve state of racing

By DAN GELSTON  
Associated Press

LOUDON, N.H. — NASCAR has been reluctant to make more than modest tweaks to its schedule. That hasn't stopped its drivers this summer from wondering about possibilities in hopes of luring more fans:

- a Cup race on Eldora dirt.
- more races at short tracks.
- no more multiple races at the same track.
- try Iowa; go back to Rockingham.

The idea of blowing up a schedule that has largely remained unchanged for most of the last decade is hardly a novel

idea, and drivers have long lobbied NASCAR to try something new and mix things up over the staid summer months.

Denny Hamlin, a 31-time Cup winner, mulled over a few potential schedule shake-ups until he splashed cold water on the campaigning.

"None of this is ever going to happen," Hamlin said. "Not until these tracks and NASCAR get together and are willing to make changes."

That seems unlikely in the immediate future for a variety of reasons — from sanctioning agreements with tracks that run through 2020 to safety upgrades and even the threat

of litigation should a track lose a race.

The sport has resisted even such fan-friendly schedule changes, like running week-night races or rotating the site of All-Star weekend.

"It's going to have to take someone way high up saying, 'We're making changes and this is what we're going to do,' for it to happen," Hamlin said. "But it definitely won't happen in the next few years until that contract's over with."

One of the few fun additions over the last decade came when NASCAR added a Truck Series race on the half-mile Eldora Speedway dirt track in Ohio.

The series made its annual stop on the dirt this week for the only time this season. Retired NASCAR champion Tony Stewart owns the track and used his forum to push for the sport to at least bring the second-tier Xfinity Series to the dirt.

Like most issues facing NASCAR, few agree on any topic. Kyle Larson, a noted sprint car racer, said NASCAR should stay above the muck.

"I wouldn't like to see Cup on dirt," he said. "Cup belongs on pavement and real road course tracks. If we went to Eldora, yeah, I mean I would be excited because I would be really fast and I feel like I would definitely

have the best shot to win. But at the same time, I think we are fine not going there."

The race winner at Eldora is awarded a Golden Shovel, which seems fitting because these days everyone is piling on NASCAR.

How low can they go? The ratings reports could win a limbo contest with the regular bottoming out of all-time lows or decade-worst for most races. Kentucky had 2.3 million viewers Saturday on NBC Sports Network and Sportsmediawatch.com reported it was the 15th of 17 Cup races this season that had its ratings decline double-digits to multiyear lows.

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Section C

## Naegler: 'It's more than being a CEO'

Former military medic now runs Lake City Medical Center.

By COREY ARWOOD  
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Lake City Medical Center's new director got his start as a Desert Storm medic, later working from the ICU to the ER to the CEO's office.

Rick Naegler said his three decades of healthcare experience is crucial to running a hospital.

"The advantages it has, you know, now being the CEO is that I've touched almost every type of department in a hospital - not maybe at an expert level but at least at a level to be able to understand the work that goes on there," said Naegler. "And it forms my views into how to support the people that work in those departments differently because I've done the work."

Over that time he said he'd drawn blood as a nurse assistant, worked as a burn unit technician and started out assisting nurses on a urology floor - all throughout going to nursing school and working nights to further his education.

"Every step of the way as my responsibilities grew I never forget where I came from," Naegler said.

The Springfield, Missouri native took the top leader-

ship position at the hospital in January.

However, it's not his first time at Lake City Medical Center. About five years ago he left working as chief nursing officer.

"It's an honor for me to be able to come back and do that," said Naegler. "It's more than being a CEO of a hospital for me."

He said the atmosphere was like, "a family taking care of their families."

However, he said that family was growing, and as evidence one need only look east down U.S. Highway 90.

"More and more people are moving here," Naegler said.

With that population growth he said as a hospital they would implement strategies to expand their services and retain patients.

Naegler outlined one part of his plan: "Bringing more physician subspecialties and creating a primary care network here in the community to keep patients in Lake City."

The hospital is part of North Florida Regional Healthcare, which is owned by Healthcare Corporation of America and shares services with facilities in Gainesville.

He said they were going to bring the services to the area to prevent Lake City residents from traveling to those areas for treatment.

Naegler talked about his lead-



COREY ARWOOD/Lake City Reporter

Rick Naegler brings three decades of hands-on healthcare experience to his new role as CEO of Lake City Medical Center.

ership philosophy.

"First and foremost guiding a hospital has to start at the point of view of the patient ... When we lead our team the mission of HCA is that above all else we are committed to the care and improvement of human life," said

Naegler. "The care and improvement of human life is a dedication to them (employees) as well as a company supporting them, making sure that their careers are on track coaching, guiding, teaching them in what they need to do to make them the strongest

of employees."

Naegler has been married for 26 years and his wife also works in healthcare and has a son who is pursuing a master's degree in healthcare administration. He is also a fan of St. Louis Cardinal baseball.

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# Take back your time this summer

Being a summer baby, I love the warm weather months.

I love cookouts and picnics, vacations, and being outside as much as possible. Everyone is in a better mood, and it seems like there are endless fun things to do and get into. During the summer season, many of us have dreams and plans for what we'd like to do. But if we're not careful, it's easy to go from school-year-crazy to summer-crazy, and we end up just shifting from one version of busy to another.

Instead of letting your summer get away from you, try these four tips to take back your time, so that you can make the most of it this summer at home and at work.

## Identify your priorities

Before each month begins, be

proactive and arrange your calendar to reflect what's important to you.

If that means visiting your aging parents three states away, then put them at the top of your list — even if your kids have to miss a soccer game or two. When you manage your commitments, they stop managing you.

## Create space in your schedule

We often feel guilty into taking on responsibilities that are not our own, like chaperoning field trips or saying yes to extra work projects. Stop raising your hand just because no one else will step up. When you commit to less, you'll free up more time for your own priorities.



CHRISTY WRIGHT

## Schedule leisure time

When you finish everything else, then you'll spend time reading, exercising, and playing with your kids, right? But that never happens! Go ahead and schedule some leisure time into your calendar. This will help to ensure these important parts of your life receive plenty of time

as well.

## Protect your schedule

Even if you start off your week with the best of intentions, things will inevitably come up.

You'll get requests from work, invitations from friends, and distractions from every corner of your life. It's vital that you protect your schedule. Practice saying no to last-minute requests and invitations that conflict with your priorities.

If you can remember to do these four things during the summer season, you'll have less stress and more fun. Isn't that what summer is all about?

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## FDC seeking new recruits in Lake City, statewide

From staff/wire reports

The Florida Department of Corrections (FDC) announces \$1,000 hiring bonuses for new hires at institutions statewide. Applicants who complete their correctional officer certification through either FDC or certain state colleges will be eligible for the bonus. Paid training is available.

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- Mayo Correctional Institution (Mayo)
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- Center (Chipley)
- Okeechobee Correctional Institution (Okeechobee)
- Reception and Medical Center (Lake Butler)
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Most small businesses expect to increase their range of products and services in the coming year, according to research.

## New insights and resources for small businesses

Small businesses are critical to powering the national economy. They are also responsible for creating two out of every three new jobs in the country each year, according to the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Are you a small business owner or looking to start your own company?

Consider the following trends and developments.

### Insights

Three out of four small businesses expect to increase their range of products and services in the next year, according to a recent survey commissioned by CIT Group and conducted by The Harris Poll.

According to the survey, top priorities include expanding within current geographies (72 percent) and adjacent markets

(58 percent).

Half of small businesses also say improving technology is a top investment priority this year, followed by equipment upgrades (47 percent) and hiring staff (36 percent).

Despite optimism, some concerns for small business owners remain around data security, inflation, interest rates and capital costs in the coming year.

### Resources

"Understanding these key trends can help small businesses innovate and contextualize potential challenges," says John Donohue, head of CIT's digital small business lending group. "Whether a business is updating its technology, purchasing new equipment or expanding into new markets, an experienced lender can provide the

capital needed.

Additionally, the U.S. Small Business Administration's Learning Center provides online courses to help you learn about the financing process and a number of other critical small business topics.

To grow your small business, learn more about opportunities and resources available to you.

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## Appeal to house hunters with smart home upgrades

From smart thermostats to remotely controlled showers, connected homes are all the rage for today's homeowners and those looking to make a purchase, providing easy opportunities to boost your profit when you sell.

Over half of Millennials (57 percent) believe that smart home technology is a good investment in their home, according to a recent survey by "Better Homes and Gardens." Upgrading to include connected items can make your home more appealing to this "next generation" of homebuyers in particular.

If you're looking to sell, here are some of the latest and greatest smart home upgrades to have on your radar.

### Climate Control

Your thermostat is responsible for half your energy bill – more than appliances and electronics – so make sure to choose one wisely. Consider installing a smart thermostat, which learns your temperature preferences, and can save energy by turning heating and cooling on and off, based on the weather outside, your home's energy profile and more. Potential homebuyers will love the energy savings, as well as the ability to control the thermostat from anywhere with their devices.

### A Hands-Free faucet

Imagine the convenience of

having a kitchen faucet turn water on or off, without a touch. Faucets with hands-free technology allow users to easily activate the faucet with the wave of a hand. Great for when your hands are too full or messy to turn on the faucet, the technology also minimizes the spread of dirt and germs, since there's no need to touch the faucet to start the flow of water. It's just the type of smart upgrade to attract house hunters of all ages – and easy on the wallet, with options available for under \$300.

### Bright lighting

Smart lighting dimmer and sensor systems allow you to turn lights on and off remotely with a

smartphone, and can be customized to perform certain actions, such as slowly growing brighter as you wake up or turning off automatically when you leave your home – providing added convenience and customization for prospective buyers.

These systems are especially useful when you're traveling – allowing you to turn your lights on and off remotely, so your home doesn't look empty while you're away.

Picture showing potential buyers how they can control all of the lights in the home with one device, or turn off the lights after they're snuggled up in bed – and get ready for the offers to roll in.

### A digital shower

An updated bathroom is a huge selling point for potential buyers. If you're planning a renovation, enhancing your space with a digital shower can make a big difference for your family now and for future homebuyers.

By swapping just one or two items – like your thermostat or a builder-grade kitchen faucet – you can achieve a sleeker, smarter home.

And while the return on investment varies for each product, they're all sure to appeal to tech-loving homebuyers whenever you choose to sell.

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## Zuckerberg's Holocaust comment puts Facebook on the spot

The Associated Press

Denying the Holocaust happened is probably OK on Facebook. Calling for a mob to kill Jews is not.

Mark Zuckerberg's awkward and eyebrow-raising attempt this week to explain where Facebook draws the line illustrates the complexities social media platforms face as they take on the unwanted role of referee in this age of online misinformation, manipulation and hate speech.

Facebook, with 2.2 billion users, disallows such things as nudity, the selling of guns, credible threats of violence, and direct attacks on people because of their race, sex or sexual orientation.

Hours after the Facebook founder's comments about Holocaust deniers aired on Wednesday, the company announced it will also start removing misinformation that could lead to bloodshed. The policy

will begin in Sri Lanka and expand to Myanmar, where Facebook users have been accused of inciting anti-Muslim violence.

But beyond those guidelines, there are large gray areas. What, exactly, qualifies as supporting terrorist groups versus merely posting about them? Or mocking someone's premature death — something that is also prohibited?

If Facebook were to ban Holocaust denial, it might also be called on to prohibit the denial of other historical events, such as the Armenian genocide or the massacre of Native Americans by European colonizers. This, Facebook might argue, could lead to a slippery slope where the company finds itself trying to verify the historical accuracy of users' posts.

So, where it can, Facebook stays out of policing content.

While thousands of

Facebook moderators around the world are assigned to review potentially objectionable content, aided by artificial intelligence, executives like to say the company doesn't want to become an "arbiter of truth" and instead tries to let users decide for themselves.

This is why fake news isn't actually banned from Facebook, though you might see less of it these days thanks to the company's algorithms and third-party fact-checking efforts. Instead, Facebook might label disputed news stories as such and show you related content that might change your mind.

YouTube recently started doing this too. Twitter has been even more free-wheeling in what sorts of content it allows, only recently ramping up a crackdown on hate and abuse.

"Facebook doesn't want to put time and resources to policing content. It's costly and difficult," said

Steve Jones a professor of communications at the University of Illinois at Chicago. "It's a difficult job, I'm sure an emotionally draining job, and given the scale of Facebook, it would take a lot of people to monitor what goes through that platform."

At the same time, Jones said he has his doubts that throwing more moderators (Facebook's goal is to increase the number from 10,000 to 20,000 this year) and more technology at the problem would make a difference. He said he has no idea how Facebook can fix things.

"If I knew," he said, "I'd probably be sitting next to Mr. Zuckerberg asking for a big fat check."

Why these companies try to stay out of regulating speech goes back to their roots. They were all founded by engineers as tech companies that shun labels such as "media" and "editor." Facebook's chief operating officer, Sheryl Sandberg, even said in an

interview last year that, as a tech company, Facebook hires engineers — not reporters and journalists.

Then there's the legal shield. While a newspaper can be held responsible for something printed on its pages, internet companies by law are not responsible for the content others post on their sites. If they start policing content too much — editing, if you will — tech companies risk becoming media companies.

Zeynep Tufekci, a prominent techno-sociologist, said on Twitter that the notion that you can "fight bad speech with good speech" doesn't really work in a Facebook world, if it ever did.

"Facebook is in over its head," she tweeted Thursday, but she also confessed that "nobody has a full answer."

In an interview with Recode, Zuckerberg, who is Jewish, said posts denying the Nazi annihilation of 6 million Jews

took place would not necessarily be removed. Zuckerberg said that as long as posts are not calling for harm or violence, even offensive content should be protected.

While this has been a longstanding position at the company, Zuckerberg's statement and his reasoning — that he doesn't think Holocaust deniers are "intentionally" getting it wrong — caused an uproar.

The Anti-Defamation League said Facebook has a "moral and ethical obligation" not to allow people to disseminate Holocaust denial.

Zuckerberg later tried to explain his words, saying in an email to Recode's Kara Swisher that he personally finds "Holocaust denial deeply offensive, and I absolutely didn't intend to defend the intent of people who deny that."

Still, for now the policy is not changing.



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# How to help prepare young people for the workforce

Student loan debt is on the rise and, unfortunately, the high cost of tuition doesn't mean that graduates are guaranteed to find high-paying, meaningful work after earning a degree.

"Our education and workforce development systems are broken right now, and as a result, the country is facing a crisis," says Mark C. Perna, workforce development consultant and education strategist.

"Millions of jobs in sectors crucially important to our economy and society are open and we have no one with the right skills - or even the desire - to fill them," he says.

Perna offers some of his top insights and recommendations:

- Biases and misconceptions about younger generations continue to persist and there's an inter-generational struggle to connect effectively. Perna refers to Generations

Y and Z collectively as the "Why Generation," because its members want to understand the "why" behind everything they are asked to do. We need to get to know and understand their traits and abilities if we expect them to perform beyond expectations.

- Non-college career paths have become stigmatized in this country. Experts like Perna believe that teachers and parents need to move away from the belief that everyone has to go to a four-year university to be a successful and productive citizen. Fulfilling, high-demand, high-wage careers can be attained by postsecondary training pathways beyond the traditional college route.

- We should prioritize career development exploration and education as part of the K-12 system, Perna stresses. Even many teachers, counselors and school administrators

are themselves unaware of the robust opportunities available to today's youth and have tended to devalue career exploration for the sake of sending everyone through one pathway - college.

- The Why Generation needs to better understand the relationship between self-motivation and outside motivation when it comes to achieving goals, and parents and teachers can help. To succeed today, young people must develop the 'want-to' that fosters passion, achievement and positive self-esteem.

"As young people prepare for and enter the world of work, we need to coach them to do three things: focus, plan and take action," says Perna. "This generation is tenacious and talented, but they need to be motivated to reach their peak performance. They can do it, but we have to help."

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"The Why Generation" needs to develop a "want-to" approach to succeed in the workforce.

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# Making the most of local produce

Fresh, local produce is in its prime, making now the perfect time to take part in the farm-to-table movement. Whether you join a community supported agriculture (CSA) group or shop at your local farmers' market, it's easy to taste the elevated flavor profile of just-picked fruits and veggies.

Make the most of the season with these tips for storing, cooking and savoring fresh produce.

## Plan, Prioritize, Prepare

Plan what produce you will purchase ahead of time. Many farmers' markets and CSAs distribute eNewsletters or flyers that highlight what's available. You can also search for seasonality charts in your region to get an idea of what items are at their peak, and plan accordingly.

Once you've shopped, prioritize your goods. Use tender greens and any ripe fruits and veggies right away. Roots, bulbs and squash tend to last longer and can be saved for later in the week.

Next, properly store produce to help to extend its life. If fridge space is limited, consider cooking down greens by either partially boiling or sautéing prior to putting them away, depending on what recipes you've selected for those items.

## Smoothies, Sauces, Soups

Smoothies are a delicious, easy way to pack a lot of produce and nutrition into a meal. And if you're processing the toughest whole foods, like dark, leafy greens, be sure to use a high-powered blender.

Take advantage of tomato season, preparing pasta sauces to enjoy now or freeze for those months when they aren't readily



Nearly all parts of green vegetables, and other produce, are usable.

available from local growers. Try adding red and green bell peppers, and even carrot shavings, to boost the nutritional value of a veggie Bolognese.

Soups make use of veggies now and later. Warm weather calls for cool concoctions like gazpacho or cucumber dill soup. A

hearty potatoes, onions and carrots can be made for cool fall nights or stored in your freezer for winter.

### Use it Up

Remember that nearly all parts of produce are usable. Vegetables like beets, carrots, kohlrabi and turnips

have edible greens that make an excellent addition to morning smoothies or a nutrient-rich stir-fry. Compost any remaining scraps.

Don't be afraid of bruises or dents. Greens with slightly wilted leaves can be blended with a bit of water and frozen in ice

cube trays for future use in soups or smoothies. If you see a great deal on fruit like strawberries or cherries, buy them and combine with sugar and pectin for an easy freezer jam, or dry them out for on-the-go snacks.

Shopping for whole foods at farmers' markets or join-

ing a CSA is an opportunity to help local farmers and explore your culinary interests. The availability of specific fruits and vegetables ebbs and flows; capture each at its peak to enjoy the bounty throughout the year.

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# Traveling with pets? What to know

Do your upcoming travel plans include pets? Whether you're flying to an exciting destination or hitting the road, these suggestions can make the journey easier for animals and humans alike.

• **Prep your pet:** Traveling can prove stressful to animals, so don't catch your pet off-guard. Before leaving town, practice taking short rides in the car or spending time in a carrier. This will help your pet get used to the experience.

If you haven't already microchipped your pet, this may be a good opportunity to do so. This is also the time to ensure your pet's collar is up-to-date with your current contact information.

• **Pack right:** Pack plenty of food and fresh water and a sufficient supply of any medications your pet is taking, as getting refills away from home could be dif-

ficult. To alleviate anxiety, bring along pet blankets and toys as reminders of home. Also pack a pet-specific first aid kit, which should include non-stick bandages, adhesive bandages, towels, gauze and your veterinarian's phone number.

**"Be prepared for the possibility that your pet will become accidentally injured or develop an unexpected illness while traveling, prompting an unplanned trip to the vet."**

airline policies, as well as hotel and campsite restrictions and accommodations. Travel across state or international borders requires a health certificate. Some locations require more information and documentation. Give yourself plenty of time to handle these details. Your veterinarian can be a good resource in learning what to expect. To that end, a check-up is also a good idea before a trip, as vaccinations or preventive

• **Follow rules:** Do your research to ensure you're following rules along the way and at your destination. Check



By taking a few steps, one can make traveling with pets safe and enjoyable for everyone.

medications may be needed before traveling.

• **Safety first:** While seatbelts alone can keep a dog from moving about the cabin of the car, they are not your safest option. To help protect pets in a crash, anchor a crate using a seatbelt or

other secure means. When flying, opt to keep your pet in the cabin of the plane if possible. Temperatures and air quality in cargo can put a strain on pets. If your animal is too large to fly in the cabin, speak to your veterinarian about what you

can do to keep your pet safe and relaxed in-flight.

• **Prepare for anything:** Even the best laid plans can hit snags. Be prepared for the possibility that your pet will become accidentally injured or develop an unexpected illness while

traveling, prompting an unplanned trip to the vet.

Advance planning is key when traveling with a pet. With a little care, you can make your travels with furry friends safe, fun and memorable.

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DEAR ABBY

# Friend's husband, kids wear out welcome in annual visit



Abigail Van Buren  
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DEAR ABBY: "Charlotte" and I have been friends for 16 years, ever since we met in college. She lives several states away, so we see each other only once a year when she and her family come to town for a long weekend. Beyond this annual get-together, we never chat on the phone, and communication is pretty much limited to social media.

I have known Charlotte's (now) husband for 16 years as well, and never cared for him. When they became engaged, none of our friends thought she would actually marry him. He seems to get worse every time I see him, and it has reached the point that I can barely stand to be in the same room with him.

Unfortunately, Charlotte's kids take after their dad. They are spoiled, nasty, mean children and a bad influence on my young son. Charlotte and her family were in town for their annual visit recently. Afterward I told my husband I didn't enjoy it and dread the next one.

Charlotte's husband has now suggested they tag along on our next family vacation! Abby, it

would ruin our trip. I don't want to go on vacation if they come with us. Charlotte is still as sweet and lovely as ever, but I do not want to see her husband or children again. What should I do? -- HANGING ON FOR NOW

DEAR HANGING ON: Ignore the "suggestion" Charlotte's husband made. Because the two of you talk so infrequently, the subject may not come up again. A solution to your problem might be as simple as suggesting to Charlotte that the two of you have a "girls' weekend" together rather than a family vacation. Then cross your fingers that she's receptive.

DEAR ABBY: Men know that when shaking another man's hand, the grip should be firm. A firm handshake is polite and -- let's be honest -- a point of masculine pride. But when I shake a wom-

an's hand, I'm never sure what kind of grip to use

When I'm shaking a woman's hand, I use a grip that is less firm than I would use with a man. Is this sexist? Sometimes I worry that even my lighter-than-normal grip is too firm, especially if she is older. On the other hand, I'm embarrassed if her grip is firm and mine is not. Sometimes I need to adjust my grip midway through the handshake to match the woman's, but then I feel silly doing it. Can you offer any guidance? -- HANDING IT OFF IN TENNESSEE

DEAR HANDING: I'll try. The first thing to remember is that a handshake is not a litmus test for masculinity -- at least not with women. While a limp handshake from either sex is a turnoff, one that is too strong can be painful -- particularly if the fingers being squeezed happen to have rings on them. It isn't silly to offer a lady a "medium" handshake, and adjust the firmness if she has a firm grip. It's sensible, not sexist.

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Think about how much something costs before pulling out your wallet. Emotional spending or point-of-purchase deals will not make you feel better or buy someone's affection. Doing something commendable will bring you far more satisfaction. ★★★★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Take a moment to ensure you are prepared to bring about positive change. If you are uninformed or you underestimate the complexity of a project, you will become frustrated and need to spend extra cash to pay for an expert. ★★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Learn as you go. Be open to ideas and be willing to collaborate with individuals who show promise and technical ability. Merging your ideas with someone just as active and goal-oriented as you are will lead to interesting accomplishments. ★★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Trust in yourself and your ability to find solutions. Your awareness and desire to keep the peace will help you use your personal skills in order to bring about positive change that is well-received by those you live and share with. ★★★★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Don't give up when you should be putting a dent in the chores that are hanging over your head. Making progress will give you a sense of accomplishment. Instead of piling on more responsibilities or debt, choose to take action. ★★★★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Deal with emotional situations realistically. Make an offer that is feasible and enticing; you will overcome a stalemate. Your ability to adapt will turn you into a role model for those you live or deal with today. ★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Keep busy.

The more you get done, the less others will have to complain about. Use your intelligence when dealing with situations that require action. Coming up with a plan that is simple and effective will encourage others to pitch in and help. ★★★★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Learn by watching how others react. It will give you a sense of what will be well-received and what won't. A unique approach to the way you set up your house will complement a creative process you are trying to develop. ★★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Don't let your emotions take over when dealing with people who share your opinion. Freedom of speech and letting others do as they please will give you leeway to dance to your own beat. Don't meddle; you will curtail interference. ★★★★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Don't reveal your assets in an attempt to manipulate others. Focus on enjoying people for who they are, not what they have. Developing a give-and-take relationship will encourage equality and compatible results. Offer love, not cash. ★★★★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Getting along with others will be half the battle today. Listen and offer suggestions, but don't feel you have to indulge in something that is not a preference. Discourage indulgent behavior, but don't get into an argument. Ask nicely and move on. ★★★★★

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Look for any opportunity to use your attributes to show off. What you do to help others will have an emotional influence that will encourage others to pay it forward. Start a chain of positive events. Personal improvement is encouraged. ★★

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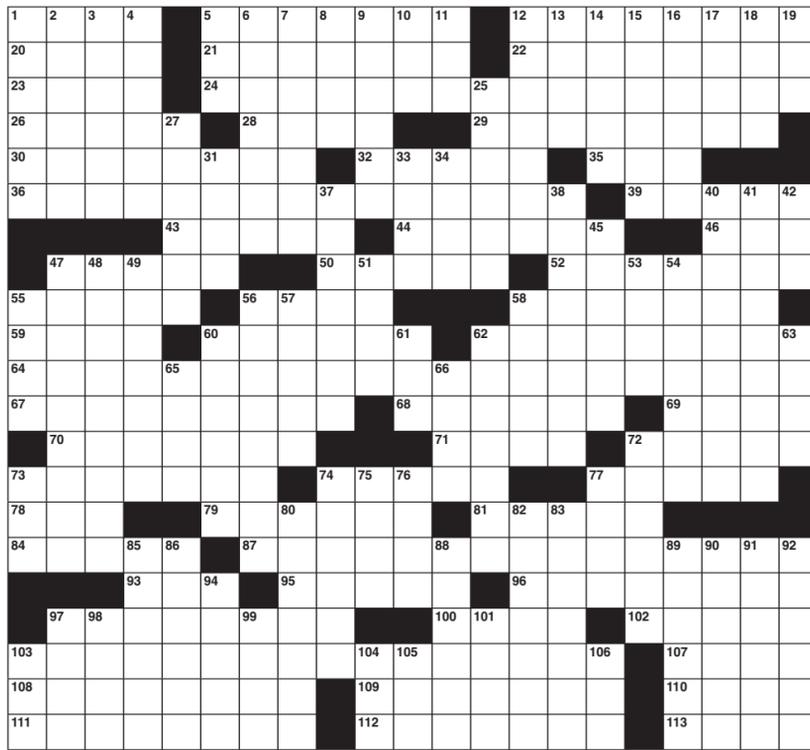
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|---|---|---|---|
| <b>ACROSS</b>   | 55 Lake vessel                                  | 100 Athlete honored on Richmond's Monument Avenue | 17 Chuck ____, four-time Super Bowl-winning coach               |
| 1 Iams competitor   | 56 Water cooler?                                | 102 Drained of color                              | 18 Pick out   |
| 5 Pretend   | 58 Cornbread variety named for where it's baked | 103 Compliment to a vegetable gardener?           | 19 Uranians and Neptunians                                      |
| 12 Song sung by Garth Brooks on Jay Leno's last "Tonight Show"  | 59 Film role for the dog Skippy                 | 107 What the "s" stands for in "scuba"            | 25 Lack the courage to, for short                               |
| 20 Podcast host Maron   | 60 Meditative discipline                        | 108 Enhanced medium for talk radio                | 27 Musical set in St-Tropez, familiarly                         |
| 21 Fred Flintstone's boss   | 62 Compliment to a lecturer?                    | 109 Draw upon                                     | 31 Actress Hoffmann of "Transparent"                            |
| 22 Weathers, as a hurricane   | 64 Compliment to a taxonomist?                  | 110 "___ Enchanted" (2004 film)                   | 33 Half: Prefix   |
| 23 "That's me you're looking for"   | 67 Compliment to a champion speller?            | 111 Result of a computer crash                    | 34 What dark clouds might represent                             |
| 24 Compliment to a lawmaker?  | 68 Smallville                                   | 112 Got back at                                   | 37 Small bone, as in the ear                                    |
| 26 Lesley who played Mrs. Patmore on "Downton Abbey"  | 69 2002 Literature Nobelist Kertész             | 113 Difficult situation                           | 38 Quai D'Orsay setting   |
| 28 ___ the sly (be secretive about)   | 70 Snack with a rock climber on its wrapper     | <b>DOWN</b>                                       | 40 Prepared to shoot  |
| 29 Drug used to combat A.D.H.D.   | 71 Head of communications?                      | 1 Key of Mozart's "Odense" Symphony               | 41 Beings on TV's "Doctor Who"                                  |
| 30 Short writing assignment, informally   | 72 Gettysburg general                           | 2 Thin layer                                      | 42 West Coast beer brand, informally                            |
| 32 Really like  | 73 Like many holiday candles                    | 3 ___ to sell                                     | 45 Modern payment option  |
| 35 Really like  | 74 Gal of "Wonder Woman"                        | 4 Color-changing creatures                        | 47 Musical medley   |
| 36 Compliment to a composer?  | 77 Banned game projectiles                      | 5 "Yo te ___" (Spanish 101 phrase)                | 48 Wits   |
| 39 ___ voce   | 78 [not my mistake]                             | 6 How boors behave                                | 49 Not hold back, to a poker player                             |
| 43 Deep, deep hole  | 79 "Why, you little ..."                        | 7 Some inclement weather, in broadcast shorthand  | 51 Ottoman title  |
| 44 Crème de ___   | 81 Word with prayer or paddle                   | 8 "Oh, by the way ..."                            | 53 Twice tetra-   |
| 46 Lucky strike?  | 84 Claim in e-cigarette ads                     | 9 GPS system, e.g.                                | 54 More sharply dressed   |
| 47 Toe, to a tot  | 87 Compliment to a charity organizer?           | 10 Suffix with señor                              | 55 Container for amontillado                                    |
| 50 John, Paul or George, but not Ringo  | 93 Dorm V.I.P.s                                 | 11 Bog  | 56 Easternmost of the Lesser Antilles                           |
| 52 Alternative to first class   | 95 Major exporter of uranium                    | 12 Weapon resembling the letter psi               | 57 Kitchen device   |
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|   | 97 Long lines?                                  | 14 Beat after a buzzer beater                     | 60 French city where D'Artagnan lived in "The Three Musketeers" |
|   |   | 15 Rubbish  |   |
|   |   | 16 Alternative to Parmesan                        |   |



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| 61 MSN, for one             | 76 Florida's Miami-___ County               | 86 One of the friends on "Friends"                        | 94 Vice President Agnew      |
| 62 B on an LP               | 77 Lightsaber wielder                       | 88 Milkshake, in New England                              | 97 Stone that's a star       |
| 63 Site for an A.C.L. tear  | 80 Worlds external to the mind              | 89 Author Gerritsen and actress Harper                    | 98 It may be checkered       |
| 65 Took off                 | 82 Activity in libraries and movie theaters | 90 What one might seek after a computer crash, informally | 99 Till section              |
| 66 Words said before bed?   | 83 Diplomatic agreement                     | 91 Opera with the aria "Ave Maria"                        | 101 Scrape                   |
| 72 Peace Nobelist Yousafzai | 85 Record label for Whitney Houston         | 92 Skim   | 103 Crestfallen              |
| 73 ID card fig.             |   |   | 104 Tony winner Hagen        |
| 74 Lose rigidity            |   |   | 105 Dallas hoopster, briefly |
| 75 Not worth ___            |   |   | 106 Roll on a golf course    |

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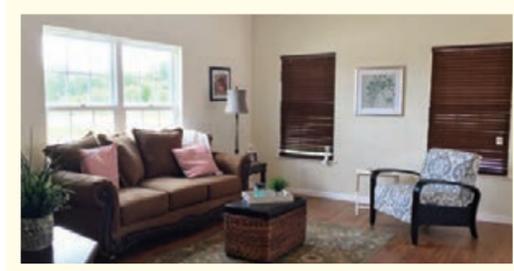


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