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No walkouts in Citrus schools

Officials quell potential student protests

CARLY ZERVIS
 Staff writer

On a day of rumored student walkouts nationwide, very few attempts were made in Citrus schools. No students left campus

at any of the county's three public high schools at 10 a.m. while Chronicle reporters were present, as was suggested by various groups on social media. Many students throughout Florida and nationwide

participated, according to video posted online by various media outlets.

All three high schools posted guidance counselors and administrators in hallways to deter students from leaving classrooms,

Thousands of students participate in walkout nationwide./Page A9

and Citrus County sheriff's deputies were visible on campuses, as well.

Jamie Clausen-Alcock, whose daughter attends Citrus High School in

Inverness, said her child attempted to participate in the walkout but was escorted to the office by administration personnel after leaving her classroom, and that she received a call from the school around noon informing her of the incident.

"They basically explained to me that my daughter was one of the students who participated in the walkout that was scheduled today, and that my child would be receiving in-school suspension due to her participation,"

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Iconic Old Homosassa eatery razed

Owner assures fans business will be back

BUSTER THOMPSON
 Staff writer

It seemed hard for Gail Oakes to keep her eyes from tearing up as she watched part of her iconic Old Homosassa eatery and bar get torn down.

"Everybody has a history here," Oakes said Wednesday morning as workers started demolishing The Yardarm Lounge, which overlooks the Homosassa River at the end of South Boulevard Drive. "Lots of memories; weddings, birthdays — everybody's got a story."

But there will be new stories made in roughly three-and-a-half months' time, when Oakes invites patrons — new and old — back into a restored and improved restaurant and lounge.

"Better, greater, new memories, safe and waterproof," Oakes said.

Before that happens, crews from Gulfside Contracting Inc. must take down a big section of the 50-year-old Yardarm Lounge, also known as the The Riverside Crab House and The Monkey Bar.

Oakes said much of the building's second story will be removed and its portions that extend out over the river will



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Yardarm Lounge co-owner Gail Oakes slowly walks away from the demolition of her iconic eatery, which began being partially demolished Wednesday. Oakes purchased the property in 1997 and will rebuild. "I hate to be the one who brought it down," she said Wednesday while watching the building come down. "But it was so old and I worried about it being dangerous." She hopes the project will be complete by late June or early July. "If I can get it open by the Homosassa fireworks festival that would be great," she said.

be trimmed back, making way for a more open waterside porch.

"That will leave a beautiful view of Monkey Island and all the way down the river," she

said, adding a new kitchen and other amenities will be installed.

The Homosassa Riverside Resort hotel, marina, boat rental and banquet room will

remain open while the restaurant is being demolished, a process that's expected to take up to five days.

Oakes said she and fellow managing partners with

Riverside LLC, which took over ownership in 1998, are still trying to figure out how to reincorporate the different

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State eyes Withlacoochee flows

FRED HIERS
 Staff writer

When weather permits, 78-year-old Jodie Roberts sits on her deck on the Withlacoochee River a mile downstream from the Lake Rousseau dam and watches the water's flow and enjoys the wildlife. She wants to keep it that way.

To try and do that, she was one of about 20 people who attended the Southwest Florida Water Management District's kickoff meeting this week that began the process of establishing minimum

flows and levels (MFL) for the middle and upper portion of the river.

"I think it's important we keep the river like it is," she told the Citrus County Chronicle after the water agency's presentation about the fundamentals of setting MFLs. The meeting was at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Inverness.

"That's my concern. If they don't get the numbers right, the water and the quality will go down," she said.

MFLs are important because, once established, the water district

uses them to determine whether to grant applicants groundwater or surface water withdrawal permits.

The MFL indicates the river's volume that is necessary to prevent significant harm to the water body or the ecology dependent on it.

Florida law requires state water management districts, or the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, to establish MFLs to later determine the limits of water withdrawals.

There are no current applications to withdraw

water from the Withlacoochee River, "but it is identified as a future water source," said Sky Notestein, the water district's Springs and Environmental Flows Section manager.

The water district's plan is to collect data and develop models by November 2019. The water district then plans to develop MFLs by May 2020. The water district will hold public workshops through June 2021 on the issue. It hopes to get its governing board's

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Man agrees to 27-year sentence

BUSTER THOMPSON
 Staff writer

While appellate judges ordered Steven Degennaro to be retried for trying to kill a Citrus County sheriff's deputy with his car, the Hernando man decided instead to end his case with a plea.

Degennaro, 47, pleaded no contest Wednesday



Steven Degennaro

morning to a lesser charge of attempted first-degree murder in exchange for 27 years behind bars.

Circuit Judge Richard "Ric" Howard ratified Degennaro's plea and punishment, which also incorporates another related felony charge of

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For the RECORD

Citrus County Sheriff's Office

DUI arrest

■ **James Clari**, 26, of East Blue Heron Lane, Inverness, at 1:08 a.m. March 14 on misdemeanor charges of driving under the influence and possession of cannabis. According to his arrest affidavit, Clari was discovered asleep behind the wheel on South Apopka Avenue in Inverness. He was asked to complete field sobriety tasks and did poorly. Tests of his blood alcohol level registered 0.157 percent and 0.144 percent. The legal limit is 0.08 percent. A small amount of marijuana was found in his possession. His bond was set at \$2,000.

Domestic battery arrest

■ **Jacob Messer**, 35, of Inverness, at 12:04 p.m. March 13 on a misdemeanor charge of domestic battery.

Other arrests

■ **Dustin Gromling**, 28, of Beverly Hills, at 11 a.m. March 13 on a felony charge of possession of a controlled substance and a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. His bond was set at \$3,000.

■ **Ashley Belcher**, 27, of Beverly Hills, at 11 a.m. March 13 on a felony charge of possession of a controlled substance and a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. Her bond was set at \$3,000.

■ **Trevor Kilpatrick**, 26, of Floral City, at 11:07 a.m. March 13 on a felony charge of aggravated battery with use of a deadly weapon. His bond was set at \$10,000.

■ **Michael Kilpatrick**, 54, of Floral City, at 3:31 p.m. March 13 on a felony charge of aggravated battery with use of a deadly weapon. His bond was set at \$10,000.

■ **Steven McBride**, 51, of Inverness, at 2:38 p.m. March 13 on a misdemeanor charge of trespassing. According to his arrest affidavit, McBride is accused of trespassing at Cooter Pond in Inverness

ON THE NET

■ For more information about arrests made by the Citrus County Sheriff's Office, go to www.sheriffcitrus.org and click on the Public Information link, then on Arrest Reports.

■ Also under Public Information on the CCSO website, click on Crime Mapping for a view of where each type of crime occurs in Citrus County. Click on Offense Reports to see lists of burglary, theft and vandalism.

after being previously trespassed from the park. His bond was set at \$1,000.

■ **Sabbath Leibich**, 23, of Crystal River, at 6:03 p.m. March 13 on felony charges of conspiracy to commit a crime and inmate introduction of a controlled substance into a detention facility. His bond was set at \$4,000.

■ **Timothy Hignite**, 36, of North Town Court, Tampa, at 6:30 p.m. March 13 on an active warrant for felony violation of probation stemming from an original charge of battery on a law enforcement officer. He was transported from the Calhoun County Jail to the Citrus County Detention Facility.

■ **Mariah Jones**, 22, of North Independence Highway, Inverness, at 4:20 a.m. March 14 on a felony charge aggravated battery on a law enforcement officer and a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. According to her arrest affidavit, Jones is accused of striking a deputy with her vehicle during a traffic stop. She was reportedly pulled over for speeding and as the deputy approached her vehicle on foot, she put the car in drive and hit him. She also reportedly threw multiple items out of the window including cash and

a meth pipe. Her bond was set at \$11,000.

Burglaries

■ A vehicle burglary was reported at 12:06 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, in the 300 block of N. Apopka Ave., Inverness.

■ A vehicle burglary was reported at 1:36 a.m. Feb. 22 in the 2100 block of N. Lecanto Highway, Lecanto.

■ A vehicle burglary was reported at 3:04 a.m. Feb. 22 in the 1700 block of Forest Drive, Inverness.

■ A vehicle burglary was reported at 3:39 a.m. Feb. 22 in the 1700 block of Forest Drive, Inverness.

■ A vehicle burglary was reported at 3:43 a.m. Feb. 22 in the 4100 block of E. Parsons Point Road, Hernando.

■ A vehicle burglary was reported at 4:05 a.m. Feb. 22 in the 7800 block of W. Homosassa Trail, Homosassa.

■ A vehicle burglary was reported at 4:35 a.m. Feb. 22 in the 300 block of S. Kensington Ave., Lecanto.

■ A burglary to a structure was reported at 6:51 a.m. Feb. 23 in the 600 block of N.E. 10th St., Crystal River.

■ A vehicle burglary was reported at 6:36 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, in the 600 block of NE 12th St., Crystal River.

Thefts

■ A larceny petit theft was reported at 8:53 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, in the 300 block of N. Robin Hood Road, Inverness.

■ A grand theft was reported at 3:09 p.m. Feb. 22 in the 4000 block of N. Lecanto Highway, Beverly Hills.

■ A grand theft was reported at 5:04 a.m. Friday, Feb. 23, in the 2400 block of W. Tall Oaks Drive, Beverly Hills.

■ A retail theft was reported at 3:23 p.m. Feb. 23 in the 6800 block of S. Suncoast Blvd., Homosassa.

Vandalism

■ A felony vandalism was reported at 4:06 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, in the 1600 block of W. Main St., Inverness.

SO YOU KNOW

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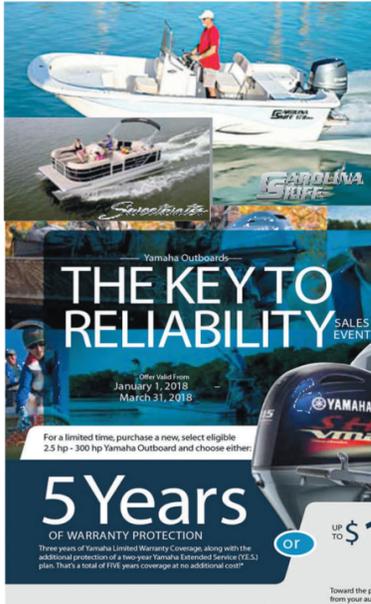
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Around the STATE

Barbecue, car show in Hernando

Get your motors running and your taste buds tuned up for the annual New Church Without Walls Spring Classic Car and Truck Show and BBQ Cook Off on Saturday, March 24.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. and trophies awarded at 2 p.m. In between, the public is invited to come and see cars and trucks from the past and sample award-winning barbecue meals.

The event takes place in the field next to the church, at 2577 N. Florida Ave., behind Brannen Bank, in Hernando. For information, call the church office at 352-344-2425.

Citrus DEC to meet at CR Mall

The Citrus County Democratic Executive Committee (DEC) meeting is Wednesday, March 21, at 7 p.m. at the Citrus County Democratic Party office in space 591 at the Crystal River Mall. All registered Democrats are welcome to attend.

The Citrus County DEC is responsible for managing the affairs of the Florida Democratic Party (FDP) within the county. For more information, call 352-794-6474 or visit CitrusDemocrats.org or Citrus County FL Democrats on Facebook.

Community forum planned March 21

Citrus County Community Services and the Citrus County Sheriff's Office have partnered to provide a community forum on Wednesday, March 21, from 2 p.m. -3:30 p.m. at the Forum Theatre, Grand Living at Citrus Hills, 850 W. Norvell Bryant Highway, Hernando.

The event is free and open to the public.

Speakers from Citrus County Veterans Services, Parks and Recreation, the Retired and Senior Program/Nature Coast Volunteer Center, Citrus County Senior Services, Library Services, Citizens Academy and Citrus County Sheriff's Office will be on hand to give details about the various programs and services offered in the county as well as volunteer opportunities with the county and the sheriff's office.

For more information on this event call 352-527-5915.

Veterans Week planning begins

The Veterans Appreciation Week Ad Hoc Coordinating Committee will conduct its initial coordination meeting for Citrus County's 26th Annual Veterans Appreciation Week at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 21, in the conference room of the Citrus County Chronicle, 1624 North Meadowcrest Blvd., Crystal River.

All veteran service organizations are encouraged to send representatives to participate in the planning process. Individual veterans are also welcome. Any organization or person desiring additional information should contact Chris Gregoriou at 302-9777 or Curt Ebitz at 382-3847.

Man gives kidney on anniversary

HOLLYWOOD — For their 23rd wedding anniversary, Cesar Calle gave his wife Monica a kidney.

The couple from Weston, Florida, spoke to reporters Tuesday about their Feb. 19 surgeries at Memorial Regional Hospital. It was the first successful live donor kidney transplant at the Hollywood hospital where Monica Calle works.

— From staff and wire reports

4 of 5 commissioners praise Oliver

Jimmie T. Smith doesn't agree with the reviews

MICHAEL D. BATES
Staff writer

County Administrator Randy Oliver got glowing performance reviews Tuesday from four of his bosses on the county commission.

Commissioners Ron Kitchen Jr., Scott Carnahan, Brian Coleman and Jeff Kinnard said Oliver — hired in December 2014 — exceeded expectations this past year and voted to have a letter inserted in his file to that effect.

But Commissioner Jimmie T. Smith said he couldn't go along with his colleagues and was the sole dissenting vote. His

main beef stems from last year's "pork chop" road issue.

County commissioners in June voted unanimously to remove a median traffic barrier in Lecanto that prevents left turns into a business plaza.

The barrier, referred to as a "pork chop" because of its shape, allowed left turns in and out of North Future Terrace onto County Road 486, but was designed to stop turns from a Chevron gas station parking lot that are illegal because the median

doesn't line up with the parking lot exit. That enticed motorists to diagonally drive across the westbound lanes before reaching the median.

Residents told commissioners they saw illegal left turns continue even with the pork chop there.

Smith said at the time staff knew of the illegal left-turn problem

from the gasoline station since 2014 yet did nothing to solve the problem. On Tuesday, he placed the blame squarely on Oliver: Oliver should have asked

affected business owners for their views and it gave the impression that the county was not pro-business, according to Smith.

Then last month, Smith took the unusual step of emailing all four fellow commissioners to call out Oliver because he provided information to board members about an agenda item, proposed by Smith, about requiring flags on recumbent bikes. Smith said Oliver should have shared the information with him alone first, and he said at the time that he had lost confidence in Oliver.

After Tuesday's county commission meeting, Smith said he has no problems personally with Oliver but could not turn a blind eye to some of his performance

deficiencies. Any numerical score he could assign Oliver would be closer to around 80, he said.

Oliver said Wednesday he strives to keep all board members in the loop.

"I work with all the commissioners and treat them all equally," Oliver said.

County Commissioner Scott Carnahan said Oliver's involvement in the pork-chop incident "does not give me heartburn whatsoever."

"Randy always lets the commissioners know what's going on around the county," Carnahan said. "Randy's job, in my opinion, is stellar."

Contact Chronicle reporter Michael D. Bates at 352-563-3205 or mbates@chronicleonline.com.



Randy Oliver
county administrator.

Boat, brush fires coincide



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

A Citrus County Fire Rescue firefighter extinguishes flames in this 18-foot Carolina Skiff on Wednesday afternoon in a Crystal River boatyard. The boat, sitting at Glenn's Used Boats, caught fire, according to witnesses, after debris from a brush fire across State Road 44 dropped inside the fiberglass hull. The fire was extinguished and no injuries were reported but the fire tied up traffic along State Road 44 at 3 p.m. while the fires were extinguished.

Firefighters trying to determine if fires were related

BUSTER THOMPSON
Staff writer

Nelson Poapiovet was working underneath a boat in the yard of Glenn's Used Boats on Wednesday afternoon when he and Donna Goldsmith heard what sounded like a gunshot ring out nearby.

Goldsmith, who was walking on the parking lot of the Crystal River-area business, turned to see embers erupting over a tree

top on the other side of State Road 44.

"You could see them embers flying up over those trees," Goldsmith said, pointing across the roadway.

"What we heard was an explosion," Poapiovet added.

A few moments later, the pair found smoke coming from an 18-foot Carolina Skiff parked nearby. An ember had landed in the boat and on exposed battery wires, Poapiovet said.

Fearing the fire might spread, Goldsmith said she tried to wave down Citrus County Fire Rescue firefighters, who were racing down S.R. 44 to get to the wildfire within the woods.

"We've got loads of gas tanks," she said.

Poapiovet was able to put out the flame, which kept reigniting, he said.

Firefighters extinguished both the boat fire and brush

fire that started near a homeless camp. No injuries were reported.

An on-scene battalion chief with fire rescue said firefighters were trying to determine if the fires were related.

Poapiovet and Goldsmith said they had just sold the now-damaged boat, which will now need a couple new wires and a paint job.

"Don't worry, we put the fire out," Poapiovet said.

Contact Chronicle reporter Buster Thompson at 352-564-2916 or bthompson@chronicleonline.com.

Fort Cooper Days set for this weekend

Special to the Chronicle

This year's celebration of Fort Cooper Days, this Saturday and Sunday at Fort Cooper State Park in Inverness, will offer new experiences for visitors, young and old.

The centerpiece will be reenactments at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. both days of an

1836 attack between a tribe of Seminoles and members of Major Mark Anthony Cooper's First Georgia Battalion Foot volunteers.

In addition, award-winning musician Bing Futch will play the Native American flute at 9:30 a.m. and noon both days. He will offer a sense of Native

American culture through stories and songs.

For children, there will be 1830s arts and crafts to work on and complete.

Event-goers can witness tomahawk and cast iron skillet-throwing contests at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. both days.

In addition there will be good food and

refreshments, demonstrations and exhibits by living historians and period artisans.

Experience Florida's history — the sounds of black powder muskets, cannon volleys and examples of early "guerilla warfare" as Seminoles struggled to retain their lands as part of the Second

Seminole War on the shores of Lake Holathlikaha.

Admission: Age 13 and older — \$7; age 12 and younger — free.

The event is sponsored by the Friends of Fort Cooper.

The park is located at 3100 S. Old Floral City Road, Inverness.

Motorist charged with aggravated battery

MIKE WRIGHT
Staff writer

An Inverness woman was jailed Tuesday after authorities said she fled from police and struck a deputy with her car, all the while with terrified passengers trying to get her to stop.

Eventually, the deputy fired a shot at the vehicle's tire rim to disable the car.

Mariah Leigh Jones, 23, of North Independence Highway, was charged with aggravated battery of a law enforcement officer and

possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to her arrest report, this is what happened:

Deputy David Doncourt observed a silver Ford Fiesta pass at a high rate of speed and a Florida Highway Patrol trooper began pursuit.

They followed the car down South Happy Drive, a Homosassa dead-end street, and the vehicle

traveled off the road, almost striking a fence. The vehicle sped up and the driver tried to pass the trooper on the right side of the road, striking garbage cans, but the deputy's car blocked its path.

Both officers exited their vehicles and noticed three passengers in the car. The vehicle backed up and Doncourt approached it from the driver's side. The driver placed the car in drive,

striking Doncourt and causing him to roll off the hood, the arrest report states.

Doncourt chased the vehicle and several items were thrown from an open passenger door, including cash and a methamphetamine pipe.

Both officers continued yelling for the driver to stop the car.

"The passengers were in the vehicle screaming for help and trying to exit the vehicle," the report states.

Jones reportedly

attempted to strike the deputy again, and took off as Doncourt was trying to help a passenger out of the car.

Doncourt fired a shot at the passenger side tire, striking the rim. The vehicle then came to a stop as it ran over a fence and the front passenger was able to put the the vehicle in park.

A search of the car found plastic baggies containing residue, several syringes and a spoon containing residue.

Bond was set at \$11,000.



Mariah Jones

Today's HOROSCOPES

Birthdays — Expand your interests by taking a bigger role in bringing about positive change to your community and the people in it.
Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) — You'll feel passionate about life, your responsibilities and doing what you can to get ahead.
Aries (March 21-April 19) — Don't share personal information, passwords or possessions.
Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Put your energy into something you enjoy doing.
Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Don't be too eager to share with someone digging into your past or trying to be overly friendly.
Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Your strength will come from your insight and ability to express your feelings and what means the most to you.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Overspending on things you don't need will be your downfall.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You'll be drawn into someone else's dream.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Do whatever is required to take care of the responsibilities concerning the younger or older people in your life.
Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — You can make headway at home and with important relationships if you take responsibility for your chores or the changes you want to make and get things done.
Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Getting together with friends, relatives or someone you'd like to do business with will be productive.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You may want change, but that's no reason to make an unnecessary move.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Think it, feel it and do it. The changes you bring about will reflect exactly what you want to see happen.

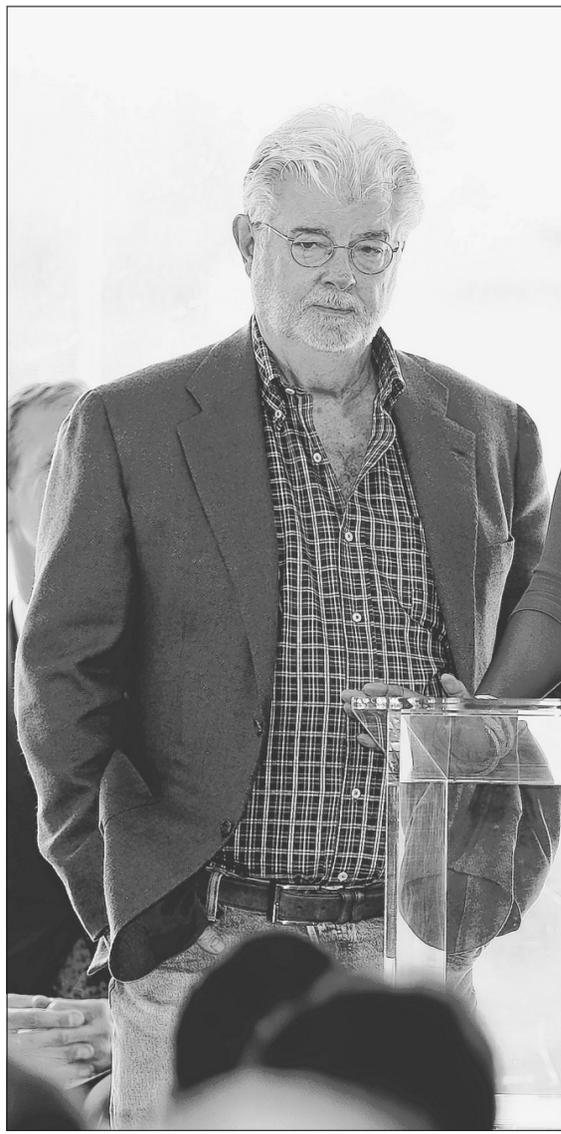
ENTERTAINMENT

Jamaican act Flourgon sues Cyrus over 'We Can't Stop'

NEW YORK — Jamaican artist Flourgon has sued Miley Cyrus and Sony Music for the singer's 2013 song, "We Can't Stop." The lawsuit, filed Tuesday in New York City, claims Cyrus' megahit borrows from Flourgon's 1988 song, "We Run Things." On her song, Cyrus sings: "We run things, things don't run we." Flourgon's song includes virtually the same line, "We run things, things no run we." Flourgon's real name is Michael May. The lawsuit, which seeks \$300 million in damages, also names RCA Records, which is a Sony label, and Mike Will Made-It, who produced and co-wrote "We Can't Stop."

Report: Foy paid less than co-star on 'The Crown'

LONDON — A producer of hit royal drama "The Crown" said Claire Foy, who played the central role of Queen Elizabeth II, was paid less than her on-screen husband. The Netflix series traces Elizabeth's journey from princess to queen, beginning in the 1950s. Trade publication Variety quoted producer Suzanne Mackie as confirming Foy was paid less than Matt Smith, who played Prince Philip in two seasons of the series. She made the reported comment at an industry event in Jerusalem. She said this was because Smith was better-known after starring in sci-fi series "Doctor Who." Mackie said the gap would be closed with the forthcoming third series.



'Star Wars' creator filmmaker George Lucas attends the groundbreaking ceremony Wednesday of the \$1.5 billion Lucas Museum of Narrative Art in Los Angeles. The institution, scheduled to open in 2021, is envisioned as not just a repository for 'Star Wars' memorabilia but a wide-ranging museum representing all forms of visual storytelling from paintings and drawings to comic strips and digital and traditional films.

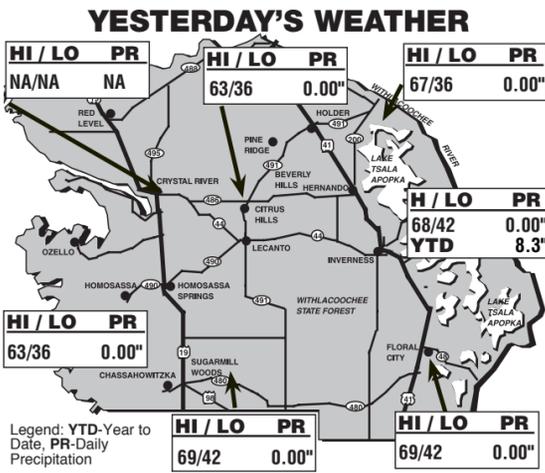


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MARINE OUTLOOK: Today: North winds around 15 knots then. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland waters a moderate chop. Tonight: West winds around 10 knots then. Seas 2 feet or less.
Gulf water temperature 66° Taken at Aripeka

LAKE LEVELS: Location, WED, TUE, Full. Includes Withalacoochee at Holder, Tsala Apopka-Hernando, etc.

THE NATION: Forecast for 3:00 P.M. THURSDAY. Includes a map of the US and a table of weather conditions by city.

THREE DAY OUTLOOK: TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING, FRIDAY & SATURDAY MORNING, SATURDAY & SUNDAY MORNING. Includes high/low temperatures and weather descriptions.

ALMANAC: TEMPERATURE, DEW POINT, HUMIDITY, POLLEN COUNT, AIR QUALITY. Includes record values and current observations.

SOLAR TABLES: DATE, DAY, MINOR MAJOR (MORNING), MINOR MAJOR (AFTERNOON). Includes times for 03/15 THURSDAY and 03/16 FRIDAY.

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK: SUNSET TONIGHT, SUNRISE TOMORROW, MOONRISE TODAY, MOONSET TODAY. Includes times for March 17, 24, 31, and April 8.

BURN CONDITIONS: Today's Fire Danger Index is: Moderate. There is no burn ban. For more information call Florida Division of Forestry at (352) 797-4140.

WATERING RULES: Lawn watering is limited to twice-per-week unless your city or county has a different schedule or stricter hours.

TIDES: *From mouths of rivers, **At King's Bay, ***At Mason's Creek. Includes high and low tide times for Thursday.

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Today in HISTORY

Today is Thursday, March 15, the 74th day of 2018. There are 291 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight: On March 15, 1493, Italian explorer Christopher Columbus arrived back in the Spanish harbor of Palos de la Frontera, two months after concluding his first voyage to the Western Hemisphere.
On this date: In 44 B.C., Roman dictator Julius Caesar was assassinated by a group of nobles that included Brutus and Cassius.
In 1985, the first internet domain name, symbolics.com, was registered by the Symbolics Computer Corp. of Massachusetts.
Ten years ago: A construction crane, 19 stories tall and attached to an apartment tower under construction on Manhattan's East Side, broke away and toppled like a tree onto buildings as far as a block away, killing seven people.
Five years ago: The Pentagon announced it would spend \$1 billion to add 14 interceptors to an Alaska-based missile defense system, responding to what it called faster-than-anticipated North Korean progress on nuclear weapons and missiles.
One year ago: President Donald Trump, speaking in Ypsilanti, Michigan, announced that his administration would re-examine federal requirements governing the fuel efficiency of cars and trucks, moving forcefully against Obama-era environmental regulations that Trump said were stifling economic growth.
Today's Birthdays: Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg is 85. Singer Mike Love (The Beach Boys) is 77. Rock singer Dee Snider (Twisted Sister) is 63. Model Fabio is 57. Rapper-musician will.i.am (Black Eyed Peas) is 43.
Thought for Today: "Life's meaning has always eluded me and I guess it always will. But I love it just the same." — E.B. White, American author and humorist (1899-1985).

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FLAWS

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approval for the MFLs by August 2021. The water district will also be holding public meetings throughout the process to keep interested residents abreast of its progress.

It is important people attend these water district meetings, Notestein said.

"The importance of this (kickoff) is that it's proactive, and what we want to do is listen to residents that live along the Withlacoochee River and better understand their concerns," he said.

Some critics of the water agency complain that its staff is too susceptible to pressure from large development and agricultural interest wanting water. Environmentalists point to the water district's 2017 establishment of MFLs for the Rainbow River, allowing as much as a 5 percent drop in flow. Meetings leading up to those MFLs were contentious.

But Notestein said that public input was important "and this meeting is an example that we listen to residents."

The section of the Withlacoochee in question is the river north of Gum Springs Run in Citrus County and beginning in Pasco County at Gator Creek.

Unlike setting MFLs for springs, which typically have steady flows, river flows tend to be more variable. The Withlacoochee's flow is predominately based on rainfall in its



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

The Withlacoochee River is a vital element in the regional ecosystem. Above, paddlers make their way down the river toward Dunnellon. Planners with the Southwest Florida Water Management District are in the early stages of setting the river's minimum flow levels.

headwaters, the Green Swamp.

The Withlacoochee is 141 miles. About 36 miles of that within the Green Swamp Wilderness Preserve is designated as an Outstanding Florida Waterway.

Kym Rouse Holzart, the water district's senior environmental scientist for natural systems and restoration, said the future MFL will vary based on time of the year and variable flows.

As much as 48 percent of the river's flow comes from groundwater, but that can fall to as little as

1 percent, according to water district data available at the kickoff event.

Holzart also said water district scientists work independently of applications to withdraw water from either rivers or groundwater.

"There's a presumption (by the public) that we (staff establishing MFLs) know the number of groundwater applications. We don't," she said.

Roberts said that she thinks that while the water district staff is well meaning, pressure for ever more water has its impact.

Joe Robillar said he came to the kickoff to remind the water district that at least some in the public cares about the issue and is watching it.

"It helps keep them honest. But there's not enough people coming to the meetings," said the 82-year-old Inverness retiree. "As far as I'm concerned, if they take water from here, there won't be enough water left."

Part of the problem is that people get involved in the process when it's already too far along, he said. It's too late once the water district staff makes

its recommendations to the water district board for approval.

"Get involved now. If you can't come to meetings at least get on the (water district's) mailing list," he said.

Dan McCormic, who also lives along the Withlacoochee near the Lake Rousseau dam, said that people are too distracted to focus on water issues.

"Unfortunately, there's not a lot of interest," said the retired lawyer. "They've got the time to participate if they want to. I think we've become a lackadaisical country."

YARDARM

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venues of The Yardarm Lounge, but acknowledge not everything will be the same.

"We tried to keep as much of the old place somewhere so we can retain the nostalgia," Oakes said.

Oakes said she closed down in late January after costs to keep repairing the hurricane-damaged structure became just too expensive and routine, forcing her to make the hard decision to start almost from scratch.

"It was really badly damaged," she said about how Hurricane Irma's winds ripped into the building's roof and walls last September. "It seemed like at that point to repair the damage to the roof was more expensive than tearing it down and rebuilding."

The hardest part about closing down for Oakes was letting go her 36 employees.

But Oakes didn't want to just desert them, so she reached out to neighboring competitors to help land them jobs, getting them all employed within a week, she said.

"We worked really hard to get them placed," she said.

Oakes said she's looking forward to serving her community once again when her upgraded establishment is ready by late June or early July.

"It's the people who make the place," she said.

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SENTENCE

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resisting an officer with violence that Degennaro was already convicted of but had yet to be sentenced on.

Degennaro was also given credit for time he already served since his arrest from February 2015 when he struck Deputy John Behnen with his car, putting Degennaro's release date roughly 24 years from now.

However, Howard sentenced Degennaro as a habitual felony offender, which means Degennaro must serve every day of his sentence.

Degennaro had planned to start his three-day trial on Wednesday for an original charge of attempted murder of a law enforcement officer, which would have resulted in a mandatory life sentence if jurors found him guilty.

A jury had already found Degennaro guilty of attempted murder and resistance charges during his first trial in September 2016. Following that verdict, Howard sentenced Degennaro in October to life in prison as a habitual felony offender and 10

consecutive years.

In June 2017, the Fifth District Court of Appeal reversed Degennaro's attempted-murder conviction and ordered another trial. Appellate judges also ordered Degennaro be resentenced on his charge of resisting an officer.

Just prior to having jurors listen to opening statements at his retrial on Wednesday, Degennaro and attorneys entered into impromptu negotiations to resolve his case.

Degennaro and his attorney Edward Spaight extended an offer of 20 years to prosecutor Bill Catto, who consulted with Behnen outside the courtroom to see if he'd be willing to accept.

Catto told a Chronicle reporter after Degennaro's sentencing he felt Behnen was willing to negotiate a plea because he didn't want to go through another multi-day trial.

"I'm guess he really didn't want to re-live the incident again," Catto said about the veteran K-9 deputy, who on Feb. 25, 2015, was pinned against a wall of a Hernando home by Degennaro's vehicle.

Behnen and other deputies were trying to serve Degennaro with an arrest warrant out of Marion

County, prompting Degennaro to try and escape.

Behnen and Catto rejected Degennaro's offer and counter-offered with a 30-year prison term, which Degennaro turned down for 25 years, which the state denied with a counteroffer of 27 years, which

Degennaro accepted.

Catto said 27 years was appropriate because Degennaro would be at an age in which he'd be less of a threat to the public when he's released.

"We feel a man in his early 70s is a lot less able to be a danger to the community when he

gets out," Catto said.

Spaight said he felt his client agreed to prosecutors' offer because it was a better alternative to life, which Degennaro was on the verge of serving after being convicted at his first trial.

"He'd already been sentenced to life after a

guilty verdict in his first trial," Spaight said, "and any sentence that has the possibility of being released from prison one day is better than a life sentence."

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Stephen Hawking, legendary theoretical physicist, dead at 76

ROBERT BARR
Associated Press



In this 2015 file photo, Professor Stephen Hawking arrives for the Interstellar Live show at the Royal Albert Hall in central London. Hawking, whose brilliant mind ranged across time and space though his body was paralyzed by disease, has died, a family spokesman said Wednesday.

Associated Press

LONDON — Stephen Hawking, whose brilliant mind ranged across time and space though his body was paralyzed by disease, died Wednesday. He was 76.

Hawking died at his home in Cambridge, England, according to a statement by the University of Cambridge.

The best-known theoretical physicist of his time, Hawking wrote so lucidly of the mysteries of space, time and black holes that his book, "A Brief History of Time," became an international best-seller, making him one of science's biggest celebrities since Albert Einstein.

"He was a great scientist and an extraordinary man whose work and legacy will live on for many years," his children Lucy, Robert and Tim said in a statement. "His courage and persistence with his brilliance and humour inspired people across the world. He once said, 'It would not be much of a universe if it wasn't home to the people you love.' We will miss him forever."

Even though his body was attacked by amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or ALS, when Hawking was 21, he stunned doctors by living with the normally fatal illness for more than 50 years. A severe attack of pneumonia in 1985 left him breathing through a tube, forcing him to communicate through an electronic voice synthesizer that gave him his distinctive robotic monotone.

But he continued his scientific work, appeared on television and married for a second time.

As one of Isaac Newton's successors as Lucasian Professor of Mathematics at Cambridge University, Hawking was involved in the search for the great goal of physics — a "unified theory."

Such a theory would resolve the contradictions between Einstein's theory of relativity, which describes the laws of gravity that govern the motion of large objects like planets, and the quantum mechanics theory, which deals with the world of subatomic particles.

For Hawking, the search was almost a religious quest — he said finding a "theory of everything" would allow mankind to "know the mind of God."

"A complete, consistent unified theory is only the first step: our goal is a complete understanding of the events around us, and of our own existence," he wrote in "A Brief History of Time."

In later years, though, he suggested a unified theory might not exist.

He followed up "A Brief History of Time" in 2001 with the more accessible sequel "The Universe in a Nutshell," updating readers on concepts like supergravity, naked singularities and the possibility of an 11-dimensional universe.

Hawking said belief in a God who intervenes in the universe "to make sure the good guys win or get rewarded in the next life" was wishful thinking.

"But one can't help

asking the question: Why does the universe exist?" he said in 1991. "I don't know an operational way to give the question or the answer, if there is one, a meaning. But it bothers me."

The combination of his best-selling book and his almost total disability — for a while he could use a few fingers, later he could only tighten the muscles on his face — made him one of science's most recognizable faces.

He made cameo television appearances in "The Big Bang Theory," "The Simpsons" and "Star Trek: The Next Generation" and counted among his fans U2 guitarist The Edge, who attended a January 2002 celebration of Hawking's 60th birthday.

His early life was chronicled in the 2014 film "The Theory of Everything," with Eddie Redmayne winning the best actor Academy Award for his portrayal of the scientist. The film focused still more attention on Hawking's remarkable achievements.

Some colleagues credited that celebrity with generating new enthusiasm for science.

His achievements and his longevity helped prove to many that even the most severe disabilities need not stop patients from living.

Richard Green, of the Motor Neurone Disease Association — the British name for ALS — said Hawking met the classic definition of the disease, as "the perfect mind trapped in an imperfect body." He said Hawking had been an

inspiration to people with the disease for many years.

Although it could take him minutes to compose answers to even simple questions Hawking said the disability did not impair his work. It certainly did little to dampen his ambition to physically experience space himself: Hawking savored small bursts of weightlessness in 2007 when he was flown aboard a jet that made repeated dives to simulate zero-gravity.

Hawking had hoped to leave Earth's atmosphere altogether someday, a trip he often recommended to the rest of the planet's inhabitants.

"In the long run the human race should not have all its eggs in one basket, or on one planet," Hawking said in 2008. "I just hope we can avoid dropping the basket until then."

Hawking first earned prominence for his theoretical work on black holes. Disproving the belief that black holes are so dense that nothing could escape their gravitational pull, he showed that black holes leak a tiny bit of light and other types of radiation, now known as "Hawking radiation."

"It came as a complete surprise," said Gary Horowitz, a theoretical physicist at the University

of California, Santa Barbara. "It really was quite revolutionary."

Horowitz said the find helped move scientists one step closer to cracking the unified theory.

Hawking's other major scientific contribution was to cosmology, the study of the universe's origin and evolution. Working with Jim Hartle of the University of California, Santa Barbara, Hawking proposed in 1983 that space and time might have no beginning and no end. "Asking what happens before the Big Bang is like asking for a point one mile north of the North Pole," he said.

In 2004, he announced that he had revised his previous view that objects sucked into black holes simply disappeared, perhaps to enter an alternate universe. Instead, he said he believed objects could be spit out of black holes in a mangled form.

That new theory capped his three-decade struggle to explain a paradox in scientific thinking: How can objects really "disappear" inside a black hole and leave no trace, as he long believed, when subatomic theory says information can be transformed but never fully destroyed?



John Stone, 76 INGLIS

John Alexander Stone, age 76, of Inglis, FL, passed away Friday, March 9, 2018, at Shands at UF, Gainesville. John proudly served his country as a member of the United States Navy. A graveside service with full military honors is scheduled for Friday, April 13, 2018, at 10:00 AM at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL. Following the graveside service, there will be a memorial service at the Inglis Community Center, Inglis, FL. Arrangements are under the direction of the Chas E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL.

Eugene Jenkins, 74 CRYSTAL RIVER

Eugene Jenkins passed away on March 10, 2018. Services will be held on Saturday, March 17, 2018 at 11:00am at the George Washington Carver Community Center, 95 Three Sisters Springs Trail, Crystal River, FL. Interment will be at Crystal Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Arrangements are entrusted to New Serenity Memorial Funeral Home & Cremation Svcs., Inc.



Walter 'Wally' Romanow, 98 HOMOSASSA

Walter F. "Wally" Romanow, 98, of Homosassa, FL, passed away on Tues., March 13, 2018 at HPH Hospice Care Center in Brooksville, FL. A native of Detroit, MI, he was born Dec. 18, 1919 to William and Anna (Czuli) Romanow, one of two children. Wally, as he was known to many, honorably and proudly served his country in the United States Navy from 1944 to 1946 as a Carpenter's Mate Third Class Petty Officer. He served aboard the attack transport vessel USS Ormsby (APA-49) and his duties included the maintenance and repair of the



Walter Romanow

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KEEPING STUDENTS SAFE

No easy fix for school violence

As the immediate shock of mass school shootings like that which occurred at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School begins to wear off, parents, teachers, students, school staff, police and concerned citizens consistently find themselves grappling with very difficult questions.

Why did this happen?

Why wasn't it stopped sooner?

Could it have been prevented?

And perhaps most significantly: What can we do to make sure this never happens again?

The intractability of those questions is evidenced by the fact that, in 2018 — more than five years after Sandy Hook, more than 10 years after Virginia Tech and almost 20 years since Columbine — we're still asking them.

There's a ready answer for people of every political persuasion: Arm the teachers. Ban semiautomatic rifles. Harden the campuses. More student resource officers. Tighter background checks.

Many of the answers are reactionary, rather than preventative. And the agonizing reality is that for all our good intentions and sincerity, many of those solutions are unrealistic or impractical once you just begin to investigate what it would take to implement them, to say nothing of the unforeseen complications.

Arming teachers is fraught with risk, quite possibly presenting more than the danger that solution seeks to avert — to say nothing of the thoughtlessness of turning educators into armed security guards, or the effect it would have on an ailing field already losing professionals to careers which pay better and for which the public still has respect.

Hardening structures and campuses at schools across this district alone would likely cost tens of millions of dollars — in perpetuity. Expand that to the entire state, and you're likely looking at a price tag of billions. In all likelihood, taxpayers are going to balk at that price tag once they realize how many zeroes it really has.

Gun bans are a nonstarter for a significant percentage of the population, to say nothing of the problems authorities would encounter actually trying to recover all the newly prohibited weapons.

In the wake of Parkland, action does seem to be more forthcoming, but even

therein we see our disparate interests being pitted against each other.

Last Friday, Gov. Rick Scott signed into law a bill that raises the minimum age for firearm purchases in Florida from 18 to 21, creates a waiting period for firearm

purchases, bans bump stocks, gives local districts the authority to arm specially trained employees, allocates millions for school hardening, provides schools with additional funds for mental-health services and places restrictions on gun ownership for people deemed mentally incompetent.

The National Rifle Association immediately sued the state over the bill, which it contends violate the Second and 14th Amendments, underscoring the difficulty in finding workable solutions even given universal concern and firm resolve.

Locally, the idea of arming teachers has gained very little traction — the sheriff's office and school district both seem opposed to the part of the bill which allows for local fortification — but even the notion of adding more student resource officers, or SROs, at schools is encountering its share of complications.

Meeting Tuesday, Citrus County School Board members got an estimate for how much it would cost to add five additional SROs to district schools for the remaining three months of the school year: \$165,251, at least under the plan presented. Speaking not long after Parkland, Sheriff Mike Prendergast provided an estimate of how much it would cost to place an additional 10 SROs at district schools for a year: \$1.25 million.

The school board voted to ask the sheriff's office to split the bill, and then raised a very good point when they questioned how justifiable it was to significantly increase the number of SROs and pay for additional supervision costs when they can't afford to fill all the teaching positions in local schools. It goes to priorities: We need to keep students safe, but they're at school first and foremost to learn.

And that goes to a question, as the bodies of school children lost to senseless violence pile up, we're collectively going to have answer: What are our priorities, and what are we willing to sacrifice for them?

Didn't think this one through

Dear Gov. Scott: By signing the bill, you made the gun show and private sales loopholes even bigger.

When a firearm is purchased at the gun store, we do background checks. There are no background checks with the above. This is a problem you need to fix. I was at a flea market this weekend and saw two young men buy a sporting gun with just a driver's license; you have done nothing to stop these types of transactions.

You need to make all gun sales do background checks. By the way, an 18- to 20-year-old can still buy ammo. Not so great of a job thinking this all the way through. Thanks for your time.

Jay Castaline, Wyoming Guns and Hunting Supplies
Homosassa

President Trump's deep state

The definition of deep state is "a body of people, typically influential members of government agencies or military, believed to be involved in the secret manipulation or control of government policy."

Actions which could be considered secret manipulation or control of government policy: Trump fired Assistant Attorney General Nancy Yates after informing him that Michael Flynn could be subject to blackmail by the Russians. FBI Director James Comey was fired for not dropping the case against Michael Flynn. In an interview on national TV, Trump mentioned "that Russia thing" as another reason for the firing. Trump attacked Assistant Director of FBI Andrew McCabe; in private, the president asked who he voted for (secret ballot). When Trump was asked about this, he said he didn't think he asked that. There goes that perfect memory.

Trump ordered White House Counsel Don McGahn to fire Robert Mueller. McGahn refused and threatened to resign; he backed down. At least nine advisors, including family members, have had secret meetings with Russian Ambassador Segey Kislyak and other Russian representatives, including sanctioned oligarchs. They include Donald Trump Jr., Jared Kushner, Attorney General Jeff Sessions, Paul Manafort, Richard Gates, Carter Page, George Papadopoulos, Roger Stone and several others. Jared Kushner attempted to arrange a secret back channel line of communication with Putin through the Russian Embassy so as not to go through regular government channels. Second attempt was made in a meeting in the Seychelles with Erik Prince, George Nader and representatives from Russia and the UAE. Mike Pompeo and Dan Coates secretly met with the heads of the three Russian intelligence agencies, one of whom is sanctioned and required a special waiver to get into the U.S.

Also of note is the fact that many of these meetings have been leaked by the Russians and not Trump or members of his administration. It has also come out that Trump has had eight secret telephone conversations with Vladimir Putin, one in which our so-called president gave him permission to negotiate peace in Syria on behalf of the United States. He is now outsourcing United States diplomatic policy rights to a known hostile foreign power which

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Sharon's 5th Annual Hospice Golf Tournament was held Oct. 21 at Sugarmill Woods in Homosassa. Thanks to many in our community, this was our most successful event so far, resulting in a \$5,000 donation to Hospice of Citrus and the Nature Coast in memory of my brother, Bobby Brown.

Besides cherishing the tremendous support for this effort from family and friends near and far, I am grateful to our many business and community sponsors who partnered with us to remember and honor Bobby by enabling our local Hospice to bring to others the same great care they so lovingly gave to him. So please, everyone join me in thanking these very special people and organizations: M&B Dairy, Brown's Moving & Storage, Domino's of Sugarmill Plaza, Redfish Hunter Charters, Old Homosassa Snorkeling Center, Riverside Resort, Waverly Florist, Rick with Sugarmill Woods Golf Course, Crystal River Eagles, Homosassa Game Fish Club, Capt. Randy Douglas, Catz Dawgs n' Caterin', Chassa-howitzka Charters, Dicks Moving, Eagle Charters, First Christian Church of Chassa-howitzka, Fisher's Lagoon, Homosassa Tanning, Internal Medicine & Pediatrics, Kayak Karavan, Rouse's Lawn Care, Liggett Inc., Nuaviation, Old Mill Tavern, Shadow Side Creative, Sparky's Green Rides, The Dog House, Timberlane Family Dentistry, TLC Physical Therapy, Wee-Learn Preschool Academy, Nortons, Crystal River Beef O'Brady's, Grumpy Gators, Mama Sallys, Homosassa Springs Wildlife Park, Changes Hair Salon, Autozone, Advance Auto, Homosassa Anytime Fitness, Winn Dixie, Trimz Salon, Paint the Town Citrus, Avery's Cheesecake, Homosassa Tire, Apex Salon, Museum Café, Moschellos, Michael Anthony's, Brother's Pizza, Subway of Sugarmill Plaza, Homosassa Wendy's, Brooksville Chili's, Sara's Diner, Papa Johns, Two Guys from Italy, The Freezer, Breakfast Station, Dairy Queen, Hungry Howie's, Crystal River Dunkin Donuts, River Ranch, Kimi with Gator Cove, Nature Coast Hair & Nail, Rural King, Citrus Apparel, Family Headquarters, TG Stylz, Granie's Restaurant, Coors Distributing, The Sweidoskis,

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In addition, there are so many others, too many to name here, who donated prizes, participated in the tournament, worked behind the scenes, and in innumerable ways made this such a fun, exciting, and meaningful experience. All I can say is thank you, and tell you that we are truly blessed to be part of such a generous and caring community. I will see you in October!

Sharon Brown
Homosassa

Give kids a shot at American dream

On March 7, Rep. Jim Banks (R-Ind.) introduced The Education Savings Accounts for Military Families Act of 2018 (H.R. 5199.) H.R. 5199 has 29 original co-sponsors, including our Representative here in the 11th District of Florida, Daniel Webster. I know that all of us who love our military heroes and their families applaud his decision to become one of the original co-sponsors of this bill. I find this a most refreshing and positive move that Rep. Webster has made.

Military ESAs work very similar to health savings accounts. You will find that the funds are directed by the parents — not the government. Most importantly, the money follows the children. What is most important to me is this bill allows military parents to choose where the funds can be used. Parents have the choice to send their children to a public, a charter or a private school. The parents also have the option to homeschooled their children — which should work out well, for most of these families don't have the luxury of remaining settled in the same location for any extended length of time.

The latest number I've seen — and I feel that this number is low — is that 35 percent of military families are dissatisfied with the quality of their children's education. This dissatisfaction is a significant factor in their decision on whether to stay or leave military service. If H.R. 5199 ends up becoming the law of the land, it will make the decision to remain in the service of our country a much easier choice. Another positive is that H.R. 5199 will save millions in military resources.

It doesn't matter which side of the political pendulum you swing from — the left or the right. We all must make sure that this legislation is passed. We must remind ourselves that we have been charged with making sure that these military children receive the best possible education that we have to offer. They must be allowed to have the best shot possible to live the American dream!

Bill Claustre
Inverness



Lots of excuses, no results

Took a drive to Gainesville over the weekend and noticed something interesting. The roadside trash virtually disappeared upon leaving Citrus County. The people who run this county are great at making excuses, but accomplish very little. Why not have those sentenced to community service assigned tasks of

picking up the roadside trash here if we can't afford to do it with county employees? It's time to do something here. This is supposed to be a destination and it is just a pit.

You're only as old as you feel

This is a very short Sound Off. At what age am I considered a senior?

Students nationwide protest gun violence

COLLIN BINKLEY
Associated Press

They bowed their heads in honor of the dead. They carried signs with messages like "Never again" and "Am I next?" They railed against the National Rifle Association and the politicians who support it.

And over and over, they repeated the message: Enough is enough.

In a wave of protests one historian called the largest of its kind in American history, tens of thousands of students walked out of their classrooms Wednesday to demand action on gun violence and school safety.

The demonstrations extended from Maine to Hawaii as students joined the youth-led surge of activism set off by the Feb. 14 massacre at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida.

"We're sick of it," said Maxwell Nardi, a senior at Douglas S. Freeman High School in Henrico, Virginia, just outside Richmond. "We're going to keep fighting, and we're not going to stop until Congress finally makes resolute changes."

Students around the nation left class at 10 a.m. local time for at least 17 minutes — one minute for each of the dead in the Florida shooting. Some led marches or rallied on football fields, while others gathered in school gyms or took a knee in the hallway.

At some schools, hundreds of students poured out. At others, just one or two walked out in defiance of administrators.

They lamented that too many young people have died and that they're tired of going to school afraid they will be killed.

"Enough is enough. People are done with being shot," said Iris Foss-Ober, 18, a senior at Washburn High School in Minneapolis.

Some issued specific demands for lawmakers, including mandatory background checks for all gun sales and a ban on assault weapons like the one used in the Florida bloodbath.

While administrators and teachers at some schools applauded



Several hundred Edmond Santa Fe High School students chose to participate in a symbolic 17-minute walkout from their classes Wednesday.

JIM BECKEL/The Oklahoman



Students lie in the grass outside Congressman Rick Allen's office to protest gun violence Wednesday afternoon in Augusta, Ga.

MICHAEL HOLAHAN/The Augusta Chronicle

students for taking a stand — and some joined them — others threatened punishment for missing class.

As the demonstrations unfolded, the NRA responded by posting a photo on Twitter of a black rifle emblazoned with an American flag. The caption: "I'll control my own guns, thank you."

The protests took place at schools from the elementary level through college, including some that have witnessed their own mass shootings: About 300

students gathered on a soccer field at Colorado's Columbine High, while students who survived the Sandy Hook Elementary School attack in 2012 marched out of Newtown High School in Connecticut.

In the nation's capital, more than 2,000 high-school age protesters observed 17 minutes of silence while sitting on the ground with their backs turned to the White House. President Donald Trump was out of town.

The students carried signs with messages such as "Our Blood/Your Hands" and "Never Again" and chanted slogans against the NRA.

In New York City, they chanted, "Enough is enough!" In Salt Lake City, the signs read, "Protect kids not guns," "Fear has no place in school" and "Am I next?"

At Eagle Rock High in Los Angeles, teenagers took a moment of silence as they gathered around a circle of 17 chairs labeled

with the names of the Florida victims.

Stoneman Douglas High senior David Hogg, who has emerged as one of the leading student activists, livestreamed the walkout at the tragedy-stricken school on his YouTube channel. He said students couldn't be expected to stay in class while there was work to do to prevent gun violence.

"Every one of these individuals could have died that day. I could have died that day," he said.

In joining the protests, the students followed the example set by many of the survivors of the Florida shooting, who have become gun-control activists, leading rallies, lobbying legislators and giving TV interviews. Their efforts helped spur passage last

week of a Florida law curbing access to assault rifles by young people.

Another protest against gun violence is scheduled in Washington on March 24, with organizers saying it is expected to draw hundreds of thousands.

But whether the students can make a difference on Capitol Hill remains to be seen.

Congress has shown little inclination to defy the powerful NRA and tighten gun laws, and Trump backed away from his initial support for raising the minimum age for buying an assault rifle to 21.

A spokeswoman for Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, newly appointed head of a federal panel on school safety, said DeVos "gives a lot credit to the students who are raising their voices and demanding change," and "their input will be valuable."

David Farber, a history professor at the University of Kansas who has studied social change movements, said it is too soon to know what effect the protests will have. But he said Wednesday's walkouts were without a doubt the largest protest led by high school students in the history of the U.S.

"Young people are that social media generation, and it's easy to mobilize them in a way that it probably hadn't been even 10 years ago," Farber said.

Wednesday's coordinated protests were organized by Empower, the youth wing of the Women's March, which brought thousands to Washington last year.

The walkouts drew support from companies such as media conglomerate Viacom, which paused programming on MTV, BET, Nickelodeon and its other networks for 17 minutes during the walkouts.

WALKOUT

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Clausen-Alcock said. "I told her that that was not going to happen. Everybody and their brother has been aware of the planned walkouts for over a month. ... They decided to be reactive instead of proactive."

Superintendent of Schools Sandra "Sam" Himmel said walkouts are not permitted by school board policy.

"They were just writing them up according to school board policy, but we didn't want any kids suspended if they wanted to participate in the walkout," Himmel said Wednesday afternoon.

Clausen-Alcock also felt that students should have been permitted

to participate to encourage civic engagement.

"To me, their actions basically did not promote our kids to say 'stand up for what's right,'" she said, referring to CHS administrators. "My parents and I are from a generation where you stand up for what's right, even if it doesn't affect you, because you know it's right. To me, what they did today was suppress that."

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Wake-up call for GOP

After Pennsylvania result, almost no one safe

LISA MASCARO
 AP congressional correspondent

WASHINGTON — The message to Republicans from the Pennsylvania special election was simple: Almost no one is safe.

Rattled Republicans were hit with a day-after reality check Wednesday after the startlingly strong performance of a fresh-faced Democrat deep in Trump country.

House Speaker Paul Ryan privately warned his ranks that the election, still officially undecided, should serve as a “wake-up call” as the party tries to defend its majorities in Congress this fall. Democrats boasted optimistically of an impending wave, and produced a new list of races that suddenly seemed within reach.

Even as ballot counting dragged on with several hundred votes separating Democrat Conor Lamb from Republican Rick Saccone, it was clear the single, short-term contest in western Pennsylvania had sounded the started gun for the battle for control of the House.

Republicans looking for lessons found several. Candidates matter. Campaigns, too. And fundraising. President Donald Trump can’t save them, it seems, not even in a coal-and-steel region he carried by nearly 20 percentage points just 16 months ago.

Trump won more than 100 districts nationwide by narrower margins than that, arguably making them comparably competitive now. Democrats produced an updated watch-list Wednesday of GOP representatives they suggested might want to think about retirement.

In Pennsylvania, the tally of absentee



Conor Lamb, the Democratic candidate for the March 13 special election in Pennsylvania's 18th Congressional District, center, celebrates with his supporters at his election night party in Canonsburg, Pa., early Wednesday.

ballots ate into Lamb's lead slightly, though analysts doubt Saccone will make up the deficit. Officials have seven days to count provisional ballots, and either side can ask for a recount. The Associated Press has not declared a winner.

“Obviously, this is a very tough environment for Republicans,” said Courtney Alexander, a spokeswoman for the Ryan-aligned Congressional Leadership Fund, which supports GOP candidates for the House. “Now more than ever, candidates and campaigns matter.”

Publicly, Republican officials sought to downplay the outcome as a one-off that won't be replicated as they protect their majority nationwide this fall, especially if voters start

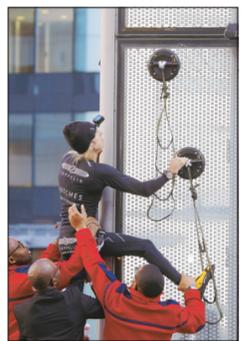
to see benefits from the GOP tax bill in paychecks.

They portrayed Lamb, the 33-year-old former prosecutor, as a unicorn-like figure in the Democratic Party whose centrist views — support of gun owner rights, personal opposition to abortion and refusal to back Nancy Pelosi as House floor leader — would not be replicated in other races.

With so many Democrats revved up to run in so many House districts across the country, both sides are expecting a brutal primary season. Republicans are counting on that ending up in their favor, with Democrats nominating more-liberal candidates who won't survive general elections against GOP rivals.

Nation & World BRIEFS

Spider-Man



French urban climber Alain Robert, also known as “French Spider-Man,” is grabbed Wednesday by security guards to prevent him from climbing a building in Paris.

Trump picks Kudlow as top economic aide

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump has chosen Larry Kudlow to be his top economic aide, elevating the influence of a longtime fixture on the CNBC business news network who previously served in the Reagan administration and has emerged as a leading evangelist for tax cuts and a smaller government.

Kudlow told The Associated Press on Wednesday that he has accepted the offer, saying the U.S. economy is poised to take off after Trump signed \$1.5 trillion worth of tax cuts into law.

Two experienced climbers believed dead in Alaska

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Two experienced mountain climbers trying to tackle a new route in Alaska were presumed dead after climbing ropes that matched their gear were found in a crevasse, authorities said Wednesday.

George “Ryan” Johnson, 34, of Juneau, and Marc-Andre Leclerc, 25, of Squamish, British Columbia, were reported missing after they failed to return from a climb March 7 on a seven-peaked mountain not far from Alaska's capital city.

Rescuers had to wait until Tuesday for the weather to clear to fly to Mendenhall Towers.

Dog death on United raises questions

United Airlines said the flight attendant who ordered a passenger to put her pet carrier in the overhead bin didn't know there was a puppy inside.

The airline's account is being contradicted by the family that owned the French bulldog, and also by other passengers on Monday night's flight.

United said Wednesday that the customer did mention the dog, but the flight attendant didn't hear or understand her.

China tells of crackdown on transplants

ROME — Chinese health authorities have told a Vatican trafficking conference that Beijing's efforts to crack down on illegal “underground” organ transplants have resulted in 220 arrests and 100 victims being rescued over the past 10 years.

Dr. Haibo Wang, deputy chief of China's organ donation and transplant foundation, provided the data as part of China's years-long effort to convince the international medical community that it no longer harvests organs from executed prisoners.

—From wire reports

House backs school safety bill

Response to Florida school shooting

MATTHEW DALY AND KEVIN FREKING
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House overwhelmingly approved a bill to improve school safety Wednesday, the first gun-related action by Congress since the shooting that left 17 dead at a Florida high school.

The bill authorizes \$500 million over 10 years for grants to improve training and coordination between schools and local law enforcement and help identify signs of potential violence before they occur.

Lawmakers approved the bill, 407-10. It now goes to the Senate, where a similar measure is being considered.

House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., said the bill “provides a multi-layered approach” to identify threats so authorities can stop violence before it occurs.

“Tragic violence has no place in our schools. Every American believes that,” Ryan said. “This legislation will actually take concrete action to prevent that.”

The vote came as the FBI announced it is doubling the number of supervisors assigned to review tips received from the public about possible threats of mass shootings or other violence.

Deputy FBI Director David Bowdich told a Senate committee that the agency “could have and should have done more” to investigate information it received prior to the Feb. 14 massacre at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida.

The FBI received at least two credible tips that the suspect in the Florida school shooting had a “desire to kill” and access to guns and could be plotting an attack, but agents failed to investigate.

“While we will never know if any such investigative activity would have prevented this tragedy, we clearly should have done more,” Bowdich told the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Some Democratic lawmakers sought to expand the focus to include gun control. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., said more and more families are being victimized by mass shootings since a ban on certain



Rep. John Rutherford, R-Fla., talks Wednesday at the Capitol in Washington about his bill, the “STOP School Violence Act of 2018,” which the House overwhelmingly approved to improve school safety, the first gun-related action by Congress since the shooting that left 17 dead at a Florida high school.

semi-automatic weapons she authored expired in 2004.

“This Congress cannot continue to do nothing, because nothing means more lives are lost, including the youngest and the most vulnerable among us,” said Feinstein, the senior Democrat on the Judiciary panel. “High school students are literally begging us to take action to get these guns off the streets and out of

our schools.”

President Donald Trump cheered the House vote, tweeting that lawmakers “took major steps toward securing our schools by passing the STOP School Violence Act. We must put the safety of America's children FIRST by improving training and by giving schools and law enforcement better tools. A tragedy like Parkland can't happen ever again!”

Britain boots 23 Russian diplomats over poisoning

JILL LAWLESS AND DANICA KIRKA
 Associated Press

LONDON — Relations between Britain and Russia plunged Wednesday to a chilly level not seen since the Cold War as Prime Minister Theresa May expelled 23 diplomats, severed high-level contacts and vowed both open and covert action against Kremlin meddling

after the poisoning of a former spy.

Russia said it would respond soon to what it called Britain's “crude” and “hostile” actions.

While May pledged to disrupt Russian espionage and “hostile state activity,” she gave few details about how hard Britain would hit Russian politicians and oligarchs where it really hurts — in their wallets.

“Expelling diplomats is a kind of a standard response,” said

Natasha Kuhrt, a Russia expert at King's College London. “I'm not sure it's going to make Moscow stand up and think.”

May told the House of Commons that 23 Russian diplomats who have been identified as undeclared intelligence officers have a week to leave Britain.

“This will be the single biggest expulsion for over 30 years,” May said, adding that it would “fundamentally degrade Russian intelligence capability in the U.K. for

years to come.”

May spoke after Moscow ignored a midnight deadline to explain how the nerve agent Novichok, developed by the Soviet Union, was used against Sergei Skripal, an ex-Russian agent convicted of spying for Britain, and his daughter Yulia. They remain in critical condition in a hospital in Salisbury, southwestern England, after being found unconscious March 4.

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Seasons Tubby Smith was head men's basketball coach at Memphis. He was fired on Wednesday after a 21-13 season.



Tubby Smith

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The best of the NCAA Tournament

March Madness gets in full swing today

JOHN MARSHALL
AP basketball writer

March seemed to start early this season. Upsets seemingly every week, buzzer beaters, eye-popping performances.

Now that March is actually here, the real madness about to begin.

This year's NCAA Tournament could be one of the wildest yet — and that's saying something after the past few years of bracket chaos.

To get you ready, we've got a rundown of the top teams, players, games and potential upsets.

Strap in to your favorite chair and let the madness begin.

TOP TEAMS

Virginia. The old cliché of defense wins championships could come true this year. The lockdown Cavaliers are that good on D.

Villanova. Forget about some of the recent early NCAA exits. Jay Wright and the Wildcats have that

national-title look again.

Xavier. The Musketeers are dynamic and have one of the best players in the country in Trevon Bluiett.

Kansas. A record 14th straight Big 12 title, a tournament championship to go with it and Devonte Graham. Don't bet against Bill Self and the Jayhawks.

North Carolina. The defending national champions are poised for another deep run.

TOP PLAYERS

Trae Young, Oklahoma. The Sooners may have struggled down the stretch, but Young is the type of player capable of a Steph Curry-like run.

Deandre Ayton, Arizona. The Bahamian big man has been called a unicorn and a cyborg. He may be the most physically dominating player in the field.

Marvin Bagley III, Duke. So long, so athletic, so good.

Trevon Bluiett, Xavier. A quiet star who does nothing but make big plays and win games.

Jalen Brunson, Villanova. The Bluiett description fits the Wildcats' guard as well.



Associated Press

Virginia head coach Tony Bennett holds up the net Saturday after defeating North Carolina in the championship game of the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament in New York. The top-ranked Cavaliers will be looking to cut down the nets in San Antonio in April.

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Kristen Hall making her mark in the rugby world



Special to the Chronicle

Kristen Hall was recently chosen as a member of the USA-South Women's Rugby Team after tryouts in Orlando in January. Her team, the USA Rugby South Panthers, won their first tournament in Savannah, Ga., this past weekend. She will be competing in one more tournament in Atlanta next month to determine who will be chosen to compete in Mexico City this summer. This past year she also competed on two other international teams with tournaments in Amsterdam and Dubai. Hall is a 2009 graduate of Crystal River High School and was the Citrus County Chronicle's Athlete of the Year that year. She is currently the head coach of the University of Florida's women's rugby team and finishing up her Masters at UF.

Promises turn into paydays

NFL business year begins

BARRY WILNER
AP pro football writer

All those promises worth millions upon millions to free agents turned into paydays Wednesday when the NFL's business year began.

Of course, teams needed to clear salary cap space or rejigger their ledgers to make it work, and they'll still be doing so for months.

While the likes of Drew Brees, Malcolm Butler and Andrew Norwell cashed in big-time, having reached agreements in the past two days before everything became official, some value entered the marketplace.

Arizona released safety Tyrann Mathieu when it couldn't rework his deal. On Tuesday, the Cardinals let running back Adrian Peterson go.

Baltimore cut receiver Jeremy Maclin. Detroit said goodbye to tight end Eric Ebron. Pittsburgh tore up a secondary that often was torn up by opposing quarterbacks, releasing Mike Mitchell, Robert Golden and William Gay.

But Carolina had more success with a veteran, completing a one-year deal with defensive end Julius Peppers.

The 38-year-old Peppers, who contemplated retirement after 17 pro seasons, remains with the Panthers for \$5 million, with \$2.5 million guaranteed, a person familiar with the situation said. The person spoke to The Associated Press on Wednesday on condition of anonymity because the team does not release financial terms of contracts.

Cleveland, meanwhile, did nothing more than listen to one of its greatest players, tackle Joe Thomas, announce his retirement. The Browns save his \$10.3 million salary for 2018 and a \$3 million bonus but lose their best player and leader in the expansion era (1999-present), a 10-time Pro Bowler.

"This was an extremely difficult decision, but the right one for me and my family," Thomas said.

CARDINALS

Mathieu was due for \$18.75 million of his contract to be guaranteed when the league

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Simmons, Augustin power Magic over Bucks

Orlando snaps five-game skid

Associated Press

ORLANDO — A little redemption for the Orlando Magic was a big blow to the Milwaukee Bucks.

Jonathon Simmons scored a career-high 35 points, D.J. Augustin added 32 and the Magic bounced back from an embarrassing defeat to beat the Bucks 126-117 on Wednesday night.

Nikola Vucevic had 22 points, nine rebounds and nine assists for the Magic, who were routed 108-72 Tuesday night in San Antonio, their fifth straight loss.

"We were able to bounce back with some enthusiasm," Simmons said.

Giannis Antetokounmpo scored 38 points for Milwaukee, which has lost seven of 10 while battling for playoff positioning.

Coach Joe Prunty, who described the Bucks' effort as "horrible," didn't see much energy from his team on the defensive side of the floor.

"You don't have to look too far to see that they had three guys dominate the game for them offensively,"

Prunty said. "They hit every shot in our face. You can't give guys their shot. You have to get out, contest it, make them work to get their shots."

Simmons was 7 of 12 from 3-point range, Augustin hit 6 of 9, and the Magic set a franchise record at home with 18 3s in 34 attempts.

"(Tuesday night) was a tough game for us, but it happens to the best of us," Augustin said. "We put it behind us, went out there and shared the ball, helped each other out on defense and played with a lot more energy."

Augustin and Simmons combined for 20 points as the Magic closed out the first quarter on a 27-7 run to take a 16-point lead.

Milwaukee (36-32) erased most of it quickly in the second quarter, but did not regain the lead until Eric Bledsoe converted a turnover into a layup with 4:50 left in the third quarter.

Orlando (21-48) scored the final 14 points of that period to take 91-80 lead into the fourth.

The Bucks never got within five in the fourth quarter.

"I think we've done a pretty good job of winning games we're supposed to win this year," Bucks center John Henson said. "But we needed this win tonight for the playoff race, and didn't get it."



Orlando's Rodney Purvis, left, knocks the ball out of the hands of Milwaukee's Shabazz Muhammad during the first half Wednesday in Orlando. The Magic defeated the Bucks 126-117.

Greinke's start cut short because of groin



Chicago White Sox catcher Omar Narvaez waits Wednesday to tag out Milwaukee's Travis Shaw at the plate during the first inning of a spring training baseball game in Phoenix.

Rays starter Yonny Chirinos strikes out six in three innings against Pirates

Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Arizona ace Zack Greinke's start against Cincinnati was cut short Wednesday after one inning because of right groin tightness.

Greinke had been scheduled to throw five innings. The 2009 AL Cy Young Award winner retired Ben Revere on a groundout, allowed Jesse Winkler's single, then struck out Joey Votto and Scooter Gennett.

Albert Suarez relieved to start the second.

Greinke was making his just second big league exhibition appearance this year. The 34-year-old right-hander pitched 1 2/3 innings against Milwaukee on Feb. 25, then made a pair of appearances in "B" games.

GRAPEFRUIT LEAGUE RAYS 9, PIRATES 3

Rays starter Yonny Chirinos struck out six over three innings, allowing one run and three hits. Micah Johnson homered, stole a base and scored twice. Ivan Nova gave up three runs and six hits in five innings.

RED SOX 2, TWINS 1

Chris Sale pitched five shutout innings of two-hit ball and struck out seven, lowering his ERA to 1.00. Mitch Moreland homered in the third off Tyler Duffey, who

gave up two runs — one earned — and four hits in three innings. Mookie Betts, batting .130, singled and drove in a run. Miguel Sano doubled.

CARDINALS 3, ASTROS 1

Adam Wainwright allowed one run and four hits in five innings to outpitch Houston's Justin Verlander, who gave up three runs and eight hits in five innings. A day after his spring training debut, Matt Carpenter hit a two-run homer off Verlander. Carpenter had been sidelined by a back strain. Max Stassi doubled for the only extra-base hit off Wainwright.

MARLINS 5, METS 1

Dan Straily allowed four hits in five scoreless innings. Christian Adames tripled and raised his batting average to .318. Miguel Rojas, Adames' competition at shortstop, had two hits and his batting .226. Mets starter Steven Matz allowed two runs, three hits and three walks in 4 1/3 innings. Adrian Gonzalez had two hits.

ORIOLES 7, YANKEES 4

Adam Jones and Jonathan Schoop off Chance Adams, who gave up five runs and seven hits in 1 2/3 innings. Baltimore's Miguel Castro allowed four runs, four hits and three walks in 3 2/3 innings. Colby Rasmus

doubled twice. Wade LeBlanc allowed one run and two hits in 1 1/3 innings for New York, and Erik Kratz homered.

BRAVES 5, PHILLIES 3

Atlanta's Julio Teheran allowed two runs and six hits, including Jorge Alfaro's homer, in six innings. Phillies starter Ben Lively gave up three runs and four hits in five innings. Preston Tucker doubled and hit his first home run. Fernando Abad got just one out, allowing two runs and two hits. He has a 135.00 ERA.

CACTUS LEAGUE ROYALS 7, CUBS 6

Ian Kennedy allowed just one run and two hits, with two walks and three strikeouts, in the start for the Royals. However, Wily Peralta walked two and gave up four runs on four hits in just an inning of relief. Frank Schwindel doubled and hit a home run to drive in three runs.

Alec Mills worked two, one-hit innings in the start for the Cubs. Anthony Rizzo singled and drove in three runs and Jacob Hannemann had two hits and scored three runs.

BREWERS 11, WHITE SOX 3

Jhoulys Chacin did not give up an earned run over his

4 2/3 innings as the Brewers starter, lowering his spring ERA to 0.87. Ryan Braun homered off White Sox starter Carson Fulmer in each of the first two innings and Travis Shaw also went deep in the second as the Brewers finished with five home runs.

Fulmer lasted just 1 2/3 innings, allowing seven runs and five hits with three walks. Matt Skole had the White Sox's only extra-base hit, a double off Yovani Gallardo.

INDIANS 7, ANGELS 0

Corey Kluber, the 2017 Cy Young Award winner, had a one-hitter through five innings and the Indians used five pitchers to shut out the Angels. Brandon Barnes hit his second home run. The Angels' Matt Shoemaker gave up just two hits in five innings, and the one run he surrendered came on a home run by Tyler Naquin. Cam Bedrosian, son of former major league closer Steve Bedrosian, walked two and struck out a pair in an inning of relief. Eric Young Jr. doubled.

DIAMONDBACKS 7, REDS 3

Arizona managed just one extra-base hit, a double by David Peralta. Robert Stephenson lasted two innings in the start for the Reds, giving up three runs on five hits. Scott Schebler and Tucker Barnhart both homered.

MBB BRIEFS

NCAA First Four Texas So. 64, N.C. Central 46

DAYTON, Ohio — Texas Southern got its first ever NCAA Tournament win, a 64-46 rout of North Carolina Central in a First Four game.

Damontrae Jefferson, a 5-foot-7 guard, scored 25 points and grabbed eight rebounds to lift No. 16 seed Texas Southern (16-19), which became the first team with a losing record to win a tournament game. The Tigers started the season 0-13 against a rough schedule and didn't win a game until Jan. 1. Now they move on face No. 1 seed Xavier on Friday.

A historically black college in Houston, Texas Southern slipped into the First Four by getting hot and winning the Southwest Athletic College Tournament. The Tigers then were paired with Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Tournament winner N.C. Central, another historically black school that was making its second straight appearance in Dayton for a play-in game with a completely new starting lineup.

N.C. Central (19-16) was led by Raasean Davis with 19 points, part of a starting five that included a pair of true freshmen guards and a walk-on.

Texas Southern led by 10 at the half on Jefferson's 17 points. The sophomore tied the score at 10 with a jumper, then fed an alley-oop pass to Trayvon Reed for a monster dunk and followed with a layup to cap an 8-0 run.

Matta withdraws from Georgia coach search

ATHENS, Ga. — Former Ohio State coach Thad Matta has withdrawn from the Georgia coach search after becoming the first known candidate to interview for the job.

Matta told ESPN "I just don't feel that I am completely ready at this point" to take the job.

Georgia fired Mark Fox on Saturday, and Matta was in Athens only two days later.

Lingering back problems were an issue in Matta's 13 years at Ohio State. His \$9 million buyout includes a stipulation he must make "reasonable and diligent efforts" to find another coaching job. He also reportedly interviewed at Mississippi.

Georgia athletic director Greg McGarity did not respond to an interview request from The Associated Press on Wednesday.

Former Indiana coach Tom Crean could be another name high on McGarity's list.

— From wire reports

BASKETBALL
NCAA Tournament

FIRST FOUR
At UD Arena
Dayton, Ohio
Tuesday, March 13
Radford 71, LIU Brooklyn 61
St. Bonaventure 65, UCLA 58

Wednesday, March 14
Texas Southern 64, N.C. Central 46
Syracuse 60, Arizona State 56

EAST REGIONAL
First Round
Today
At PPG Paints Arena
Pittsburgh

Villanova (30-4) vs. Radford (23-12), 6:50 p.m.
Virginia Tech (21-11) vs. Alabama (19-15), 9:20 p.m.

At American Airlines Center
Dallas

Texas Tech (24-9) vs. Stephen F. Austin (28-6), 7:27 p.m.
Florida (20-12) vs. St. Bonaventure (26-7), 9:57 p.m.

SOUTH REGIONAL
First Round
Today
At American Airlines Center
Dallas

Tennessee (25-8) vs. Wright State (25-9), 12:40 p.m.
Miami (22-9) vs. Loyola of Chicago (28-5), 3:10 p.m.

At Taco Bell Arena
Boise, Idaho

Kentucky (24-10) vs. Davidson (21-11), 7:10 p.m.
Arizona (27-7) vs. Buffalo (26-8), 9:40 p.m.

MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round
Today
At PPG Paints Arena
Pittsburgh

Rhode Island (25-7) vs. Oklahoma (18-13), 12:15 p.m.
Duke (26-7) vs. Iona (20-13), 2:45 p.m.

At INTRUST Bank Arena
Wichita, Kan.

Kansas (27-7) vs. Pennsylvania (24-8), 2 p.m.
Seton Hall (21-11) vs. N.C. State (21-11), 4:30 p.m.

WEST REGIONAL
First Round
Today
At INTRUST Bank Arena
Wichita, Kan.

Houston (26-7) vs. San Diego State (22-10), 7:20 p.m.
Michigan (28-7) vs. Montana (26-7), 9:50 p.m.

At Taco Bell Arena
Boise, Idaho

Gonzaga (30-4) vs. UNC Greensboro (27-7), 1:30 p.m.
Ohio State (24-8) vs. South Dakota State (28-6), 4 p.m.

NBA standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Toronto	50	17	.746	—
x-Boston	46	21	.687	4
Philadelphia	36	30	.545	13½
New York	24	44	.353	26½
Brooklyn	21	47	.309	29½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	38	30	.559	—
Miami	36	32	.529	2
Charlotte	29	39	.426	9
Orlando	21	48	.304	17½
Atlanta	20	48	.294	18

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	40	28	.588	—
Cleveland	39	28	.582	½
Milwaukee	36	32	.529	4
Detroit	30	37	.448	9½
Chicago	23	44	.343	16½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Houston	53	14	.791	—
New Orleans	39	28	.582	14
San Antonio	38	30	.559	15½
Dallas	22	46	.324	31½
Memphis	18	49	.269	35

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	41	26	.612	—
Oklahoma City	41	29	.586	1½
Minnesota	40	29	.580	2
Utah	38	30	.559	3½
Denver	37	31	.544	4½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Golden State	51	16	.761	—
L.A. Clippers	37	29	.561	13½
L.A. Lakers	31	36	.463	20
Sacramento	21	47	.309	30½
Phoenix	19	50	.275	33

x-clinched playoff spot

Wednesday's Games

Orlando 126, Milwaukee 117
Washington at Boston, late
Miami at Sacramento, late
L.A. Lakers at Golden State, late

Today's Games

Toronto at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Memphis, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Houston, 8 p.m.
New Orleans at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Denver, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at Utah, 9 p.m.
Cleveland at Portland, 10 p.m.

BASEBALL

MLB spring training

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Houston	13	6	0.684
Cleveland	12	7	0.632
New York	11	7	0.611
Baltimore	12	8	0.600
Oakland	9	7	0.563
Boston	10	8	0.556
Minnesota	9	8	0.529
Chicago	9	9	0.500
Kansas City	9	10	0.474
Toronto	9	10	0.474
Tampa Bay	8	10	0.444
Los Angeles	9	12	0.429
Detroit	7	10	0.412
Seattle	6	12	0.333
Texas	6	12	0.333

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Milwaukee	13	6	0.684
Chicago	12	6	0.667
Miami	11	6	0.647
San Francisco	10	8	0.556
Los Angeles	10	8	0.556
St. Louis	9	8	0.529
San Diego	9	8	0.529
Washington	9	8	0.529
Arizona	10	9	0.526
Atlanta	9	10	0.474
Colorado	8	10	0.444
Philadelphia	8	12	0.400
Pittsburgh	6	11	0.353
Cincinnati	6	14	0.300
New York	5	14	0.263

Wednesday's Games

Boston 2, Minnesota 1
Miami 5, N.Y. Mets 1
Baltimore 7, N.Y. Yankees 4
Atlanta 5, Philadelphia 3
St. Louis 3, Houston 1
Tampa Bay 9, Pittsburgh 3
Kansas City 7, Chicago Cubs 6
Milwaukee 11, Chicago White Sox 3
Cleveland 7, L.A. Angels 0
Arizona 7, Cincinnati 3
San Francisco vs. Seattle, late

Florida **LOTTERY**

Here are the winning numbers selected Wednesday in the Florida Lottery:

PICK 2 (early)
4 - 6

PICK 2 (late)
5 - 6

PICK 3 (early)
4 - 4 - 7

PICK 3 (late)
4 - 1 - 7

PICK 4 (early)
8 - 6 - 1 - 5

PICK 4 (late)
9 - 0 - 2 - 0

PICK 5 (early)
4 - 6 - 5 - 0 - 8

PICK 5 (late)
0 - 0 - 2 - 3 - 0

FANTASY 5
10 - 21 - 25 - 28 - 32

LOTTO
11 - 16 - 21 - 27 - 30 - 31

XTRA
5

POWERBALL
6 - 12 - 24 - 41 - 68

POWER BALL
9

Tuesday's winning numbers and payouts:

Lucky Money: 14 - 19 - 28 - 29
Lucky Ball: 5

4-of-4 LB 1 winner \$1.4 million
4-of-4 5 winners \$1,199.50
3-of-4 LB 50 \$263
3-of-4 787 \$49
2-of-4 LB 1,473 \$18.50
1-of-4 LB 12,647 \$2.50
2-of-4 23,031 \$2

Mega Millions: 6 - 30 - 58 - 60 - 61
Mega Ball: 17

5-of-5 MB No winner
5-of-5 No winner
4-of-5 MB 2 winners \$10,000
4-of-5 30 winners \$500
3-of-5 MB 78 \$200
3-of-5 1,891 \$10
2-of-5 MB 1,621 \$10

Fantasy 5: 17 - 20 - 32 - 35 - 36
5-of-5 1 winner \$203,862.51
4-of-5 264 \$124.50
3-of-5 8,389 \$10.50

Players should verify winning numbers by calling 850-487-7777 or at www.flalottery.com.

On the **AIRWAVES**

TODAY'S SPORTS

SPRING TRAINING BASEBALL

1 p.m. (MLB) Miami Marlins at New York Mets
4 p.m. (MLB) Kansas City Royals at Los Angeles Dodgers
8 p.m. (MLB) Toronto Blue Jays at Boston Red Sox (Same-day Tape)
10 p.m. (MLB) Seattle Mariners at Oakland Athletics
2 a.m. (MLB) Chicago White Sox at Los Angeles Angels (Taped)

MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

12 p.m. (CBS) Oklahoma vs Rhode Island
12:30 p.m. (TRUTV) Wright State vs Tennessee
1:20 p.m. (TNT) UNC-Greensboro vs Gonzaga
1:50 p.m. (TBS) Pennsylvania vs Kansas
2:30 p.m. (CBS) Iona vs Duke
3 p.m. (TRUTV) Loyola-Chicago vs Miami
3:50 p.m. (TNT) South Dakota State vs Ohio State
4:20 p.m. (TBS) North Carolina State vs Seton Hall
6:45 p.m. (TNT) Radford vs Villanova
7 p.m. (CBS) Davidson vs Kentucky
7:15 p.m. (TBS) San Diego State vs Houston
7:15 p.m. (TRUTV) Stephen F. Austin State vs Texas Tech
9:15 p.m. (TNT) Alabama vs Virginia Tech
9:30 p.m. (CBS) Buffalo vs Arizona
9:45 p.m. (TBS) Montana vs Michigan
9:55 p.m. (TRUTV) St. Bonaventure vs Florida

NBA

8 p.m. (NBA) Los Angeles Clippers at Houston Rockets

GOLF

2 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round
6 p.m. (GOLF) LPGA Tour Bank of Hope Founders Cup, First Round

NHL

7:30 p.m. (FSNFL) Boston Bruins at Florida Panthers
7:30 p.m. (NBCSPT) Pittsburgh Penguins at Montreal Canadiens
10 p.m. (NBCSPT) Detroit Red Wings at Los Angeles Kings

2018 WINTER PAPALYMPICS

1 a.m. (NBCSPT) Snowboarding, Biathlon

UEFA EUROPA LEAGUE SOCCER

2 p.m. (FS1) FC Zenit St. Petersburg vs RB Leipzig. Round of 16, 2nd Leg
4 p.m. (FS1) Arsenal FC vs AC Milan. Round of 16, 2nd Leg

TENNIS

2 p.m. (ESPN2) ATP BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals
6 p.m. (TENNIS) ATP BNP Paribas Open: ATP Quarterfinal 1 or WTA Quarterfinal 3 (Taped)
8 p.m. (ESPN2) ATP BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals

12 a.m. (TENNIS) ATP BNP Paribas Open: Doubles Semifinal
1:30 a.m. (TENNIS) ATP BNP Paribas Open: ATP Quarterfinals 1 & 2, WTA Quarterfinals 3 & 4 (Taped)

COLLEGE WRESTLING

12 p.m. (ESPN) NCAA Tournament, First Round
7 p.m. (ESPN) NCAA Tournament, Second Round

Prep **CALENDAR**

TODAY'S PREP SPORTS

SOFTBALL

5 p.m. St. Francis at Seven Rivers
7 p.m. Chiefland at Crystal River

FLAG FOOTBALL

6:15 p.m. Crystal River at Citrus

Colorado vs. L.A. Dodgers, late	Pittsburgh	71	40	26	5	85	232	215
Today's Games	Philadelphia	70	35	24	11	81	205	205
Baltimore vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, 1:05 p.m.	Columbus	70	37	28	5	79	193	195
Detroit vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, 1:05 p.m.	New Jersey	69	35	26	8	78	204	208
Houston vs. Washington at West Palm Beach, 1:05 p.m.	Carolina	70	30	29	11	71	188	218
Minnesota vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, 1:05 p.m.	N.Y. Rangers	71	32	32	7	71	205	227
Pittsburgh vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, 1:05 p.m.	N.Y. Islanders	69	30	29	10	70	222	245
Toronto vs. Boston at Fort Myers, 1:05 p.m.	WESTERN CONFERENCE							
Miami vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, 1:10 p.m.	Central Division							
Arizona vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Cincinnati vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.	Nashville	69	45	14	10	100	225	174
Kansas City vs. L.A. Dodgers at Glendale, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.	San Jose	70	41	19	10	92	230	185
L.A. Angels (ss) vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.	Minnesota	70	39	24	7	85	217	203
Chicago White Sox vs. L.A. Angels (ss) at Tempe, Ariz., 9:10 p.m.	Dallas	71	38	26	7	83	205	190
San Francisco vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz., 9:40 p.m.	Colorado	69	37	24	8	82	220	203
Seattle vs. Oakland at Mesa, Ariz., 10:05 p.m.	St. Louis	69	37	27	5	79	191	182
	Chicago	70	30	32	8	68	199	207
	Pacific Division							
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
	Vegas	69	45	19	5	95	235	187
	San Jose	69	37	23	9	83	203	189
	Los Angeles	70	38	26	6	82	203	177
	Anaheim	70	34	24	12	80	195	193
	Calgary	71	35	26	10	80	198	206
	Edmonton	69	30	35	4	64	193	222
	Vancouver	70	25	36	9	59	183	228
	Arizona	69	23	35	11	57	167	222
	Wednesday's Games							
	Toronto 6, Dallas 5, SO							
	N.Y. Rangers 4, Pittsburgh 3, OT							
	San Jose at Edmonton, late							
	New Jersey at Vegas, late							
	Vancouver at Anaheim, late							
	Today's Games							
	Washington at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.							
	Columbus at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.							
	Toronto at Buffalo, 7 p.m.							
	Pittsburgh at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.							
	Boston at Florida, 7:30 p.m.							
	Chicago at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.							
	Colorado at St. Louis, 8 p.m.							
	Detroit at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.							
	Nashville at Arizona, 10 p.m.							

HOCKEY

NHL standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	70	48	18	4	100	257	198
Boston	68	44	16	8	96	232	176
Toronto	70	41	22	7	89	234	202
Florida	67	34	26	7	75	205	212
Montreal	70	26	32	12	64	179	221
Detroit	69	26	32	11	63	180	211
Ottawa	69	25	33	11	61	193	240
Buffalo	69	22	35	12	56	165	224

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	69	39	23	7	85	209	202

SPORTS BRIEFS

Tubby Smith out as Memphis men's coach

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Tubby Smith has been fired as Memphis men's basketball coach after two seasons amid dropping attendance and donations to the athletic department.

Smith told reporters he was no longer coach as he left a meeting Wednesday with Memphis President M. David Rudd and athletic director Tom Bowen.

Smith went 40-26 at Memphis, including 21-13 this season.

Norwegian musher wins Iditarod sled dog race

Addicted to the wild turkey

I don't plan on making apologies for my addiction. It's highly unlikely you'll ever see me stand up at a meeting and proclaim, "Hi, my name is Toby, and I'm a turkey hunter!" in an effort to take on the first of a 12-step program. I understand that most addicts do that



Toby Benoit
REBEL YELL
OUTDOORS

when they begin on the road to recovery. But, quite honestly, I don't want to cure my turkey hunting addiction. Fact is, I'm mighty fond of it! My granddaddy was a turkey hunter. He'd tell me all sorts of tricks he'd use to lure a smart old tom into gun range and I'd share his

delight at the telling of some of the tricks them old gobblers would pull on him in order to keep their beards a little while longer. I had turned 14, the first spring I hunted turkeys. I'd ridden my bicycle, with a shotgun slung across my back, out to a big timbered piece of land not far from my family's farm. Even though I didn't kill a turkey that day, or even come remotely close, I still remember that very brisk morning hunt like it happened yesterday. I continued turkey hunting very sporadically with no success, while reading everything I could on the subject and asking every old timer for tips and tactics to put me over the top. That first gobbler is still one of the greatest trophies that I have ever killed, despite the fact he was just a short-bearded jake. But, as with all game, the hunt is what makes the trophy, and this hunt was a very memorable one because I knew I had earned it. I was 16 by the time I hunted that jake and he did everything a turkey is supposed to do as he gobbled, strutted and drummed while walking into range. He looked like a Volkswagen Beetle coming through the woods. I was obviously pretty excited after I squeezed the trigger and as I reached down and smoothed those iridescent feathers, I admit, I shed a tear. I'd lost my granddaddy just that previous summer.

Here we are many years and many turkey hunting lessons later and I still eat, sleep, breathe and drink turkey hunting. I hear turkeys gobble in my head immediately after I hear a crow caw in the middle of March in the middle of downtown Brooksville. I don't believe I am the most afflicted turkey hunter that I know,



Special to the Chronicle

Toby with a trophy tom he called in with a homemade friction call.

even though my family cannot make the same statement about me. They understand though, knowing that I'm likely to miss a few family events, holidays, parties and special occasions during turkey season.

I'm most likely going to miss church on an April Sunday morning, and I'm most certainly guaranteed a discussion with certain family members regarding my absenteeism during the spring as well. I'm definitely no saint, and I am by no means perfect ... but, I am turkey hunting!

I've hunted the Eastern, Merriams and Rio Grande wild turkeys all over North America and even spent a long week in Northern Mexico trying to rearrange the beak on a Goulds gobbler. But, none of the various subspecies get my heart pumping anywhere nearly as much as our Florida Osceola wild turkeys. They are by far the hardest turkeys to hunt and most apt to send you home scratching your head in bewilderment.

Two of my favorite turkey taking WMA's are right here in our own county and anybody with a permit for the Citrus and Flying Eagle WMA's should be in for a real treat this coming week. The birds are flocking together with lots of activity. The gobblers are really fired up right

now and even if you don't pull one in off of the roost limb, they will likely be wandering in search of a receptive hen by late morning. Stick to the open woods, preferably under the oaks with a lot of scratching sign where the hens have been feeding and sit tight and call sporadically until you get that old gobbler to answer.

I'll be alternating between my glass and copper friction calls and one of my old homemade box calls. I plan on calling every 10 to 15 minutes, kind of reserved, until I strike a gobbler. Then I'll talk a bit more to him to sort of take his temperature. If he gobbles back directly, then I plan on letting him hunt me while I focus on being still and preparing for the shot. I may or may not use decoys, that's going to be dependent on the wind. If it's a still morning, I'll deploy them, but if it's gusting, I'll just leave them in my vest. A hot tom shouldn't need a deke to help him close the distance.

If any of you are out in the woods or on the water this weekend, I wish you the best of luck! And as always, if you have any questions or a story to share, feel free to reach out to me at RebelYellOutdoors@gmail.com. God bless and good hunting!

OUTDOORS BRIEFS

Inverness Big Bass Classic set for March 24

The city of Inverness announces the fourth annual Inverness Big Bass Classic to be held March 24 on Lake Henderson.

This tournament grows each year and draws amateurs and pros to compete for over \$9,000 in payouts. Over 100 anglers from the southeast to compete for the hourly \$1,000 payout and \$1,000 payouts for both the biggest overall bass and biggest bag of day. There is also the lady angler \$1,000 payout.

Registration available at InvernessBigBassClassic.com or visit the Inverness City Hall events department at 212 W. Main Street, Inverness.

Event partner Apopka Marine is offering a Junior Angler G3 and Yamaha Boat Package Giveaway at the tournament that encourages kids to get outdoors and enjoy the tournament. To enter kids must check in with Apopka Marine by 2 p.m. at the tournament.

This event is free and open to spectators; angler registration is \$85 or \$170 for two anglers.

Call 352-341-7820 or visit InvernessBigBassClassic.com for more information and updates. Event is subject to change and no rain date.

Seventh annual kayak fishing tourney in April

Spring is here and that means it is time for the Nature Coast Challenge Kayak Fishing Tournament. This year, April 14 will mark the tournament's seventh consecutive year. Last year's tournament welcomed anglers from Florida and surrounding states.

As a catch-photo-release tournament, this event attracts a diverse group of anglers and brings many new visitors to our area.

The minimum fishing awards for the tournament are \$200 each for the longest redfish, the longest sea trout, the combined length "slam" of one redfish and one sea trout, and the "Mixed Bag." Second and third places for individual categories, the grand slam and the mixed bag will also be recognized.

Anglers of all ages are welcome, but those younger than 18 must be accompanied by a parent. Non-participants are welcome to attend the awards ceremony. Winners must be present to receive awards.

For more information or to download an application and see all rules visit www.naturecoastchallenge.com.

— From staff reports

Citrus County FISHING REPORTS

FRESHWATER

WITHLACHOOCHEE/RAINBOW LAKE ROUSSEAU — Captain Bob Jewett out of Angler's Resort in Dunnellon said bluegill are doing well on both rivers, biting on crickets and frozen shrimp. Bass are hitting on wild and domestic shiners, up the Withlachochee and into Blue Cove. Crappie seem to be hitting on minnows.

TSALA APOPKA CHAIN — Fishing remains extremely slow, with nothing significant to report, according to Michelle Mock of Floral City Bait and Tackle Outfitters.

LAKE ROUSSEAU — Bill Burgess of Lake Rousseau RV and Fishing reports crappie being caught with minnows on a bobber in 5-8 feet of water. Bluegill and shellcracker are being caught, in small quantities but high quality, on wax worms and crickets, in 3-6 feet. Bass, weighing 2-3 pounds, are up in the shallow, biting on Zoom Trick Worms, Senkos, and Wacky Worms in watermelon red or watermelon with gold fleck.

SALTWATER

HOMOSASSA RIVER — The weather has been iffy and the fishing has been quiet, said Bill Korade of Blue Water Bait and Tackle. There has been a couple of redfish caught in

the back country. The cooler temperatures mean the inshore fish have pushed back. Try fishing slowly with a shrimp on a split-shot or knocker rig, bounce it along the bottom and look for deep pockets.

KING'S BAY — Jeff Fahrenkopf from Pete's Pier in Crystal River said trout were biting before the cold front rolled through, in 5-7 feet of water. Use an artificial lure under a popping cork or a live shrimp. Redfish are hanging around the oyster bars, use cut bait. Tripletail are out on the buoys, biting on live shrimp.

SALT RIVER — Twin Rivers Marina in Crystal River sheepshead are back out in the Gulf, while redfish and trout are in the river, but look for underwater structure. Shrimp and squid are the top baits.

AROUND CITRUS

Captain William Toney (352-422-4141) said, "After a windy and cold start to the week I'm looking forward to some warm springtime weather predicted for this weekend. Staying on top of fish during huge swings in our weather has become a challenge. I believe there are plenty of trout around on the near-shore rocks and also the points, flats and creek mouths. This past week I did well using MirrOlure Lil Johns with a 1/8th-ounce red jig head

near the shallow rocks, and back inshore the D.O.A. 5.5 glow jerk bait worked best. There were a few Spanish mackerel, grunts and small gag grouper mixed in as well that were caught on shrimp.

"The redfish bite has been up and down just like the weather. I have experienced some redfish that just would not bite shrimp or pinfish, then moved a few keys inshore to some very good action. The only difference I could see between the two schools of fish is the ones that were biting were mixed in with lots of mullet.

"Snook seem to be in their own environment near the redfish but away from the keys in sandy holes. I like to move in slowly so to have a chance at catching them. They will appear to be long, dark fish against the yellow sand bottom. Sometimes it's easier to blind cast toward the sandy holes because they are easier to see than to get close enough to spot the snook. Once the snook get spooked then it's game over. Incoming tide will be late afternoon this weekend."

Chris Bernhardt Jr. can be reached at chris.bernhardt@chronicleonline.com in regards to the Citrus County fishing reports.



Special to the Chronicle

Deby West of Ohio caught this 26 1/2 inch redfish on March 7 on the Homosassa River, just off Tucker's Island.

You can play a part in rebuilding lives Through The Path's Family Rescue Mission Campaign

Our goal was to raise \$1.85 million. So far, we have raised \$1.35 million to purchase the Beverly Hills motel complex.

We need \$500,000 to complete the campaign for transforming the lives of families without a home.



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Gloria Yoder
THE AMISH COOK

Let them eat cake (or pancakes)

Hello to all of our faithful readers. This week I would like to rerun a couple of recipes that some of you have been asking about. Next week I'll be filling you in on more of what is happening in the Yoder household with our ever-eventful life with six little ones in the house.

The first reader request:
Dear Gloria, My husband is on a gluten-free diet and I wanted to make him a birthday cake. I thought I remembered you having a recipe in your column a couple of years ago for the cake, but I misplaced it. Could you please reprint?
— Jean in Lucas, Ohio

You are correct, I did have a recipe for such a cake, here it is and good luck with it!

GLUTEN-FREE BIRTHDAY BEAN CAKE

- 1 15-ounce can cooked black or pinto beans
- 5 large eggs
- 1 tablespoon vanilla
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon stevia powder (or 1/2 cup of sugar if you'd prefer to use sugar)
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon soda
- 3/4 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 3/4 teaspoon allspice
- 1/2 teaspoon cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 6 tablespoons almond meal

Rise and drain beans. Place beans, 3 eggs, vanilla and salt in a blender. Blender until completely smooth. Beat remaining ingredients together. Add bean mixture to spice mixture. Beat well. Pour into a greased 9- by 9-inch pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean.

Dear Gloria, Do you have a recipe for a birthday cake using whole-wheat flour?
Thanks! — Bert in Dayton, Kentucky

Hello, Bert. This is a a delicious recipe that we enjoy for a whole-wheat cake. Also, the frosting recipe below can be used for the gluten-free cake above. Enjoy!

GLORIA'S WHOLE-WHEAT CHOCOLATE CAKE

- 1 cup whole wheat flour
- 6 tablespoons cocoa powder
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil (I prefer olive oil)
- 1/2 cup brewed coffee
- 1/4 cup milk
- 1/4 cup honey
- 1 egg
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

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St. Paddy's perfection



Special to the Chronicle

Homestyle Corned Beef with Dilled Cabbage is made even more delicious with honey and Dijon-style mustard for seasonings.

Celebrate with one of a selection of traditional corned beef recipes

JULIANNE MUNN
Chronicle food writer

Drive in any direction in Citrus County on March 17 and you will likely find someone, somewhere offering corned beef and cabbage on a restaurant menu for St. Patrick's Day.

Restaurants, cafe's, pubs and more are primed to celebrate the wearing of the green with homage to the dish that most equate with Irish cuisine, and may even provide some crusty, authentic soda bread to soak up the broth. Today's recipes in Flair for Food give you plenty of time to experiment with your own version of the traditional dish, with easy methods for turning out sumptuous plates of flavorful

corned beef, cabbage, potatoes and whatever go-alongs might strike your fancy.

One restaurant that doesn't wait for the March observance is Lollygaggers in Crystal River, where bountiful plates of the signature fare are offered to customers on the 17th of every month throughout the year. Other eateries and pubs also serve it from time to time.

Is corned beef really Irish? Not so much.

It was the early Irish immigrants in America who transformed St. Patrick's Day from a religious feast day to a celebration of their heritage and homeland, according to food historians at the Smithsonian.

That evoked a celebratory meal in honor of their culture and of Ireland's patron saint, St. Patrick, of available corned beef — which was accompanied by the beloved potato and the most affordable vegetable, cabbage — and voila! It didn't take long for corned

beef and cabbage to become associated with St. Patrick's Day in America.

It was so popular that President Abraham Lincoln chose a menu of corned beef, cabbage and potatoes for his first Inaugural Luncheon March 4, 1861.

Though there was plenty of beef grazing on the "olde sod," cattle were mostly used for dairy products on the Emerald Isle. The traditional meats for Irish dishes was bacon and lamb.

Everyone hopes to be authentic on St. Patrick's day, so don't forget the correct nickname. It is proper to call St. Patrick's Day St. Paddy's Day. In Ireland, Paddy is the nickname for Patrick.

Here are recipes you can make at home for the St. Patrick's Day occasion, from the Beef Council's Beef, It's What's for Dinner, plus a couple of tried-and-true soda bread favorites and an Irish-inspired fruit crumble for dessert.

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Celebrating 28 years of dining bliss

March is not my favorite month. Too unpredictable and I like to know what's happening at any given time. Can't do that with March, the whimsical weather month, but at least I know spring is on the horizon.

The one good thing about March is that St. Patrick's Day is my wedding anniversary, 28 years this month and holding. We will stick to tradition, Arnold and I, and celebrate with dinner at Vintage on 5th, where Michael will pour the wine I like as soon as we are seated. Our anniversary always

evokes pleasant memories: a wedding on the lawn at my parents home in Crystal River, and of course, lots of favorite foods.

Ever the consummate foodie, I got up early that day and actually made a ton of potato salad for the barbecue reception, replete with lots of fresh green parsley. The barbecue was catered, but I couldn't trust anyone else with the potato salad.

The day also reminds me of how much we have evolved as a couple. We both enjoy good food, well prepared and attractively presented, and though our tastes were very dif-

ferent at first, we adapted.

As a former Long Islander, Arnold knew very little about some ethnic dishes and I was a novice about New York-style dining, including folded cheese-only pizza.

As time went on, I grew to love good Italian cuisine, his go-to meals of choice. And he, a stranger to Mexican, Indian and other specialties, found a path to some of my eclectic preferences.

It wasn't always smooth. It took me a long time to translate his orders of "Quasimodos" to quesadillas, and to introduce him to grits, eggplant, okra and other Southern items I enjoy. I understood his antipathy to egg-plant when he said his mother "boiled" it.

Now, he loves crusty fried egg-plant with marinara and Parmesan, and grits are no longer foreign to him. I became a fan of New York-style bagels with plenty of schmear.

True to his Northern roots, Arnold is fond of linguine with clams, eel, calamari and other seafoods I wouldn't touch if I was starving. I prefer Florida stone crab, blue crab and cornmeal-fried fresh fish.

He taught me that butter is much more flavorful when used cold and I often whipped up homemade south-of-the-border fare such as enchiladas and huevos rancheros that he added to his repertoire of spicy fare.

We are both devotees of

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Julianne Munn
OVER EASY

Humble Silky Leek Soup is big on flavor

Cooking on DEADLINE

KATIE WORKMAN
Associated Press

No matter how many dazzling things we have the good fortune to eat in our lives, we often remember the simplest meals with as much power and affection as the fanciest. A humble, pureed vegetable soup is among those particular pleasures. Also, Proustian prose aside, if you're feeling lazy, you can get from a few ingredients to deliciousness in no time.

The only work involved here is remembering to stir the leeks fairly often for 20 minutes. You'll want to keep them on medium-low heat and take the full amount of cooking time so they become meltingly tender and only lightly browned; turning up the heat to rush the process may result in them burning, and they won't get as lushly soft over higher heat.

You could absolutely add some fresh herbs here, from basil to thyme to plain old parsley if you want a different twist, but taste the soup as-is first. You may very well want to stick with the simple version where the flavor of the leeks shines through unobstructed (it's a bit richer than you might think). If you do want to add fresh herbs, they can be added at the end when you puree the soup, or just strew a few leaves,

chopped or whole, on top of each serving.

Use vegetable broth and the soup is vegetarian. Skip the cream (and use an extra tablespoon of oil instead of the butter) and it is dairy-free and vegan. It can be made ahead and kept in the refrigerator for a couple of days. Either reheat over low heat, or serve chilled. It will thicken in the fridge, so may need an extra glug or two of broth or water.

SILKY LEEK SOUP

Start to finish: 40 minutes

Serves: 4

- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 1 tablespoon olive oil, plus extra for drizzling
- 6 large leeks, white and light green parts only, thinly sliced and well rinsed
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 1 (14.5-ounce) can less-sodium chicken or vegetable broth
- 3 tablespoons heavy cream
- Chopped fresh herbs to serve (optional)

In a large pot, heat the butter and 1 tablespoon olive oil over medium-low heat until the butter is melted. Add the leeks and garlic, season with salt and pepper, and

sauté, stirring frequently, for about 20 minutes until they are very lightly browned and quite tender. Remove a few tablespoons of the leek mixture and set aside. Add the broth and 2 cups of water and bring to a simmer over medium heat. Cook until the leeks are very soft, about 10 minutes.

Puree the leeks and liquid in a blender or food processor until completely smooth, and return to the pot. Do this in two batches, transferring the first half to a bowl if necessary (too much hot liquid in a blender or food processor is not a good idea). Stir in the heavy cream, and taste and adjust seasoning as needed. Serve immediately, or refrigerate and serve chilled. Place a small mound of the reserved sautéed leeks on top of each serving, and give each bowl a drizzle of olive oil and a sprinkle of any minced herbs you like. Season once more with salt and pepper.

Nutrition information per serving: 184 calories; 86 calories from fat; 11 g fat (5 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 23 mg cholesterol; 541 mg sodium; 20 g carbohydrate; 2 g fiber; 6 g sugar; 3 g protein.

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Pureed leeks make for a silky, flavorful spring soup.

Luxurious Lettuce Salad needs only three things

The American TABLE

ELIZABETH KARMEL
Associated Press



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Butter lettuce needs no embellishment but a delicious, simple dressing.

How often have you tossed the dinner salad? And, I am not talking about tossing it with dressing!

If I had a nickel for every time that I've seen the salad bowl, left untouched and droopy at the end of the night — tossed into the trash can — I would have a lot of nickels.

This fact is understandable, as it is difficult to make a dinner salad that is as appealing as the main course. (And, I'm not talking about the delicious main-course salads and decadent wedges dressed with rich blue cheese and crisp bacon bits that are enthusiastically eaten.)

My solution to this common problem is to make a simple salad that complements the other dishes instead of making a salad that is an afterthought and misses the mark.

My recipe is tied to my longstanding love affair with the simple French "salade verte" (green salad). Whenever I am in France, I order a salade verte with everything that I eat. It is a simple salad traditionally made with butter lettuce — sometimes called Boston lettuce — and a mustard-rich, perfectly emulsified vinaigrette dressing. The perfect emulsion makes it creamy and it clings lightly to the lettuce, accenting the sweet delicate leaves with just the right amount of tang.

I can't get enough of the soft sweet lettuce and the perfectly emulsified dressing. It sounds weird, but this is a salad that I actually crave. The only downside is that the dressing is difficult to duplicate and sadly, these days — even in France — there are cafes using bottled dressing instead of the homemade vinaigrette. Luckily, my version of this green salad doesn't rely on making a perfect

vinaigrette to dress it.

Before I created my Luxurious Lettuce Salad, I spent years perfecting my vinaigrette so that I could make my favorite French salad at home. But more often than I care to admit, my salads fell short of my memory of the great salade verte. Then one day I spotted a favorite bottle of olive oil and it helped me, quite accidentally, create my perfect dinner salad.

I was in my local grocery store perusing the shelves to see if anything new had been added and I recognized one of my favorite olive oils from Italy — it had previously not been available in the U.S. I immediately bought a bottle and took it home.

Even though I really wanted to drink the fruity, green, fragrant oil directly from the bottle, I decided to make a simple salad instead. I washed and

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For brunch, bake your eggs in a pastry nest

KitchenWISE

SARA MOULTON
Associated Press

With spring upon us and Easter not far behind, I offer a dish guaranteed to spruce up a seasonal brunch. It may look complicated, but it really couldn't be simpler.

The only hump to get over is fear of phyllo (also spelled filo), a pastry dough that originated in Turkey and that's popular today in Turkey and Greece. That fear is based on phyllo's singular thinness and delicacy, which can lead to cracking. But if you follow these tips, you should have no problem. And, hey, it certainly beats making pastry from scratch.

You'll likely find phyllo dough in the frozen food section of your supermarket. Before working with it, you should let it defrost overnight in the refrigerator, not on the counter. After taking the stack of phyllo sheets out of the package, cover the top layer with a piece of plastic wrap, then cover the plastic wrap with a damp towel. You'll work with just one sheet of phyllo at a time, keeping the rest under wraps.

In order to keep the phyllo moist and help it brown properly, you have to lightly brush both sides of each sheet with oil. Then you simply shape the dough into a "nest" by scrunching in the dough on the edges. When you're done, the floor of the nest should be about 3 inches in diameter; the edges about 1 1/2-inches high. The formula for how to shape it? There is none. All scrunching is good.

So — phew! — that was the only hard part of the recipe. Now just line the floor of the nest with a slice of prosciutto, sprinkle in some grated cheese and a spoonful of pesto, and top it with a

raw egg. The prosciutto, cheese and pesto combine to prevent the egg from leaking through the bottom of the pastry. (Try to find a refrigerated pesto, which tends to be greener and fresher than the ones from the shelf.) Done!

In about 30 minutes flat, you've prepared a very elegant and delicious entree. Your guests will be delighted.

BAKED EGGS IN PHYLLO NEST

Servings: 4

Start to finish: 30 minutes

- 2 1/2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 4 sheets phyllo pastry
- 4 thin slices prosciutto (about 3 ounces total)
- 1/2 cup coarsely grated unsalted mozzarella cheese
- 1/4 cup pesto
- 4 large eggs

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees.

Lightly brush the work surface with some of the oil. Arrange one sheet of phyllo on the counter with the long edge facing you; cover the remainder with plastic wrap and a damp towel to prevent drying out. Brush the sheet all over with some of the oil. Gather the edges in to form a 4-inch wide nest, keeping the center flat. Using a large metal spatula transfer the nest to a parchment paper-lined rimmed baking sheet. Repeat with remaining phyllo and oil to make 3 more nests.

Ease a slice of prosciutto into the center of each nest, folding it over to fit into the space and letting the edges curve up a bit to form more of a nest. Sprinkle 2 tablespoons of the cheese on top, spreading the cheese out to form an indentation in the middle. Spoon the pesto over the cheese and crack 1 egg into center of each nest.

Bake on a shelf in the lower third of the



Associated Press

Baked eggs nestle elegantly in phyllo pastry for a special brunch treat.

oven until the whites are set but the yolks are still runny and the phyllo is golden and crisp, about 8 minutes. Remove from the oven and let stand 3 minutes before serving.

Nutrition information per serving: 364 calories; 240 calories from fat; 27 g fat (7 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 241 mg cholesterol; 870 mg sodium; 14 g carbo-

hydrate; 0 g fiber; 1 g sugar; 18 g protein.

Sara Moulton is host of public television's "Sara's Weeknight Meals." She was executive chef at Gourmet magazine for nearly 25 years and spent a decade hosting several Food Network shows including "Cooking Live." Her latest cookbook is "HomeCooking 101."

SALAD

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dried Boston lettuce, sprinkled the leaves with fleur de sel (coarse sea salt) and drizzled it with a few teaspoons of my new olive oil. I tossed the salad, and came back a few minutes later ready to add some vinegar, but I greedily tasted it first. Oh, my! It was perfect! No vinegar necessary. Fresh, clean and luxuri-

ous ... thus, the name.

And, the rest is history. I have been making this three-ingredient salad to go with everything from steak to beer-can chicken ever since that day.

My Luxurious Lettuce Salad is deceptively simple, but relies on the absolute best ingredients for it to be a success. That is, fresh butter lettuce — I like the living lettuce or farmers market lettuce — fleur de sel (coarse sea salt from Brittany) and your

favorite first-press, extra-virgin olive oil.

LUXURIOUS LETTUCE SALAD

Servings: 2

Start to finish: 10 minutes

- 1 head Boston or butter lettuce, washed and dried
- Fleur de sel (a few pinches)
- Best-quality, extra-virgin olive oil

■ Fresh ground pepper

The method is very simple. Place the lettuce leaves in a large bowl, sprinkle with about 2 pinches of fleur de sel or coarse sea salt. Toss. Drizzle with 1-2 teaspoons (or more to taste) of olive oil, toss very well to coat all the leaves.

Let sit for 5 minutes and toss again. Add a little more oil if the leaves are not coated but be careful not to use too much oil, otherwise the salad will be heavy and the lettuce will get soggy. Add freshly ground pepper if desired.

Nutrition information per serving: 53 calories; 44 calories from fat; 5 g fat (1 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 244 mg sodium; 2 g carbohydrate; 1 g fiber; 1 g sugar; 1 g protein.

Elizabeth Karmel is a barbecue and Southern foods expert. She is the chef and pit master at online retailer CarolinaCueToGo.com and the author of three books, including "Taming the Flame."

EASY

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We are both devotees of authentic German-style food and pork roast, sauerkraut and dumplings are a staple in our kitchen.

With his Scottish and Austrian heritage and my mix of English, Irish and Pennsylvania Dutch, we found common ground in the kitchen and at the table.

I have even grown to appreciate a slice of good fruitcake, a must-have for Arnold during the winter holidays, along with strudel, but my sweet tooth leans toward pies and Danish pastries. He is, however, an indefatigable cookie monster and never saw a cookie he didn't like. We both prefer our chocolate dark and our coffee with cream — no sugar.

At his Islip, Long Island, home, where he retired after 25 years of

teaching school, his family raised ducks, among other agricultural ventures and, to be clear, his mother, Freida, was an excellent cook — except for the eggplant.

So, 28 years later, we are still evolving and good food is still an important part of our companionship. I guess March isn't so bad after all.

CROCK-POT PORK AND SAUERKRAUT WITH DUMPLINGS

■ 2 to 3 pounds pork loin roast

■ 1/2 teaspoon caraway seed or more to taste

■ Sprinkle of black pepper

■ Salt to taste

■ 1 medium apple, peeled, cored and cut into chunks

■ 2 pounds sauerkraut, undrained

■ 1/4 cup packed brown sugar or to taste (do not omit)

■ 4 tablespoons butter, melted

Place pork loin in Crock-Pot. Sprinkle with caraway seeds, salt and black pepper. Place diced apple on top of pork. Pour sauerkraut and juice on top. Evenly sprinkle the brown sugar on top of the sauerkraut. Top with melted butter. Cook on LOW for about 8 hours or until pork reaches internal temp of at least 160 degrees. Stir the sauerkraut before serving.

For the dumplings: I use Bisquick or other baking mix. Drop by tablespoonfuls into pork and sauerkraut for the last hour of cooking. Lightly brown in butter about a cup or more or bread crumbs. Sprinkle over dumplings when the pork, sauerkraut and dumplings are served. Serve with applesauce sprinkled with cinnamon.

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HOMESTYLE CORNED BEEF WITH DILLED CABBAGE

- 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 -pound boneless corned beef brisket
 - 1/4 cup honey
 - 1 tablespoon Dijon-style mustard
- Dilled Cabbage:**
- 1 medium head cabbage (about 2 pounds), cut into 8 wedges
 - 3 tablespoons butter, softened
 - 1 tablespoon Dijon-style mustard
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons chopped fresh dill

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Place corned beef brisket and 2 cups water in Dutch oven. Bring just to a simmer; do not boil. Cover tightly and cook in 350-degree oven 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 hours or until fork-tender. About 20 minutes before Brisket is done, steam cabbage 15 to 20 minutes or until tender.

Remove brisket from water; trim fat. Place on rack in broiler pan so surface of beef is 3 to 4 inches from heat. Combine honey and 1 tablespoon mustard. Brush top of brisket with 1/2 of glaze; broil 3 minutes. Brush with remaining glaze; broil 2 minutes or until glazed.

Combine butter, 1 tablespoon mustard and dill; spread on hot cabbage. Carve brisket diagonally across the grain. Serve with cabbage.

sugar in another large bowl and stir to combine. Add the milk and vinegar mixture caraway seeds and golden raisins. Mix until all flour is incorporated (when the mixture is too tough to mix with a spoon, start mixing it with your hands).

Put the dough ball on a baking sheet. Shape the dough into flattened ball shape 8 inches in diameter. If the dough is too sticky to shape, wash your hands and then sprinkle your hands and the dough lightly with flour.

Cut an X on top of the dough circle with a sharp knife, about 1/2 inch deep.

Put the bread in the oven on the middle rack. Bake for 40 minutes, or until the crust is golden brown. Serve with plenty of butter — preferably Irish imported butter.

CRUSTY IRISH SODA BREAD

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 4 tablespoons shortening
- 1/2 cup golden raisins
- 3/4 cup sour milk (make your own by adding a tablespoon of vinegar to milk and let it set for 5 minutes)
- 1 tablespoon caraway seeds

Sift dry ingredients and cut in the shortening. Add the raisins and caraway seeds. Add the sour milk and knead it all briefly. Shape into a round loaf about 3/4 inch thick and put in a greased pan. Bake 30 minutes in oven preheated to 375 degrees.

— Adapted from recipe in the "I Hate to Cook Cookbook" by Peg Bracken

CLASSIC CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE

- 1 boneless corned beef brisket (2 1/2 to 3 1/2 pounds)
- 5 cups water, divided



Classic Corned Beef and Cabbage remains a favorite.

- 1 medium head cabbage (about 2 pounds), cut into wedges
- 8 ounces Yukon Gold potatoes, cut into 8 wedges
- 8 ounces carrots, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Place corned beef brisket and 3 cups water in large stockpot, fat-side up. Bring to a simmer. Do not boil. Cover tightly and cook in 350-degree oven 2 1/2 to 3 hours or until fork-tender.

Transfer brisket to cutting board, reserving any liquid in stockpot; cover brisket with aluminum foil. Let stand 15 to 20 minutes.

Meanwhile, add 2 cups remaining water to same stock pot with reserved liquid. Place steamer basket in stock pot. (Liquid should not touch bottom of basket). Place cabbage, potatoes and carrots in basket. Bring to a boil. Cover tightly; reduce heat and steam vegetables 20 to 25 minutes or until fork-tender.

Remove fat from brisket, if desired. Carve brisket into thin slices across the grain. Combine butter, salt and pepper in small bowl. Drizzle over vegetables. Serve brisket with vegetables.

RUSTIC CORNED BEEF AND POTATO BAKE

- 12 ounces corned beef brisket, coarsely chopped
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1/2 cup chopped onions
- 2 teaspoons chopped fresh thyme
- 2 tablespoons reserved horseradish-butter mixture (See Dijon-Glazed Corned Beef with Savory Cabbage and Red Potatoes for recipe.)
- 1 cup shredded Swiss cheese
- 1/4 cup shredded Parmesan cheese
- 2 cups reserved potato halves



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Rustic Corned Beef and Potato Bake is a creative twist on the classic corned beef dinner.

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Melt 2 teaspoons butter in large nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add onion and thyme; cook and stir 3 to 4 minutes or until onion is tender. Remove from heat; stir in corned beef and horseradish-butter mixture. Meanwhile, coat bottom and sides of 9-inch glass pie plate with remaining 1 teaspoon butter; set aside.

Cut each potato half into 4 wedges. Arrange 1/2 of potato wedges in single layer over bottom of pie plate; stick remaining potato wedges upright around the edge of the pie plate. Combine cheeses in small bowl. Sprinkle potatoes with 1/2 of cheese mixture. Top with corned beef mixture and remaining cheese mixture. Press firmly with spatula to compact layers; cover with aluminum foil.

Bake in 375-degree oven 25 to 30 minutes or until heated through. Uncover; continue baking 3 to 5 minutes or until cheese is melted and edges begin to brown. Let stand 5 minutes. Cut into wedges.

Cook's tip: If using deli corned beef and frozen, prepared roasted potatoes, increase covered baking time to 35 minutes.

SLOW-COOKER IRISH-INSPIRED BEEF POT ROAST

- 1 beef bottom round rump roast or bottom round roast (3 to 3 1/4 pounds)
- 2 packages (24 ounces each) fresh pot roast vegetables (potatoes, onions, carrots, celery)
- 2 packages (.75 to .88 ounces each) mushroom or brown gravy mix
- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 cup beer
- Chopped fresh parsley (optional)

Prepare pot roast vegetables: cut potatoes in half (or into quarters if large), onions into 1/2-inch wedges, and carrots and celery into 2-inch pieces; set aside.

Combine gravy mixes, flour, salt and pepper in large bowl. Add vegetables to bowl; toss to coat well. Remove vegetables from flour mixture and place in 5- to 6-quart slow cooker. Add beef pot roast to bowl, turning to coat evenly with flour mixture. Remove pot roast and place in slow cooker in center of vegetables.

Whisk beer into remaining flour mixture until smooth; add to slow cooker. Cover and cook on HIGH 6 to 7 hours or LOW 9 to 10 hours or until beef and vegetables are fork-tender. (No stirring is necessary during cooking.)

Remove pot roast and vegetables. Skim fat from gravy. Carve roast into thin slices. Serve with vegetables and gravy. Sprinkle with parsley, if desired.

IRISH APPLE-BLUEBERRY CRUMBLE

- 4 cooking apples (Yellow Delicious are fine)
- 1 pint blueberries
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 3/4 cup plain flour (also works well with gluten-free flour)
- 3/4 cup salted butter, cold
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 lemon juiced to prevent apples from turning brown
- Core and chop the apples into small chunks.

Put the apples and prepared blackberries into an oven-proof dish. Sprinkle with fresh lemon juice to prevent apples from turning brown. Sprinkle 1/4 cup sugar over fruit.

Place the flour and 1/4 cup sugar in a mixing bowl. Add the butter and use your hands to mix rub in the butter until the mixture resembles large breadcrumbs. Pour and spread this evenly on top of the fruit.

The crumble topping can be made a day in advance and it can also be frozen.

Bake the crumble at 350 degrees for 35 to 45 minutes or until nicely browned on top and the apples are bubbling. Eat hot from the oven with whipped cream. Enjoy!

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Mix dry ingredients together, add remaining ingredients and mix well. Pour into a greased 9- by 9-inch pan. Bake at 325 degrees for 25 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean.

SUGAR-FREE MOCHA FROSTING

- 8 ounces of cream cheese, softened
- 1/4 cup butter softened
- 1 1/2 cup heavy whipping cream
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 2 1/2 tablespoons

- cocoa powder
- 1 tablespoon instant coffee
- 1 teaspoon stevia
- 2 tablespoons maple syrup
- 2 tablespoons honey

Beat cream cheese and butter together. Add remaining ingredients. Whip until desired consistency is reached. Spread on

cooled cake. For the best cake, keep any uneaten cake stored in a cool place or refrigerated.

Hello, Gloria, I like making pancakes from scratch but mine never turn out. Do you have a good recipe for homemade pancakes? — Sis in Mayflower, Arkansas

PRAIRIE GOLD PANCAKES

- 2 eggs
 - 2 1/2 cups milk
 - 1/2 cup olive oil
 - 1/4 cup honey
 - 3 cups Prairie Gold flour
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 4 teaspoons baking powder
- Beat wet ingredients

together in a bowl. Add dry ingredients. Mix until barely blended. Fry in a hot skillet.

Gloria Yoder is a traditional Amish wife and mother. Readers with culinary or culture questions or stories to share may write Gloria directly at: Gloria Yoder, 10437 E. 300th Ave., Flat Rock, IL 62427.

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	C	S	D/I	F	H	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30		
2 (WESH) NBC	19		19			News	News	ET	Access	Super	A.P. Bio	Will	Champ	Chicago Fire '14'		News	J. Fallon		
3 (WEDU) PBS	3	3		14	6	World News	Nightly Business	PBS NewsHour (N) (Stereo) PG	WEDU Arts Plus	WEDU Quest 'G'		The New York Cantors perform in Amsterdam.		Classical Rewind Classical masterpieces. (In Stereo) PG					
5 (WUFT) PBS	5		5			DW News	Business	PBS NewsHour (N)	70s Soul Superstars (My Music) (In Stereo) 'G' PG					Roy Orbison: Black & White					
8 (WFLA) NBC	8	8	8	8	8	News	Nightly News	NewsChannel 8	Extra (N) 'PG'	Superstore '14'	A.P. Bio (N) '14'	Will & Grace (N) '14'	Champions '14'	Chicago Fire "A Breaking Point" '14'		NewsChannel 8	Tonight Show		
9 (WFTV) ABC	20	7	20			News at 6pm	World News	Jeopardy! (N) 'G'	Wheel of Fortune	Grey's Anatomy (N) (In Stereo) '14' PG		Scandal "The List" (N) '14' PG		How to Get Away With Murder '14'		Eyewit. News	Jimmy Kimmel		
10 (WTSP) CBS	10	10	10	10	10	10 News	Evening News	2018 NCAA Basketball TBA. (N) (Live) PG	Basketball	Tournament First Round: Teams		2018 NCAA Basketball Tournament TBA. (N) (Live) PG		First Round: Teams					
13 (WTVT) FOX	13	13		13	13	News	News	Access (N) 'PG'	TMZ (N) 'PG'	Gotham "A Dark Knight: Reunion" '14'		Showtime at the Apollo "Week 3" '14'		FOX13 10:00 News (N) (In Stereo) PG		FOX13 11:00 News (N) (In Stereo) PG			
20 (WCJB) ABC			11			News	ABC	ET	Inside Ed.	Grey's Anatomy '14'		Scandal (N) '14'		Away-Murder		News	J. Kimmel		
22 (WCLF) IND	2	2	2	22	22	Christian Fitness	Joyce Meyer	Bay Focus	The Great Awakening with	Joseph Prince		mywhy.tv	W. Womack	Abundant Life	Sound of Awak	Phil Driscoll	The Great Awake		
23 (WFTS) ABC	11	11		11	11	News	World News	Inside Edition	The List (N) 'PG'	Grey's Anatomy (N) (In Stereo) '14' PG		Scandal "The List" (N) '14' PG		How to Get Away With Murder '14'		News	Jimmy Kimmel		
62 (WMOR) IND	12	12		5		Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Let's Get Rowdie!	Anger Manage.	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Mom '14' PG	Mom '14' PG	Family Guy '14'	Family Guy '14'		
63 (WTTA) MNT	6	6	6	9	9	Extra 'PG'	ET	FamFeud	FamFeud	NewsChannel 8		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Seinfeld	Seinfeld		
40 (WACX) TBN	21		21			Quick	The 700 Club	Impact	Impact	Life Faith	Paid Prg.	Day Wind	Healing	700 Club	Healing	Faith	Prince		
43 (WTOG) CW	4	4	4	12	12	Mike & Molly '14'	Mike & Molly '14'	2 Broke Girls '14'	2 Broke Girls '14'	Tough Mudder: Tougher Together		Arrow "All for Nothing" '14' PG		Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Friends '14' PG	Friends '14' PG		
47 (WYKE) FAM	16	16	16		15	Quick Study	The 700 Club (In Stereo) PG	World Impact	Lifestyles of Faith	Paid Program 'G'		Day Wind Music	Days-Healing	700 Club	Days-Healing	Faith Builders	Citrus Court		
51 (WOGX) FOX			13	7	7	Fox 51	Fox 51	Big Bang	Big Bang	Gotham (N) '14'		Show-Apollo		FOX 51 News		Dateline 'PG' PG			
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63 (WXPX) ION			17			Blue Bloods '14'	Blue Bloods '14'	Blue Bloods '14'	Blue Bloods '14'	Blue Bloods '14'		Blue Bloods '14'		Blue Bloods '14'		Blue Bloods '14'	Blue Bloods '14'		
(A&E)	54	48	54	25	27	The First 48 "Night Run" '14' PG	The First 48 "Night Run" '14' PG	The First 48 "Deadly Rap" '14' PG	The First 48 "Deadly Rap" '14' PG	The First 48 (In Stereo) '14' PG		The First 48 "Trap House" '14' PG		60 Days In "Get Them Out" (N) '14'		The First 48 '14'	The First 48 '14'		
(AMC)	55	64	55			** "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days" (2003) Kate Hudson. 'PG-13' PG	** "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days" (2003) Kate Hudson. 'PG-13' PG	** "Titanic" (1997, Historical Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, Billy Zane. A woman falls for an artist aboard the ill-fated ship. 'PG-13' PG	** "Titanic" (1997, Historical Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, Billy Zane. A woman falls for an artist aboard the ill-fated ship. 'PG-13' PG	** "Titanic" (1997, Historical Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, Billy Zane. A woman falls for an artist aboard the ill-fated ship. 'PG-13' PG		** "Titanic" (1997, Historical Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, Billy Zane. A woman falls for an artist aboard the ill-fated ship. 'PG-13' PG		** "Titanic" (1997, Historical Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, Billy Zane. A woman falls for an artist aboard the ill-fated ship. 'PG-13' PG		** "Titanic" (1997, Historical Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, Billy Zane. A woman falls for an artist aboard the ill-fated ship. 'PG-13' PG	** "Titanic" (1997, Historical Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, Billy Zane. A woman falls for an artist aboard the ill-fated ship. 'PG-13' PG		
(ANI)	52	35	52	19	31	Lone Star Law "Gulf Recon" '14' PG	Lone Star Law "New Blood" '14' PG	Lone Star Law (In Stereo) '14' PG	Lone Star Law (In Stereo) '14' PG	Lone Star Law: Bigger and Better '14'		Lone Star Law (In Stereo) '14'		Lone Star Law (In Stereo) '14'		Lone Star Law "Mayday Mayday" '14'	Lone Star Law "Mayday Mayday" '14'		
(BET)	96	71	96			** "Daddy's Little Girls" (2007) 'PG-13' PG	** "Daddy's Little Girls" (2007) 'PG-13' PG	** "What's Love Got to Do With It" (1993, Biography) Angela Basset. The life of singer-actress Tina Turner. 'R' PG	** "What's Love Got to Do With It" (1993, Biography) Angela Basset. The life of singer-actress Tina Turner. 'R' PG	** "What's Love Got to Do With It" (1993, Biography) Angela Basset. The life of singer-actress Tina Turner. 'R' PG		** "What's Love Got to Do With It" (1993, Biography) Angela Basset. The life of singer-actress Tina Turner. 'R' PG		Black Card	BET's Mancave	The Roundup	Black Card		
(BRAVO)	254	51	254			Southern Charm '14'	** "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. PG	** "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. PG	** "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. PG	** "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. PG		** "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. PG		Watch	Watch	Watch	Watch		
(CC)	27	61	27		33	The Office "Whistleblower" 'PG' PG	The Office "Whistleblower" 'PG' PG	The Office "PG"	The Office "PG"	Tosh.0 '14' PG	Tosh.0 '14' PG	Tosh.0 '14' PG	Tosh.0 '14' PG	Tosh.0 '14' PG	Tosh.0 '14' PG	The Daily Show	The Opposition		
(CMT)	98	45	98	28	37	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Music City (N)	** "Just Married" (2003) Ashton Kutcher. 'PG-13' PG				
(CNBC)	43	42	43			Mad Money (N) 'PG'	Shark Tank 'PG'	Shark Tank 'PG'	Shark Tank 'PG'	Shark Tank 'PG'	Shark Tank 'PG'	Shark Tank 'PG'	Shark Tank 'PG'	Back in the Game	The Profit 'PG' PG				
(CNN)	40	29	40	41	46	Situation Room	Erin Burnett OutFront	Anderson Cooper	Anderson Cooper	Anderson Cooper	Anderson Cooper	Anderson Cooper	Anderson Cooper	CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight				
(DISN)	46	40	46	6	5	Jessie 'G' PG	Jessie 'G' PG	Bunk'd 'G' PG	Bunk'd 'G' PG	Bunk'd 'G' PG	Bunk'd 'G' PG	Stuck/ Middle 'G' PG	Stuck/ Middle 'G' PG	Gravity Falls 'Y7'	Gravity Falls 'Y7'	Stuck/ Middle 'G' PG	Bizaardvark 'G' PG		
(ESPN)	33	27	33	21	17	SportsCenter (N)	College Wrestling NCAA Tournament, Second Round. (N) (Live)	College Wrestling NCAA Tournament, Second Round. (N) (Live)	College Wrestling NCAA Tournament, Second Round. (N) (Live)	College Wrestling NCAA Tournament, Second Round. (N) (Live)	College Wrestling NCAA Tournament, Second Round. (N) (Live)	College Wrestling NCAA Tournament, Second Round. (N) (Live)	College Wrestling NCAA Tournament, Second Round. (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)				
(ESPN2)	37	28	34	43	49	NBA: The Jump	SportsCenter (N)	ATP Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)	ATP Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)	ATP Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)	ATP Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)	ATP Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)	ATP Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)	ATP Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)	ATP Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)	ATP Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)	ATP Tennis BNP Paribas Open, Men's and Women's Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)		
(FBN)	106	149	106	99	41	Making Money	Lou Dobbs Tonight	Kennedy (N) PG	Strange	Strange	Strange	Lou Dobbs Tonight	Lou Dobbs Tonight	Lou Dobbs Tonight	Lou Dobbs Tonight	Lou Dobbs Tonight	Lou Dobbs Tonight		
(FLIX)		118	170			** "Autumn in New York" (2001) Richard Gere. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG	** "Autumn in New York" (2001) Richard Gere. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG	** "High Fidelity" (2000, Romance-Comedy) John Cusack. (In Stereo) 'R' PG	** "High Fidelity" (2000, Romance-Comedy) John Cusack. (In Stereo) 'R' PG	** "High Fidelity" (2000, Romance-Comedy) John Cusack. (In Stereo) 'R' PG		** "Return to Me" (2000, Romance) David Duchovny. (In Stereo) 'PG' PG		** "Return to Me" (2000, Romance) David Duchovny. (In Stereo) 'PG' PG		** "Return to Me" (2000, Romance) David Duchovny. (In Stereo) 'PG' PG	** "Return to Me" (2000, Romance) David Duchovny. (In Stereo) 'PG' PG		
(FNC)	44	37	44		32	Special Report	The Story	Tucker Carlson	Hannity (N) PG	The Ingraham Angle		The Ingraham Angle		Fox News Night					
(FOOD)	26	56	26			Beat Play	Beat Play	Chopped 'G' PG	Chopped 'G' PG	Chopped 'G' PG	Chopped 'G' PG	Chopped 'G' PG	Chopped 'G' PG	Beat Play	Beat Play	Beat Play	Beat Play		
(FREEFORM)	29	52	29	20	28	** "Mr. Deeds" (2002, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Winona Ryder. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG	** "Mr. Deeds" (2002, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Winona Ryder. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG	Beyond "F.G.B." (N) (In Stereo) '14' PG	Beyond "F.G.B." (N) (In Stereo) '14' PG	** "Mirror Mirror" (2012, Children's) Julia Roberts. (In Stereo) 'PG' PG		** "Mirror Mirror" (2012, Children's) Julia Roberts. (In Stereo) 'PG' PG		The 700 Club (In Stereo) PG					
(FS1)	732	112	732			Speak for Yourself	NASCAR Race Hub	UFC 25 Greatest Fights (N) PG	UFC 25 Greatest Fights (N) PG	UFC 25 Greatest Fights (N) PG	UFC 25 Greatest Fights (N) PG	UFC 25 Greatest Fights (N) PG	UFC 25 Greatest Fights (N) PG	Speak for Yourself					
(FSNFL)	35	39	35			Bundesliga Soccer	Panthers	NHL Hockey Boston Bruins at Florida Panthers. (N)	NHL Hockey Boston Bruins at Florida Panthers. (N)	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	World Poker					
(FX)	30	60	30		51	** "Kingsman: The Secret Service" (2015) Vin Diesel. A dead man's brother seeks revenge on the Toretto gang. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG	** "Kingsman: The Secret Service" (2015) Vin Diesel. A dead man's brother seeks revenge on the Toretto gang. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG	Atlanta (N) 'MA' PG	Atlanta (N) 'MA' PG	Atlanta (N) 'MA' PG	Atlanta (N) 'MA' PG	Atlanta (N) 'MA' PG	Atlanta (N) 'MA' PG	Atlanta (N) 'MA' PG	Atlanta (N) 'MA' PG	Atlanta (N) 'MA' PG	Atlanta (N) 'MA' PG		
(GOLF)	727	67	727			LPGA Tour Golf Bank of Hope Founders Cup, First Round. (N)	LPGA Tour Golf Bank of Hope Founders Cup, First Round. (N)	PGA Tour Golf Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round.	PGA Tour Golf Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round.	PGA Tour Golf Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round.	PGA Tour Golf Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round.	PGA Tour Golf Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round.	PGA Tour Golf Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round.	PGA Tour Golf Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round.	PGA Tour Golf Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round.	PGA Tour Golf Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round.	PGA Tour Golf Arnold Palmer Invitational, First Round.		
(HALL)	59	68	59	45	54	Full House	Full House	Full House 'G' PG	Full House 'G' PG	Full House 'G' PG	Full House 'G' PG	The Middle 'PG'	The Middle 'PG'	The Middle 'PG'	The Middle 'PG'	Golden Girls	Golden Girls		
(HBO)	302	201	302	2	2	** "The Great Wall" (2016) Matt Damon. 'PG-13' PG	VICE News	** "Warcraft" (2016, Fantasy) Travis Fimmel, Paula Patton. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG	** "Warcraft" (2016, Fantasy) Travis Fimmel, Paula Patton. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG	Here and Now (In Stereo) 'MA' PG		Here and Now (In Stereo) 'MA' PG		High Main. "All Eyes on Me"					
(HBO2)	303	202	303			** "Daredevil" (2003) Ben Affleck. A blind attorney fights crime at night. 'PG-13' PG	** "Daredevil" (2003) Ben Affleck. A blind attorney fights crime at night. 'PG-13' PG	** "Where the Wild Things Are" (2009) Catherine Keener. PG	** "Where the Wild Things Are" (2009) Catherine Keener. PG	** "Wonder Woman" (2017) Gal Gadot. Wonder Woman discovers her full powers and true destiny. PG		** "Wonder Woman" (2017) Gal Gadot. Wonder Woman discovers her full powers and true destiny. PG		** "Wonder Woman" (2017) Gal Gadot. Wonder Woman discovers her full powers and true destiny. PG		** "Wonder Woman" (2017) Gal Gadot. Wonder Woman discovers her full powers and true destiny. PG	** "Wonder Woman" (2017) Gal Gadot. Wonder Woman discovers her full powers and true destiny. PG		
(HGTV)	23	57	23	42	52	Flip/Flop Veg.	Flip/Flop Veg.	Flip/Flop Veg.	Flip/Flop Veg.	Flip or Flop 'G' PG	Flip or Flop 'G' PG	Flip/Flop Veg.	Flip/Flop Veg.	House Hunters	Hunters Int'l	House Hunters	Hunters Int'l		
(HIST)	51	54	51	32	42	Swamp People "Hell Rains Down" 'PG'	Swamp People "Texas 911" 'PG'	Swamp People: Blood and Guts 'PG'	Swamp People: Blood and Guts 'PG'	Swamp People "Hotter Than Hell" 'PG'		Truck Night in America (N) PG		Swamp People "Hotter Than Hell" 'PG'					
(LIFE)	24	38	24		21	Grey's Anatomy (In Stereo) '14' PG	Project Runway All Stars 'PG' PG	Project Runway All Stars (N) 'PG' PG	Project Runway All Stars (N) 'PG' PG	Project Runway All Stars (N) 'PG' PG	Project Runway All Stars (N) 'PG' PG	Glam Masters "Natural Beauty" 'PG'		Project Runway All Stars 'PG' PG					
(LIFEMOV)	119	50	119			** "Newlywed and Dead" (2016, Drama) Shenae Grimes-Beech. 'NR' PG	** "Newlywed and Dead" (2016, Drama) Shenae Grimes-Beech. 'NR' PG	** "Deadly Delusion" (2017, Suspense) Haylie Duff, Mike Faiola. Premiere. 'NR' PG	** "Deadly Delusion" (2017, Suspense) Haylie Duff, Mike Faiola. Premiere. 'NR' PG	** "Big Driver" (2014, Suspense) Maria Bello, Olympia Dukakis, Joan Jetz. 'NR' PG		** "Big Driver" (2014, Suspense) Maria Bello, Olympia Dukakis, Joan Jetz. 'NR' PG		** "Big Driver" (2014, Suspense) Maria Bello, Olympia Dukakis, Joan Jetz. 'NR' PG		** "Big Driver" (2014, Suspense) Maria Bello, Olympia Dukakis, Joan Jetz. 'NR' PG	** "Big Driver" (2014, Suspense) Maria Bello, Olympia Dukakis, Joan Jetz. 'NR' PG		
(MSNBC)	42	41	42			The Beat With	Hardball Matthews	All In With Chris	Rachel Maddow	The Last Word		The Last Word		The 11th Hour					
(NBCSN)	448	26	730			NHL Top 10 'G'	NHL Live (N) (In Stereo) Live	NHL Hockey Pittsburgh Penguins at Montreal Canadiens. From the Bell Centre in Montreal. (Live)	NHL Hockey Pittsburgh Penguins at Montreal Canadiens. From the Bell Centre in Montreal. (Live)	NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at Los Angeles Kings. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)		NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at Los Angeles Kings. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)		NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at Los Angeles Kings. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)		NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at Los Angeles Kings. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)	NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at Los Angeles Kings. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)		
(NGEO)	109	65	109			Primal Survivor "Savage Jungle" '14'	Primal Survivor "Jungle Sacrifice" '14'	Wicked Tuna "Tuna Tantrums" '14' PG	Wicked Tuna "Tuna Tantrums" '14' PG	Wicked Tuna: Hooked Up (N) '14'		Wicked Tuna: Hooked Up (N) '14'		Wicked Tuna "Tuna Tantrums" '14' PG		Wicked Tuna "Tuna Tantrums" '14' PG	Wicked Tuna "Tuna Tantrums" '14' PG		
(NICK)	28	36	28	35	25	Thunder	Henry	Sponge.	** "Rango" (2011) Voices of Johnny Depp. 'PG'	Full H'se		Full H'se		Friends	Friends				
(OWN)	125	24	103			20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20 on OWN '14'		
(OXY)	123	44	123			NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'	NCIS (In Stereo) '14'		
(PARMT)	37	43	37	27	36	Friends 'PG'	Friends 'PG'	Friends 'PG'	Friends 'PG'	Friends 'PG'	Friends 'PG'	Lip Sync Battle (N)	Lip Sync Battle (N)	Movie (In Stereo) PG					
(SHOW)	340	241	340			"25th Hour" 'R'	Homeland "Active Measures" 'MA'	** "Patriots Day" (2016) Mark Wahlberg. Investigators search for the Boston Marathon bombers. 'R'	** "Patriots Day" (2016) Mark Wahlberg. Investigators search for the Boston Marathon bombers. 'R'	The Chi "Namaste Mutha..." 'MA' PG		The Chi "Namaste Mutha..." 'MA' PG		Cartoon President	Homeland 'MA'				
(STARZ)	370	271	370			Ash vs Evil Dead	** "Spider-Man: Homecoming" (2017, Action) Tom Holland, Michael Keaton. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG	Ash vs Evil Dead	Ash vs Evil Dead	Ash vs Evil Dead	Ash vs Evil Dead	Ash vs Evil Dead	Ash vs Evil Dead	** "2012" (2009) John Cusack. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG		** "2012" (2009) John Cusack. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG	** "2012" (2009) John Cusack. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' PG		
(SUN)	36	31	36			Inside the Lightning	Inside the Lightning	Focused	In the Spotlight	3 Wide Life	Inside the Rays	Baseball Begin	Baseball Begin	Baseball Begin	Baseball Begin	P1 AquaX USA 2017			
(SYFY)	31	59	31	26	29	** "The Mechanic" (2011) 'R'	** "G.I. Joe: Retaliation" (2013, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Bruce Willis. 'PG-13' PG	** "Lara Croft: Tomb Raider" (2001, Adventure) Angelina Jolie. 'PG-13' PG	** "Lara Croft: Tomb Raider" (2001, Adventure) Angelina Jolie. 'PG-13' PG	The Magicians "									

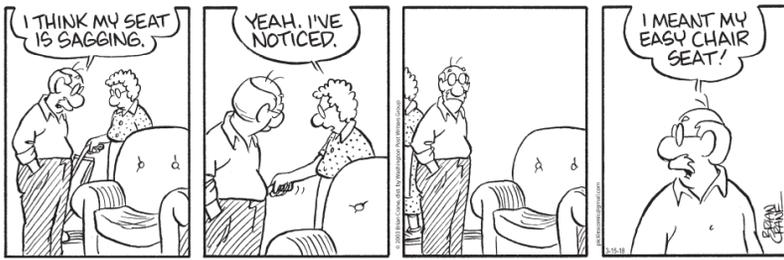
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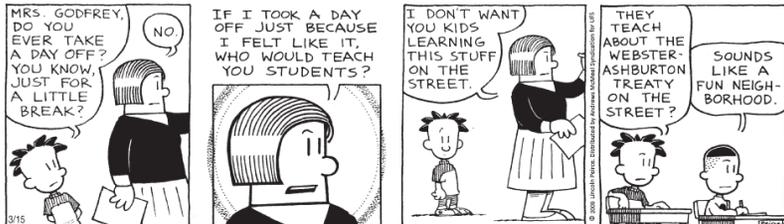
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- Crystal River Mall 9: 564-6864: Tomb Raider 3D (2018), Tomb Raider (2018), A Wrinkle in Time 3D, A Wrinkle in Time, Strangers: Prey at Night, Death Wish (2018), Red Sparrow, Black Panther 3D, Black Panther, Peter Rabbit, Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle. Citrus Cinemas 6 Inverness; 844-462-7342 Code 187: Tomb Raider (2018), A Wrinkle in Time 3D, A Wrinkle in Time, Strangers: Prey at Night, Death Wish (2018), Red Sparrow, Black Panther 3D, Black Panther, Peter Rabbit, Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle. Valerie Theatre, Inverness; 352-341-7850; 3 p.m. Sundays; 7:30 p.m. second Friday, \$6 March 18: Victor/Victoria (PG - 1982).

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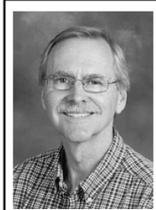
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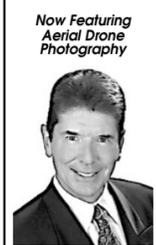
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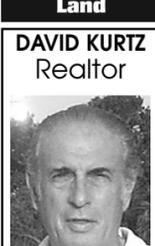
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The administration of the estate of Donna Jean Wall, deceased, whose date of death was February 9, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, File Number 2018-CP-000121; the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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5710-0322 THCRN Twyman, Robert A. 2018 CP 000155 Notice to Creditors IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE CASE NO. 2018 CP 000155

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ROBERT A. TWYMAN, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of ROBERT A. TWYMAN, deceased, whose date of death was June 12, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, File Number 2018-CP-000155; the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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5711-0322 THCRN Greaves, Teresa Christine 2018 CP 000122 Notice to Creditors IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE CASE NO. 2018 CP 000122

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF TERESA CHRISTINE GREAVES, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of TERESA CHRISTINE GREAVES, deceased, whose date of death was January 27, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, File Number 2018-CP-000122; the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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5700-0315 MCRN Barber, Olin M. 2016 CA 000756 Notice of Sale IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION DIVISION CASE NO.: 2016 CA 000756

DITECH FINANCIAL LLC Plaintiff(s), vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES OF OLIN M. BARBER AKA OLIN MORRIS BARBER, DECEASED; CYPRESS VILLAGE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; SUGARMILL WOODS OAK VILLAGE ASSOCIATION, INC.; GLENN BARBER; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; THE UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF 2 CARNATION COURT EAST, HOMOSASSA, FL 34446, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to Plaintiff's Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 17, 2017, in the above-captioned action, the Clerk of Court, Angela Vick, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.citrusrealforeclose.com in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 29th day of March, 2018 at 10:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure, to wit:

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PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2 CARNATION COURT EAST, HOMOSASSA, FL 34446

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Respectfully submitted, HARRISON SMALBACH, ESQ., Florida Bar # 116255 PADGETT LAW GROUP, Attorney for Plaintiff 6267 Old Water Oak Road, Suite 203 Tallahassee, FL 32312 (850) 422-2520 (telephone) (850) 422-2567 (facsimile) attorneys@padgettlaw.net

5706-0322 THCRN Ruprecht, Charles Wallace 2016 CA 000830A Notice of Sale IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION DIVISION CASE NO.: 2016 CA 000830A

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST, CHARLES WALLACE RUPRECHT A/K/A CHARLES W. RUPRECHT, DECEASED, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated January 4, 2018, and entered in Case No. 2016 CA 000830A of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Citrus County, Florida in which Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., is the Plaintiff and Charles Ruprecht aka Charles Ruprecht, Jr., as an Heir of the Estate of Charles Wallace Ruprecht a/k/a Charles W. Ruprecht, deceased, Citrus Hills NH, LLC d/b/a Citrus Hills Health & Rehabilitation Center, Dale Bogges, as Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of, Charles Wallace Ruprecht a/k/a Charles W. Ruprecht, deceased, Dianna Davidson aka Diana Davison, as an Heir of the Estate of Charles Wallace Ruprecht a/k/a Charles W. Ruprecht, deceased, Jared Daigle, a minor, as an Heir of the Estate of Charles Wallace Ruprecht a/k/a Charles W. Ruprecht, deceased AND Beneficiary of the Charles Ruprecht Testamentary Trust created by and through the First Codicil to Last Will and Testament of Charles Ruprecht dated May 1, 2013, Michael I. Kovach, Jr., as trustee of the Charles Ruprecht Testamentary Trust created by and through the First Codicil to Last Will and Testament of Charles Ruprecht dated May 1, 2013, Robyn Rachal aka Robin Rachal, as an Heir of the Estate of Charles Wallace Ruprecht a/k/a Charles W. Ruprecht, deceased, Scott Ruprecht, as an Heir of the Estate of Charles Wallace Ruprecht a/k/a Charles W. Ruprecht, deceased, Taylor Clause aka Taylor M. Clause, as an Heir of the Estate of Charles Wallace Ruprecht a/k/a Charles W. Ruprecht, deceased, The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Lienors, Creditors, Trustees, or other Claimants claiming by, through, under, or against, Charles Wallace Ruprecht a/k/a Charles W. Ruprecht, deceased, Tina Bogges, as Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of Charles Wallace Ruprecht a/k/a Charles W. Ruprecht, deceased, United States of America Acting through Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Any And All Unknown Parties Claiming By, Through, Under, And Against The Therein Named Individual Defendant(s) Who Are Not Known To Be Dead Or Alive, Whether Said Unknown Parties May Claim An Interest In Spouses, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Or Other Claimants, are defendants, the Citrus County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on electronically/online at http://www.citrusrealforeclose.com, Citrus County, Florida at 10:00 a.m. on the 5th day of April, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

LOT 137, HEATHERWOOD UNIT NO. 3, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 93 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH A MOBILE HOME LOCATED THEREON AS A PERMANENT FIXTURE AND APPURTENANCE THERETO, DESCRIBED AS A 1982 WOODHILL WILDFIRE DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME BEARING TITLE NUMBERS 22146550 AND 22146541 AND VIN NUMBERS

5703-0315 THCRN Wall, Donna Jean 2018 CP 000121 Notice to Creditors IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE CASE NO. 2018 CP 000121

Notices to Creditors/Administration

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notices to Creditors/Administration

The administration of the estate of Donna Jean Wall, deceased, whose date of death was February 9, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, File Number 2018-CP-000121; the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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 OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

Personal Representative: Christine Rosa Roberts 633 South 600 East River Heights, UT 84321

5710-0322 THCRN Twyman, Robert A. 2018 CP 000155 Notice to Creditors IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE CASE NO. 2018 CP 000155

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ROBERT A. TWYMAN, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of ROBERT A. TWYMAN, deceased, whose date of death was June 12, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, File Number 2018-CP-000155; the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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 OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

Personal Representative: Bradley G. Twyman 124 Norwood Court Troy, IL 62294

5711-0322 THCRN Greaves, Teresa Christine 2018 CP 000122 Notice to Creditors IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE CASE NO. 2018 CP 000122

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF TERESA CHRISTINE GREAVES, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of TERESA CHRISTINE GREAVES, deceased, whose date of death was January 27, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Citrus County, Florida, Probate Division, File Number 2018-CP-000122; the address of which is 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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 OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

Personal Representative: Christopher Joseph Greaves 2323 SE 28th Street Cape Coral, FL 33904

5700-0315 MCRN Barber, Olin M. 2016 CA 000756 Notice of Sale IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION DIVISION CASE NO.: 2016 CA 000756

DITECH FINANCIAL LLC Plaintiff(s), vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES OF OLIN M. BARBER AKA OLIN MORRIS BARBER, DECEASED; CYPRESS VILLAGE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; SUGARMILL WOODS OAK VILLAGE ASSOCIATION, INC.; GLENN BARBER; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; THE UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF 2 CARNATION COURT EAST, HOMOSASSA, FL 34446, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to Plaintiff's Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 17, 2017, in the above-captioned action, the Clerk of Court, Angela Vick, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.citrusrealforeclose.com in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 29th day of March, 2018 at 10:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure, to wit:

LOT 1, BLOCK 233, OAK VILLAGE, SUGARMILL WOODS SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGES 86 THROUGH 150, INCLUSIVE, PLAT BOOK 10, PAGES 1 THROUGH 150, INCLUSIVE AND PAGE 87-A, ALL OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2 CARNATION COURT EAST, HOMOSASSA, FL 34446

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens, must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE ADA COORDINATOR AT THE OFFICE OF THE TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR, CITRUS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 110 NORTH APOPKA AVENUE, INVERNESS, FLORIDA 34450, TELEPHONE (352) 341-6700, AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COURT APPEARANCE, OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME BEFORE THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE IS LESS THAN 7 DAYS; IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL 711.

Respectfully submitted, HARRISON SMALBACH, ESQ., Florida Bar # 116255 PADGETT LAW GROUP, Attorney for Plaintiff 6267 Old Water Oak Road, Suite 203 Tallahassee, FL 32312 (850) 422-2520 (telephone) (850) 422-2567 (facsimile) attorneys@padgettlaw.net

5706-0322 THCRN Ruprecht, Charles Wallace 2016 CA 000830A Notice of Sale IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION DIVISION CASE NO.: 2016 CA 000830A

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST, CHARLES WALLACE RUPRECHT A/K/A CHARLES W. RUPRECHT, DECEASED, et al, Defendant(s).

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THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mephram Group

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SOLUTION TO WEDNESDAY PUZZLE

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

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Thursday, March 15, 2018

KATHLEEN SAXE

WORD GAME

TODAY'S WORD -- AUGURIES

(AUGURIES: AWG-yuh-rees: Signs of something coming; omens.)

Average mark 23 words
Time limit 35 minutes

Can you find 31 or more words in AUGURIES?
The list will be published tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S WORD -- RESTFUL

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result	suer	fetus	user
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self	true	fuel	lust
serf	tule	furl	luster
slue	turf	fuse	lute

To purchase the Word Game book, visit WordGameBooks.com.
Order it now for just \$5 while supplies last!

RULES OF THE GAME: 1. Words must be of four or more letters. 2. Words that acquire four letters by the addition of "s," such as "bats" or "dies," are not allowed. 3. Additional words made by adding a "d" or an "s" may not be used. 4. Proper nouns, slang words, or vulgar or sexually explicit words are not allowed. Contact Word Game creator Kathleen Saxe at kzsaxe@gmail.com.

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ACROSS

- 1 More peculiar
- 6 Flattened bottle
- 11 Visit often
- 12 Beforehand
- 13 Toolshed item
- 15 Area
- 16 — de corps
- 18 Stadium cry
- 19 "Westworld" name
- 21 Court divider
- 22 Matador's foe
- 23 Petty quarrel
- 25 Groundhog mo.
- 28 Cope with change
- 30 Ode inspirer
- 31 Festive night
- 32 Cartoon voice — Blanc
- 33 Freedom, in slogans
- 35 Ouija alternative
- 37 Loop trains
- 38 Not affectionate

DOWN

- 40 Make some bread
- 41 Bind
- 42 "Grand — Opry"
- 43 Move quickly
- 46 "Key Largo" actress
- 48 Rock concert venues
- 50 Monarchs' terms
- 54 More helpful
- 55 Astronaut's garb (hyph.)
- 56 Winding curves
- 57 In a coy manner
- 1 Sighs of distress
- 2 Lah-di- —
- 3 Laurel and Hardy
- 4 Surround entirely
- 5 Tpk.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 6 Place for loafers
- 7 Insect resin
- 8 Bohemian
- 9 Tart plum
- 10 Sedgwick of the screen
- 14 Hosp. workers
- 15 Hindu lute

- 17 Plato's ideal
- 19 Matterhorn echo
- 20 Eurasian range
- 22 Not exciting
- 24 Explosive letters
- 25 Like an alley cat
- 26 Draw forth
- 27 — noire
- 29 "Waterfalls" group
- 34 Greek vowels
- 36 Revoke
- 39 Letter starter
- 43 Grey of western novels
- 44 Tall flower
- 45 Torso muscles
- 46 Disqualifies
- 47 Easel supports
- 49 Once called
- 51 Dude
- 52 Zilch
- 53 Pig's digs

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WORDY GURDY

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE

1. Mixed-breed dog rump (1)

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2. High-on-pitch angel instrument (1)

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3. 15th of March tour leaders (1)

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4. Demurer attorney (2)

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5. Russia head Vladimir's "Fig" cookies (2)

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6. "Tonight Show" Jimmy's 4-quart units (2)

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7. Senior high sports team meagerness (3)

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ANSWERS: 1. MUTT BUTT 2. SHARP HARP 3. DES GUIDES 4. COVER LAWYER 5. PUTINS NEWTONS 6. FAT CATS 7. DOUBLE TROUBLE

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5707-0322 THCRN
Hess, Margaret E. 2016-CA-000866 A Notice of Sale
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2016-CA-000866 A

BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, Plaintiff,
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, SURVIVING SPOUSE, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MARGARET E. HESS, DECEASED, et al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment. Final Judgment was awarded on March 1, 2018 in Civil Case No. 2016 CA 000866 A, of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Citrus County, Florida, wherein, BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY is the Plaintiff, and UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, SURVIVING SPOUSE, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MARGARET E. HESS, DECEASED; COUNTY OF CITRUS; QUAIL RUN HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OF CITRUS COUNTY, INC.; DARLENE S. VANDERBUSH; YVONNE D. WORLEY; KIMBERLY A. MOSSLER; LORI J. PIETROBURGO; MATHEW C. VANDERBUSH III; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS are Defendants.

The Clerk of the Court, Angela Vick will sell to the highest bidder for cash at www.citrus.realestate.com on April 5, 2018 at 10:00 AM EST the following described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF CITRUS, WITH A STREET LOCATION ADDRESS OF 7420 N WHIPPOORWILL TER, HERNANDO, FL 34442-2039 HAVING A TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF 19E-17S-29-0040-00000-0150 AND BEING THE SAME PROPERTY MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN BOOK/PAGE OR DOCUMENT NUMBER 1861-1737 DATED 5/26/2005 AND FURTHER DESCRIBED AS QUAIL RUN PB 12 PG 4 LOT 15.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 9th day of March, 2018.

ALDRIDGE | PITE, LLP Attorney for Plaintiff
1615 South Congress Avenue, Suite 200 Delray Beach, FL 33445
Telephone: (844) 470-8804 Facsimile: (561) 392-6965
By: Susan Sparks, Esq. FBN: 33626
Primary E-Mail: ServiceMail@aldridgepite.com

Foreclosure Sale/Action Notices

IMPORTANT

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for Citrus County, John Sullivan, at (352) 341-6700 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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H Hometown HAPPENINGS

Thursday, March 15, 2018 W COMMUNITY NEWS ACROSS CITRUS COUNTY

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It's a green month



Georgi Davis
UP THE CLOTHES CHUTE

Today is March 15. In two days we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day.

This means that the world will be turning green.

People will be wearing green, drinking green beer, drinking green milkshakes, eating green cake and honoring that man who saved Ireland from the snakes. I wish he would come to my house this summer when the snakes begin to slink into my garden.

I suppose I could get a flute and see if I couldn't charm them myself.

I did see a green snake in my yard, but it wasn't on St. Patrick's Day. It was sometime last June.

Since it is now the middle of March, our world is finally turning green again, too. The leaves are back on the trees. Those ugly grey sticks that were once gorgeous green plants in my flower garden are again sprouting their green leaves. The grass has again turned from brown to green and the world is green, green, green. Everywhere you look it is green.

To celebrate the coming of spring several years ago, I even painted our lanai a corn husk green (my husband gave me the gallon of paint for my birthday, as I requested). It looks so very tropical and adds a touch of class to my afore dull, white porch. But then you can find green in most rooms, so I don't have to do anything special to the rest of our humble abode. It could be said that our house is "politically correct."

My sister's house is all blue. It is beautiful, but every time I'm there, I start singing, "Am I Blue?"

Call me goofy, but I always have a song going through my head that has something to do with my surroundings, what's happening in my life or my mood. But that has nothing to do with going green.

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Going green



St. Patrick's parade and festival set March 17

Special to the Chronicle

INVERNESS — The city of Inverness is preparing for the region's largest St. Patrick's festival on March 17.

As the event heads into its eighth year, it is expanding the parade route by one-third.

The headline performance is Seven Nations: a Celtic rock band that has performed worldwide including the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. Seven Nations will take the stage at 7 p.m.

The parade will start at 6 p.m. on Apopka Avenue near the intersection of Dampier Street. The parade will head down Apopka, and wind down Courthouse Square, then make a right on to Pine Avenue and head back to Dampier Street.

The Pine Street Pub and DRC Sports Inverness Beer Mile will have participants jovially combining a short distance race and consumption of small glasses of beer.

The overall Beer Mile male and female champions will have their times registered



Participants of the annual St. Patrick's Day festivities in Inverness pose in front of the Old Historic Courthouse dressed as leprechauns and fairies.

with the National Beer Mile World Championships.

This festival will also include a self-paced Leprechaun Crawl through local businesses: Pine Street Pub, the Ice Cream Dr., Nicole's House of Cakes, MC Wine Bar, Motor City Pasta Co., Glamour Salon, Karma Resale Shoppe, Coach's, Labels and Olde Inverness Antiques.

Festivalgoers will also see merchandise vendors, food trucks and the raucous leprechaun and fairy costume contest at 8:30 p.m.

This event is free and open to the public.

For information, call 352-341-7820 or visit InvernessStPatricks.com.

Get an early start on St. Patrick's Day

Activities get an early start with the Dog & People Parade at 10 a.m. The cost to participate is \$10, and proceeds benefit the Citrus County Animal Shelter. Included is a best-dressed dog pet contest.

Burke's of Ireland pub will be open from 7 a.m. Saturday to 2 a.m. Sunday, and other bayside establishments will participate in holiday festivities, as well, albeit a bit later in the day.

Downtown will come alive with a street party featuring music at 7 p.m. For more information on Crystal River's celebration, go to crystalriverfl.org.

Facts about foxes

JERRY WALLS
Special to the Chronicle

The other day while taking a walk on our property, I was surprised by having a fox spring up from the low vegetation in front of me.

The small mammal sprang up and bounded like a rabbit until it went out of sight.

It is always a treat to encounter a fox in the wild.

The fox is a canid in the dog family. However, foxes also exhibit characteristics of cats.

Fox kittens hiss and spit. Adults have several vocalizations and can also mew

like a cat. On occasion, they assume the cat's threat posture of standing with their back arched up like a "Halloween cat."

Foxes have vertical slit pupils, unlike the round pupils of their canid relatives, dogs. They also have partially retractable front claws.

Foxes have very alert senses.

They can hear, smell and see very well. This helps them in hunting effort to find their food such as eggs, berries, birds, insects, small mammals and sometimes even garbage.

They are opportunistic omnivores that will eat

just about anything.

Baby foxes, called kits, cubs or pups, are cute and adorable little animals. They are hard to resist and rank very high on the "cuteness" scale.

Most encounters with foxes are after dark. On numerous occasions, I have observed them roaming about in the early morning and late afternoon. This is known as crepuscular activity.

Known predators of foxes are coyotes, bobcats and great-horned owls.

There are two kinds of foxes found in Citrus County.

The first is the red fox.



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The fox is a canid in the dog family. However, foxes also exhibit characteristics of cats.

Most believe that the red fox is not native.

Had it not been for early pioneers and hunters with their packs of well-trained hunting hounds, the red fox might never have found its way to Florida. Most believe it was imported for hunting purposes.

A large red fox can easily be mistaken for the

larger coyote.

Foxes run with their tail stretched out horizontally. Coyotes run with their tails pointed somewhat in a downward position.

The red fox usually has a white-tipped tail. To make identification more confusing, some red foxes are grayish-red in overall color.

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Oak Village Women to nominate officers

Special to the Chronicle

The Oak Village Women's Club will meet at 11 a.m. Monday, April 9, at Glen Lakes Country Club.

Following luncheon, members and guests will be entertained with the Kentucky Derby Game. Members are encouraged to wear their Kentucky Derby hats.

The Homosassa Elks' Lodge is loaning the club its game pieces. Vice president Sally Murray is asking for eight volunteers to help with game set up.

The April luncheon will consist of chef's of choice soup, warm rolls and butter; either No. 1 teriyaki glazed chicken breast with stir fried vegetables and fried rice, or No. 2 pot roast with mashed potatoes and vegetables; and

chef's choice of dessert. At 11:30 a.m. the monthly business meeting will be conducted, during which nominations for club officers for 2018 thru 2020 will be confirmed. Luncheon will be served promptly at noon. Members and guests who arrive at Glen Lakes before 11 a.m. are welcome to enjoy the lobby while luncheon hostesses

and the hospitality team set up sign-in tables. Cost of luncheon is \$17.50 for members and \$20 for guests; make checks payable to OVWC. Payment is due before 5 p.m. on Friday, March 30. Drop check (no cash, no envelope) in either the Oak Village bulletin board box located on Oak Village Boulevard South, or the

one at the pool and tennis club on Village Center Circle.

OVWC is a social gathering of women dedicated to creating a group who enjoy interacting with each other as well as contributing to their community in the form of charitable donations and volunteer work.

They meet the second Monday of each month from September through May. Membership is open to all women residing in Oak Village. You are invited to attend any meeting before making the decision to join.

For information, visit www.ovwclub.com or contact the new member and hospitality team leader, Sara Berg at 352-503-2717.

FOXES

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If you ever visit a zoo with an outdoor fox exhibit, you often will detect the smell of the foxes before you arrive at the

exhibit. They have a distinct pungent scent that you can smell when they mark their territory.

Red foxes are fairly large as foxes go. A large red fox may weigh up to 25 pounds but most are smaller. They have been clocked at running up to 45 miles per

hour. Their life span in the wild is believed to be from 3 to 5 years.

The second fox found in Citrus County is the gray fox. Smaller than the red fox, the gray fox usually weighs less than 10 pounds. Records show that they can live up to 10

years in the wild.

The gray fox usually has a black-tipped tail versus the red fox's white-tipped tail.

Did you know? If you see a fox up in a tree in our area it probably is a gray fox. They are the only members of the family

Canidae who can climb trees. Their dens have been found as high as 30 feet above the ground.

If you are fortunate enough to see a stealthy fox in the wild, enjoy the experience. They are truly amazing animals.

As always, enjoy your

Citrus County nature trails. Share them with others, especially children.

Jerry Walls is a Naturalist and Environmental Educator living in Florida.

For questions or comments, email Jerry at jwalls443@gmail.com.

CHUTE

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If you go to the grocery store, you will also find that many products have gone green. It is very difficult to escape.

My husband and I did our part by buying those cloth grocery bags so that we don't add to landfills those plastic bags that won't disintegrate. After all, we have to do something to keep things green.

I feel like I look a little bit like my grandmother when I use them. She would have taken a cloth shopping bag to the grocery store. What goes around always comes around.

Car companies are

trying to go green with new technology for making cars that use different fuels and run farther on a gallon of whatever it is they use. Oil companies tell us they are developing new ways of heating and cooling our homes, so they, too, are "going green."

Going green can be good and bad. It is good to keep our planet green. It is bad to be green with envy.

It used to be said that if you were feeling well, you were "in the pink." I think that expression will soon be changed to "in the green." However, I remember when my niece went on a roller coaster ride and ended up looking "green around the gills." This was not a good thing!

Kermit the Frog, of the Muppets, is green. I think

he is really cute. He sings a song about being green which is also rather clever; but he doesn't like being green.

I like him that way. After all, frogs are supposed to be green. And speaking of frogs, soon those little green frogs will be attaching themselves to the siding of our house and singing their little songs to us inside the house.

Our money is green. Some people think that the more of that kind of green you have, the better off you are. Then it could be said that you are "in the green" which is another way to use the term.

My husband and I don't have a lot of the green stuff, but we are comfortable enough. If we won the lottery, we really wouldn't

be unhappy about it. I would use it to buy a house on the beach so that I could go to sleep and wake up to the sounds of the ocean washing against the shore.

First, though, we would pay off our car. Then we would be free of debt. Free of debt is good. I can't imagine those people who have mortgages that are way beyond their means or have maxed out their credit cards just so they can have "things." Things are great, but peace of mind is better.

So this St. Patrick's Day, go ahead and go green, but be green within reason. Don't drink too much green beer or eat too much green cake.

Just be thankful we live where we can go to green

parades, spend our green money and do it without fear of being blown up by any terrorist groups (at least that's what I used to think). The 23rd Psalm states: He makes me lie down in green pastures. I don't think it was referring to money.

Thought for the day:

Green is good unless you are green around the gills. Enjoy your green world and thank God for what he has created.

Georgi Davis, a transplant from Ohio and a retired teacher, is enjoying her second life in Homosassa. Contact her at davis-georgeanna@yahoo.com.

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Citrus Rollers to skate St. Patrick's Day

Special to the Chronicle

The Citrus Rollers will be participating in the St. Patrick's Day parade at 5 p.m. Saturday March 17, in downtown Inverness.

Join the Citrus Rollers at 5 p.m. Sunday March 18, at the Roller Barn 1740 U.S. 41 Inverness. Two Disney Park Hopper tickets will be raffled. For more ticket

information contact Debbie Harrigan at 352-301-2159 or Debbie.Harrigan@citrusrollers.com.

On April 1, the Citrus Rollers will be at AstroSkate Center in Orlando for a one day invitational competition event.

RECENT EVENTS

The Citrus Rollers recently traveled to compete

in the Hearts of Memphis Artistic Roller Skating Meet in Memphis, Tennessee.

While narrowly missing the overall meet trophy, all 11 Citrus Rollers earned at least one medal and collectively the team earned 28 medals. We are very proud of our team and especially proud of two of our newest skaters, Cali

Drakesford and Gabby Budd, each earning a bronze medal.

A little closer to home, the Citrus Rollers traveled to SpinNations Skating Center in New Port Richey for a President's Day competition. Although our team skated against many seasoned skaters, Citrus Rollers collected 22 medals.

ABOUT US

Citrus Rollers Skating Club was organized to promote Artistic Roller Skating within Citrus County. While most of our skaters are children, there is no age limits for our skaters. Our skaters ages range from five to 70 years old. Our coaches, Cindy Nolan and Jerry Peterson, have decades of

experience in International European techniques teaching our skaters the Art of Skating while participating in various sanctioned competitions. Citrus Rollers is located at the Roller Barn in Inverness and is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit club.

For information, contact Diane Valent at 352-464-4007 or diane.valent@citrusrollers.com.

Advance NOTICE

Play in memorial soccer tournament

The Nature Coast Soccer Club will host the Keith Malz 3v3 Memorial Tournament on Saturday, March 17, at the Central Ridge District Park. The event is open to ages 5 and up. Keith Malz had a large impact on the local soccer community and we couldn't think of a better way to memorialize his passion, his love for the game, and show support to our local community.

Cost is \$200 per team. Teams can be co-ed, minimum of two with max of six players.

Friends of the Blind yard sale set

The Friends of the Blind will have their annual indoor spring yard sale from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 24, at the Wishing Well Center, 6055 State Road 200, Hernando. It's time to clean out the garage and those closets and get rid of items no longer needed or wanted. Donations of new or gently used items (no electronics) will be accepted until March 15. For more information, call 352-637-1739.

Community invited to Passover Seder

The community is invited to participate in a traditional Passover Seder conducted by Cantor Mordecai Kamlot at 6 p.m. Friday, March 30, at Congregation Kol Emet (Unity of Citrus County), 2628 W. Woodview Lane, Lecanto.

There will be spirited singing, meaningful English readings, food and fellowship. A kosher dinner will be served. Menu includes: wine, matzah, homemade haroset (fruit and nut mixture), gefilte fish, chicken-matazh ball soup, roast chicken (or vegetarian option), potato kugel, glazed carrots, dessert and beverages. Cost is \$18 per person; \$10 for children younger than 10.

For reservations, send a check (payable to Cong. Kol Emet) to: Cong. Kol Emet, P.O. Box 38, Hernando, FL 34441. The deadline is March 23. For more information, call 352-643-0995 or email mkamlot2@gmail.com.

Eat at Good Old Boy's Fish Fry

The Beverly Hills Fish Club will be host a BHFC Good Old Boy's Fish Fry Saturday, April 7, at the Beverly Hills VFW.

We will serve a lightly breaded fried haddock, Boston baked beans, cole slaw and desert. Hot dogs will be available for those who do not want fish.

Doors open at 11 a.m. and lunch will served at noon. Cost is \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members. Public is welcome. Advance tickets are available by calling 352-422-8149.

IR-RU benefit to promote Autism Awareness

The IR-RU Family Social Club will host its third annual benefit to promote Autism Awareness on Sunday, April 8. CREST (Citrus Resources for Exceptional Students in Transition) School, in Lecanto, will be the beneficiary of this event. All proceeds will go to the school.

A Band Fest, featuring local bands, will start at 1 p.m. The lineup is as follows:

- 1 to 1:45 p.m. — JoJo Jones
- 2 to 2:45 p.m. — Cheap Date
- 3 to 3:45 p.m. — Jimmy Sparks
- 4 to 4:45 p.m. — Pete Hunt and Southern Branded
- 5 to 5:45 p.m. — Tavern Kings
- 6 to 6:45 p.m. — R n R Band
- 7 to 7:45 p.m. — Cutter Creek

Food will be available and raffles will continue throughout the event. There is no admission fee. For those who are not able to attend, donations will be accepted at the clubhouse or by mail. Make checks out to: IR-RU Family Social Club, indicating for Autism Benefit, at 922 U.S. 41 South, Inverness, FL 34450. For more information, call the club at 352-637-5118.

Play games for a good cause

The ladies of the Gulf to Lakes Pilot Club invite the community to attend their Bunco Bonanza fundraiser Thursday, April 12, at the Central Ridge Community Center.

Doors open at 6 p.m. and the games start at 6:30 sharp. Tickets are available now and are \$25 in advance. There will be door prizes, raffles baskets and free refreshments, appetizers and desserts with admission.

The Gulf to Lakes Pilot Club is a tax exempt non-profit organization. All proceeds support their club projects which align with Pilot International and the club focus of brain health and safety and helping those who care for others within Citrus County.

For tickets and information, call Jeanmarie at 352-746-1135. Tickets are available from any Gulf to Lakes Pilot Club member. Make checks payable to the Gulf to Lakes Pilot Club.

Attend annual LWVCC luncheon

The LWVCC will celebrate their 5th anniversary with a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. April 10, in the Windsor Room at the Citrus Hills Country Club, 505 E. Hartford St., Hernando.

The public is invited. Guest speakers will be Sandy Counts, Rhonda Distel and Teddi Rusnak who will recount some of

their experiences in running for local offices, inspiring more women to enter the race. There will be an Italian buffet. Tickets are \$25 per person paid in advance, reservations required. Seating is limited. Reservations close April 2.

For information, call 352-382-0032.

Golf for charity and student scholarships

The American Irish Club (AIC) will host their 18th annual Scholarship Golf Tournament on Saturday, April 14, at the Citrus Hills Golf and Country Club, 505 E. Hartford St, Hernando. Golfers will sign in at 7:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. For information and sign-up, call Dave Horsman at 352-897-1398 by April 13.

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Diablo loves the balls in the yard, especially the squeaky one. He is very playful and entertains himself running around the yard squeaking the ball in his mouth. He's smart too. He went to each ball, testing it until he found the one that squeaked. He's people-friendly, happy, playful and nice looking dog. **Diablo** is a 2-year-old Hound mix and a nice medium size at 52 pounds. Come meet him. ID No. 37763879.



Stoick is a big, beautiful Retriever mix. He is strong. He is very energetic and likes to play. He's done well in play groups. If a potential adopter had another dog, a meet and greet is definitely in order. He is affectionate. **Stoick** weighs 75 pounds and is microchipped, and heartworm tested and vaccinated. ID No. 37538227.



Jemma is a cute little girl. She's estimated to be two years old and weighs 44 pounds. She's kennel with another dog (Spot) and looks up to him as a big brother. She hates to leave his side, but does well in the play yard without him. **Jemma** is a hound mix. She is microchipped, heartworm tested and vaccinated and will be spayed prior to adoption. ID No. 37739320.



At the shelter since Jan. 12, **Amigo** is a brown, gray and black tabby who's already been neutered. Coming to the shelter as a stray, he was unsure at first but he's come around nicely. He likes a lap to relax in, and is very ready to meet his new family. He's not very playful, but we know he'll be a nice companion. ID No. 37591999.



At the shelter since Jan. 15, **Sonata** is a torti lady who's sweet, gentle and loving. She gladly takes any time that she gets out of her kennel, and she loves to explore. Not much of a fan of being held, she will sit in your lap if the mood strikes her. She gets along well with others. ID No. 37609718.



At the shelter since Jan. 11, **Elvira** is a black and white lady who's already spayed. She's sweet, but may be best as an only pet in her new home. Her tail is short (although not a true bobbed tail), is cute when she wags it! She is on a special diet for urinary tract health, and that should be continued once she is adopted. ID No. 36776942.

Citrus County Animal Services, 4030 S. Airport Road, Inverness, behind the fairgrounds. View adoptable pets at citruscritters.com. Call 352-746-8400. Unless otherwise noted, all dogs are spayed/neutered, microchipped, heartworm tested and current on vaccinations.

EVENTS

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An RV and many groups will be on-site. Come and wear your green and bring plenty of green dollars. James Sleighter, executive director of Mission in Citrus, will wear his green hat and Shillelagh. There will be treasures galore.

All proceeds will benefit the Mission in Citrus for homeless veterans of Citrus County. Come support this great cause. Donations for the yard sale are being accepted at the office.

Members of VFW post 7122 will host a St. Patrick's Day Dinner from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at 8191 S. Florida Ave., Floral City. Corned beef and cabbage will be served for \$8.50 a plate.

For information, call 352-637-0100.

Members of the VFW Post 4337 will host a St.

Patrick's Day dinner of corned beef and cabbage beginning at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at 906 State Road 44, Inverness. The public is invited. Cost is \$7.

Enjoy an evening of food and fun at the 40/8 annual St. Patrick's Day dinner and bash from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at the American Legion Post 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River.

Dinner will begin at 5 p.m. Meal will be traditional corned beef and cabbage, dessert, coffee or tea. Donation \$15 per person.

All are welcome — open to the public. Tickets available at the Post lounge or during any 40/8 breakfast or fish fry.

Proceeds to benefit 40/8 Voiture and Cabane 1219 veteran's programs.

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There will be a St. Patrick's Day dinner from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at Parsons Memorial Presbyterian Church, 5850 Riverside Drive, Yankeetown.

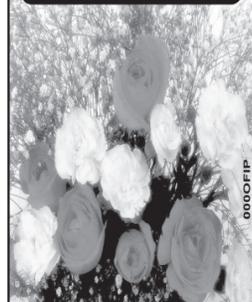
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It's a green month



Georgi Davis
UP THE CLOTHES CHUTE

Today is March 15. In two days we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day.

This means that the world will be turning green.

People will be wearing green, drinking green beer, drinking green milkshakes, eating green cake and honoring that man who saved Ireland from the snakes. I wish he would come to my house this summer when the snakes begin to slink into my garden.

I suppose I could get a flute and see if I couldn't charm them myself.

I did see a green snake in my yard, but it wasn't on St. Patrick's Day. It was sometime last June.

Since it is now the middle of March, our world is finally turning green again, too. The leaves are back on the trees. Those ugly grey sticks that were once gorgeous green plants in my flower garden are again sprouting their green leaves. The grass has again turned from brown to green and the world is green, green, green. Everywhere you look it is green.

To celebrate the coming of spring several years ago, I even painted our lanai a corn husk green (my husband gave me the gallon of paint for my birthday, as I requested). It looks so very tropical and adds a touch of class to my afore dull, white porch. But then you can find green in most rooms, so I don't have to do anything special to the rest of our humble abode. It could be said that our house is "politically correct."

My sister's house is all blue. It is beautiful, but every time I'm there, I start singing, "Am I Blue?"

Call me goofy, but I always have a song going through my head that has something to do with my surroundings, what's happening in my life or my mood. But that has nothing to do with going green.

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Going green



St. Patrick's parade and festival set March 17

Special to the Chronicle

INVERNESS — The city of Inverness is preparing for the region's largest St. Patrick's festival on March 17.

As the event heads into its eighth year, it is expanding the parade route by one-third.

The headline performance is Seven Nations: a Celtic rock band that has performed worldwide including the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. Seven Nations will take the stage at 7 p.m.

The parade will start at 6 p.m. on Apopka Avenue near the intersection of Dampier Street. The parade will head down Apopka, and wind down Courthouse Square, then make a right on to Pine Avenue and head back to Dampier Street.

The Pine Street Pub and DRC Sports Inverness Beer Mile will have participants jovially combining a short distance race and consumption of small glasses of beer.

The overall Beer Mile male and female champions will have their times registered



Special to the Chronicle

Participants of the annual St. Patrick's Day festivities in Inverness pose in front of the Old Historic Courthouse dressed as leprechauns and fairies.

with the National Beer Mile World Championships.

This festival will also include a self-paced Leprechaun Crawl through local businesses: Pine Street Pub, the Ice Cream Dr., Nicole's House of Cakes, MC Wine Bar, Motor City Pasta Co., Glamour Salon, Karma Resale Shoppe, Coach's, Labels and Olde Inverness Antiques.

Festivalgoers will also see merchandise vendors, food trucks and the raucous leprechaun and fairy costume contest at 8:30 p.m.

This event is free and open to the public.

For information, call 352-341-7820 or visit InvernessStPatricks.com.

Get an early start on St. Patrick's Day

Activities get an early start with the Dog & People Parade at 10 a.m. The cost to participate is \$10, and proceeds benefit the Citrus County Animal Shelter. Included is a best-dressed dog pet contest.

Burke's of Ireland pub will be open from 7 a.m. Saturday to 2 a.m. Sunday, and other bayside establishments will participate in holiday festivities, as well, albeit a bit later in the day.

Downtown will come alive with a street party featuring music at 7 p.m. For more information on Crystal River's celebration, go to crystalriverfl.org.

Shenanigans set to get your Irish on

Staff report

Prepare yourself for a day of craic as Citrus County goes green for St. Patrick's Day.

Dress like a leprechaun, imbibe in some grass-hued brews and get ready to get down with your fellow Irishmen (and women). Sláinte!

Other events include:

Friday Night Thunder will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a Car Cruise-in and live music from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, March 16, in downtown Inverness. For information, contact Brian Mullany at 352-341-7820 or at bmullany@inverness-fl.gov.

Cars cannot park for the cruise-in before 3:30 p.m., and must be legally parked at the conclusion of the event at 8 p.m. The Citrus County Sheriff's Office requires that if you decide to remain after 8 p.m., you must re-park your car in a designated spot with front end towards the curb. This will allow normal traffic patterns to resume.

The Mission in Citrus will have a St. Patrick's yard sale from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at Homosassa Animal & Bird Hospital, 8177 W. Grover Cleveland Blvd., Homosassa.

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Facts about foxes

JERRY WALLS
Special to the Chronicle

The other day while taking a walk on our property, I was surprised by having a fox spring up from the low vegetation in front of me.

The small mammal sprang up and bounded like a rabbit until it went out of sight.

It is always a treat to encounter a fox in the wild.

The fox is a canid in the dog family. However, foxes also exhibit characteristics of cats.

Fox kittens hiss and spit. Adults have several vocalizations and can also mew

like a cat. On occasion, they assume the cat's threat posture of standing with their back arched up like a "Halloween cat."

Foxes have vertical slit pupils, unlike the round pupils of their canid relatives, dogs. They also have partially retractable front claws.

Foxes have very alert senses.

They can hear, smell and see very well. This helps them in hunting effort to find their food such as eggs, berries, birds, insects, small mammals and sometimes even garbage.

They are opportunistic omnivores that will eat

just about anything.

Baby foxes, called kits, cubs or pups, are cute and adorable little animals. They are hard to resist and rank very high on the "cuteness" scale.

Most encounters with foxes are after dark. On numerous occasions, I have observed them roaming about in the early morning and late afternoon. This is known as crepuscular activity.

Known predators of foxes are coyotes, bobcats and great-horned owls.

There are two kinds of foxes found in Citrus County.

The first is the red fox.



Chronicle file

The fox is a canid in the dog family. However, foxes also exhibit characteristics of cats.

Most believe that the red fox is not native.

Had it not been for early pioneers and hunters with their packs of well-trained hunting hounds, the red fox might never have found its way to Florida. Most believe it was imported for hunting purposes.

A large red fox can easily be mistaken for the

larger coyote.

Foxes run with their tail stretched out horizontally. Coyotes run with their tails pointed somewhat in a downward position.

The red fox usually has a white-tipped tail. To make identification more confusing, some red foxes are grayish-red in overall color.

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Oak Village Women to nominate officers

Special to the Chronicle

The Oak Village Women's Club will meet at 11 a.m. Monday, April 9, at Glen Lakes Country Club.

Following luncheon, members and guests will be entertained with the Kentucky Derby Game. Members are encouraged to wear their Kentucky Derby hats.

The Homosassa Elks' Lodge is loaning the club its game pieces. Vice president Sally Murray is asking for eight volunteers to help with game set up.

The April luncheon will consist of chef's of choice soup, warm rolls and butter; either No. 1 teriyaki glazed chicken breast with stir fried vegetables and fried rice, or No. 2 pot roast with mashed potatoes and vegetables; and

chef's choice of dessert. At 11:30 a.m. the monthly business meeting will be conducted, during which nominations for club officers for 2018 thru 2020 will be confirmed. Luncheon will be served promptly at noon. Members and guests who arrive at Glen Lakes before 11 a.m. are welcome to enjoy the lobby while luncheon hostesses

and the hospitality team set up sign-in tables. Cost of luncheon is \$17.50 for members and \$20 for guests; make checks payable to OVWC. Payment is due before 5 p.m. on Friday, March 30. Drop check (no cash, no envelope) in either the Oak Village bulletin board box located on Oak Village Boulevard South, or the

one at the pool and tennis club on Village Center Circle. OVWC is a social gathering of women dedicated to creating a group who enjoy interacting with each other as well as contributing to their community in the form of charitable donations and volunteer work. They meet the second Monday of each month

from September through May. Membership is open to all women residing in Oak Village. You are invited to attend any meeting before making the decision to join.

For information, visit www.ovwclub.com or contact the new member and hospitality team leader, Sara Berg at 352-503-2717.

Citrus County nature trails. Share them with others, especially children.

Jerry Walls is a Naturalist and Environmental Educator living in Florida. For questions or comments, email Jerry at jwalls443@gmail.com.

FOXES

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If you ever visit a zoo with an outdoor fox exhibit, you often will detect the smell of the foxes before you arrive at the

exhibit. They have a distinct pungent scent that you can smell when they mark their territory.

Red foxes are fairly large as foxes go. A large red fox may weigh up to 25 pounds but most are smaller. They have been clocked at running up to 45 miles per

hour. Their life span in the wild is believed to be from 3 to 5 years.

The second fox found in Citrus County is the gray fox. Smaller than the red fox, the gray fox usually weighs less than 10 pounds. Records show that they can live up to 10

years in the wild.

The gray fox usually has a black-tipped tail versus the red fox's white-tipped tail.

Did you know? If you see a fox up in a tree in our area it probably is a gray fox. They are the only members of the family

Canidae who can climb trees. Their dens have been found as high as 30 feet above the ground.

If you are fortunate enough to see a stealthy fox in the wild, enjoy the experience. They are truly amazing animals.

As always, enjoy your

parades, spend our green money and do it without fear of being blown up by any terrorist groups (at least that's what I used to think). The 23rd Psalm states: He makes me lie down in green pastures. I don't think it was referring to money.

Thought for the day:

Green is good unless you are green around the gills. Enjoy your green world and thank God for what he has created.

Georgi Davis, a transplant from Ohio and a retired teacher, is enjoying her second life in Homosassa. Contact her at davis-georgeanna@yahoo.com.

CHUTE

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If you go to the grocery store, you will also find that many products have gone green. It is very difficult to escape.

My husband and I did our part by buying those cloth grocery bags so that we don't add to landfills those plastic bags that won't disintegrate. After all, we have to do something to keep things green.

I feel like I look a little bit like my grandmother when I use them. She would have taken a cloth shopping bag to the grocery store. What goes around always comes around.

Car companies are

trying to go green with new technology for making cars that use different fuels and run farther on a gallon of whatever it is they use. Oil companies tell us they are developing new ways of heating and cooling our homes, so they, too, are "going green."

Going green can be good and bad. It is good to keep our planet green. It is bad to be green with envy.

It used to be said that if you were feeling well, you were "in the pink." I think that expression will soon be changed to "in the green." However, I remember when my niece went on a roller coaster ride and ended up looking "green around the gills." This was not a good thing!

Kermit the Frog, of the Muppets, is green. I think

he is really cute. He sings a song about being green which is also rather clever; but he doesn't like being green.

I like him that way. After all, frogs are supposed to be green. And speaking of frogs, soon those little green frogs will be attaching themselves to the siding of our house and singing their little songs to us inside the house.

Our money is green. Some people think that the more of that kind of green you have, the better off you are. Then it could be said that you are "in the green" which is another way to use the term.

My husband and I don't have a lot of the green stuff, but we are comfortable enough. If we won the lottery, we really wouldn't

be unhappy about it. I would use it to buy a house on the beach so that I could go to sleep and wake up to the sounds of the ocean washing against the shore.

First, though, we would pay off our car. Then we would be free of debt. Free of debt is good. I can't imagine those people who have mortgages that are way beyond their means or have maxed out their credit cards just so they can have "things." Things are great, but peace of mind is better.

So this St. Patrick's Day, go ahead and go green, but be green within reason. Don't drink too much green beer or eat too much green cake.

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Citrus Rollers to skate St. Patrick's Day

Special to the Chronicle

The Citrus Rollers will be participating in the St. Patrick's Day parade at 5 p.m. Saturday March 17, in downtown Inverness.

Join the Citrus Rollers at 5 p.m. Sunday March 18, at the Roller Barn 1740 U.S. 41 Inverness. Two Disney Park Hopper tickets will be raffled. For more ticket

information contact Debbie Harrigan at 352-301-2159 or Debbie.Harrigan@citrusrollers.com.

On April 1, the Citrus Rollers will be at AstroSkate Center in Orlando for a one day invitational competition event.

RECENT EVENTS

The Citrus Rollers recently traveled to compete

in the Hearts of Memphis Artistic Roller Skating Meet in Memphis, Tennessee.

While narrowly missing the overall meet trophy, all 11 Citrus Rollers earned at least one medal and collectively the team earned 28 medals. We are very proud of our team and especially proud of two of our newest skaters, Cali

Drakesford and Gabby Budd, each earning a bronze medal.

A little closer to home, the Citrus Rollers traveled to SpinNations Skating Center in New Port Richey for a President's Day competition. Although our team skated against many seasoned skaters, Citrus Rollers collected 22 medals.

ABOUT US

Citrus Rollers Skating Club was organized to promote Artistic Roller Skating within Citrus County. While most of our skaters are children, there is no age limits for our skaters. Our skaters ages range from five to 70 years old. Our coaches, Cindy Nolan and Jerry Peterson, have decades of

experience in International European techniques teaching our skaters the Art of Skating while participating in various sanctioned competitions. Citrus Rollers is located at the Roller Barn in Inverness and is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit club.

For information, contact Diane Valent at 352-464-4007 or diane.valent@citrusrollers.com.

Advance NOTICE

Play in memorial soccer tournament

The Nature Coast Soccer Club will host the Keith Malz 3v3 Memorial Tournament on Saturday, March 17, at the Central Ridge District Park. The event is open to ages 5 and up. Keith Malz had a large impact on the local soccer community and we couldn't think of a better way to memorialize his passion, his love for the game, and show support to our local community.

Cost is \$200 per team. Teams can be co-ed, minimum of two with max of six players.

Friends of the Blind yard sale set

The Friends of the Blind will have their annual indoor spring yard sale from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 24, at the Wishing Well Center, 6055 State Road 200, Hernando. It's time to clean out the garage and those closets and get rid of items no longer needed or wanted. Donations of new or gently used items (no electronics) will be accepted until March 15. For more information, call 352-637-1739.

Community invited to Passover Seder

The community is invited to participate in a traditional Passover Seder conducted by Cantor Mordecai Kamlot at 6 p.m. Friday, March 30, at Congregation Kol Emet (Unity of Citrus County), 2628 W. Woodview Lane, Lecanto.

There will be spirited singing, meaningful English readings, food and fellowship. A kosher dinner will be served. Menu includes: wine, matzah, homemade haroset (fruit and nut mixture), gefilte fish, chicken-matazh ball soup, roast chicken (or vegetarian option), potato kugel, glazed carrots, dessert and beverages. Cost is \$18 per person; \$10 for children younger than 10.

For reservations, send a check (payable to Cong. Kol Emet) to: Cong. Kol Emet, P.O. Box 38, Hernando, FL 34441. The deadline is March 23. For more information, call 352-643-0995 or email mkamlot2@gmail.com.

Eat at Good Old Boy's Fish Fry

The Beverly Hills Fish Club will be host a BHFC Good Old Boy's Fish Fry Saturday, April 7, at the Beverly Hills VFW.

We will serve a lightly breaded fried haddock, Boston baked beans, cole slaw and desert. Hot dogs will be available for those who do not want fish.

Doors open at 11 a.m. and lunch will served at noon. Cost is \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members. Public is welcome. Advance tickets are available by calling 352-422-8149.

IR-RU benefit to promote Autism Awareness

The IR-RU Family Social Club will host its third annual benefit to promote Autism Awareness on Sunday, April 8. CREST (Citrus Resources for Exceptional Students in Transition) School, in Lecanto, will be the beneficiary of this event. All proceeds will go to the school.

A Band Fest, featuring local bands, will start at 1 p.m. The lineup is as follows:

- 1 to 1:45 p.m. — JoJo Jones
- 2 to 2:45 p.m. — Cheap Date
- 3 to 3:45 p.m. — Jimmy Sparks
- 4 to 4:45 p.m. — Pete Hunt and Southern Branded
- 5 to 5:45 p.m. — Tavern Kings
- 6 to 6:45 p.m. — R n R Band
- 7 to 7:45 p.m. — Cutter Creek

Food will be available and raffles will continue throughout the event. There is no admission fee. For those who are not able to attend, donations will be accepted at the clubhouse or by mail. Make checks out to: IR-RU Family Social Club, indicating for Autism Benefit, at 922 U.S. 41 South, Inverness, FL 34450. For more information, call the club at 352-637-5118.

Play games for a good cause

The ladies of the Gulf to Lakes Pilot Club invite the community to attend their Bunco Bonanza fundraiser Thursday, April 12, at the Central Ridge Community Center.

Doors open at 6 p.m. and the games start at 6:30 sharp. Tickets are available now and are \$25 in advance. There will be door prizes, raffles baskets and free refreshments, appetizers and desserts with admission.

The Gulf to Lakes Pilot Club is a tax exempt non-profit organization. All proceeds support their club projects which align with Pilot International and the club focus of brain health and safety and helping those who care for others within Citrus County.

For tickets and information, call Jeanmarie at 352-746-1135. Tickets are available from any Gulf to Lakes Pilot Club member. Make checks payable to the Gulf to Lakes Pilot Club.

Attend annual LWVCC luncheon

The LWVCC will celebrate their 5th anniversary with a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. April 10, in the Windsor Room at the Citrus Hills Country Club, 505 E. Hartford St., Hernando.

The public is invited. Guest speakers will be Sandy Counts, Rhonda Distel and Teddi Rusnak who will recount some of

their experiences in running for local offices, inspiring more women to enter the race. There will be an Italian buffet. Tickets are \$25 per person paid in advance, reservations required. Seating is limited. Reservations close April 2.

For information, call 352-382-0032.

Golf for charity and student scholarships

The American Irish Club (AIC) will host their 18th annual Scholarship Golf Tournament on Saturday, April 14, at the Citrus Hills Golf and Country Club, 505 E. Hartford St, Hernando. Golfers will sign in at 7:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. For information and sign-up, call Dave Horsman at 352-897-1398 by April 13.

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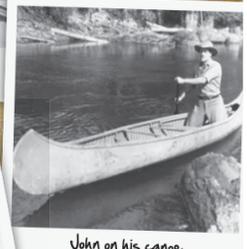
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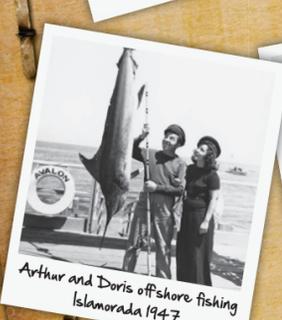
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Stoick is a big, beautiful Retriever mix. He is strong. He is very energetic and likes to play. He's done well in play groups. If a potential adopter had another dog, a meet and greet is definitely in order. He is affectionate. **Stoick** weighs 75 pounds and is microchipped, heartworm tested and vaccinated. ID No. 37538227.



Jemma is a cute little girl. She's estimated to be two years old and weighs 44 pounds. She's kennel with another dog (Spot) and looks up to him as a big brother. She hates to leave his side, but does well in the play yard without him. **Jemma** is a hound mix. She is microchipped, heartworm tested and vaccinated and will be spayed prior to adoption. ID No. 37739320.



At the shelter since Jan. 12, **Amigo** is a brown, gray and black tabby who's already been neutered. Coming to the shelter as a stray, he was unsure at first but he's come around nicely. He likes a lap to relax in, and is very ready to meet his new family. He's not very playful, but we know he'll be a nice companion. ID No. 37591999.



At the shelter since Jan. 15, **Sonata** is a torti lady who's sweet, gentle and loving. She gladly takes any time that she gets out of her kennel, and she loves to explore. Not much of a fan of being held, she will sit in your lap if the mood strikes her. She gets along well with others. ID No. 37609718.



At the shelter since Jan. 11, **Elvira** is a black and white lady who's already spayed. She's sweet, but may be best as an only pet in her new home. Her tail is short (although not a true bobbed tail), is cute when she wags it! She is on a special diet for urinary tract health, and that should be continued once she is adopted. ID No. 36776942.

Citrus County Animal Services, 4030 S. Airport Road, Inverness, behind the fairgrounds. View adoptable pets at citruscritters.com. Call 352-746-8400. Unless otherwise noted, all dogs are spayed/neutered, microchipped, heartworm tested and current on vaccinations.

EVENTS

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An RV and many groups will be on-site. Come and wear your green and bring plenty of green dollars. James Sleighter, executive director of Mission in Citrus, will wear his green hat and Shillelagh. There will be treasures galore.

All proceeds will benefit the Mission in Citrus for homeless veterans of Citrus County. Come support this great cause. Donations for the yard sale are being accepted at the office.

Members of VFW post 7122 will host a St. Patrick's Day Dinner from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at 8191 S. Florida Ave., Floral City. Corned beef and cabbage will be served for \$8.50 a plate.

For information, call 352-637-0100.

Members of the VFW Post 4337 will host a St.

Patrick's Day dinner of corned beef and cabbage beginning at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at 906 State Road 44, Inverness. The public is invited. Cost is \$7.

Enjoy an evening of food and fun at the 40/8 annual St. Patrick's Day dinner and bash from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at the American Legion Post 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River.

Dinner will begin at 5 p.m. Meal will be traditional corned beef and cabbage, dessert, coffee or tea. Donation \$15 per person.

All are welcome — open to the public. Tickets available at the Post lounge or during any 40/8 breakfast or fish fry.

Proceeds to benefit 40/8 Voiture and Cabane 1219 veteran's programs.

For information, call 352-795-6526.

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Proceeds to benefit 40/8 Voiture and Cabane 1219 veteran's programs.

For information, call 352-795-6526.

There will be a St. Patrick's Day dinner from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at Parsons Memorial Presbyterian Church, 5850 Riverside Drive, Yankeetown.

For a \$8 donation you will be served: corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots, onions, Irish soda bread, jello salad, dessert, tea or coffee. Take out will be available.

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Thursday, June 21 from 5:30-6:30 – Homosassa Library, Homosassa

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