Ethics laws: A mixed bag

Cities, counties are cracking down; state hasn’t followed suit.

By DEREK GILLIAM
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Florida’s cities and counties are strengthening their ethics laws and enforcement while state officials have essentially remained silent on such issues since the 2010, a report released Thursday said.

Columbia County Manager Dale Williams said he has been told that county officials have a greater obligation then state officials on the matter in the past. Two months ago, Williams declared a conflict of interest about a relative for an ad valorem tax exemption. In his role as county manager, Williams would have had to provide a recommendation on the matter to the Board of County Commissioners.

He said he believes state law did not require him to declare the conflict. Even if the state law had required Williams to declare the conflict of interest, he wouldn’t.

Elections continued on 1A

Light show

An attacking striker is closely challenged.

The Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park’s annual Festival of Lights kicked off last night in White Springs. The show continues through Dec. 30. The park will be open each evening until 9 p.m., except Christmas Night.

Annual Foster festival underway

More than five million lights are on display.

From staff reports

Senator, state rep. to field questions

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Columbia County residents will have the chance to voice their opinions about issues that are important to them to their state representative and senator at a public hearing in December.

State Rep. Jeffery Portis, R-Lake City, on Thursday announced three separate legislative delegation hearings.

Hearings continued on 3A

Game time

Columbia High’s Ronald Timmons (23) breaks through St. Augustine defenders during last week’s 34-8 playoff win over St. Augustine. Tonight the Tigers take on Navarre for a chance to host the state semifinals next week. See stories, Page 1B.
People in the News

Lohan charged in NYC and Calif.

New York

Actress Lindsay Lohan was arrested Thursday night in New York City after police said she hit a pedestrian during an argument. At the time of the argument, her lawyer said, she was walking on a sidewalk in a van parked outside the building where she lives. The woman did not require medical attention.

The charges come just after Lohan's starring role in "The Bodyguard," the Lifetime movie "Liz & Dick" premiered to harsh reviews from critics and the public.

After the June crash, the actress told police her assistant was driving. Police said a woman who was being driven in a van by Lohan was behind the wheel, police said. Prosecutors charged her with three misdemeanors including providing false information to police, reckless driving and willfully obstructing a police officer from doing his duties.

For Lohan's arrangement was annulled. It's likely to trigger a probation violation for a 2011 traffic offense.

Kim Kardashian divorce inches toward trial

Kim Kardashian's divorce attorney told a judge Wednesday that the reality star wants to move on with her life but is "handcuffed" to her estranged husband because she just announced the pregnancy of a baby.

"We are not a viable family," said Anthony M. Costabile, through his attorney, in a court filing Monday.

Kim Kardashian is expected to give her first interview about her relationship with Kanye West as the Kardashian divorce inches toward trial. The two reality TV stars separated in early 2011, and West moved in to her Calabasas, Calif., mansion. The couple have three children together.

Celeb birthdays

Natalie Wood, who played in "Star Trek" television series and movies

Daily Scripture

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever."

— Psalm 136:1,2

Lohan to attend USS Enterprise retirement ceremony

Shatner to attend USS Enterprise retirement ceremony

LAKE CITY — Five Florida school districts have been named finalists for the U.S. Department of Education’s Race to the Top competition.

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Traffic stop ends in drug arrest

A Lake City man was arrested dur-
ing a Thursday night traffic stop after authorities said they found the drugs in his car.

Tasha Latimer Everett, 46, of 413 SE 2nd St., Lake City, was arrested on charges of possession of cocaine, possession of a schedule II substance, possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and possession of a controlled substance by a person over 26 years old.

Everett was booked into the Columbia County Detention Facility on $360,000 bond.

According to Columbia County Sheriff’s reports, around 12:24 a.m. Deputy J. Latimer stopped a white Nissan Maxima for expired registration stickers.

When Latimer spoke to the vehicle’s driver, later identified as Everett, he reportedly detected the odor of alcohol coming from the car interior.

Latimer also reported that Everett was unresponsive and continued to speak over him when he attempted to explain why he had pulled up.

Latimer requested that Everett walk to the hood of his patrol car, but he said Everett was attempting to use his cell phone and refused to walk to the patrol car and when Everett got there he began to pace back and forth, reports said.

Everett reportedly told Latimer he had three mixed drinks during the evening, then Latimer reported that he found some white powder on a pillow Everett’s shirt that appeared to be cocaine. When Latimer went closer to Everett to investigate, he reported that Everett explained how the powder and attempted to wipe it off.

Everett was then secured in handcuffs and Latimer field-tested the substance on Everett’s shirt, which tested positive for cocaine, reports said. Everett admitted to having “two eight balls of cocaine” in his center console, according to Latimer.

When searching the vehicle, Latimer reported he found four, individually packed, amounts of cocaine, which totaled approximately 11 grams. Latimer also found a number of small bags which were not yet been used and associated to the cocaine.

Everett was then arrested and taken to jail, reports said.

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to the typical guidelines,” he said.

The study by the Lory Collins Institute, a think tank at Florida State University, and a state ethics group, Integrity Florida, the Sunshine State has been associated with anti-corruption ideas and have per-

also noted that the Florida Ethics Commission, which is frequently criticized as a paper tiger, simply doesn’t have enough authority to be effective.

“They just don’t have the tools,” Kraasner said. As a result, local government has taken the initiative on strengthening eth-

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DRUGS:

Corrections officer faces felony charges

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The election, which was originally set for early this month, was recently moved to this day because a local plan was filed with the Florida Department of Business

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Peer-reviewed research suggests members consider recommended guideline anthro- genic contraception to teen girls “to help you reduce your risk of dying in traffic, you might expect to live 10 or 20 more years past your expected longevity.”

Wear seat belts. Almost half of accident victims who were wearing their seat belts at the time of the crash still died. The police recognize lane switching from lane to lane is a major cause of death, you might expect to live longer. The odds of that care being extended the current tax rates without the middle class, which means a 10-year timeline of economic mayhem becomes reality. So it’s not a “func- tion of brake lights, as everyone around us knew for certain what these letters — charts — to help you avoid the parity peace articles in Paris, ending the Franco-Prussian War.

In 1803, Spain completed the process of ceding Florida to the United States, which had sold it to France, which had sold it to the United States.

In 1805, Samuel Langhorne Clemens was born as Samuel Mark Twain — was born in Florida, Mo.

In 1874, the United States Frenchman was beheaded in New Orleans.

In 1939, the Winter War began between Finland and the Soviet Union.

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In 1985, the Soviet Union sent a large force into Afghanistan as part of its war against the Afghan resistance movement.

In 1990, President Bush called on the US Congress to provide $130 billion in aid to support the Persian Gulf War.

In 1991, the first Gulf War between Iraq and a coalition of forces led by the US ended.

In 1995, the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) was signed by Canada, Mexico, and the United States.

In 1999, NATO launched its first military intervention, against Serbia, to end the Kosovo War.

In 2001, the United States launched the War on Terror following the September 11 attacks.

In 2010, the Affordable Care Act (ACA) was signed into law by President Barack Obama.

In 2013, same-sex marriage was legalized in the United States.

In 2016, the US Supreme Court ruled in support of same-sex marriage.

In 2018, the first gender-neutral pronouns were introduced in the English language.

In 2020, the global COVID-19 pandemic began.

In 2021, the US Capitol was stormed by pro-Trump supporters.

In 2022, the United States began its military withdrawal from Afghanistan.

In 2023, the global economy is facing challenges due to inflation and supply chain disruptions.

In 2024, the US presidential election could be decided by a closely divided electorate.

In 2025, the world will mark the 25th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall.

In 2026, the first space hotel is opened.

In 2027, the first successful human heart transplant is performed.

In 2028, the first commercial space shuttle launch occurs.

In 2029, the first Mars mission is launched.

In 2030, the first interstellar mission is launched.

In 2031, the first space colony on Mars is established.

In 2032, the first human base on the moon is established.

In 2033, the first human mission to Mars is launched.

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Nov. 30
Playoff football
Columbia High School travels to Newberry High School for the regional final of the Class 1A playoffs.

Farm day event
Swannee Valley Alpacas will have a Farm Day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and Sunday. The day will start at noon. You can pet the alpacas, learn to spin the fiber into yarn, or buy 頇ndearing items at the Yarn Shop, a 20-gauge shotgun, as well as unique Christmas gifts. The farm is at 52 NW Sleepy Court in White Springs. The alpaca sale will be 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Farm market
The Lake DeToya Farmers Market will have new hours of operation starting today. The market will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each Saturday. The fall harvest season continues, and the holiday season is up ahead. Please pick up the calendar, which will be available at the market. For more information, call (386) 759-2115 or visit the market’s Facebook page.

Gospel sing, supper
The World War I Center and Lining Wood of the First Baptist Church will host a Gospel Sing at the church, 471 SE Magnolia Drive in Lake City. For more information, call (386) 753-2014.

Crafts fair
Fort White United Methodist Church will hold a day craft fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The market is in downtown Fort White. For more information, call (386) 965-1800.

Book sale fundraiser
The Columbia County Library will hold a book sale fundraiser.

Christmas toy ride
Riders with Caring Christmas will meet at 10 a.m. and ride on Route 90 West. Entry was free to new, unwrapped toys for our toy drive. The ride will start at noon.

December 1
Restaurant
John Deere Cafe will be open to the public.

Get on the program call Bar- bara Test at (850) 971-4135. Supper will be at 6 p.m., SE Magnolia Drive in Lee.

December 2
Restaurant
The Chief, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the hospital lobby.

December 3
Book sale fundraiser
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December 4
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December 5
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“These things I have written unto you that believing the name of the Son of God, that ye might know and testify that God is true, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.” — 1 John 5:3

A s we continue our study of assurance, I hope it will help us all develop a sense of the assurance of salvation. There are several reasons why the destination can be quite a produc- tive field of study:

Someone said the other day, “I don’t feel like I am saved. I have never had that feeling that so many talk about.” Let me say to you today that salvation does not depend on feeling, it depends on one’s unswerving and complete belief in faith in what Christ did for us on the cross. It is there that the believer can be assured of his salvation. "For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we must live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present age,” Titus 2:11, 12. "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.” — Gen. 15:6. Saving faith is the basis of assurance. We have assurance of our salvation because we believe on the name of Jesus Christ. "And having been buried with Him by baptism into Christ, you were also buried.” — Col. 2:12. "He who believes will not be put to shame.” — Rom. 10:11. Faith is there for us. Salvation means that believers are assured. Not just that they are assured, but that they are assured forever. It is an assured assurance of salvation forever. Assurance is the reality of the direct testimony of the Word of God. Such an assurance is not a mere mental assent to the veracity of scriptu- ral statements, but an inner light of being secure, the solemn assurance to take God at His word.

For just a moment, let's think of the purpose of the direct testimony of the Word of God. "For the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of Brother Agrippa were great among the Gentiles.” — Acts 28:28. "The true light which has come into the world.” — John 1:9. Knowing that people needed assurance, God gave the promise of assurance. It will also apply to good actions. It will also apply to good actions. It will also apply to good actions. It will also apply to good actions. It will also apply to good actions.

Calvary was necessary to discover that the Bible maintains a profound awareness of the consequences of our actions. The word “desert” shows that the word is used only twice in the Word, and in another case it is employed in connection with our salvation. In Ephesians 4:15, the word describes a Christ-expecting and hardened sinner. In Revelation 4:15 the word denotes Christ’s feeling of His power to sym- pathize with the sins of others. We may feel it is really worth all the hassle of the “daily grind” of living as a Christian. The word “desert” just because of the “daily grind” of living as a Christian. He knew that his was a hard task. "For the race is set before us, and...let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we shall reap, if we do not despair.” — Galatians 6:9. He knew that his was a hard task. "Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we shall reap...if we do not despair.” — Galatians 6:9. He knew that his was a hard task. 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Galax United Lutheran Church, 3055 SW State Road 21.
 joins its annual Lenten Fish dinner fundraiser Friday through

Dec. 6.

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**Nov. 30**

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bill Poplin will be

First Baptist Church and

Southside Baptist at (386) 755-5553.

**DEC. 1**

**Gospel sing, supper**

Lee Worship Center Church, 386 SW Minnie St.

Faith Fellowship will hold a Labor Day Supper and open-gospel sing along followed by a worship service.

In order to help feed the homeless,

SE Magnolia Drive in Lee.

Super will host a Labor Day Supper

and the singing will start at

12:45 p.m. The combined music

and the singing will start at

noon. Everyone is welcome.

For more information, contact the

church office at 755-6553.

**DEC. 2**

**Holiday music concert**

The combined music groups at First Baptist Church and Southside Baptist Church will present "Season of Joy" holiday music concert at 7 p.m. at Pine Grove Church, 411 SW Highway 441, and at 7 p.m. on Saturday at Southside Baptist Church.

For advance tickets or more information, contact Pine Grove Church at (386) 755-5553, or contact Southside Baptist at (386) 752-2664 or 752-7080.

**DEC. 6**

**Canned food giveaway**

North Side Church of Christ, 39 SW 17th St., will host a canned food giveaway from 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. There will also be a continental breakfast

offered. For more information, call (386) 755-5553.

**HEART MATTERS**

Angie Land

**FURTHER READING**

**Dec. 9**

**Holiday cantata**

First Presbyterian Church (First

Presbyterian Church and Southside Baptist, 188 SW Everglades Drive. Admission is free, but
tickets or more information, contact Pine Grove Church at (386) 755-5553 or Southside Baptist at (386) 752-7080.

**DEC. 11**

**Covenant First**

Covenant First Presbyterian Church, 39 SW 17th St., will host their annual "Music and Poinsettias" event Friday, December 11th, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. NO CREDIT CARDS OR DEBIT CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Tickets are $15 per person/$25 per couple. All proceeds benefit Habitat for Humanity of Sumter County. For tickets or more information, call 352-399-8899 or visit cffpc.com.

**DEC. 13**

**Bull Run, Jamaica**

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by David McDuff

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Cancer takes a cousin

“...would have thought he was ready for his death’s embrace. Joe was born with a heart defect—a hole in his heart, as it was explained to us cousins. ‘He never drew a clean breath,’ was how our grandmother summed it up.”

That changed in his eighth year when the condition was corrected at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. Heart surgery back then wasn’t the fairly easy fix it is today, and Joe had the horsehair scar from his underarm to his chest bone to prove the severity of what he had been through.

But, it worked and he grew out of those thin arms and legs to be a big boy. His gentleness, as they worked was a mystery, as machines to see how they were doing he never had a chance, and he died at 60.

Because of the struggles of his younger years, it seemed so unfair. I wanted to be bitter on his behalf. But, it worked and he lived 50 years ago.

As I wrestled with that mystery, I began to see the other mysterious ways thing, mysterious ways of being physical against the machine has made a difference for Navarre and Joe had the horseshoe scar from his underarm to bis chest bone to prove the severity of what he had been through.

The Tiger final road game could be their toughest test yet in the playoffs, but Columbia is ready for the challenge.

“...fought death. That’s all that stands in the way of Columbia High and a chance to play for a shot at the state championship.”

Joe was one of three fighters, but this time he never had a chance, and he died on Sunday at 60.

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“...one to survive. They’ve been having 1-0 type seasons.”

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Joe was on every prayer list in the county, and it paid off.

My thoughts turned to thanks. Thanks for those years that were given. For his wife and daughters and grandchildren.

And for childhood memories of blustery days, helping with the cows and hogs, building forts and hunting days of riding the roads.

Watching Joe tear down all manner of machines to see how they worked was a man in itself.

Thanks, too, for the love Joe lavished on his gentleness, as evidenced by the line at his hospital that could have stretched around the block twice.

The mystery began to clear up.

Tim Kirby is sports editor of the Lake City Reporter.
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**TELEVISION**

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**PLAYOFFS: Regional final today**

By RALPH D. RUSSO

Time to put the BCS puzzle together.

There's not a lot of mystery about who's going to make the championship games. Everything should simply fall into place.

The spot opposite Notre Dame in the championship game will go to Alabama or Georgia, whichever one takes the SEC title. The winners of the Pau-12, Big Ten and ACC championship games will each advance to a big game, as will the teams that come out on top in the Big Ten East matchup between Northwestern and Rutgers on Thursday night.

Florida State and Oregon aren't playing this weekend, but both are still in the hunt at large bowls to BCS games. Penn State faces the Gators for the Sugar Bowl and the Ducks for the Rose Bowl.

The real intrigue this weekend will happen at a most unlikely place: Delaware, where No. 18 Kent State and No. 10 Northern Illinois will be playing in the Mid-American Conference title game Friday.

The MAC has never sent a team to the BCS, but it could benefit from the Big East's struggles this season.

BCS rules state that if a conference with a champion in the top 16 of the latest BCS standings, such as the MAC, ranks in the top 16 of the final rankings, the conference is ranked higher than any BCS also-ran in the same group. For example, the Big East and Big Ten would each get a spot in the BCS if the MAC doesn't get a team in the BCS.

Neither Rutgers nor Louisville will be ranked in last week's BCS standings, so a Kent State victory would only punch a one-way ticket to the MAC championship game.

Kent State was 17th and stands a good chance to move up a spot with victory. UCLA is in 13th place and has to play at Stanford in the Pac-12 title game on Friday night.

"I won't talk about that at all," MAC coach of the year Terry Bowden said. "I'll talk about Northern Illinois if our guys don't focus on this Friday we won't have the opportunity to play in some of those big games."

"This is huge, huge game for that conference," Allen said.

Northern Illinois is 21st in the BCS standings and could also get into the top 16, but would need a little extra help. It's just as likely an NIH victory in the MAC title game will eliminate both the Huskies and the Golden Flashes.

Boise State, 20th in the BCS standings, plays at Nevada on Saturday. Oregon could also earn a share of the Mountain West title. The Broncos also have a long shot chance of getting at one of the other potential BCS bowls.

If the Golden Flashes (11-2), who lost to Kent State by 13 early in the season and later won at Rutgers, do find their way into the BCS, expect it to be in the Orange Bowl.

The Orange Bowl has hosting the BCS bowls and it's not likely any other game will be ranking to take Kent State, or Northern Illinois (11-2) for that matter that not assured those teams won't be pick.

"I think it's a positive for everything. We've got to continue to put the ball up in the air and let kids make plays. If we can get our secondary, Allen feels good."
Georgia running back Todd Gurley (3) reacts after scoring a touchdown against Georgia Tech during the first quarter of an NCAA college football game on Nov. 24 in Athens, Ga.

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By JOHN ZENOR
Associated Press

Backfield comes in two’s for SEC

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — That running back duo known as "The Granddaddy of Them All" is back. Florida and Georgia will provide a more conclusive answer.

Georgia's Aaron Murray (10) hands off to Todd Gurley (3) during the game against Florida on Saturday in Jacksonville. Florida won 17-9.

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Columbia County native and Florida State defensive tackle Timmy Jernigan is seen on the sideline before the start of the game against Florida on Saturday. Florida won 17-9.

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Badgers get redemption shot in Big Ten title game

By NANCY ARMBRUST
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Wisconsin is in some unfamiliar territory.
No, not the Big Ten title game. The Badgers count as grizzled veterans after playing in last year’s inaugural conference championship, well acquainted with all the hype and hoopla that comes with it. A trip to the Rose Bowl isn’t so daunting, either.

The Badgers, after all, rank in the last two New Years in Pazzesia.

It’s being see-food, weeding— that’s new for Wisconsin. Winners of the Big Ten title the last two years, the Badgers are getting a chance at the first three-peat in school history— Saturday— by default.

With Ohio State and Penn State ineligible for the postseason, it’s Wisconsin playing No. 14 Nebraska on Saturday for the title and a trip to the Rose Bowl.

“Obviously it is different and strange this year because of our record going into this game,” said Monte Ball, who last week became major college football hall’s all-time touchdown leader. “But it’s not our fault what happened to the teams that can’t play in this game. We’re most definitely going to take the opportunity and we’re going to run with it. We’re going to go to Indianapolis and play hard.”

Wisconsin (7-5, 4-4 Big Ten) stumbled to the finish of the regular season with three losses in its last four games, all in overtime.

It tied for fifth in the Big Ten, and lost more than three conference games for only the second time in coach Bret Bielema’s seven seasons.

Most years, that would have relegated the Badgers to a bowl game for an automotive company or bar food, played so early they’d be home in plenty of time to watch the BCS bowls from the comfort of their couches.

But somehow had to represent the Leaders Division in the Big Ten title game, and without the Buckeyes and Nittany Lions, the Badgers were the best of the rest.

“I didn’t set the rules with how everything has worked out,” Bielema said. “I didn’t pick the teams that were in there,” center and team captain Travis Frederick said “This is how it’s worked out, and it’s going to come down to us and Nebraska.”

To be fair, the Badgers weren’t all that far from being a good team. Possibly even really good one. Only one of their losses was by more than three points, and that was the 21-14 OT loss to Ohio State. Wisconsin led or was tied going into the fourth quarter in three of the losses.

It also played its last three games with a quarterback who had played all of three snaps — that’s snaps, not starts — since the 2009 regular-season finale.

A job here, a play there, and the Badgers could be headed to Indianapolis with a far more impressive record.

In the Sept. 29 file photo, Wisconsin head coach Bret Bielema (left) and Nebraska head coach Bo Pelini chat prior to their game in Lincoln, Neb. With Ohio State and Penn State both ineligible for the postseason, Wisconsin will represent the Leaders Division in the title game. The Badgers play the No. 14 Cornhuskers on Saturday in the Big Ten Championship.

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I’d add in addition to picking up a nice trophy and a place in NASCAR history for winning the Sprint Cup championship, Keselowski also set a record for having the most top-five finishes in a season, and his team, Penske Racing South, is estimated to be worth $600 million. Christmas is coming, he said, and he was looking forward to spending time with his family, including his wife and two young children. “I feel like I did what I needed to do this year, and now I can enjoy the holidays and spend time with my loved ones.” He said that if a person remains true to himself, he believes, he can be happy. “I promised myself if I won it, I would buy one,” he said. “I think a tank would be pretty cool,” he said. “I had fun, and I wanted to show that fun and entertaining aspect of it. There were times when I was driving, and I think that people enjoyed it more than I am disappointed they will dislike something you do, and you have the freedom to keep doing what you’re doing.”

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