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**Weather Report**

**Lake City**

- **High**: 90°/74°
- **Low**: 90°/76°

**Today's Forecast**

- **High**: 90°/74°
- **Low**: 90°/76°

**Tomorrow**

- **High**: 89°/77°
- **Low**: 88°/76°

**Lake City Weekly Weather**

- **Sunrise**: 6:21 a.m.
- **Sunset**: 8:07 p.m.

**Highs and Lows for 31 Days**

- **Average high**: 90°/74°
- **Average low**: 89°/77°

**Temperature**:

- **High**: 90°
- **Low**: 72°

**Windy Conditions**

- **Wind speed**: 8 to 13 mph

**Humidity**

- **Average humidity**: 72%

**Air Quality**

- **AQI**: 50

**Precipitation**

- **Rainfall**: 0.00 in.

**Humidity**

- **Relative humidity**: 72%

**Visibility**

- **Visibility**: 10 miles

**Wind Direction**

- **Wind direction**: NE

**UV Index**

- **UV index**: 3

**Astronomical Events**

- **Moonrise**: 10:11 p.m.
- **Moonset**: 9:31 p.m.

**Celestial Events**

- **Mercury**: Conjunction with Sun
- **Saturn**: Opposition

**Eclipse Information**

- **Eclipse**: None

**Planetary Events**

- **Mercury**: Conjunction with Sun
- **Saturn**: Opposition

**Space Launch**

- **Cape Canaveral**: None

**Environmental Conditions**

- **Smoke**: None
- **Fog**: None

**Emergency Contact**

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- **Lake City Republican Convention**: April
- **Florida Garlic Festival**: April

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By STEVE WILSON
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For Elijah Henderson Jr., a recent experience he and a number of other churchgoers had at Denny’s restaurant in Lake City is “the story no one wants to talk about.”

“We just wanted to eat,” Henderson said.

Henderson, who is an elder at Jesus the Living Word of Deliverance of Jasper, arrived at Denny’s at 11:15 p.m. on Friday, August 3 with him were approximately 25 other fellow churchgoers, from neighboring communities, who had been attending a youth revival event in Live Oak that evening. The others also arrived at Denny’s two or three at a time, in eight to ten separate cars.

At that point Henderson, who is an African-American, said they were told by a female employee that his group could not be accommodated.

“How?” Henderson asked.

“I just can’t,” the employee replied.

Henderson, whose children were with him at the time, believes this was a case of racial discrimination.

“That’s kind of what pushed me,” Henderson said about his children being there.

He added that an African-American couple got up to leave the restaurant around the time the incident took place in front of them, and that other patrons there were white.

Henderson also recalls a similar experience he had at Denny’s in Ocala within the last several years.

“It was like two-an-a-half hours before they ever came and offered us a drink,” he said, adding that multiple customers had come in before him.

“I promise I have only had these experiences in the State of Florida. Without us coming in you (Denny’s) wouldn’t make any money!”

Vic Cuda is CEO for B R E M C, the franchise that owns and runs the Lake City Denny’s.

“We have zero tolerance for discrimination of any kind, regarding race, color, national origin, etc.,” Cuda said at the restaurant on Saturday afternoon.

Cuda added that the employee in question has been informed, having been given the chance to take part in another session of such training on Saturday afternoon.

“There is no place for that in today’s society,” he added regarding the incident.

Denny’s, which was found not guilty originally as Denny’s Donuts in Lakewood, Calif. in 1953, currently has its corporate headquarters in Spartanburg, S.C., operating more than 1,600 restaurants across the U.S. and in numerous foreign countries.

The incident in Lake City on August 3 was not the first time a Denny’s restaurant and/or its employees have been accused of racial discrimination. In May of 1993, six African-American United States Secret Service agents visited a Denny’s restaurant in Annapolis, Md., and were forced to wait an hour for service while white customers were seated immediately. Similar incidents have been reported at Denny’s locations in San Jose, Calif., Saratoga, N.Y., Deming, New Mexico and other places.

In today’s society, “There is no place for that and we would never allow it,” Cuda added.

“We were shocked by these experiences,” Cuda said of such training on Saturday.

On Sunday, Henderson said he was scheduled to meet with Kelly Drummond, a corporate official for Denny’s, who was set to travel to Lake City, and that he hopes to discuss issues of diversity with her.

Henderson also said his goals are justice and equality.

“We don’t see color, we love everybody,” he said.

Denny’s corporation provided the following statement via email.

“We were shocked by the unacceptable experience our guests recently received, having been informed their party was too large for the staff. In any specific case, the party involved should seek the guidance and advice of their legal professionals.”

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City Council funds it again

W e can only hope the full cost to taxpayers of the Blanche Hotel renovation project has finally been established. But don’t bet on it. Just the other day we learned the bill will be $20 million—high enough that anyone, due to the cost of initiative campaigns, would be at risk of a referendum. The city has been contractually obligated to do this work in the hope that the anticipated damage to the city coffers has been a closely guarded secret. This news came during a meeting when the council was kept on these costs some months back, only to be told of every turn that it would be “negligible” or that nobody at City Hall knew who was responsible for that part of the project. Oh, well.

As it stands, our city taxpayers are out a total of $7.5 million, including the $1.5 million gift and the unsecured, interest-free $4.25 million loan we already knew about. Couple the extra half-million for the Blanche with as much as a million dollars more for major structural repairs to City Hall, a new state of despair, and things really start to look tight.

The only good news thus far has been new City Manager Joe Hellerben, who responded to this fiscal crunch the way a responsible public servant should — by making cuts (about $800,000 worth) — see story on 3A, rather than by hollowing another tax hike. Will we see if the council backs him when the department budgets start meeting?

Please note, we don’t talk Blanche developer IDP for any of this. Never have. Our concern from the start was simply whether a small town like ours could afford a grandiose project like the Blanche.

We thought not, and told city officials to back away from their grandiose dream. They ignored. Unbelievably unconcerned that, say, a century-old building might need pricey repairs sooner than later. Or that any other contingency might arise.

Now that the council has tossed so much of your money into the mix, we all have an obligation to find a way to make this project work.

And do so soon. Just this week we learned that when we learn that former City Manager Wendel Johnson may have committed perjury. Former Chamber of Commerce director Don schlecker, now the city’s environmental coordinator, was not around when we were told that former City Manager Wendel Johnson may have committed perjury.

Full responsibility for the state of affairs at City Hall rests with the five individuals in charge of it or at least with those on the shoulders of the City Council — the five individuals in whose votes their voters’ interests lie.

This is the reason we write. This is the reason we write that former City Manager Wendel Johnson may have committed perjury.

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and surgeon in private practice, Dunn applauded the facilities.
"This is a good direction for the VA to be heading in and actually, let’s be honest, this would be a terrific private clinic. I’ve been in private medical practice for a long time and this is a very efficient sort of set up," Dunn said. "It’s going to be much more stream-lined."

They were greeted by state and local Veteran’s Affairs Administration officials and healthcare leaders from the Lake City VA who would become the new staff leaders of the offices opening this October.

Thomas Wisnieski, Director of North Florida South Georgia Veterans Health System, Katherine Lauenzano and Maureen Wilkes Associate Director of Lake City VA were among the local VA leadership to go on a walk-through of U.S. Highway 90 adjacent facility.

They said that reduced trips back and forth from waiting areas. "It makes things more efficient the flow is smoother and then we can instead of moving the patient to the people (staff) the people come to the patient," Lauenzano said. "So if you’re a patient you stay in one spot."

She said the clinic would have a mental health professional, pharmacist and offer gynecological services along with its primary care essentials.

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JEWEL

Cassie, The Holly and The Whisper

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er of visitors seems to momentarily recede. “It’s fine, but it’s a little warm,” Mike Elvey said as he continued walking to the next home on the tour. “The houses that I’ve seen are fine, nice and well built.”

“They also have an open concept which is a nice thing to have with a family,” said Trecy Elvey. “You don’t have all the halls general passengers.

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OBITUARIES

Peter Leo “Coach Pete” Blanchard
Peter Leo Blanchard spent nearly 55 years on the field before God called him to speededly into Heaven (after he taught his last Red Sox game, of course). Pete passed away as the winning horse ran the last- the-student on Tuesday, August 7th, surrounded by his family and friends. He took tremendous pride in being a terrific son, brother, coach, husband, father and friend to everyone that had the pleasure of knowing him. He will all one day they will hug him in his infectious laughter. His wife Karen and two children, Billy and Kacey, will always have indescribable love between the four of them.

He was the bravest of souls, a man of great courage and determination. He left memories of Pete’s legendary life to share with his family and friends. There will be a celebration of the life of Pete on Tuesday, August 29th, at Fort White High School at 11:00 am. Doors are open to the public, please wear your favorite sports gear. Absolutely everyone is welcome in remembrance of Pete’s life. Arrangements are under the direction of GATEWAY FOREST LAWN FUNERAL HOME, 3995 S US HWY 441, Lake City, FL. 386-752-1954. Please leave words of comfort for the family at www.gateforestlawn.com.

Pete was predeceased in death by his wife Karen, and parents Mattie Lucille McCall Boland and late William Killian Boland. He was survived by his son, Troy Parrott; three daughters, Carol Boland Parrott, Jr.; two brothers, Billy Parrott, Jr.; two brothers, Billy Parrott, Sr., and Donny Boland; and one sister, Jerry Crews. Survivors include her son, Troy Parrott; three daughters, Christine Esing (Mark), Sandra Kuhn (Rickey) and Julie Peterson (Gary), Kelly Pino (Jesús), Tracy Storck (Gary), Audrey Surrett (David), Tracy Smith (Gary), Kelly Pino (Jesús), and Cathy Whitlock (David); and nine grandchildren. Parents and seven great-grandchildren; 5 great-grand children and nine great-grandchildren. He enjoyed spending time with his family and loved nothing more than spending time with his dogs, especially his yellow lab rescue, Rosie. He was a loving husband, father, grand- father and great-grandfather, and loved nothing more than spending time with his family and sharing stories from his life with them. Arrangements will be handled by the Alzheimer’s Association. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mr. Blanchard’s memory to the Alzheimer’s Association. Arrangements are under the direc- tion of the DEES-PARRISH FAMILY FUNERAL HOME, 458 S Marion Ave., Lake City, FL 386-750-1224. Please share memories and mes- sages of condolence on-line at Parrishfamilyfuneralhome.com.

Carol Roland Parrott
Carol Roland Parrott, 80, of Lake City, passed away on Friday, August 16, 2018, at the North Florida Regional Cancer Center in Gainesville. She was born in Jacksonville, Florida, to the late William Killian Boland and Marie Lucille McColl Boland. Mrs. Parrott had lived in Lake City for the past 48 years having moved here from Jacksonville. She was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Lake City. Mrs. Parrott was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Julian Parrott, Jr.; two brothers, Billy and Donny Boland; and one sister, Jerry Crews. Survivors include her son, Troy Parrott; three daughters, Christine Esing (Mark), Sandra Kuhn (Rickey) and Julie Peterson (Gary), her brother, Jerry Crews; and two sisters, Karen Parrott and Catherine Gertrude Baker. Services will be held on Tuesday, August 21st, at 2:00 PM at the First Baptist Church of Pinehurst, 849168, Boston, MA 02284 or at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 1157, Boston, MA 02280. Donations may be made to The Jimmy Fund in memory of Pete Blanchard. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to www.gateforestlawn.com.

David Edward Whitlock
David Edward Whitlock, 84, passed away on Sunday, August 5, 2018. He was born on November 2, 1937, in Miami, Florida to William Alfred Whitlock and Mattie Lucille McCall Boland. He grew up in Jacksonville, Florida, attended the University of Florida, and later lived in Lake City for the past 48 years having moved here from Jacksonville. He was a member of Huntsville Baptist Church. He served in the United States Navy before spending 24 years in law enforcement at the Port of Miami. He enjoyed gardening and spending time with his dogs, especially his yellow lab rescue, Rosie. He was a loving husband, father, grand- father and great-grandfather, and loved nothing more than spending time with his family and sharing stories from his life with them. Survivors include his wife of 40 years, Terry; daughters Autumn Summer (David), Tracy Smith (Gary), Kelly Pino (Jesús), and Cathy Whitlock (David); and nine grandchildren; 5 great-grand- children and his son, Dorothy Edlin.

Graceland services for Mr. Whitlock will be conduct- ed at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 in the Brave Park Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Cocoa, Florida. Full refr- igeration will be provided. Internment will follow. The fam- ily will receive friends from 10:00-3:00 Monday afternoon, August 13th at the Dees-Parrish Family Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mr. Whitlock’s memory to the Alzheimer’s Association.

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Free haircuts at annual ‘Giving Back’ event at Niblack

By TONY BRITT
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More than 300 people, most school-aged children, converged on the multi-purpose building at Niblack Elementary School last Sunday for the Fourth Annual Community Barbers Giving Back Event. Tyrone Mullins, a barber, co-owner of the family operated Jazzy Cutz barbershop and a lead organizer for the event, said institutional speakers, educational booths and school supply giveaways were also part of the afternoon.

“We had 325 guests sign-up and gave free haircuts to 90 children,” he said. “We had seven barbers this year.” Barbers from Jazzy Cutz, Up Town Barbershop, 250 Cutz and the Washington Street Barbershop gave free haircuts for more than three hours.

The haircuts were offered to students in kindergarten through 12th grade, and event sponsors also provided free concessions and refreshments to the attendees.

While many of the attendees got a free haircut, most of the children also went home with free school supplies.

“We had different organizations contribute school supplies,” Mullins said. “We gave away backpacks, notebooks, paper, pens, pencils, folders and several other items the children needed.”

The Community Barbers Giving Back Event also had booths that detailed local community service organizations, a booth that provided dental hygiene products as well as a Florida Gateway College booth for people interested in enrolling in college.

“One year, it was a successful event,” Mullins said. “Everybody seemed to have fun and everybody interacted with our guest speakers to motivate the kids for school. It’s important to continue the tradition of doing the event because there is a need for it. Being in the position of barbers, like we are, kids see us on a weekly or two-week basis so they need to have that example of giving back to the community. One day we’re going to fade out, so we need new people to start stepping in in this and they’ll take the torch and keep passing it on and we’ll forever be strong, forever be giving back and forever growing.”
The operator of a Lake City animal rescue operation was arrested after law enforcement and animal control officials investigated cases of neglect and cruelty spanning months in conditions that one animal control officer called “appalling.”

Emaciated dogs sat in the heat without shade tethered to short chains, while both cats and dogs were stuffed in sheds with no food or water, some were infested with hookworms and they ate from a food supply crawling with maggots.

That was the scene described by a Lake City Humane Society Animal Control supervisor and detailed in the report of a Columbia County Sheriff’s Deputy after a July 3 walkthrough of the 109 NW Kenmore Glenn property serving as the current location of both The Dog House and Mercy Full Farms.

Supervisor Jessica Puls said five emaciated dogs were taken away that day.

“It was extremely appalling due to the fact that this is a rescue, these are the people that the shelters turn to when we have nobody else to help us,” Lake City Humane Society Animal Control Supervisor Jessica Puls said. “There should be no question that this is a rescue, these are the people that the shelters turn to when we have nobody else to help us, “ said Lake City Humane Society Animal Control Supervisor Jessica Puls.

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“My observations of the canines were that they were extremely skinny with their back, hip and rib bones protruding from their skin,” the officer continued. “In another shed two more canines were located which were also emaciated, my observations of these canines were the same as the previously removed. It should be noted while walking the property there were approximately ten to fifteen canines locked in sheds with no food or water and also tied with no food or water, all of which appeared to be in the same state of emaciation as the five removed. I also observed neither food nor water for the canines nor bowls for the food or water to be placed in.”

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**COOLIDGE COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

**Former Florida State coach Bobby Bowden, left, watched the Seminoles practice on April 4. With Bowden's first fall practice since retiring in 2009, he said...**

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**Girls Golf**

**THE FINAL COURSE**

By Edgar Thompson

Columbia golfer Tiara Carter says a practice shot during Thursday’s practice.

Carter eyes state in her final year at Columbia.

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Carter says her short-game challenges have added fuel to her fire this season.

'"I really want to go to state, so hopefully I make it," she said.

Carter has all the tools to make it happen, her coach says, but the competition isn't going to get any easier in 2018.

The senior standout will have to be even more on her toes as the Lady Tigers make the jump to Class 3A next year.

'"She just needs to practice,'" Columbia assistant golf coach Mark Richards said.

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THE FORMAL COURSE

Koepka takes 2-shot lead at PGA

By Doug Ferguson

ST. LOUIS — Two-time U.S. Open champion Brooks Koepka took a step toward adding a third major to his short list of victories. Koepka bullied rain-soaked Bellerive on Saturday on the front nine and built a four-shot lead, only to run into bad batch that pushed a strong list of contenders into the mix — including Tiger Woods — going into the final round of the PGA Championship.

Even with back-to-back bogeys on the back nine, Koepka had a 1-under 69 for a two-shot lead over Adam Scott of Australia and 2013 Masters champion who has been struggling through his worst season in nearly two decades.

Scott had a 60 to get into the final group.

Gary Woodland lost his way in his last trip as a bunker and made triple bogey on No. 10, falling six shots behind, and still managed a 71 to stay in with three shots of the lead, along with Jon Rahm (68) and Bubba Watson (69).

The biggest buzz, as always, belonged to Woods.

Coming off a three-putt bogey on the 13th hole, Woodland ran off three straight birdies to get in range, only to stall on the back nine with three bogeys, including a four-shot penalty on the 17th.

Woodland had a 68, falling three back.

Mullens anxious to name Gators’ starting QB

By Edgar Thompson

Former Florida AD mum about Zach Smith’s arrest in 2009, 68

UFS head coach would like make decision this week.

"I really don't want to go into the game week," Mullens said Friday. "I love to do it done way before them."

In a little more than two weeks, Gators will begin to prepare for a Sept. 1 visit from Charleston Southern.

Mullens has said clearly he would like to have a starter in place for the team’s first scrimmage, noon Monday.

 Asked if he might be prepared early next week to choose between Felique Frank and Kyle Trask, Mullens said, "We’ll see. As soon as we feel comfortable."

One hold up is Mullens and his staff have not completely installed the offensive system, making it a little difficult to know what each quarterback can handle.

‘To sit there and say, ‘Hey, we’ve done everything in the whole offense yet, the competition’s over for the starting job is tough,” Mullens said.

Mullens does not want to rush such a weighty decision for many reasons.

Franks and Trask each need to be able to accept the outcome of the quarterback race and embrace it.

Mullens continued on 6B

**Number 35 for Jones**

Columbia receiver TJ Jones is shown in a March 8 game.

Columbia receiver TJ Jones cuts up the field before he took the coach’s flag on Saturday afternoon at the.bad.

In a little more than two weeks, the start of the season, they march to the beat of a different tune synonymous with their storied university.

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Taggart, a lifelong Seminoles fan before he took the coaching job last December, said he’s hoping his players and coaches to fully grasp the rich tradition of Florida State football with..."
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FS2 — Women, FIFA Under-20 World Cup, Group stage: Group E, Austria vs. Argentina

AMERICAN LEAGUE

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This test figures to be different.

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WHO’S HOT

Allgaier moved up to

Adams, Wendle lead Rays past Blue Jays

FORBES 500 — Mike Adams had one of the best days of his major league career Monday. Adams went 2-for-3 with a solo home run, a double and a single. He also scored twice.

DERRING DON — Jason Wendle was once again the hero for the Rays. Wendle went 2-for-3 with a solo home run, a double and a single. He also scored twice.

In the 50th lap for his

July 19, 2018

He also won at Dover and

Moffitt edged Sauter — the leader leading a race-high

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By MONTY STEPHENS
Special to the Reporter

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) will be providing up to $500,000 in BearWise funds to local governments to help reduce human-bear conflicts. The funding helps offset some of the costs for residents and businesses to keep their trash secure from bears.

Eight counties and two cities have applied for the BearWise funds: Collier, Lake, Marion, Orange, Santa Rosa, Seminole, Volusia, Walton and Franklin, and the cities of Apopka in Lake County and Mount Dora in Lake County. Their requests total $935,181.

The FWC will evaluate the applications based on criteria such as:

- Whether the local government has an ordinance requiring trash be kept secure from bears.
- Number of households in an area with high human-bear conflicts.
- Support (match) above the minimum of 10 percent that the local government will provide for the project.

The likelihood the project will result in a community reduction of human-bear conflicts.

Number of households and businesses that are expected to benefit from the project.


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The Associated Press

Million-dollar man

By Ralph D. Russo

Maryland placed head coach DJ Durkin on administrative leave Saturday while the school scrutinizes all aspects of its football program by the former star player, apparently misinformed of the brief about the death of a player.

Maryland has also placed two other head coaches, Stew Boswell and Jody Swearingen, on paid leave while the school investigates the circumstances, according to sources familiar with the situation.

The move comes after DJ Durkin suspended three weeks of training camp because Japan has expressed interest in playing the United States in the Olympic Games next year.

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mullin's role going forward.

“It's like you're naming a starter,” Mullin said. “I'm not the starter that those people are looking for.”

“If we do name the starter that other people are looking for, we have to name the right guy in the right frame of mind because they're a young guy. You're going to have to do a lot of different things and make sure they understand what wants to see about what they know they're capable of.”

At the same time, learning the GQ position under Mullin is a never-ending process.

Mullin said so much goes into becoming the quarterback of the Florida Gators.

Consider the following:

One of the things I keep harping on is that, it's a tough job, a tough expectation at the University of Florida,” Mullin said. “You've got 72 guys with expectations all over the place, and they're all going to be watching you and say I'm going to do this, I'm going to do this.”

And therein lies the mental toll, the physical toll, the mental and physical demands of the position. You've got to make sure you're doing the same thing I do to allow them to do a lot to happen. To allow the big play where Florida State is so much better.”

Mullin said playing football at Florida is not a job for everyone and will take its toll on anyone. “I've got a couple of years left at Florida State and we'll see where the chips fall from here.”

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The old offices closed for non-emergency business Thursday afternoon and the new office is scheduled to open Aug. 22. The business will retain its same telephone number, (386) 755-1001 and will be opened from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and closed on Fridays.

The new office, 973 SW State Road 47, will be 6,600 square feet compared to the 3,200 square-foot Martin Orthodontics has utilized for the last 25 years.

“We’re very excited about having a new office,” Berry said. “We’re a little nervous right now because we’re at this last-minute crunch, but it’s the new office is going to be unbelievable and mind blowing with the technology and just the feeling of the office.”

The office will have four quiet rooms, four hygiene chairs and eight chairs for orthodontics. The interior of the office will feature a river scene emphasizing nature, alligator and otter, alligator emphasizing art and now many people have that in most doctors’ offices. It’s state-of-the-art and now many people have that in the state of Florida. We’re so excited to continue to be able to take care of everybody in Columbia and Suwannee counties and surrounding areas.”

“The three animals will be featured on a new sign expected to be more than 20-feet high, showing the office’s new logo.

“Especially the children’s dentistry, all the rooms are going to have murals on their walls and where and where can get taken care of our special dentistry needs.”

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By TONY BRITT
Looking for a few good painters...

Master painters Roberto Gonzalez, at left, and Nick Taylor are among the 29 painters currently with IAC’s Lake City team. The company is seeking to hire 32 more. Insert: Taylor tapes up the forward fuselage of a commercial airliner.

Many institutions have gone device free.

For many kids, summer means powering down for camp.

Although a longer break might have been a problem.

But he’s making up for lost time now that he’s home.

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Labor: Missouri farmworkers kept in inhumane conditions

Employees hired under H-2A program

A Florida company kept more than 100 temporary farmworkers in “inhumane and unworking” conditions, according to the workers they had been living in what they referred to as “campos,” or migrant labor camps, according to reports. The U.S. Labor Department launched an investigation against two companies, including the Orlando-based The Assembled Post, for inhumane treatment of workers under the federal H-2A program, which allows foreign workers into the U.S. for temporary agricultural work, The Kansas City Star reported.

The company, owned by Jorge Marin, was responsible for housing and feeding 80 workers in a migrant camp north of Memphis, about 75 miles (120 kilometers) north of Memphis, Tennessee. The workers began in June and were paid $13.42 an hour, according to documents filed in U.S. District Court in the Eastern District of Missouri. The company said in a statement that the program has many complex requirements that are substantially different to the rules for other employers. It said Marin J is cooperating with the investigation and is working to comply with requirements.

One labor department inspector found 27 workers living in a former jail with an uncomfortable, unheated room, no drinking fountains or access to water beyond bathroom sinks, according to an affidavit. Another 80 workers were living in two houses owned and rented by the company, which had too few toilets, standing water in restrooms and a barely functional washing machine, according to an investigator wrote in the affidavit.

While employees worked on the fields, they were drinking watermelons, they generally shared a Gatorade bottle, washed water in the fields, and used buckets to wash their hands, according to the inspector wrote in the affidavit. Washing and restrooms facilities were “rarely provided” in the field, and the workers frequently relied on themselves in the fields, without washing their hands,” according to the affidavit.

Marin J. has agreed to move the workers out of the new camp, according to the company’s attorney, who said the company will pay $340 and $120, after working France for 24 consecutive days.

The workers told investigators they had not been paid for watermelons, according to a second affidavit. They were told investigators they had not been paid for watermelons, according to a second affidavit.

The workers also “remain fearful of retribution,” according to an affidavit. They said Marin J is cooperating with the investigation and is working to comply with requirements.

Mid Size Companies Foresee Growth

Growth is in the future for America’s midsize businesses, said the majority of executives who were surveyed. They said the companies expect jobs and the economy at large.

A recent survey of midsize market executive found that they are more positive about the health of their businesses and more optimistic about their prospects for future growth than at any time in the last three years. The survey was conducted by The Harris Poll on behalf of CBT Group Inc., a leading provider of financing to the midmarket. The survey was an effort in close touch with trends affecting these midsize “market” companies, which are important contributors to a healthy economy,” says Jim Hudak, president of CBT’s Commercial Finance division).

We are encouraged by survey results that a large majority of our leadership expect their companies will grow over the next 12 to 18 months and that they plan to invest in their business in 2018.

Have a business story idea? Send us an email to foolnews@fool.com. The Motley Fool Responds: Thursday 1877, my founder patented a re-sealer! He called it a “breakthrough”! My brand is now: Pratt & Lambert. Who am I? (Answer: The Motley Fool)

Losing a job can be painful, but it doesn’t have to be the end of the world. If you lose your job, the Motley Fool can help.

Recurring Revenue

Recall that recurring revenue is when you sell products or services to a customer and they keep paying you on a regular basis. It’s a great way to keep customers coming back. It’s also a great way to generate profit for your business.

If you’re looking for a business idea, consider something with recurring revenue. It can be as simple as a subscription service, or it can be something more complex, like a membership program.

Microsoft Has Been Changing

If you’re looking at Microsoft as a potential producer of the future of cloud computing, consider what it has already accomplished. The company you invested in was founded by Bill Gates and Paul Allen in 1975. It started as a small company that sold software to companies that were on mainframe computers. Today, Microsoft is one of the world’s largest companies, with a market capitalization of over $1 trillion.

I invested another $2,500. By 1987, we owned a second computer and had invested a total of $5,000. Since then, the company has grown to become one of the world’s most valuable companies.

If you’re still thinking of Microsoft as a worthwhile investment, consider the company’s growth over the years. The company’s revenue has increased significantly over the years, from $17,000 in 1987 to $100 billion in 2018.

The Fool Responds: Even better known businesses can make bad calls, and some investors do. For example, you might wonder why your broker advised you not to invest in a company like Microsoft. Perhaps you didn’t understand the information and that you should rely on the advice that your broker gives you in your investments.—The Motley Fool
Casino firm sinks money into fighting gambling measure

The operator of Miami’s Magic City Casino has spent $525,000 on trying to defeat a proposed constitutional amendment that could make it harder to expand gambling in the future.

West Flagler Associates, Ltd. contributed the money 3 on the November ballot, will appear as Amendment NO 3, according to a report filed with the state Division of Elections website.

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That was the first contribution to the committee, which formed earlier in July. The report also shows the committee paying $523,600 last week to RCI Media Holdings Inc. for a radio ad.

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A true talent with wire

By TONY BRITT
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WHITE SPRINGS — Artwork featuring pieces of dinosaur bones, various colored gems, or unique stones are part of the allure that attracts art enthusiasts to pieces created by Linda and Bob Schenavar. Their pieces are truly unique.

The Schenavars, who volunteer at the Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park, specialize in making magnetic and wire-sculpture jewelry. Magnetic jewelry is made with natural, magnetic stone and is used by many people for therapeutic needs. However, the Schenavars are sort of pioneers when it comes to wire-sculpture jewelry.

Linda Schenavar, a volunteer crafter at Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park, has been a volunteer crafter at the park for about six years. At the park she is known as one of the jewelry ladies.

The Schenavars, Columbia County residents, learned wire-sculpture more than 30 years ago from Linda's father, Dick LoBuono, who died in 1989.

LoBuono traveled the country for more than 35 years displaying his sculptured jewelry in gem and mineral shows and galleries from coast to coast. LoBuono was one of the first wire-sculptors in the United States.

Schenavar said her father first saw wire-sculpture jewelry while serving in World War II where he served in the last mounted cavalry on horseback in Europe, pulling the cannon.

"His family was from Italy," she said. "In Italy they do a process where they use heat, solder and silver. When he saw this art form, which was heatless, solderless design in wire, he thought it was great. He made a note of it and learned as much as he could, which is kind of hard when you're in the middle of a war. He brought it back to the United States and there was no one doing it. He had some challenges and it took him about 10 years to do this. He made a business of it."

Schenavar said her father first began teaching her this art form when she was two years old.

"He was what's referred to now as a 'rock hound'," Schenavar said. "He didn't have any boys and I was the only child. So, he was stuck with a girl and took me out on field trips and everything; I was called a 'pebble pup'. It was neat thing to do."

Although the Schenavars are pioneers in wire-sculpture art, they also do some stringed art pieces.

"We started adding all the magnets to our repertoire around 2000 because we were doing the wire-sculpture all over the United States," Schenavar said. "These are only two of our art forms. I do all kinds of things."

Schenavar uses her talent in creating art to make necklaces, bracelets, earrings, as well as traditional bead stringing.

Several pieces of the Schenavar’s works are on display at the Columbia County Public Library, main branch, through September.

Top, inset, Linda Schenavar holds a piece of stringed jewelry she made, and meticulously sets up pieces of her jewelry for display where she volunteers and teaches craft classes at the Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park. Above: Schenavar shows pieces of magnetic jewelry, necklaces and bracelets, that she's created.

At right: Husband and wife jewelry makers, Linda and Bob Schenavar, hold a display case with some of their pieces.
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DEAR ABBY: I am married to a great man, but I have a problem – I love credit card debt he doesn’t know about. (He hates being in debt.) I have had problems with credit cards before, and he threatened that if it happened again, we are done. How do I tell him I have more credit card debt he doesn’t know about? (He hates being in debt.)

DEAR SWIMMING: Go online and begin researching accredited or certified credit counselors. Make sure the one you choose is affiliated with NFCC.org. While you’re at it, find an accredited or certified credit counselor.

Dear Abby

RELENTLESS

DEAR TREADING: Because you have belonged to her daughter, bring them up and tell them to her as a mother figure and when you do, include a note explaining that you thought she would like to hear from them. Period.

DEAR ABBY: I read your column every day. I have a feeling that everyone would not just talk to me and not even try to think about what I do. How would I feel? The world would be a much kinder place. What do you think? Is it that simple, or is it just simple-minded?

DEAR PONDINGER: You are not simple-minded. You’re a fascinating character with the world at your fingertips. I don’t think you need, and I love your sense of humor. An inquisitive approach to how you handle your money will give my generation the incentive to try to get some in your aisle."

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DEAR ARIES: (March 21-April 19): Prepare for the upcoming workweek. Get a mental picture of how you want to achieve and be ready to put in the extra time and effort to stand out and make a difference. An unexpected change will broaden your options.

DEAR SCORPIO: (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Balancing with friends or family in the comfort of your own space will help you work off irritations, having to be around people who are difficult to deal with. Stick to what you love, trust, and cherish common interests with."

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DEAR PISCES: (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): An emotional matter will surface regarding surgeries and commitment. Don’t hesitate to express what your attention is as well as your expectations. It’s time to bring about positive change that will lead to something concrete. Personal stability will be a must.

DEAR GEMINI: (May 21-June 20): Improvements can be made. Find your way to your best. Don’t give in to someone who always wants his or her way. This is all about you.

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How accurate is your weather forecast?

The weather is not just an idle topic for chit chat. It matters. Particularly when you are running a business that has a financial interest in the outcome, or you simply want to make plans for the next few hours or days.

These days, there are innumerable sources for weather forecasts and warnings that will go a long way to helping you and your families stay safe and happy. These aren't the old days of listening to the local news to get your daily weather report.

Many of these providers offer their services in multiple formats, ensuring that the information is available when and how you need it. Whether it's through a weather app, or a text alert, there are plenty of options to choose from.

Other times, it’s a lack of protected high quality data, the systemic pessimism or mistrust in opinion of a particular provider for fear of getting it wrong, or an unwillingness or inability to use analytic tools to aid in generating a forecast. While artificial intelligence and super-computers can perform amazing aspects of weather forecasting, human meteorologists still play a vital role in helping average people make sense of it all, you say? In other words, not all weather apps are equally good. In the case of AccuWeather, a leading provider of weather forecasts and warnings globally, leveraging “con-sensus forecasting,” has proven beneficial, whereas individual and computer models make accurate predictions, and then human meteorologists would act on the predictions to calibrate the impact. Indeed, a recent research indicated.

Furthermore, it takes a flawed algorithm.

Marketing of certain types of food can have an effect on kids' health and such advertising is taking a toll on children's health, say experts.

Is your child's school promoting healthy habits or junk food?

Fast food coupons used as prizes, candy safe suppliers, vending machine exteriors - these are just a few examples of the kinds of junk food marketing that regularly takes place in U.S. schools, and such advertising is a big deal on children’s health, say experts.

"Fortunately, significant progress has been made nationwide to provide nutritious food and safe water in schools, and vending machines and school store snacks are much healthier than they used to be," said Cheryl Anderson, PhD, nutrition chair, American Heart Association.

To help make the schools in your community a place where children can thrive, the American Heart Association offers the following tips:

• Healthy Fundraising: Is your child's school hosting a fundraiser? Get involved and help organize fundraising efforts that don't involve the sale of junk food. Instead, focus on selling fruit, plants, jewelry or gift items. You could even help organize an event like a walk-a-thon or dance-a-thon that raises money for a cause and simultaneously promotes physical activity.

• Walking and Running: Schools can have classroom units on nutrition and critical thinking. Talk to your school’s administration about implementing educational programming to help students identify junk food marketing in their own school and community and discuss how it impacts them.

• Advertising Audit: Despite its prevalence, commercial advertising is usually not a substantial source of revenue for K-12 schools, according to research published in the Journal of School Health. Find out if the junk food marketing taking place in your school district directly contributes to junk food sales. If so, ask for healthier food and beverage purchasing policies to be in place.

• Speaking Out: Get involved by calling school board members and school administrators or by organizing other members of your community to share your perspective with them. Information for getting started can be found at voiceofhealthyr.jpg.

• Often companies that sell junk food spend millions of dollars marketing to children because it works. Children are likely to ask for things that are advertised to them," says Dr. Andrea."Be an advocate for school environments that help the next generation lead healthy lives.

• StatePoint

Smart phones and other personal technology has made it easier than ever to obtain weather information by independent industry tracker ForecastWatch, analyzing the accuracy of six top global weather forecast providers, confirmed that AccuWeather was the leading source of forecast accuracy and had the highest margin of statistical forecast accuracy among the providers, in each of three areas -- verified high temperatures, precipitation and wind-speed. When it comes to weather forecast accuracy, the highest margin of statistical forecast accuracy and detail – both in local-