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NEWS BRIEFS

Citrus County COVID-19 update

According to the Florida Department of Health, 28 new positive cases were reported in Citrus County since the latest update. Two new hospitalizations were reported; one new death was reported.

To date in the county, 4,358 people have tested positive (including 21 non-residents), 400 have been hospitalized and 158 have died.

BH crash critically injures 5-year-old girl

A young girl was critically injured and a few others were also hurt in a four-vehicle collision on a Beverly Hills roadway.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) report, the nighttime crash on Monday, Nov. 23, 2020, occurred on County Road 491, north of West Hampshire Boulevard.

A 17-year-old girl from Ocala was driving a sedan south on C.R. 491 while a 60-year-old woman from Ocala was stopped ahead of her in an SUV, according to the FHP report, which doesn't ID involved motorists due to Marsy's Law.

FHP's report states the teen didn't slow in time for the SUV, which led to her sedan striking the SUV's rear. Neither the teen or the woman were injured.

In order to avoid a collision, a second SUV traveling south behind the teen's sedan swerved into a northbound lane of C.R. 491, and into the path of a sedan, causing a crash.

A pair of 30-year-old women in the second SUV — its driver from Summerfield, and a passenger from Beverly Hills — were seriously injured, and a 5-year-old girl from Beverly Hills traveling with them was critically injured, according to the FHP report.

FHP's report states none of those riding in the vehicle were either wearing a seatbelt or were in a child seat.

A 66-year-old woman from Ocala driving the northbound sedan was seriously injured, according to the FHP report, which noted she wasn't wearing a seat belt.

Thanksgiving dinner offered to first responders

The Beverly Hills American Legion Post 237, 6726 N. Lecanto Hwy., will provide free meals for first responders and veterans.

Any police, fire, sheriff or EMT personnel on duty that day may stop by the Post from 1 to 3 p.m. for an eat-in or take out meal.

Meals will also be delivered to the Sheriff's Office Emergency Center personnel on duty that day. Veterans will also be served during this period of time.

For information, call the Post at 352-897-4776.

— From staff reports

Avoiding the wait



David Stimson, Pharm. D., prepares a patient's sample to be tested for COVID-19 on Friday, Nov. 20, 2020, at Brashear's Pharmacy in Inverness. The pharmacy is now utilizing a rapid-testing analyzer that reveals test results in 15 minutes.

New coronavirus tests available locally with quick results

FRED HIERS
 Staff writer

The wait for results of a coronavirus test can be long and stressful.

It can also be dangerous, as some people don't quarantine themselves before they get the results and in the meantime are out exposing others to the potentially deadly virus.

Others need the results to allow them back to work. And as they await the results, each day's wait is a lost day's pay.

Beginning last Friday, Nov. 20, 2020, Brashear's Pharmacy in Inverness offers rapid response testing for the coronavirus that will give customers results in just 15 minutes.

Along with some basic health questions and paperwork before the test, customers can be out the door with test results in under half an hour.

The pharmacy has two locations, but only the Inverness one on



A patient is swabbed Friday, Nov. 20, 2020, outside of Brashear's Pharmacy in Inverness as rapid COVID-19 testing is now available at the pharmacy. David Stimson, Pharm. D., administers the test.

206 W. Dampier St., offers the testing from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays.

The pharmacy will be the only location in the county to offer the rapid test.

"This is just one more way we can keep our neighbors and families healthier and protect our

community," said Elis Brashear, pharmacist and manager of the store in Inverness.

Pharmacists are already trained to administer vaccinations and pharmacies are streamlined to provide the service, unlike doctors' offices that require appointments or the county's health department

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County virus cases increasing

BUSTER THOMPSON
 Staff writer

Citrus County marked its COVID-19 cases at 4,358 by Monday, Nov. 23, 2020, according to the Florida Department of Health.

It's an increase of 339 infections since Monday, Nov. 16, at an average of 48 cases a day.

Another 22 coronavirus hospitalizations were documented over the week in the county, totaling 400, and nine more people

died, bringing the death count to 158.

COVID-19 data on the FDOH dashboard is subject to change as epidemiological investigations reveal new information about a case.

According to the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) on Monday, the county had 60 people in hospital with a primary diagnosis of COVID-19.

There was also 23% of hospital beds available in the county,

according to AHCA, and 30% of local adult intensive care units were open.

As of Nov. 20, since the 2020-21 academic year began Aug. 20, there have been 169 COVID-19 cases on Citrus County School District campuses, up 18 since Nov. 16. Of those cases, 105 were students and 64 were school staff.

Long-term care facilities in the county have documented a total 782 cases, up 50 since Nov. 16, according to the FDOH.

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Cindy Hazzard: A woman of note

Postscript

NANCY KENNEDY
 Staff writer

As a conductor, when Cindy Hazzard stood before a group of musicians, whether it was a full symphony orchestra or her beloved Nature Coast Community Band, as she raised her baton ready to begin, she glowed.

"She glowed during the performances because of the audiences," said Judy Williams, NCCB board president. "We have a wonderful following, friends of the band, many who became personal friends with Cindy."

"We would fill Cornerstone Baptist Church and the Citrus

Springs Community Center, and many times we'd need extra chairs and sometimes had to turn people away," she said. "Cindy was the heart of the band."

Cynthia L. (Despathy-Plourde) Hazzard-Hettinger died Nov. 14, 2020, from COVID-19. She was 76.

Her life was music: playing it, teaching it, conducting it, enjoying it.

She was a trombonist with the Boston Women's Symphony, started bands and orchestras, taught kids and adults throughout New England.

After a career in music performance and education, Cindy retired to Florida in 2002, settling in Pine Ridge.

In 2009, she formed the Nature Coast Community Band

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STEPHEN E. LASKO/Chronicle file photo

In this March 2020 photo, Maestro Cindy Hazzard conducts the Nature Coast Community Band in rehearsal prior to a concert at Cornerstone Baptist Church. Hazzard died Nov. 14, 2020 at age 76.

Third vaccine effective in trials

DANICA KIRKA
 Associated Press

LONDON — Drug-maker AstraZeneca said Monday that late-stage trials showed its COVID-19 vaccine is highly effective, buoying the prospects of a relatively cheap, easy-to-store product that may become the vaccine of choice for the developing world.

The results are based on an interim analysis of trials in the U.K. and Brazil of a vaccine developed by Oxford University and manufactured by AstraZeneca. No hospitalizations or severe cases of COVID-19 were reported in those receiving the vaccine.

AstraZeneca is the third major drug company to report late-stage data for a potential COVID-19 vaccine as the world waits for scientific breakthroughs that will end a pandemic that has pummeled the world economy and led to 1.4 million deaths. But unlike the others, the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine doesn't have to be stored at freezer temperatures, making it potentially easier to distribute, especially in developing countries.

"I think these are really exciting results," Dr. Andrew Pollard, chief investigator for the trial, said at a news conference. "Because the vaccine can be stored at fridge temperatures, it can be distributed around the world using the normal immunization distribution system. And so our goal ... to make sure that we have a vaccine that was accessible everywhere, I think we've actually managed to do that."

The Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine was 90% effective in preventing COVID-19 in one of the dosing regimens tested; it was less effective in another. Earlier this month, rival drugmakers Pfizer and Moderna reported preliminary results from late-stage trials showing their vaccines were almost 95% effective.

While the AstraZeneca vaccine can be stored at 36 degrees to 46 degrees Fahrenheit, the Pfizer and Moderna products must be stored at freezer temperatures. In Pfizer's case, it must be kept at the ultra-cold temperature of around minus-94 Fahrenheit.

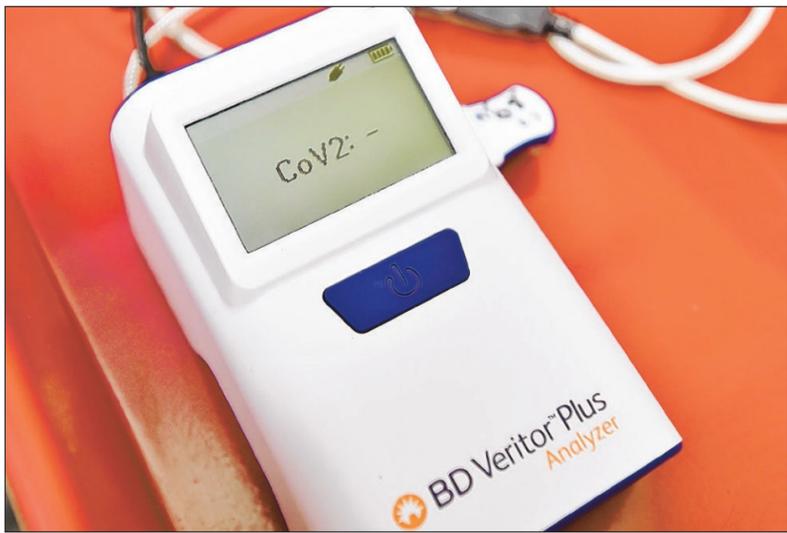
The AstraZeneca vaccine is also cheaper.

AstraZeneca, which has pledged it won't make a profit on the vaccine during the pandemic, has reached

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COMING SOON

■ Citrus County resident participates in AstraZeneca study. Read more about it in an upcoming edition of the Chronicle.



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

This BD Veritor Plus analyzer reads a patient's sample and indicates a negative COVID-19 test.

TESTS

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which involves waiting in a line of cars, Brashear said. "Pharmacies are very adept at performing tasks at a quick, and as needed, basis," she said.

The cost of the test is \$90 and the customer must submit the bill to their insurance provider if they want to try and be reimbursed. The cost is not submitted by the pharmacy to the health insurance company.

The rapid test is ideal "if you have to get back to work. If you have to get back to school and have to have the results in hand," she said.

If the customer is positive for the virus, the pharmacist will provide counseling and education about care and the latest U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention information about the virus, Brashear said.

The pharmacist will also encourage the customer to see their primary care physician and the local Department of Health will also be contacting them, she said.

The rapid response test (or antigen test) is an immunoassay test that detects the presence of a specific viral antigen (or

protein), which suggests a current viral infection.

But antigen tests have a higher chance of missing an active infection, according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's website about testing.

Brashear said she encourages people who test negative to come back later and be tested again when the virus is easier to detect or follow up with a traditional molecular test that detects the virus' genetic material.

The new service comes at a time when both the county and Florida is seeing a surge of new cases.

Monday and Tuesday of last week (Nov. 16, 2020 and Nov. 17, 2020) saw more than 60 new cases each day. That's about four times the number the county saw each day during the latter half of October.

The FDOH website reported 150 deaths from the virus in Citrus County alone.

"I think there is a need for people who want peace of mind," she said. "You can walk away knowing you're in the clear or I need to self-isolate."

Meanwhile, other locations continue to offer molecular coronavirus testing in which test results are available a few days later.

One continues to be the local Department of

Health in Citrus County.

The DOH here offers testing from 7:30 to 10 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1570 W. Citrus Springs Blvd. No appointments are necessary.

The Citrus County DOH spokeswoman Audrey Stasko said her local agency was seeing an uptick in requests for testing. The number had been about 60-80 tests per day but jumped to 150 on Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2020.

Stasko said she and her staff are watching to see if the increase in demand is due to people getting ready to travel for the holidays and need test results to travel showing they are negative or because of other factors.

The agency will determine if it needs to return to five-days-a-week testing or remain at three days, she said.

Stasko said the local DOH will not switch to rapid testing but rather continue offering the molecular tests.

Meanwhile, Stasko said the DOH in Citrus County has launched a new, aggressive campaign reminding people to be tested, wear a mask, keep their distance, wash hands and also get their flu vaccinations.

Contact Chronicle reporter Fred Hiers at 352-563-5660 or fred.hiers@chronicleonline.com.

For the RECORD

Citrus County Sheriff's Office

DUI arrest

■ **Donald Whippie**, 63, of South Suncoast Boulevard, Homosassa, at 8:27 p.m. Nov. 18 on a misdemeanor charge of driving under the influence. According to his arrest affidavit, Whippie was pulled over for speeding. He was asked to complete field sobriety tasks and did poorly. Whippie refused Breathalyzer testing to measure his blood alcohol level. His bond was set at \$1,000.

Other arrests

■ **Malakhi Bellamy**, 18, of Lecanto, at 2:26 p.m. Nov. 18 on felony charges of armed robbery, burglary that becomes armed, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, grand theft of a firearm and grand theft, along with a misdemeanor charge of battery. His bond was set at \$82,000.

■ **Sidney Benton**, 33, of Southwest 147th Lane, Ocala, at 2:10 p.m. Nov. 18 on an active warrant for felony charges of premeditated murder, shooting into a dwelling or

vehicle, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. He was transported from the Marion County Jail to the Citrus County Detention Facility.

■ **Strother Natteal**, 18, of South Rock Crusher Road, Homosassa, at 12:40 p.m. Nov. 18 on an active warrant for felony charges of armed robbery, burglary that becomes armed, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, grand theft of a firearm and grand theft. He turned himself in to the Citrus County Sheriff's Office. His bond was set at \$56,000.

■ **Chad Ross**, 40, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on a felony charge of possession of a controlled substance and a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. His bond was set at \$3,000.

■ **Hayley Ross**, 30, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on felony charges of possession of a controlled substance and introducing contraband into a detention facility, along with a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. Her bond was set at \$7,000.

■ **Casey Miller**, 45, of

Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. Her bond was set at \$1,000.

■ **Charles Baculik**, 45, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on misdemeanor charges of drug paraphernalia, obstruction of a search warrant, and resisting an officer without violence. His bond was set at \$3,000.

■ **Jason Flynn**, 43, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on a felony charge of possession of a controlled substance and a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. His bond was set at \$3,000.

■ **Deborah Duke**, 65, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. Her bond was set at \$1,000.

■ **Amber Summers**, 43, of Inverness, at 9:03 a.m. Nov. 18 on a felony charge of child abuse. Her bond was set at \$2,000.

■ **Amy Gerhardt**, 33, of Inverness, at 9 a.m. Nov. 18 on an active warrant for felony violation of probation and felony failure to appear.

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Around the COUNTY

Third man arrested in armed mugging

A third man was arrested in connection to an alleged ambush of somebody during a meeting over a drug deal.

Citrus County Sheriff's Office deputies apprehended Crystal River 22-year-old Adrian Gage Williams on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020, on a warrant alleging grand theft, grand theft of a firearm, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, armed burglary and armed robbery.



Adrian Williams

Williams was jailed under a \$56,000 bond.

Authorities had already put 18-year-old codefendants Strother Jones Natteal, of Homosassa, and Malakhi Jaheim Bellamy, of Lecanto, into custody Wednesday on similar allegations.



Strother Natteal

According to a prior report, it's alleged the trio robbed another man Monday, Nov. 16 near the intersection of West Constitution Lane and South Gettysburg Drive in Homosassa.



Malakhi Bellamy

The man told sheriff's office detectives Bellamy asked to meet so Bellamy could pay him back for marijuana.

At the meeting location, down a dirt trail, the man said Bellamy and who would later be identified as Natteal and Williams mugged him, robbing him of his wallet, car keys and cellphone.

They also rummaged through the man's vehicle, stealing marijuana and a firearm Bellamy then used to threaten the man's life with before he and his alleged accomplices ran away.

Fire contained to bedroom in Inverness

An air conditioner appears to be the source of a blaze local firefighters were able to contain to a bedroom of an Inverness home.

Citrus County Fire Rescue (CCFR) crews were dispatched at around 7:25 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, 2020, to a house off of East Bow N Arrow Loop, according to CCFR.

A CCFR engine from the Inverness Highlands station arrived first at roughly 7:34 a.m. to find smoke coming from an air-conditioning unit at a corner bedroom of a 2,000-square-foot doublewide.

CCFR firefighters — including those from stations in Hernando, Kensington, Floral City and Connell Heights — kept the flames from spreading beyond the room, controlling it by 7:40 a.m.

No injuries were reported, according to CCFR.

Members of the American Red Cross assisted the man who was living inside and was alerted by a smoke detector.

— Buster Thompson/staff writer

Compassionate Friends group meets monthly

The Compassionate Friends meet the second and fourth Wednesday monthly at the Wings Grief Center, 8471 W. Periwinkle Lane, Homosassa Springs. CDC guidelines followed. For information, call 352-249-1470.

— From staff reports

Clarification

According to an announcement in the paper, American Legion Post 155 will not serve a free Thanksgiving meal Wednesday at its Post hall.

Correction

Due to a reporter's error, a story and mugshot on page A3 of the Friday, Nov. 20, 2020, edition, "Pair of men face armed robbery, burglary charges," contained the misspelled name of Malakhi Jaheim Bellamy. The Chronicle regrets the error.

Readers can alert the Citrus County Chronicle to any errors in news articles by emailing newsdesk@chronicleonline.com or by calling 352-563-5660.

Drug case set for trial

BUSTER THOMPSON
Staff writer

Court DIGEST

Ricky Lee Pope, who's accused of holding the record for the most methamphetamine and fentanyl seized by the Citrus County Sheriff's Office, has a trial date set.

During Pope's court appearance Monday, Nov. 23, 2020, Circuit Court Judge Richard "Ric" Howard scheduled the Dunnellon 57-year-old's trial for the week of March 15, 2021.

Pope will also have a final pretrial hearing March 1, Howard ordered.

He faces three separate felony cases and a slew of charges in connection with drugs and firearms authorities found Jan. 30 and 31, 2020, inside his vehicle, his house and on him during his jail booking.

A handful of Pope's charges come with a minimum-mandatory sentence of either 15 or 25 years if there's a conviction, Assistant State Attorney Erin

Leathers informed Howard on Monday.

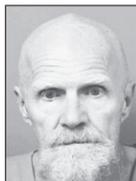
Charity Braddock, Pope's public defender, also told the judge more than a dozen witness depositions were done, and she expects to file motions as a result.

"I've got plenty of time for any motion that needs to be filed," Howard said.

It's alleged, according to prior reports, sheriff's office deputies pulled Pope over Jan. 30 for running a stop sign on U.S. 41 outside of Dunnellon.

During a search of Pope's red Chevrolet Camaro, deputies discovered meth, heroin, ecstasy and marijuana allegedly belonging to Pope.

A few hours later, members of the sheriff's Tactical Impact Unit obtained a warrant to



Ricky Lee Pope facing trial in 2021.

search Pope's Citrus Springs home, where deputies found 1.1 pounds of meth, 6.15 pounds of cannabis, 1.9 ounces of ecstasy, three fentanyl patches, 11 vials of steroids and drug-packaging materials.

Deputies also recovered a pistol, a revolver with an attached home-made suppressor, an assault rifle and three shotguns. Pope was charged for having the firearms and ammunition because it's illegal for him, a three-time convicted felon, to possess them.

Pope was arrested again Jan. 31 while he was being processed at the Citrus County Detention Facility, after a jail security camera recorded Pope take a plastic bag from his boot

and throw it across the intake room.

Corrections officers and a sheriff's deputy recovered the bag, which had 26.60 grams of meth, 1.4 grams of heroin and 0.86 grams of cocaine inside, prior reports show.

Also Monday in court:

Brent Donald Flynn, the Lecanto 48-year-old accused of brawling with sheriff's office deputies in March, got another court date of Jan. 6.

Howard scheduled Flynn's next hearing after assigning the Public Defender's Office to his case.

Flynn is charged with resisting law enforcement with violence, and two counts of battery of a law enforcement officer.

According to reports, it's alleged Flynn pushed and struck two deputies trying to arrest him when they responded to a domestic disturbance on the 2300 block of West Mountain Laurel Lane.

Vaccine news causes gas prices to spike

MICHAEL D. BATES
Staff writer

Despite urging from health officials to stay close to home, many Citrus Countians are expected to hit the roads this week to visit family and friends for Thanksgiving.

But whether you travel or stay put, the pandemic is affecting the cost of fueling up.

The spike in COVID-19 caused gas prices last week to rise in response to another round of vaccine news, according to AAA — The Auto Club Group.

News reports promoting the efficacy of these vaccines have spurred optimism within the fuel market that fuel demand will look much better than it did in 2020.

U.S. crude oil rose 5% last week, finishing above \$42 a barrel for the first time since Sept. 1. Wholesale gasoline prices rose a few pennies too, but settled at a level that would suggest a retail price of around \$2 per gallon, across the state.

Florida's average price for gasoline increased 4 cents last week. Drivers are paying an average price of \$2.03 per gallon. Sunday's state average is 7 cents less than a month ago, and 34 cents less than this time last year.

By comparison shopping, motorists in Citrus County can find prices cheaper than the state average.

GasBuddy on Monday showed regular unleaded for as low as \$1.93 per gallon in Inverness. Crystal River and Homosassa stations were as low as \$1.95

"Drivers are likely to find the lowest Thanksgiving gas prices in 12 years," said Mark Jenkins, spokesman for the auto club. "Gas prices are inching higher, due to vaccine news, but reports of rising cases of coronavirus should prevent any significant gains at the pump."

The auto club is anticipating a 10% decline in travel this Thanksgiving compared to last year's holiday. According to the report, 50.6 million Americans will take a road trip. More than 2.6 million of those would be Floridians.

However, it's possible even fewer people will travel this Thanksgiving. Since the forecast was developed, new cases of COVID-19 have increased and the CDC

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MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

The spike in COVID-19 caused gas prices last week to rise in response to another round of vaccine news, according to AAA — The Auto Club Group. This Wawa station in Lecanto is offering regular, unleaded gas for less than \$2 per gallon.

urged Americans to stay home for the holiday.

"AAA urges those who decide to travel to do so safely," Jenkins said. "Wear a mask, bring cleaning supplies, and do your

research before leaving to understand if there are any travel restrictions or closures along your route or at your destination."

To find out what the price of gas is at your local station, visit www.GasBuddy.com.

Budget request suggests broader revisions to unemployment system

JOHN HAUGHEY
The Center Square

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (FDEO), which handles Florida's much-maligned unemployment system, is seeking \$5 million to hire 108 new employees next fiscal year.

New FDEO Executive Director Dane Eagle also is calling on lawmakers to consider raising the \$275 weekly max unemployment benefit, overhaul or ditch the CONNECT system and hold hearings to understand why it failed when needed most.

Gov. Ron DeSantis authorized a state inspector general in May to investigate why Florida spent \$77 million for the CONNECT unemployment website built by Deloitte in 2013 that collapsed "right off the bat" in March, when the unemployment rate

tripled to 12.9% and left hundreds of thousands of suddenly jobless Floridians waiting weeks for their first checks.

DeSantis wanted to know how Deloitte's 2011 contract for \$40 million was amended 17 times, why it was nearly discontinued in 2012 and why the website cost \$77 million to launch in 2013.

Florida taxpayers have spent more than \$100 million since March to upgrade the system by purchasing 72 servers, reassigning 2,000 state workers, contracting 330 phone center workers and tapping Florida Department of Management Services Secretary Jon Satter to manage it.

Eagle said legislative hearings will help clarify whether the system can be adequately improved and moved into a cloud server or whether it would be better to build a new system that will cost

tens of millions of dollars.

The 108 new hires in the FDEO's budget request would allow it to stop paying third-party call centers and fill a labor shortage the agency still struggles with, Eagle told News 6 Orlando last week.

"We tell (new unemployment applicants) four to six weeks" to receive first checks, Eagle said. "Because of the workload and not having enough staff, it does take longer."

While the emphasis on the unemployment system is welcome, Democrats maintain changes in 2011 orchestrated by former governor and now U.S. Sen. Rick Scott made it more difficult to apply for unemployment and trimmed eligibility to a national-low 12 weeks are the system's biggest problems, not failed technology.

A 2021 bill drafted by Sen.

José Javier Rodríguez, D-Miami, whose reelection bid is locked in a recount, and Rep. Anna Eskamani, D-Orlando, nearly would double Florida's weekly \$275 maximum benefit and its eligibility time span.

Under the draft proposal, maximum weekly benefits would increase to \$500 per week, the number of weeks eligible would extend from 12 to 26 and, for the first time, self-employed workers would be eligible for state benefits.

The measure would allow Floridians to receive benefits from the day they lost their job rather than the day they applied for benefits, and it would require the FDEO to determine applicants' eligibility within three weeks, noting many Floridians often have waited three months or longer before receiving the benefit.

Today's HOROSCOPES

Birthdays — Use your imagination. Be a front-runner, step into the limelight and show off what you have to offer.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Keeping busy will boost your morale and help clear your head. Be diplomatic, but don't let anyone talk you into doing or believing something unwise.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You'll get an added push that will help you take care of business. Make adjustments to your domestic and professional spaces.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Use your charm, experience and energy to get where you want to go. A chance to get ahead financially is within reach.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) — Compliments will come your way, but before you fall prey to someone's charm, consider whether there are ulterior motives at play.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Pick up the pace, follow through with your plans and refuse to let anyone or anything upset you. Stay focused.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Embrace new beginnings and exciting challenges. Push yourself to the limit. Romance is favored.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Helping others will benefit you as well. Get involved in something you care about. Don't shy away from adversity.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Look for a creative outlet or do something you've always wanted to do but never had the time or confidence to pursue.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Soul-searching will lead to an effective plan. Refuse to let anyone else make up your mind for you.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Take action and get involved, and positive change will result. Make slight adjustments to ensure that you continue to excel. A change will pay off.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Don't let anyone take advantage of you or put you in an awkward position. Diplomacy will help you outmaneuver anyone who gets in your way.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Uncertainty will prevail if you aren't vocal about your feelings and wants. Positive change will be the direct result of how you handle others.

ENTERTAINMENT

Charlie Brown specials air on TV, after all, in PBS deal

NEW YORK — The "Great Pumpkin" never showed on broadcast television this year, but after a deal with PBS, the Charlie Brown Thanksgiving and Christmas specials return to the air.

Last month, Apple TV+ became the new home to the beloved Peanuts holiday specials. That sparked an outcry from viewers who were accustomed to annually tuning in on network TV. Apple offered each special to stream for free for a handful of days, but that didn't stop online petitions from gathering hundreds of thousands of signatures.

On Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020, Apple bowed to the backlash, announcing it had teamed up with PBS for ad-free broadcasts of "A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving" (aired Sunday, Nov. 22) and "A Charlie Brown Christmas" (on Dec. 13).

Missed the Thanksgiving broadcast? Both specials will also be available for free during three-day windows on Apple TV+ (Nov. 25-27 for "Thanksgiving" and Dec. 11-13 for "Christmas.") For subscribers, the Christmas special will be available beginning Dec. 4.

Cars line up for miles for Tyler Perry food giveaway

ATLANTA — Thousands of people jammed roads for miles in Atlanta on Sunday, Nov. 22, 2020, to try to get boxes of food and gift cards donated by entertainer Tyler Perry.

Tyler Perry Studios said they had enough boxes of canned



Associated Press

This image released by Apple shows key art for the animated classic "A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving" holiday special. Apple and PBS have teamed up for ad free broadcasts of the special and "A Charlie Brown Christmas," below. Although PBS broadcast the Thanksgiving special Sunday, Nov. 22, it will be available for free during a three-day window on Apple TV+ from Nov. 25-27.



vegetables and \$25 gift cards for 5,000 families to drive through and pick up.

The studio said it was out of food by 10 a.m. Sunday.

The line started forming Saturday and at one point stretched for 5 miles south of downtown Atlanta, media outlets reported.

Volunteers in protective equipment were handing out the food and gift cards.



Tyler Perry

Creator of Milan fashion system dies

MILAN — Beppe Modenese, the force behind the coalescence of Italian ready-to-wear fashion in the northern city of Milan, has died. He was 90.

Modenese died Saturday in the fashion capital. No cause of death was given.

An impeccable dresser, he was known for one extravagance: red socks.

Modenese will be buried in his native town of Alba, in the neighboring region of Piedmont.

— From wire reports

Today in HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 24, the 329th day of 2020. There are 37 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight: On Nov. 24, 1859, British naturalist Charles Darwin published "On the Origin of Species," which explained his theory of evolution by means of natural selection.

On this date: In 1971, a hijacker calling himself "Dan Cooper" (but who became popularly known as "D.B. Cooper") parachuted from a Northwest Orient Airlines 727 over the Pacific Northwest after receiving \$200,000 in ransom; his fate remains unknown.

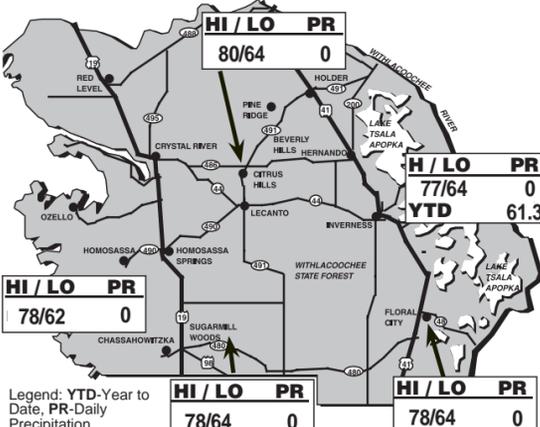
Ten years ago: A jury in Austin convicted former U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas, on charges he'd illegally funneled corporate money to Texas candidates in 2002. (DeLay's convictions were overturned on appeal.)

Five years ago: Turkey shot down a Russian warplane that it said ignored repeated warnings after crossing into its airspace from Syria, killing one of the two pilots. (Turkey later formally apologized for the shootdown.)

One year ago: With multiple wins at the American Music Awards, Taylor Swift surged past Michael Jackson's record of 24 wins at the awards show, based on fan votes.

Today's Birthdays: Former NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue is 80. Country singer Johnny Carver is 80. Actor-comedian Billy Connolly is 78. Singer Lee Michaels is 75. Actor Dwight Schultz is 73. Actor Stanley Livingston is 70. Actor Denise Crosby is 63. Actor Shae D'Lyn is 58. Actor-comedian Brad Sherwood is 56. Actor Garret Dillahunt is 56. Actor Conleth Hill is 56. Actor-comedian Scott Krinsky is 52. Rock musician Chad Taylor (Live) is 50. Actor Lola Glaudini is 49. Actor Danielle Nicolet is 47. Actor-writer-director-producer Stephen Merchant is 46. Olympic bronze medal figure skater Chen Lu is 44. Actor Colin Hanks is 43. Actor Katherine Heigl is 42. Actor Sarah Hyland is 30.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



Legend: YTD-Year to Date, PR-Daily Precipitation

THREE DAY OUTLOOK

Today & Tomorrow Morning High: 79° Low: 59° Sunny and pleasant. Wednesday & Thursday Morning High: 80° Low: 61° Some clouds early, then mostly sunny. Thursday & Friday Morning High: 79° Low: 61° Partly cloudy with a passing shower.

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Table with columns for Temperature (Yesterday, Record, Normal, Mean temp, Departure from mean), Precipitation (Yesterday, Total for month, Total for year, Normal for year), Dew Point, Humidity, Pollen Count, Air Quality, and Barometric Pressure.

SOLAR TABLES: Table with columns for Date, Day, Minor (Morning), Major (Morning), Minor (Afternoon), Major (Afternoon).

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK: SUNSET TONIGHT 5:32 pm, SUNRISE TOMORROW 7:00 am, MOONRISE TODAY 2:37 pm, MOONSET TODAY 1:53 am.

BURN CONDITIONS: Today's Fire Danger Index is: LOW. There is no burn ban.

WATERING RULES: For established lawns and landscapes, irrigation may occur during only one (1) of the specified time periods.

Addresses with house numbers ending in: 0-1 Monday, 2-3 Tuesday, 4-5 Wednesday, 6-7 Thursday, 8-9-or- Common Areas Friday.

TIDES: *From mouths of rivers **At King's Bay ***At Mason's Creek. TUESDAY High Low.

KEY TO CONDITIONS: c=cloudy; fg=fog; hz=haze; mc=mostly cloudy; pc=partly cloudy; ra=rain; rs=rain; s=sunny; sh=showers; sm=smoke; sn=snow; ss=snow showers; t=thunderstorms.

FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

Table of Florida temperatures for cities like Daytona Bch., Fort Lauderdale, Fort Myers, Gainesville, Homestead, Jacksonville, Key West, Lakeland, Melbourne, Miami, Ocala, Orlando, Pensacola, Sarasota, Tallahassee, Tampa, Vero Beach, and W. Palm Bch.

MARINE OUTLOOK

Today: East winds around 15 knots. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland waters a moderate chop. Tonight: East winds around 15 knots. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland waters a moderate chop.

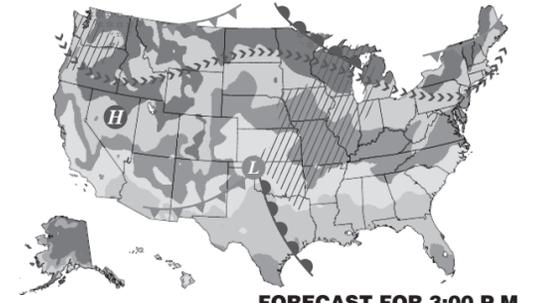
Gulf water temperature 71° Taken at Crystal River

LAKE LEVELS

Table of Lake Levels for Withlacoochee at Holder, Tsala Apopka-Hernando, Tsala Apopka-Inverness, and Tsala Apopka-Floral City.

Levels reported in feet above sea level. Flood stage for lakes are based on 2.33-year flood, the mean-annual flood which has a 43-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any one year.

THE NATION



FORECAST FOR 3:00 P.M. Tuesday

National weather forecast table with columns for City, MON H L Pcp, TUE H L Fest, and City, MON H L Pcp, TUE H L Fest.

WORLD CITIES

Table of World Cities weather for cities like Albuquerque, Asheville, Atlanta, Atlantic City, Austin, Baltimore, Billings, Birmingham, Boise, Boston, Buffalo, Burlington, VT, Charleston, SC, Charleston, WV, Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbia, SC, Columbus, OH, Concord, NH, Dallas, Denver, Des Moines, Detroit, El Paso, Evansville, IN, Harrisburg, Hartford, Houston, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisville, Memphis, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Mobile, Montgomery, Nashville, New Orleans, New York City, Norfolk, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Palm Springs, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Pittsburgh, Portland, ME, Portland, OR, Providence, RI, Reno, Rochester, NY, Sacramento, Salt Lake City, San Antonio, San Diego, San Francisco, Savannah, Seattle, Spokane, St. Louis, St. Ste Marie, Syracuse, Topeka, Washington, and Warsaw.

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CASES

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A couple of more inmates at the Citrus County Detention Facility tested positive for COVID-19 over the last week.

Since the pandemic's onset, the CoreCivic-managed jail in Lecanto has documented a total of 97 coronavirus cases within its population, according to County Administrator Randy Oliver on Monday, Nov. 23, 2020.

There were 95 infections recorded Monday, Nov. 16.

Oliver said 81 of those inmates recovered after they were tested 14 days since their positive test. A total 161 inmates have been tested, Oliver said.

According to CoreCivic spokesman Ryan Gustin on Nov. 23, nine of the jail's 30 housing pods have been placed on quarantine.

Gustin said seven of the pods are small and don't house many people, and two of the larger housing pods previously on quarantine were reopened last week.

Jail visitation remains suspended through the last week of November, Gustin said.

When a new inmate is being booked into the jail, Gustin said, CoreCivic medical staff screens them with a temperature check and questionnaire.

Anyone experiencing COVID-19 symptoms are moved into a quarantined housing pod. Those who don't have signs of the

disease are placed into an intake housing pod for 10-14 days before they're moved into the jail's general population.

Another CoreCivic employee also tested positive for COVID-19 since Nov. 16, increasing the total to nine, of which seven have recovered, Gustin said.

Those with questions about someone in the jail's custody can contact CoreCivic's Operations Concern Center by either calling 877-834-1550 or emailing Operations@CoreCivic.com.

For information about CoreCivic's response to COVID-19, visit corecivic.com/covid-19-response.

Each of the 14 Cypress Creek Juvenile Offender Correctional Center and Treatment Center employees who contracted

COVID-19 also returned to their jobs at the Lecanto facility, according to the latest Florida Department of Juvenile Justice report from Nov. 23.

Each of the infected 24 youth inmates has also left medical isolation, according to the agency.

According to the FDOH on Monday, 154 cases were reported for inmates housed at correctional centers in the county, and for staff who live locally but could also work at an outside facility. It's an increase of eight since Nov. 16.

Here are the number of COVID-19 cases ranked by Citrus County's 15 ZIP codes that were reported on Nov. 23:

■ 34452 (Inverness, Floral City, Inverness Highlands North and Inverness

Highlands South): 642, an increase of 42 since Nov. 16.

■ 34461 (Black Diamond, Citrus Hills, Homosassa Springs, Lecanto, Pine Ridge and Sugarmill Woods): 484, up 37.

■ 34429: (Crystal River, Ozello, Homosassa Springs, Lecanto and Black Diamond): 441, up 40.

■ 34465 (Beverly Hills, Black Diamond, Citrus Springs, Lecanto and Pine Ridge): 426, up 27.

■ 34446 (Homosassa, Homosassa Springs, Lecanto and Sugarmill Woods): 419, up 58.

■ 34442 (Citrus Hills, Citrus Springs, Hernando, Lecanto and Pine Ridge): 348, up 43.

■ 34453 (Inverness, Citrus Hills, Hernando, Inverness Highlands North

and Lecanto): 299, up 22.

■ 34428 (Crystal River, Red Level and Inglis): 269, up 16.

■ 34434 (Dunnellon, Citrus Springs, Hernando and Pine Ridge): 267, up 28.

■ 34450 (Inverness and Inverness Highlands South): 194, up 23.

■ 34448 (Homosassa, Homosassa Springs, Sugarmill Woods, Lecanto and Crystal River): 185, up 29.

■ 34433 (Dunnellon, Citrus Springs and Pine Ridge): 167, up 18.

■ 34436 (Floral City): 145, up 10.

■ 34445 (Holder, Citrus Springs, Hernando and Pine Ridge): Seven, up two.

■ 34449 (Inglis and Yankeetown): Less than five, no change.

VACCINE

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agreements with governments and international health organizations that put its cost at about \$2.50 a dose. Pfizer's vaccine costs about \$20, while Moderna's is \$15 to \$25, based on agreements the companies have struck to supply their vaccines to the U.S. government.

All three vaccines must be approved by regulators before they can be widely distributed.

Oxford researchers and AstraZeneca stressed they weren't competing with other projects and said multiple vaccines would be needed to reach enough of the world's population to end the pandemic.

"We need to be able to

make a lot of vaccine for the world quickly, and it's best if we can do it with different technologies so that if one technology runs into a roadblock, then we've got alternatives, we've got diversity," professor Sarah Gilbert, a leader of the Oxford team, told The Associated Press. "Diversity is going to be good here, but also in terms of manufacturing, we don't want to run out of raw materials."

AstraZeneca said it will immediately apply for early approval of the vaccine where possible, and it will seek an emergency use listing from the World Health Organization, so it can make the vaccine available in low-income countries.

The AstraZeneca trial looked at two different dosing regimens. A

half-dose of the vaccine followed by a full dose at least one month later was 90% effective. Another approach, giving patients two full doses one month apart, was 62% effective.

That means that, overall, when both ways of dosing are considered, the vaccine showed an efficacy rate of 70%.

Gilbert said researchers aren't sure why giving a half-dose followed by a larger dose was more effective, and they plan to investigate further. But the answer is probably related to providing exactly the right amount of vaccine to get the best response, she said.

"It's the Goldilocks amount that you want, I think, not too little and not too much. Too much could give you a poor quality response as well," she said.

"I'm glad that we looked at more than one dose because it turns out to be really important."

The vaccine uses a weakened version of a common cold virus that is combined with genetic material for the characteristic spike protein of the virus that causes COVID-19. After vaccination, the spike protein primes the immune system to attack the virus if it later infects the body.

The results reported Monday come from trials in the U.K. and Brazil that involved 23,000 people. Of those, 11,636 people received the vaccine — while the rest got a placebo.

Overall, there were 131 cases of COVID-19.

Late-stage trials of the vaccine are also underway in the U.S., Japan, Russia, South Africa, Kenya and

Latin America, with further trials planned for other European and Asian countries.

Researchers said they expect to add the half

dose-full dose regimen to the U.S. trial in a "matter of weeks." Before doing so they must discuss the changes with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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Bicyclist traffic stop leads to battery, drug charges

FRED HIERS
Staff writer

Not having a rear bicycle light led the arrest Sunday of a Crystal River man who now faces drug charges and allegations of battery on a law enforcement officer.

The arrest of Christopher Brian Franke, 29, began near 11 p.m. when a Citrus County Sheriff's deputy noticed that Franke was riding his bicycle on West Arter Street in west Citrus County without a rear light on the bicycle, according to the report.

The deputy reported as soon as he made a U-turn to make a traffic stop, Franke looked at the deputy and began reaching into his left pants pocket, according to the arrest report.

The deputy turned on his emergency lights and Franke stopped his bicycle.

The deputy said when he walked up to Franke, he first spotted that Franke had a machete in its sheath hanging from his left hip. The deputy said he took the weapon and held onto it for safe keeping during the stop.

The deputy asked Franke why he reached into his pocket and Franke replied he hadn't but instead was looking to turn on his rear light.

Things soon took a turn for the worse, according to the report.

To pat down Franke in search of any more weapons, the deputy asked Franke to place his hands on the deputy's cruiser and Franke said he would peacefully consent to the search, according to the report.

But the deputy reported that each time he began patting Franke down, Franke turned around to face the deputy. And when the deputy spotted a glass pipe in Franke's left front pocket and told Franke to put his hands behind him in order to be handcuffed, Franke refused, the report stated.

Instead, Franke grabbed onto the cruiser's push bar, used for ramming other vehicles, and would not let go, according to the report.

When the deputy repeatedly told Franke to let go so he could handcuff Franke, Franke did let go but only to run down the street, the report stated.

The deputy gave chase and managed to catch up to Franke and tackle him to the ground. The two scuffled and Franke hit the deputy in the face and the deputy

in turn hit Franke in the face, according to the report.

That's when Franke grabbed the deputy by his vest and tried to pull him to the ground. The deputy reported that some of his equipment, including Taser and pepper spray, are attached to the vest and he feared that Franke might use some of that equipment against him.

The deputy hit Franke again, which caused Franke to let go of the deputy's vest and allowed the deputy to get up on his feet, the report stated. The deputy ordered Franke on his stomach and his hands behind his back but Franke instead got up and again started running away.

That's when the deputy fired his Taser at Franke and hit him in the back. But instead of stopping Franke, the Taser only managed to cause Franke to trip to the ground, according to the report.

The deputy reported that's when he again charged the fallen Franke, but Franke again grabbed onto the deputy's vest and belt, which holsters his firearm.

The deputy again got up on his feet and Franke reached into his pocket. Fearing that Franke might have a weapon, the deputy drew his own firearm and ordered Franke to the ground.

Instead of complying, Frank took off running again, according to the report. The deputy this time let loose his K-9 partner to give chase, but Franke lost the dog as they ran into the woods.

Soon later, the arresting deputy found Franke and the two fought, with the deputy hitting Franke repeatedly in the face until two additional deputies arrived to help subdue and handcuff Franke.

When the deputy searched Franke, the deputy found two glass pipes and a jar containing a white substance. The substance tested positive for methamphetamine, according to the report. The pipes also tested positive for methamphetamine residue.

The deputy also found a pocket knife in Franke's pocket and a handcuff key attached to a chain Franke was wearing around his neck, according to the report.

He was charged with possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of a concealed handcuff key, resisting law enforcement with violence, battery on a law enforcement officer, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

He was taken to the Citrus County jail.

His bond was set at \$15,000.



Christopher Franke

HAZZARD

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with a handful of musicians meeting in her living room and \$24 in their treasury.

Cindy nurtured them into the 93-member symphonic concert band they are today.

"My vision from the beginning was to form a group to play high-level music and attract good musicians," she told the Chronicle in March 2020 when she announced her retirement from being NCCB's conductor.

From their first concert, people were surprised at the quality of the music and the musicians.

A concert weekend regularly drew between 1,600 and 2,000 people, she said.

"Her thing was, she would never charge (admission) for a concert," Williams said. "She believed good music should be available for everyone who wants to hear it."

As a conductor, Cindy understood her role.

"I direct it, I rehearse it and teach what needs to be taught, but it's the band that plays," she said. "A lot more credit is given to the conductor than to the musicians, and I don't like that. People treat me like a celebrity and I'm not."

For the musicians, Cindy Hazzard was the benevolent taskmaster.

"She gave her all and got the best from them," Williams said. "With our 93 band members, about 50% of them are retired professional musicians, and they're not easy to please ... she was a taskmaster in the best sense of the word."

"She wouldn't settle for second best when she knew you could do better, and we applauded her for that," she said. "I think that's why there was such staying power with the musicians — there were other places they could've played."

"Cindy was all about improving the quality of the arts in Citrus County,

and she was 100% in for Citrus County, that culturally we needed to be on the map and stay there," Williams said.

About five years ago, Cindy saw the need to involve young people in the band.

At the time, most of the band members were retirees, Williams said.

"Cindy said, 'These young people need to play as much as they can, get as much exposure as they can and play different types of music.' So, she recruited all the middle school band directors to play with Nature Coast, also high school students," Williams said. "Some middle school students auditioned and found a place sitting beside professional musicians — it doesn't get better than that for a young person."

The board created the Cindy L. Hazzard Scholarship Fund to benefit students going into music.

"That's her legacy," Williams said. "She was all about young people and the future of music."

In 2016, Hazzard was named one of 10 "Women of Impact" in Citrus County by Altrusa.

She was quietly philanthropic, giving many a free music lesson or a free instrument. She was always involved with anything having to do with veterans and made sure NCCB was a participant.

"Cindy had an enviable amount of energy and a deep love of teaching and sharing great music," said Karen Medrano. "Her contribution to the cultural landscape of Citrus County is monumental and unforgettable."

Local musician, writer and NCCB member Jim Davis also praised Cindy Hazzard.

"Cindy reinvigorated my personal musicianship and made use of my writing abilities to inform folks about the great beauty and diversity of concert band music. Her challenge to the musical community raised our musicianship," he said.

"I appreciated her attention to the detail and nuance of musical performance. I think we all appreciated her blend of disciplined rehearsals, humor and modes of teaching (that) broadened our ways of understanding music and improving personal and group performance," he said.

"Cindy made Citrus County and surrounding areas richer for her promotion of enjoyable music. Her liaison with veterans groups brought a wider appreciation of the power of music. Add to that musical scholarships in her name, which will continue to foster young musicians in our county, you can get a small measure of her lasting influence on folks."

Because of the pandemic, a memorial celebration of life concert is planned for a later date, which will be announced on the band's website (www.naturecoastcommunityband.com) when all health dangers have passed. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Cindy's honor to Cynthia L. Hazzard Scholarship Fund C/O The Nature Coast Community Band PO Box 605 Lecanto, FL 34460.

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Daniel Martin, 87

BEVERLY HILLS

Daniel E. Martin, 87 passed away on November 17, 2020 in Beverly Hills, Florida.



Daniel Martin

Daniel was born in Garfield, N.J. on January 6, 1933. He was a resident of Beverly Hills, Florida but also resided in East Hanover, New Jersey and Tucson, Arizona. He attended Garfield High School where he was in the marching and dance band. He also attended Forstman Institute where he earned a Machinist Degree. He was employed as a machinist at Walter Kidde and Valor Engineering. Daniel was also a member of the Local Elks and was honorably discharged from the US Army during the Korean War. Dan was previously a chairman of the East Hanover Elks Lodge in 1967.

Predeceased by his parents Frank and Ella Martin of Garfield, NJ and brothers, Frank Martin (Helen) of Woodridge, NJ and Robert Martin of Clifton, NJ. Daniel is survived by his wife, Jean C. Martin, his sisters, Eloise (Richard) Adams of Myrtle Beach, SC, Joyce Uram (Richard-deceased) or Garfield, NJ. Sister-in-Law, Lorraine Martin, Clifton, NJ. Also survived by his loving Nephews and Nieces, David, Christopher (Janine), Tim (Kathleen) Tom (Patty), Richard and Sharon and great nephews and nieces, Peter, Christopher, Melissa, Kelsey, Tiffany, Taylor, Sera, Darren and Lucy and Four great-great nieces and nephews.

DAN WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

Funeral arrangements under the compassionate direction of Fero Funeral Home, Beverly Hills, Florida.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

HOLIDAY DEADLINES

■ Due to the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, obituaries submitted for publication on Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020, have the normal deadline of 3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25.

■ However, obituaries to be published in the Friday, Nov. 27, edition of the Chronicle are also due by 3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25.

■ The Chronicle does not edit obituaries for content.

Obituaries

Wyatt Norman, 22

Wyatt Josiah Norman, age 22, left this world and went to be with the Lord Jesus on November 6th, 2020. Unmarried and without children, he was the son of Brian Norman and Kristie Fish, both of Citrus Springs Florida.



Wyatt Norman

Born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Wyatt's family moved to Citrus County Florida when he was two years old. He attended Seven Rivers Christian School in Lecanto, Florida from Pre-Kindergarten through his graduation in 2017. An outstanding student with a brilliant mind, Wyatt took honors courses, earned straight A's throughout the entirety of his high school career, and graduated with a 4.5 GPA near the very top of his class. Upon graduation, Wyatt entered Santa Fe College in Gainesville Florida before transferring to the University of Florida, where he was majoring in Mathematics.

Wyatt was a studious lover of history, mathematics, philosophy, biology, nature, and theology. He was a deep thinker, an avid reader and a vivid writer — striving for and achieving excellence in all subject matters that he studied. Self-disciplined in more ways than just academics, Wyatt was also a cross-country runner who often would wake up early and run several miles before beginning his day. Along with his stunning intellect, Wyatt was known for his humor, his different accents, and things he did to "get a reaction". But most central to his character is the deep and sincere relationship Wyatt had and now even more deeply has, with the Lord Jesus, his Messiah.

Wyatt is survived by his mother and stepfather, Kristie and Mike Fish and by his father and stepmother, Brian and Virginia Norman. He is also survived by his six siblings and their spouses, Jacob & Autumn Norman, Jeffrey Norman, Zebedee Norman, Franklin & Amanda Norman, and Tanisha Norman.

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Joann O'Dell, 75

HOMOSASSA

Joann O'Dell, 75, of Homosassa, FL, passed away on Sat., Nov. 21, 2020.

A native of Brooklyn, NY, she was born Sept. 9, 1945 to John and Eleanor (Wood) Savage, one of four children. Joann moved to Homosassa in 1993 from Long Island, NY with her late beloved husband of 52 years, Frank O'Dell, who passed away on Feb. 21, 2014. Mrs. O'Dell was an employee of several delicatessens during her life, such as Brightwaters Deli in Bayshore, L.I., NY and most recently with Brooklyn Docks Deli in Crystal River.



Joann O'Dell

In addition to her parents and her husband, Joann was preceded in death by a son, Frankie O'Dell on Oct. 8, 1990 and her three siblings; Edward, John and Helen. She is survived by her son John O'Dell of Homosassa, FL; son Robert O'Dell of Beverly Hills, FL; granddaughter Jamie Thompson (Jamal) of Portsmouth, VA; granddaughter Yasmine O'Dell and great grandchildren Landon O'Dell and Lauren Thompson.

Friends will be received on Tues., Dec. 1, 2020 from 12:30 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. at Wilder Funeral Home, Homosassa, where a Catholic Prayer Service will take place at 2:00 P.M. Entombment will follow at Fountains Memorial Park, Homosassa.

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Gregg Odom, 67

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For the RECORD

Citrus County Sheriff's Office

DUI arrest

■ **Donald Whippie**, 63, of South Suncoast Boulevard, Homosassa, at 8:27 p.m. Nov. 18 on a misdemeanor charge of driving under the influence. According to his arrest affidavit, Whippie was pulled over for speeding. He was asked to complete field sobriety tasks and did poorly. Whippie refused Breathalyzer testing to measure his blood alcohol level. His bond was set at \$1,000.

Other arrests

■ **Malakhi Bellamy**, 18, of Lecanto, at 2:26 p.m. Nov. 18 on felony charges of armed robbery, burglary that becomes armed, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, grand theft of a firearm and grand theft, along with a misdemeanor charge of battery. His bond was set at \$82,000.

■ **Sidney Benton**, 33, of Southwest 147th Lane, Ocala, at 2:10 p.m. Nov. 18 on an active warrant for felony charges of premeditated murder, shooting into a dwelling or vehicle, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. He was transported from the Marion County Jail to the Citrus County Detention Facility.

■ **Strother Natteal**, 18, of South Rock Crusher Road, Homosassa, at 12:40 p.m. Nov. 18 on an active warrant for felony charges of armed robbery, burglary that becomes armed, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, grand theft of a firearm and grand theft. He turned himself in to the Citrus County Sheriff's Office. His bond was set at \$56,000.

■ **Chad Ross**, 40, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on a felony charge of possession of a controlled substance and a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. His bond was set at \$3,000.

■ **Hayley Ross**, 30, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on felony charges of possession of a controlled substance and introducing contraband into a detention facility, along with a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. Her bond was set at \$7,000.

■ **Casey Miller**, 45, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. Her bond was set at \$1,000.

■ **Charles Baculik**, 45, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on misdemeanor charges of drug paraphernalia, obstruction of a search warrant, and resisting an officer without violence. His bond was set at \$3,000.

■ **Jason Flynn**, 43, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on a felony charge of possession of a controlled substance and a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. His bond was set at \$3,000.

■ **Deborah Duke**, 65, of Inverness, at 9:18 a.m. Nov. 18 on a misdemeanor charge of drug paraphernalia. Her bond was set at \$1,000.

■ **Amber Summers**, 43, of Inverness, at 9:03 a.m. Nov. 18 on a felony charge of child abuse. Her bond was set at \$2,000.

■ **Amy Gerhardt**, 33, of Inverness, at 9 a.m. Nov. 18 on an active warrant for felony violation of probation and felony failure to appear.

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Around the STATE

Gasparilla Pirate Fest postponed

TAMPA — A popular waterfront festival in Tampa has been postponed amid a surge in confirmed coronavirus cases and hospitalizations in Florida.

The annual parade Gasparilla Pirate Fest that attracts about 200,000 people to Tampa's downtown waterfront is typically held every January but is now planned for mid-April amid continuing health

care concerns. Organizers said they consulted with city leaders and health care providers and decided to postpone the festival until next spring to restrict events that attract large crowds.

Other events in the state that attract large crowds in the winter such as Art Basel have already been scrapped.

In February, Tampa will host the Super Bowl at the Raymond James Stadium.

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Stocks rise on Wall Street on hope for virus vaccine

DAMIAN J. TROISE, ALEX VEIGA Associated Press

More encouraging news on the development of coronavirus vaccines and treatments helped power stocks higher on Wall Street Monday, as the market clawed back most of its losses from last week.

The S&P 500 index rose 0.6%, led by banks, energy and industrial companies, sectors that have been beaten down during the pandemic. Health care and technology stocks, which traders have bid up sharply this year, closed lower.

The latest vaccine developments are helping to raise hopes that some normalcy will eventually be restored to everyday life and the economy. It is also tempering lingering concerns over rising virus cases in the U.S. and new government restrictions on businesses aimed at limiting the spread.

Roughly 73% of the stocks in the S&P 500 rose. In another signal that investors were feeling confident, the Russell 2000 index of smaller stocks outpaced the broader market, picking up 32.96 points, or 1.8%, to 1,818.30.

Many of the companies making gains would greatly benefit from a vaccine allowing people to travel, shop and dine out. Cruise line operator Carnival rose

4.7% and hotel company Marriott International gained 3.2%. JPMorgan Chase rose 2.9%.

AstraZeneca is the latest drug developer to report surprisingly good results from ongoing vaccine studies. It said the potential vaccine, which is being developed with partner Oxford University, was up to 90% effective.

Last week, Pfizer and Moderna both reported study results showing their vaccines were almost 95% effective. And, over the weekend, Regeneron Pharmaceuticals received U.S. government approval for emergency use of its COVID-19 treatment.

The string of upbeat news about vaccine development has been butting up against increased caution as the virus continues to threaten the economy. That push and pull ultimately sent the S&P 500 to a loss last week.

"It's not a question of the vaccine versus the winter wave," he said. "A reasonable forecast is uncertainty will go down." Even with its weekly decline last week, the S&P 500 is on track for a 9.4% gain this month.

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PANDEMIC REALITY

COVID-19 case rise a failure of leadership

There are very different pandemic realities, depending on where you live and what you believe about the rampaging virus. In one version of reality, restaurants are full, there are no limits on bars, and masks are frowned on, if not rejected entirely. In another, masks are routine, crowded restaurants are to be avoided, and bars and other crowded indoor spaces are off limits.

Some of what determines your pandemic reality is the state or county you live in, and some of what determines it is driven by what you personally believe about the virus.

As the number of cases continue to rise, and hospitals are filled, some governors and some municipalities have enacted strong measures to slow spread of the virus. Other governors and other municipalities have done virtually nothing, preferring "personal responsibility" to closings and/or mask mandates.

With the crazy quilt pattern of pandemic restrictions that vary from state to state and sometimes county to county, it is clear that our government leaders at all levels have not provided consistent guidance on how to deal with this virus. And the unfortunate reality is that personal responsibility has not worked, as witness the soaring number of cases across the country.

With a mobile population, a lack of uniformity in requirements from county to county and state to state renders the restrictions that are in place relatively less effective.

Adding to the problem is the fact that what should be

straightforward public health issues, like wearing masks or restricting the number of people in an indoor location, have become political issues. In addition, with the onset of colder weather, more events are being driven indoors, and during the fall the flu and cold season always picks up steam.

THE ISSUE:

Cases of COVID-19 are rising rapidly in the county and state.

OUR OPINION:

A failure of leadership and personal responsibility.

With the Thanksgiving holiday coming this week, and people traveling across the country and gathering for the holiday, coupled with the other risk factors, we are positioned for a perfect storm of hospitalizations in the coming weeks.

With hospital personnel already fatigued and facilities stretched to the limits, the only responsible thing for individuals to do is to take the well-known measures to slow spread of the virus: practice social distancing, wear masks, avoid significant time indoors with anyone other than the family you now live with and wash your hands frequently.

We are all tired of restricting ourselves, but the virus is still causing illness and death, including some well known and well-respected individuals here in Citrus County. Until a vaccine is generally available, the only real weapon we have to fight this disease is being responsible and using the known and accepted tools for controlling its spread. Our leaders are not leading in this fight.

Taking these steps is inconvenient, but not being able to breathe, or dying alone in a hospital, is also inconvenient. The choice is stark, but it is also necessary.

League of Women Voters bid farewell to Susan Gill

Guest COLUMN

One of the most important functions of the League of Women Voters is to protect and defend the most fundamental elements of our democracy: the right to vote. So it is with a mixture of gratitude and regret that we bid farewell to Susan Gill, the Citrus County Supervisor of Elections.

Since first being elected to the office of Supervisor of Elections in 1996, Gill has spent the past 24 years positively impacting voting and voters — not just in Florida, but across the nation.

Gill has been active with the Florida State Association of Supervisors of Elections, serving as the FSASE president in 2005-06. She also served as the chair of the Rules and Legislative committees and is currently the co-chair of the FSASE Vote Center Task Force.

Gill has served on the State of Florida Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Planning Committee and the Election Assistance Commission workgroup, helping to create the Vote-by-mail/Absentee Ballot Election Management Guidelines in 2007.

She is a Florida State Certified Supervisor of Elections, a Master Florida Certified Election Professional (MFCEP) and is a graduate of the National Election Center's Certified Election and Registration Administrator (CERA) program.

Nationally, Gill serves on the Board of Directors of the National Election Center. She

served on the Research Alliance for Accessible Voting (RAAV) Committee sponsored by the Federal Elections Assistance Commission.

Her contributions to the local community are immense, whether connected with her role in elections, or when she serves in other capacities. Gill has spent countless hours educating local citizens groups and high school students about the voting process, and their voting rights and responsibilities.

She has served on a number of community boards, including the College of Central Florida Foundation Board, the Citrus Memorial Health Systems Citizens Advisory Council. She twice served as the United Way campaign chair, and is a long-time member of Altrusa International Inc. of Citrus County. Gill currently serves on the board of the YMCA of Citrus County.

In every facet of her life's work, Gill has brought integrity, vision, and sharp attention to detail. Through her efforts to ensure that the voice of every citizen is heard, she has modeled true patriotism and servant leadership.

In her own words, "The Mission of the Citrus County Elections Office is to ensure the integrity of the electoral process and to enhance public confidence. This is achieved by conducting fair, honest and

accurate elections while encouraging participation by providing voter education to citizens of all ages." Mission accomplished, Susan Gill!

The League of Women Voters of Citrus County offers our sincere gratitude and congratulations to Gill for a job well done. She has set the bar high, but we know that we can expect more impeccable elections from her newly elected successor, Maureen "Mo" Baird.

We wish Gill well in her retirement. We hope that she enjoys good health and quality time with her family. We look forward to seeing her familiar face around the community.

The League of Women Voters (LWV) was founded in 1920 and grew out of the women's suffrage movement. LWV operates at national, state, and local levels to improve government systems and influence public policies through advocacy and education. The League has always remained nonpartisan, never endorsing or opposing particular political parties or candidates, and taking positions on issues only after careful study and consensus. Inviting inclusive citizen involvement, while staying above partisan politics, has allowed the League to maintain a strong, trusted voice, locally, statewide and nationally. For information, visit lwvcitrus.org.

LETTERS to the Editor



We are Americans together

So Armageddon has arrived, and the asteroid is social media. The wounded are on both sides of the judgment fence. It has sucked out logic, integrity, fact-based thought and yes, unsupported claims of fact.

While I believe we are on the brink of a civil, civil war, it appears friendships only exists when we agree with one another's political. If you are against my favorite politician, you cannot be my friend. And sadly, physical violence takes over. While we are fortunate to advocate dissent in this great republic, we do not, conversely, advocate the violent overthrow of government. We do openly allow the peaceful change of power upon elections. These words spoken by my former military intelligence attorney and instructor have always stood by me.

I can honestly affirm that I have close friends and even family members who are Republican, Democrat, Independent and NPA. We all frequently criticize each other's golf swings, their chosen attire, the vehicle they purchase, their choice in restaurants and even their choice of beverage. At the end of the day, we still love one another and are friends to the end

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The violence that occurs daily should frighten all of us. We are Americans together in a democracy that should allow us to stand united against external foes. It seems, however, that we find the foes are among us. The misinformation, outright lies, fabrications and power mongers have infiltrated our moral compass and religious beliefs.

I am purposely avoiding a discussion of the current COVID-19 plague and the election turmoil, as I know I will find no empathy and actual logic among the Armageddon victims. I will say, however, that medical science and facts will ultimately prevail.

And then there is LIDMAC. Loyalty, integrity, discretion, morals and character. A military acronym that has never left me. We are at the crossroads to apply this.

Donald Slough
Beverly Hills

One can lose with grace

It is so sad. President Trump doesn't seem to understand that just because he lost the election, doesn't mean he has to act like a loser.

Barry Stine
Homosassa Springs

You answered your own question

In your Commentary section last Sunday (Nov. 15's Out the Window column by Gerry Mulligan), it says, "I still do not understand." You answered your own question in the very last paragraph of your statement. I think it said you listen to CBS, NBC, ABC, PBS and ESPN. That's the answer to your own question.

Homosassa is just fabulous

Thank you to Mr. Joseph Bello for listing about Homosassa and Old Homosassa (in his Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020, letter to the editor titled, "Manatees alive and well in Homosassa"). ... We have everything we need right here. We've got fresh food markets and fresh fruit and vegetables. We've got

the historical Sugar Mill and the historical printing press. We've got rare and unusual businesses, even on our side streets. We've opened new restaurants in the past year and several of our regular businesses had to move to bigger locations. We have lots of arts and crafts located here and we've got the biggest most beautiful, beautiful library ever. It's just fabulous.

Don't answer unknown numbers

(Re the Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020, Sound Off, "Beware of the grandson scam"): I was reading in the paper about the grandson scam. My husband and I also received that phone call. My husband insists on answering the phone whenever



someone calls soliciting or with some kind of a scam, so he can talk them down.

Well, my daughter informed me that if you go to the White Pages on the computer and you put your name in, they can look your name and address up on the computer with the phone number and they call you. If you answer your phone, that verifies what they intend to do.

After my husband and I got the grandson scam, our Visa card was compromised. So that's how they make sure that they've got the right person and that someone is in that house. Took us a week to try to get my Visa card squared away. Thank you so much. Be very careful. Do not answer phone calls that you do not recognize the number.

A NOTE ABOUT SOUND OFF

- Sound Off is meant for readers to voice their opinions on local issues. If you would like to comment on state or national issues, please submit a letter to the editor.
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Biden transition gets green light



President-elect Joe Biden speaks during a meeting at The Queen theater Monday, Nov. 23, 2020, in Wilmington, Del.

Associated Press

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A Long March-5 rocket carrying the Chang'e 5 lunar mission lifts off at the Wenchang Space Launch Center in Wenchang in southern China's Hainan Province, early Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020.

Catholic Church cancels pilgrimage

MEXICO CITY — Mexico's Roman Catholic Church announced the cancellation Monday of what's considered the world's largest Catholic pilgrimage, for the Virgin of Guadalupe, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mexico's Episcopal Conference said in a statement that the basilica will be closed from December 10-13. The Virgin is celebrated on Dec. 12 and for weeks in advance, pilgrims travel from across Mexico to gather by the millions in Mexico City.

The church recommended that "the Guadalupe celebrations be held in churches or at home, avoiding gatherings and with the appropriate health measures."

The church recognized that 2020 has been a trying year and that many of the faithful want to seek consolation at basilica, but said that conditions don't permit a pilgrimage that brings so many into close contact.

Mexico has reported more than 1 million infections with the new coronavirus and 101,676 COVID-19 deaths.

Mexico City has been tightening health measures as the number of infections and hospital occupancy begin to creep up again.

'Jeopardy!' finds interim host

NEW YORK — "Jeopardy!" record-holder Ken Jennings will be the first in a series of interim hosts replacing Alex Trebek when the show resumes production next Monday.

Producers announced Monday that Jennings, who won 74 games in a row and claimed the show's "Greatest of All Time" title in a competition last year, will host episodes that air in January.

A long-term host to replace Trebek, who died of cancer on Nov. 8, will be named later.

"By bringing in familiar guest hosts for the foreseeable future, our goal is to create a sense of community and continuity for our viewers," the show's executive producer, Mike Richards, said.

The show is in its 37th year of syndication, and Trebek was its only host. It is still airing shows that Trebek filmed before his death.

— From wire reports

Trump relents

ZEKE MILLER, DAVID EGGERT, COLLEEN LONG
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — After weeks of fraught delay, the federal government recognized President-elect Joe Biden as the "apparent winner" of the Nov. 3 election on Monday and gave the green light for cooperation on a transition of power. The move came after President Donald Trump suffered yet more legal and procedural defeats in his seemingly futile effort to overturn the election with baseless claims of fraud.

General Services Administrator Emily Murphy cleared the way for Biden to coordinate with federal agencies ahead of his Jan. 20 inauguration after Trump's efforts to subvert the vote failed across multiple battleground states.

Trump, who has still refused to concede the election — and may never — followed up with a tweet that he was directing his team to cooperate on the transition. The president had grown increasingly frustrated with the flailing tactics of his legal team.

Murphy, explaining her decision, cited "recent developments involving legal challenges and certifications of election results."

She acted after Michigan on Monday certified Biden's victory in the battleground state, and a federal judge in Pennsylvania tossed a Trump campaign lawsuit on Saturday seeking to prevent certification in that state.

It also comes as an increasing number of Republicans were publicly acknowledging Biden's victory, after weeks of tolerating Trump's baseless claims of fraud.

"With Michigan's certifying (its) results, Joe Biden has over 270 electoral college votes," tweeted Louisiana Sen. Bill Cassidy. "President Trump's legal team has not presented evidence of the massive fraud which would have had to be present to overturn the election. I voted for President Trump but Joe Biden won."

Yohannes Abraham, executive director of the Biden transition, said in a statement that the decision "is a needed step

to begin tackling the challenges facing our nation, including getting the pandemic under control and our economy back on track."

He added: "In the days ahead, transition officials will begin meeting with federal officials to discuss the pandemic response, have a full accounting of our national security interests, and gain complete understanding of the Trump administration's efforts to hollow out government agencies."

Murphy, a Trump appointee, has faced bipartisan criticism for failing to begin the transition process sooner, preventing Biden's team from working with career agency officials on plans for his administration. The delay denied Biden access to receive highly classified national security briefings and hindered his team's ability to begin drawing up its own plans to respond to the raging coronavirus pandemic.

Murphy insisted she acted on her own.

"Please know that I came to my decision independently, based on the law and available facts. I was never directly or indirectly pressured by any Executive Branch official—including those who work at the White House or GSA—with regard to the substance or timing of my decision," she wrote in a letter to Biden.

Trump tweeted moments after Murphy's decision: "We will keep up the good fight and I believe we will prevail! Nevertheless, in the best interest of our Country, I am recommending that Emily and her team do what needs to be done with regard to initial protocols, and have told my team to do the same."

Murphy's action came just 90 minutes after Michigan election officials on Monday certified Democrat Joe Biden's 154,000-vote victory in the state. The Board of State Canvassers, which has two Republicans and two Democrats, confirmed the results on a 3-0 vote with one GOP abstention.

Under Michigan law, Biden claims all 16 electoral votes. Biden won by 2.8 percentage points — a larger margin than in other states where Trump is contesting the results like Georgia, Arizona, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania.



Associated Press

In this Feb. 1, 2020, file photo Democratic presidential candidate former Vice President Joe Biden smiles as former Secretary of State John Kerry, left, takes the podium to speak at a campaign stop at the South Slope Community Center in North Liberty, Iowa.

Biden signals sharp shift with Cabinet picks

MATTHEW LEE
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President-elect Joe Biden on Monday tapped Obama-era officials for top national security and economic roles, signaling a stark shift from the Trump administration's "America First" policies that disparaged international alliances and favored deregulation and tax cuts.

The picks include former Secretary of State John Kerry to take the lead on combating climate change. Biden is also expected to choose Janet Yellen, who was nominated by former President Barack Obama to lead the Federal Reserve, as the first woman to become treasury secretary.

Biden's emerging Cabinet marks a return to a more traditional approach to governing, relying on veteran policymakers with deep expertise and strong relationships in Washington and global capitals. And with a roster that includes multiple women and people of color — some of whom are breaking historic barriers in their posts — Biden is fulfilling his campaign promise to lead a team that reflects the diversity of America.

The incoming president

will nominate longtime adviser Antony Blinken to be secretary of state, lawyer Alejandro Mayorkas to be homeland security secretary and Linda Thomas-Greenfield to be ambassador to the United Nations. Avril Haines, a former deputy director of the CIA, will be nominated as director of national intelligence, the first woman to hold that post.

Thomas-Greenfield is Black, and Mayorkas is Cuban American.

They "are experienced, crisis-tested leaders who are ready to hit the ground running on day one," the transition said in a statement. "These officials will start working immediately to rebuild our institutions, renew and reimagine American leadership to keep Americans safe at home and abroad, and address the defining challenges of our time — from infectious disease, to terrorism, nuclear proliferation, cyber threats, and climate change."

In the weeks ahead, Biden could also name Michèle Flournoy as the first woman to lead the Defense Department. Pete Buttigieg, the former Indiana mayor and onetime presidential candidate, has also been mentioned as a contender for several Cabinet agencies.

States impose new coronavirus restrictions

TAMMY WEBBER
 Associated Press

State and local officials nationwide are imposing new coronavirus restrictions and pleading with the public in an increasingly desperate attempt to stop the explosive spread of the disease as many Americans resist calls to limit gatherings and travel heading into the holidays.

Nevada Gov. Steve Sisolak tightened restrictions on casinos, restaurants and private

gatherings beginning Tuesday. In California, where most counties are under a curfew, Los Angeles County officials will prohibit in-person dining for at least three weeks, and a judge on Monday denied a request to temporarily restore indoor service at restaurants and gyms in San Diego County. Nebraska Gov. Pete Ricketts warned that he could impose tighter social-distancing restrictions before Thanksgiving if hospitalizations continue to rise.

Around 83,000 people in the

U.S. are hospitalized with COVID-19, according to the Covid Tracking Project. Infections have led to a shortage of hospital beds and health care workers, and they threaten non-COVID-19-related surgeries and other care.

Colorado Gov. Jared Polis on Monday issued an executive order authorizing the state health department to order hospitals and emergency departments to transfer non-virus patients and to cease admitting new ones to deal with the influx of coronavirus cases.

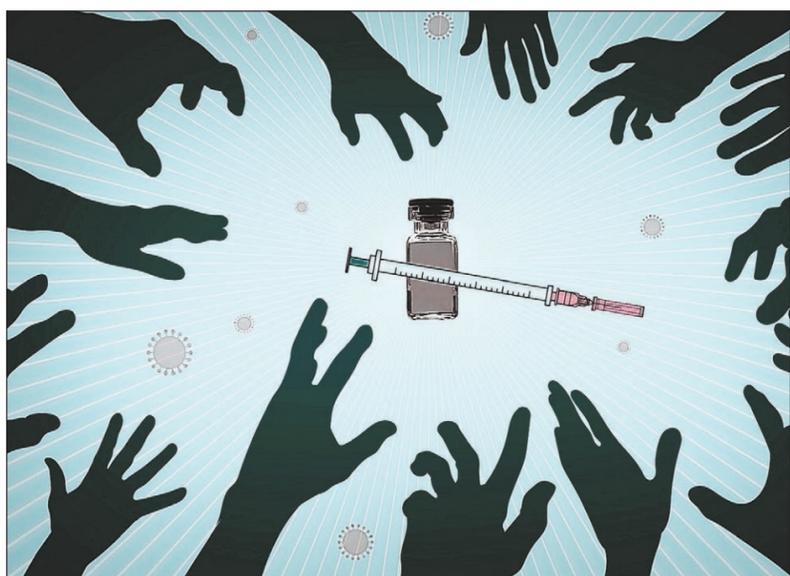
In Washington state, elective procedures such as joint and heart valve replacements and some cancer surgeries could be postponed to make room for coronavirus patients, said Washington State Hospital Association CEO Cassie Sauer.

Economists worry that companies laying off workers will reverse the solid job gains since the spring and even push up the unemployment rate again. In a troublesome sign, the number of Americans seeking unemployment aid rose last week for the

first time in five weeks.

Despite pleas from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to skip Thanksgiving travel and not spend the holiday with people from outside their household, about 1 million people a day packed airports and planes over the weekend. The crowds are expected to grow.

Even so, health officials are trying everything they can to slow the spread and address an even worse surge that many say is inevitable.



AP Illustration/PETER HAMLIN

Who will be the first to get COVID-19 vaccines?

Associated Press

Who will be the first to get COVID-19 vaccines?

No decision has been made, but the consensus among many experts in the U.S. and globally is that health care workers should be first, said Sema Sgaier of the Surgo Foundation, a non-profit group working on vaccine allocation issues.

An expert panel advising the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is also considering giving high priority to workers in essential industries, people with certain medical conditions and people age 65 and older.

Once a vaccine gets a green light from the Food and Drug Administration, the panel will look at clinical trial data on side effects and how people of various ages, ethnicities and health statuses responded. That will determine the panel's recommendations to the CDC on how to prioritize shots.

State officials are expected to follow the CDC's guidance as they distribute the first vaccines.

Vaccine supplies will be limited at first. There won't be enough to protect everyone, yet getting the shots to the right people could change the course of the pandemic.

Many other questions about distribution remain unanswered, Sgaier noted, such as whether to distribute shots equally across the country, or to focus on areas that are hot spots.



The AP is answering your questions about the coronavirus in this series. Submit them at: FactCheck@AP.org.

Read previous Viral Questions:

How does the coronavirus affect the heart?

Do I need to wear a mask if I'm 6 feet away from others?

What are the treatment options for COVID-19?



TIPS FOR TWO THINGS IN LIFE

I have heard it accurately proclaimed that, when it all comes down to it, there are simply two things in life:

- 1 -
Things you can control

- 2 -
Things you can't control

There is much wisdom in this observation . . .

Things You - CAN - Control

There are more items on this never-ending list than perhaps we will ever realize. Though by no means exhaustive, here's a sampling:

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| Attitude | Acceptance | Self-talk |
| Thoughts | Perspective | Kindness |
| Responses | Demeanor | Manners |
| Actions | Goals | Organization |
| Words | Purpose | Cleanliness |
| Effort | Beliefs | Caring |
| Responsibility | Honesty | Listening |
| Exercise | Integrity | Encouragement |
| Lifestyle | Faithfulness | Friendliness |
| Self-care | Hopes | Gratitude |
| Boundaries | Dreams | etc. |

The list goes on and on, but you get the idea. At the heart of this is taking care of ourselves and others by exercising grace and extending love.

Things You - CAN'T - Control

Again, never ending but insightful still the same . . .

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What other people think, feel, say or do • The weather • The family you were born in • Others' likes/dislikes • The past • The color of your skin • Others' beliefs/opinions • What happens in the world around you | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The passage of time • Government laws and regulations • Subjective results based upon others' interpretations • Accidents • Tragedies • Grief • Loss |
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In review . . .

Focus on those things in life where you have some choices to make, then make those choices. Choose wisely but choose. And in those cases where things are out of your hands, simply let it be and then respond appropriately from that point forward.

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As powerful as CoQ10 is, there is a critical thing it fails to do. It can't create new mitochondria in your cells.

Taking CoQ10 is not enough

"There's a little-known NASA nutrient that multiplies the number of new power generators in your cells by up to 55%," says Dr. Al Sears, owner of the Sears Institute for Anti-Aging Medicine in Royal Palm Beach, Florida. "Science once thought this was impossible. But now you can make your heart, brain and body young again."

"I tell my patients the most important thing I can do is increase their 'health span.' This is the length of time you can live free of disease and with all your youthful abilities and faculties intact."

Medical first: Multiply the "power generators" in your cells

Al Sears, M.D., recently released an energy-boosting supplement based on this NASA nutrient that has become so popular, he's having trouble keeping it in stock.

Dr. Sears is the author of over 500 scientific papers on anti-aging and recently spoke at the WPBF 25 Health & Wellness Festival featuring Dr. Oz and special guest Suzanne Somers. Thousands of people listened to Dr. Sears speak on his anti-aging breakthroughs and attended his book signing at the event.

Now, Dr. Sears has come up with what his peers consider his greatest contribution to anti-aging medicine yet — a newly discovered nutrient that multiplies the number of tiny, energy-producing "engines" located inside the body's cells, shattering the limitations of traditional CoQ10 supplements.

Why mitochondria matter

A single cell in your body can contain between 200 to 2,000 mitochondria, with the largest number found in the most metabolically active cells, like those in your brain, heart and skeletal muscles.

But because of changes in cells, stress and poor diet, most people's power generators begin to malfunction and die off as they age. In fact, the Mitochondria Research Society reports 50 million U.S. adults are suffering from health problems because of mitochondrial dysfunction.

Common ailments often associated with aging — such as memory problems, heart issues, blood sugar concerns and vision and hearing difficulties — can all be connected to a decrease in mitochondria.

Birth of new mitochondria

Dr. Sears and his researchers combined the most powerful form of CoQ10 available — called ubiquinol — with a unique, newly discovered natural compound called PQQ that has the remarkable ability to grow new mitochondria. Together, the two powerhouses are now available in a supplement called Ultra Accel II.

Discovered by a NASA probe in space dust, PQQ (Pyrroloquinoline quinone) stimulates something called "mitochondrial biogenesis" — a unique process that actually boosts the number of healthy mitochondria in your cells.

In a study published in the Journal of Nutrition, mice fed PQQ grew a staggering number of new mitochondria, showing an increase of more than 55% in just eight weeks.

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If your bottle of CoQ10 does not have this NASA nutrient in it, then you are NOT getting the full benefits of CoQ10

Science stands behind the power of PQQ

Biochemical Pharmacology reports that PQQ is up to 5,000 times more efficient in sustaining energy production than common antioxidants.

"Imagine 5,000 times more efficient energy," says Dr. Sears. "PQQ has been a game changer for my patients."

"With the PQQ in Ultra Accel, I have energy I never thought possible," says Colleen R., one of Dr. Sears' patients. "I am in my 70s but feel 40 again. I think clearer, move with real energy and sleep like a baby."

It works right away

Along with an abundance of newfound energy, users also report a sharper, more focused mind and memory, and even younger-looking skin and hair. Jerry M. from Wellington, Florida, used Ultra Accel and was amazed at the effect.

"I noticed a difference within a few days," says Jerry. "My endurance almost doubled. But it's not just in your body. You can feel it mentally, too," says Jerry. "Not only do I feel a difference, but the way it protects my cells is great insurance against a health disaster as I get older."

Increase your health span today

The demand for this supplement is so high, Dr. Sears is having trouble keeping it in stock. "My patients tell me they feel better than they have in years. This is ideal for people who are feeling or looking older than their age... or for those who are tired or growing more forgetful."

"My favorite part of practicing anti-aging medicine is watching my patients get the joy back in their lives. Ultra Accel sends a wake-up call to every cell in their bodies... and they actually feel young again."

Where to find Ultra Accel II

Right now, the only way to get this potent combination of PQQ and super-powered CoQ10 is with Dr. Sears' breakthrough Ultra Accel II formula.

To secure bottles of this hot, new supplement, buyers should contact the Sears Health Hotline at 1-800-256-5930 within the next 48 hours. "It takes time to get bottles shipped out to drug stores," said Dr. Sears. "The Hotline allows us to ship the product directly to the customer."

Dr. Sears feels so strongly about this product, he offers a 100%, money-back guarantee on every order. "Just send me back the bottle and any unused product within 90 days, and I'll send you your money back," said Dr. Sears.

The Hotline will be taking orders for the next 48 hours. After that, the phone number will be shut down to allow them to restock.

Call 1-800-256-5930 to secure your limited supply of Ultra Accel II. You don't need a prescription, and those who call in the first 24 hours qualify for a significant discount. **To take advantage of this great offer use Promo Code NP1120PMAX359 when you call in.**

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Holiday hospitality

Hello friends, it's time to celebrate family and friends, cooking up our best specialty dishes and pulling out our favorite party wear.

As these moments are a lot of work, they are also a lot of fun. The key is to keep it fancy, yet simple.

So, here are some tips for holiday hospitality.

The new trend is to create a specific menu, without an entire buffet of mix-and-match foods. Less is more, so choose taste over volume.

Choose an elegant dinner with your choice of meat, starch, a paired light salad, bread and a few vegetables. The same goes for desserts. Choose a dessert that pairs with your main course.

Make it amazing! It is a nice touch to make gift bags for your guests to take home, filled with your signature treats.

Remember if your guests have any dietary restrictions when creating your menu. For gluten free, you can use almond flour; also try cauliflower for crusts.

Other tips are to use butter substitutes that come in a stick, rather than in a tub. Coconut, soy, rice and nut milks can take the place of regular milk.

To replace sugar, try a sweetener such as Swerve, honey, agave or maple syrup. You will be amazed at the results!

Decorations make the experience. Choose theme colors, usually three will work. Then sketch out a blueprint of your area. This will save you time shopping, deciding where to put things and how much stuff you actually need.

It can become overwhelming staring at the shelves of decorations, not knowing where to start. Remember to soften the area with some candlelight or soft string lights. Also, do not over-clutter your area.

Soft touches feel cozy: Choose a special background music to top off your ambience.

Your table setting tells a story. Maybe personalize it with guest name tags that could be used as an ornament, or napkin rings that they can take home.

Don't forget chargers under your plates, they make the settings look richer. Centerpieces are great; however, make sure they are not too tall, so your guests can talk.

Remember pre-dinner light appetizers and beverages. This will get your guests moving and socializing.

I love sharing in thankful thoughts prior to dinner. Keep in mind any guests who may have experienced a difficult year, add them to your prayer.

Have an estimated time to serve, don't forget the champagne toast prior to serving.

Take a moment, look around the room and reflect on your circle of love. As your guests leave and you prop your feet up, know that all of your hard work has created a lasting memory in the hearts of many.

All this I know after so many years of event planning and hospitality. When you receive the huge gestures of gratitude, it wasn't that hard after all!

Blessings to you are yours during this very special time of year.

Lillian Knipp, the founder YAI YAI in Crystal River, has been active in the beauty and fashion industry internationally since 1990 and has been in Citrus County since 1996. Contact her at lk@lillianknipp.com. For more information, visit www.lillianknipp.com and www.yaiyai.com.

Music in Medicine receives Alzheimer's foundation grant

ADELE JACOBSON
Special to the Chronicle

Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA) has awarded a \$6,000 grant to local nonprofit Music in Medicine.

In awarding the grant, Charles Fuschillo of AFA said "we are grateful that your goals are in line with our mission to provide optimal care and services to individuals living with dementia, and to their caregivers and families."

The grant money will fund scholarships to train local talented musicians

to provide therapeutic music in medical and memory care settings.

Thanks to a previous grant from the Alzheimer's Foundation, and other donations and fundraisers, we have been able to award scholarships to three local musicians to date.

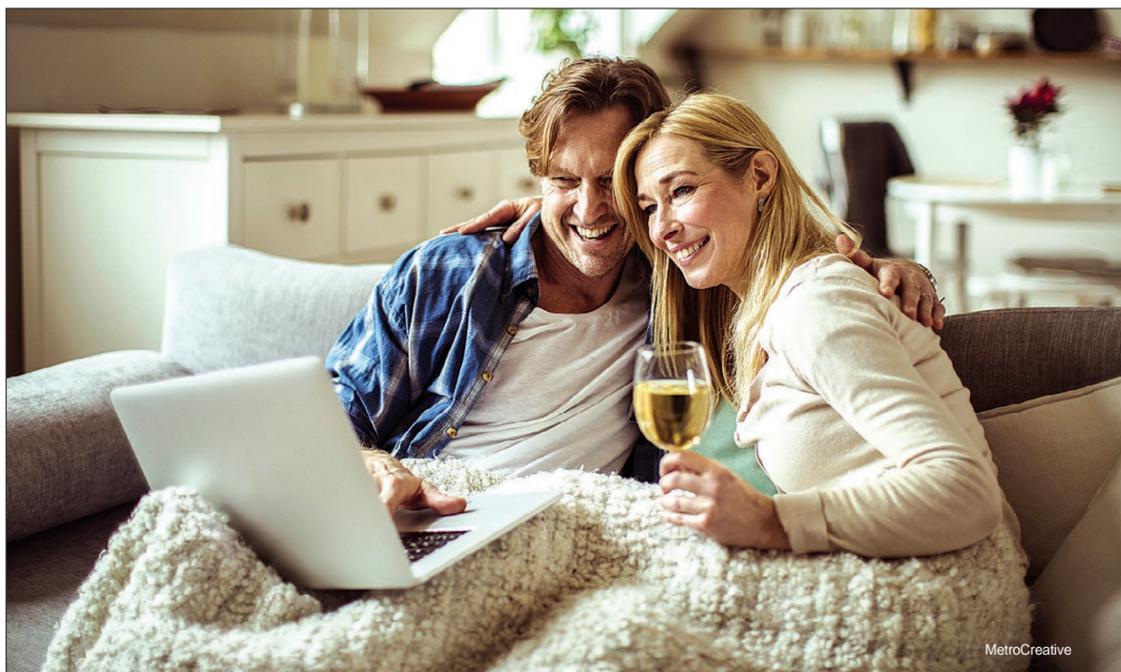
Training for our therapeutic musicians is through MHTP — Music for Healing and Transition Program. Once the training is complete, including an internship, the Certified Music Practitioner credential is awarded.

AFA was founded in 2002 by a

gentleman caregiver whose mother lived with Alzheimer's disease for 12 years. At that time there was little information available to help caregivers. His goal was to make sure no other family living with Alzheimer's disease would have to go through the journey alone.

Adele Jacobson heads the nonprofit organization Music in Medicine. For more information or to apply for a scholarship, email musicbedside@gmail.com.

Worried about gathering?



This year, consider 'Thankszooming!'

DEBBIE SELSAVAGE
Special to the Chronicle

My monthly column in the Chronicle is titled "Coping with Dementia," but this writing is aimed at all of us, whether or not we have a loved one living with dementia.

We are all coping with an incredibly stressful time when our routines have been upended, some of us have lost jobs, and many of us have been cut off from physical contact with loved ones.

Even if we have not experienced these serious disruptions, we have needed to wear masks and practice social distancing, which go against the social norms we have followed our whole lives.

We are living in a time of high stress, and there is no clear end in sight.

Now, the COVID case and mortality numbers are climbing again, and we have been warned of heightened risk, just as we go into the holiday season.

As a result, just last week the Centers for Disease Control recommended that families simply cancel their traditional Thanksgiving gatherings.

For many of us, this is unimaginable. Some of us may have already canceled plans due to the general situation, but surely many others were looking forward to holiday gatherings as a much-needed respite from stress and isolation.

I would like to make a suggestion as a method of last resort for families

who want to get together, but also want to stay safe. Let me suggest the solution I found earlier this year when I could no longer meet on site, face-to-face, with the members of my support groups.

For me, the solution was Zoom, an online platform through which you can have audio and video meetings with other people through your computer, laptop, phone or other device.

OK, I'll admit it is not going to duplicate the scrumptious flavor of turkey and gravy, but hear me out.

When I was forced to move my support groups to Zoom, I was as skeptical as any of us. But I have found it works very well, and has even resulted in more candid dialogue and supportive relationships than my on-site meetings created. It is a technology I will definitely continue to use, even if one day we find ourselves living happily in a non-COVID world.

It costs a fee to acquire a Zoom account for extended meetings, such as my support groups. But it is Zoom's policy to give users 40 minutes for free.

Now, just in time for Thanksgiving, Zoom has lifted that 40-minute limitation, which means that on Thanksgiving Day families can have extended conversations in which everyone gets to participate.

Just the opportunity to check in and see and talk with whole groups of loved ones during the holiday should go a long way toward lifting our spirits.

But let me suggest that you get really creative.

For example, for extended families in different parts of the country, schedule your dinners at the same time, and set up a laptop at the end of the table. Through Zoom, have your dinners together and talk about all of the things that are important to you.

Or, for people cooking dinner, position the laptop in your kitchens and share the experience, talk about your recipes, and share tips for making a great feast.

You can even project your Zoom gatherings on your big screen, which means that everyone can sit back after dinner and have a big family conversation while they complain about eating too much.

Yes, it is not the real thing, but it is a good thing, and probably more enjoyable than you expect.

Just Google "Zoom Thanksgiving" and you will find a number of articles with tips about how to most effectively use the technology.

Please have a happy Thanksgiving!

Debbie Selsavage is a certified trainer and consultant in the Positive Approach to Care, and a certified dementia practitioner. Her company, Coping with Dementia LLC, is dedicated to making life better for individuals living with dementia. Contact her at deb@coping.today to learn about free support groups online.

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Pitts back with UF Saturday



Florida tight end Kyle Pitts (84) tires to get past Georgia defensive back Lewis Cine (16) on Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, in Jacksonville.

Gators tight end had missed last two weeks after injury

MARK LONG
AP sports writer

GAINESVILLE — No. 6 Florida will have standout tight end Kyle Pitts back for Saturday's game against Kentucky.

Pitts missed the last weeks following a vicious hit against Georgia that caused a concussion and did enough damage to his nose that he needed surgery.

"He's another weapon that we're adding into the game, the rotation," coach Dan Mullen said Monday. "He's got to go battle for some playing time right

now. Those other guys are playing pretty good.

"He's such a playmaker. He's such a leader and brings such great personality, as well, to the team. Just having him back on the field is going to be great for everybody, and ... the matchup problem that he causes defenses."

The 6-foot-6 junior from Philadelphia has 24 receptions for 414 yards and a team-leading eight touchdowns this season. His play has been instrumental in making the Gators (6-1) one of the most dynamic offenses in the Southeastern Conference

and in the country. Florida ranks seventh nationally in scoring (45.8 points a game) and 12th in total offense (511.7 yards).

Pitts opened eyes by scoring six touchdowns in the first two games and has commanded double teams and bracket coverage since, creating more one-on-one opportunities for teammates Kadarius Toney, Trevon Grimes and Justin Shorter.

Backup tight ends Kemore Gamble and Keon Zipperer have filled in nicely, with

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Bucs, Brady knocked out by Rams



Tampa Bay Buccaneers wide receiver Mike Evans (13) gets around Los Angeles Rams defensive back Darius Williams (31) to score on a 9-yard touchdown reception from Tom Brady during the first half of a game Monday in Tampa. The Rams defeated the Bucs 27-24. See tomorrow's Chronicle for full coverage of the game.



Tampa Bay Buccaneers quarterback Tom Brady (12) throws a pass against the Los Angeles Rams during the first half of a game Monday in Tampa.



Los Angeles Rams wide receiver Robert Woods (17) celebrates with quarterback Jared Goff (16) after Woods caught a touchdown pass during the first half of a game against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers Monday, Nov. 23, 2020, in Tampa.

FSU's Norvell: 'Right decision' to postpone Clemson game

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Florida State coach Mike Norvell is standing by the decision to postpone the Seminoles game Saturday against No. 4 Clemson after the Tigers reported a positive player test following their arrival on campus, adding that even though he and his team wanted to play there were safety concerns.

"We believe the right decision was made," Norvell said on Monday.

The game was called off a few hours before kickoff Saturday when medical teams from both schools could not agree that it was safe to play.

Clemson offered Florida State an additional round of testing and delaying the start until later Saturday, or even Sunday or Monday.

Tigers coach Dabo

Swinney was angered by the decision, saying Florida State administrators were using COVID-19 as "an excuse" not to play.

Norvell, who had COVID-19 and missed a game earlier this season, said the decision was entirely based on the coronavirus and the safety of his team.

"Football coaches are not doctors, some of us might think that we are," Norvell said. "There's a

reason why those (medical) advisors are able to make those decisions from the information provided."

Norvell said he tried to call Swinney on Saturday, but the two did not connect and have not talked.

Clemson athletic director Dan Radakovich said Monday on the ACC Network that Swinney is his players' biggest advocate — "And he should be."

"His comments," the AD said, "while maybe a little disheartening to some, really were his feelings."

Radakovich has said he will speak with the ACC about rescheduling the game. Both teams have open dates on Dec. 12, a week before the league's championship game.

Swinney said Sunday that Florida State forfeited the game and if the Seminoles wanted to make it up, they should play at

Clemson or pay the athletic department's \$300,000 or so in traveling expenses.

Norvell expects the teams will meet at Florida State on Dec. 12.

In a response to Swinney's comments on expenses, the Florida State coach said if Clemson needs donations to make up the trip's cost so the game is played at Florida State, "then I'll sign up to make one."

NFL

Standings

Table with NFL Standings for American Conference (East, South, North, West) and National Conference (East, South, North, West).

Schedule

Table with NFL Schedule for Thursday's Games, Sunday's Games, Monday's Games, and Thursday, Nov. 26.

TRANSACTIONS

Table with NFL Transactions for Baseball and Basketball.

On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S SPORTS

AUTO RACING
3 p.m. (NBCSPT) IMSA Racing Porsche GT3 Cup Challenge: Sebring (Taped)
4 p.m. (NBCSPT) IMSA Racing Michelin Pilot Challenge: Sebring (Taped)
KOREAN BASEBALL
4:25 a.m. (ESPN2) Doosan Bears at NC Dinos
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
4:30 a.m. (SEC) Tennessee at Auburn (Taped)
SOCCER
6 p.m. (FS1) MLS TBA at Toronto FC
8 p.m. (ESPN) MLS TBA at Philadelphia Union
10:30 p.m. (ESPN) MLS Los Angeles FC at Seattle Sounders FC
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
2:30 a.m. (SEC) Ole Miss at LSU (Same-day Tape)

Note: Times and channels are subject to change at the discretion of the network. If you are unable to locate a game on the listed channel, please contact your cable provider.

Prep CALENDAR

TODAY'S PREP SPORTS

BOYS BASKETBALL
7:30 p.m. Lecanto at Dunnellon
GIRLS BASKETBALL
7 p.m. Wildwood at Lecanto

Florida LOTTERY

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

PICK 2 (early) 9-1
PICK 2 (late) 1-0
PICK 3 (early) 3-0-6
PICK 3 (late) 9-8-3
PICK 4 (early) 5-2-6-2
PICK 4 (late) 4-5-5-4
PICK 5 (early) 3-3-8-1-1
PICK 5 (late) 9-8-5-1-2
FANTASY 5
4-9-17-25-34
CASH 4 LIFE
5-11-40-55-59
CASH BALL
2

Sunday's winning numbers and payouts:

Fantasy 5: 13-15-17-26-30
5-of-5 1 winner \$163,175.63
4-of-5 246 \$106.50
3-of-5 7,229 \$10
Cash 4 Life: 4-25-26-35-36
Cash Ball: 4

DETROIT PISTONS — Acquired G Zhairie Smith from Philadelphia in exchange for C Tony Bradley.
NEW YORK KNICKS — Acquired F Ed Davis from Utah in exchange for cash considerations.

FOOTBALL

National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS — Signed RB Tony Brooks-James and WR Devin Gray to the practice squad. Released LB Jake Carllock from the practice squad.
BALTIMORE RAVENS — Signed TE Eric Tomlinson to the practice squad. Designated G Tyre Phillips to return from injured reserve.
CHICAGO BEARS — Placed DB Eddie Jackson on the reserve/COVID-19 list.
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Placed QB Joe Burrow on injured reserve. Signed G Quinton Spain and QB Brandon Allen to the active roster.
GREEN BAY PACKERS — Released P Drew Kaser.
MIAMI DOLPHINS — Placed OL Jesse Davis

on the reserve/COVID-19 list.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Placed WR Adam Thielen on the reserve/COVID-19 list.
NEW YORK GIANTS — Designated S Xavier McKinney and OLB Oshane Ximines to return from injured reserve.
PHILADELPHIA EAGLES — Signed RB Jordan Howard to the practice squad.
SAN FRANCISCO — Waived LB Kiko Alonso. Placed DLs D.J. Jones and Jordan Willis on the reserve/COVID-19 list.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Placed TE Greg Olsen on injured reserve. Signed DT Damon Harrison to the active roster.
TAMPA BAY BUCCANERS — Promoted RB Kenjon Barner to the active roster.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Named Kendall Coyne Schofield player development coach and youth hockey growth specialist. Erik Condra player development coach and Juan Gonzalez as the Rockford (AHL) strength and conditioning coach.

Burrow injury 'kind of tore everybody apart'

MITCH STACY
AP sports writer

COLUMBUS, Ohio — If it wasn't bad enough already, 2020 took a terrible turn for the Cincinnati Bengals and their prized rookie quarterback Joe Burrow.

The Heisman Trophy winner and top draft pick brought excitement and hope to the franchise and its long-suffering fans that was drained in an instant when Burrow's left leg was bent in an unnatural angle in the second half of Sunday's game against Washington.

Cincinnati lost Burrow for the season, then lost the game.

"It just kind of tore everybody apart," receiver Tyler Boyd said.

Shortly after the game, Burrow tweeted: "Thanks for all the love. Can't get rid of me that easy. See ya next year."

Coach Zac Taylor would say only that Burrow will have surgery and should be ready for 2021 season. Burrow was placed on injured reserve on Monday.

"He was a tremendous leader for us, and he gave us a lot of energy the way he led the unit," Taylor said. "I can't be robot coach and say that we're not going to be missing that, because we will."

Boyd said he saw Burrow on Monday and reported the quarterback's mood to be "positive."

"His spirits are up," Boyd said.

"He's not walking around with his head down. He's a true believer, and he knows he'll be back ready and better than ever."

The esteem felt for Burrow in his southeastern Ohio hometown, and in Louisiana where he won a national championship at LSU, and in Cincinnati was displayed in an uptick of donations to an Athens, Ohio, hunger relief fund that was inspired by his Heisman Trophy speech and now bears his name.

It started shortly after he was taken off the field. Many people were donating \$9 to match his uniform number, and dozens left messages on the website wishing him well.

"We are proud of you Joe," an anonymous donor wrote Monday. "We know you are a Super Bowl champion in the making. Every great story has adversity... this is just another chapter for you!"

Taylor, whose first season in 2019 ended at 2-14, could see the progress and potential with Burrow, who was on track to break several rookie passing records and already had thrown for 300 yards five times.

"He handled everything like a professional from day one, and to be voted a captain just speaks to everything that you need to know about the guy," Taylor said. "The players have responded to him, the coaches have responded to him, the city has responded to him and all that is equally as important."

SPORTS BRIEFS

SEC shuffles games, pushing back Arkansas-Missouri, UT-Vandy

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — The Southeastern Conference has shuffled its schedule, including pushing back the Arkansas-Missouri and Tennessee-Vanderbilt games which had been set for Saturday.

The league announced Monday that it has postponed the Arkansas-Missouri game because of combination of positive tests, contact tracing and the resulting quarantining within the Arkansas program.

Vanderbilt and Missouri will now meet Saturday to make up a game that was postponed on Oct. 17.

The SEC is still trying to get in 10 games for all 14 teams, and last week reserved the right to revise the schedule up until 8 p.m. on Mondays.

No date has been set for Arkansas-Missouri or Tennessee-Vanderbilt but Dec. 19 is a possibility for teams not playing in the league championship game.

Judge offers no specifics on firing of O-Line coach Colombo

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — New York Giants coach Joe Judge would not disclose why offensive line coach Marc Colombo was fired last week, other than to say it was in the best interest of the team.

Judge spoke about the surprising dismissal on Monday for the time since making the move on Wednesday with the Giants (3-7) in a bye week. He had issued a statement last week without giving a specific reason for the move.

The 38-year-old coach refused to say Monday whether the dismissal resulted from an argument, a disagreement in coaching philosophy, or whether it was related to Judge's plan to hire veteran offensive line coach Dave DeGuglielmo as a consultant 10 games into the season.

"I made this clear from Day 1, I am always going to make every decision for what I see as best for the team," Judge said. "This decision was no different. Look, there's been a lot of information out there, a lot of misinformation, and a lot of people have done a lot of digging, trying to find out details about the situation. I'm not going to rehash any of that."

The Giants have won their last two games and are a game out of first place in the weak NFC East with six to play. There were reports that Colombo didn't fit into the coaching staff that has a

lot of former Patriots' assistants on it. Judge spent eight seasons as an assistant and special teams coordinator in New England, earning three Super Bowl titles.

Mets abandon baseball president search, to look for GM

NEW YORK — The New York Mets have abandoned their search for a president of baseball operations and will instead focus on hiring a general manager who will report to team president Sandy Alderson.

In the meantime, Alderson told Luis Rojas on Monday he will return for a second season as manager.

"A person who's able to relate to his players both in terms of their professional work as well as their personal lives," Alderson said. "I think he's exceptional in that regard. I think that on the professional side of managing a game, I think that he will be better. We need to make sure that he has all the necessary resources to be better and make good decisions based not only on his own judgment but information that's available. He's very open to that."

Bills tight end Sweeney diagnosed with inflamed heart

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Buffalo Bills tight end Tommy Sweeney will miss the remainder of the season after being diagnosed with an inflamed heart, which is considered a COVID-19 aftereffect.

Coach Sean McDermott provided the update on Monday as the Bills (7-3) returned from their bye week to prepare to host the Los Angeles Chargers (3-7) this weekend. McDermott said a team doctor discovered Sweeney had myocarditis during an examination to determine whether he could resume practicing.

The second-year player has been sidelined by a foot injury since the team opened training camp in July, and began the season on the physically unable to perform list. Sweeney was then placed on the team's reserve-COVID-19 list on Oct. 24.

McDermott was unable to provide any timetable on Sweeney's recovery.

The Myocarditis Foundation in August reported that while myocarditis is a rare cardiovascular disease, it has been reported in patients diagnosed with COVID-19. It is a condition caused by the body's immune system's response to infection and can lead to shortness of breath, chest pain and heart palpitations.

— From wire reports

Kanaan will drive oval races for Ganassi

JENNA FRYER
AP auto racing writer

Tony Kanaan will have another chance for a proper IndyCar farewell tour with a two-year deal to partner with Jimmie Johnson at Chip Ganassi Racing.

Kanaan will compete in the four oval events on IndyCar's 2021 schedule that Johnson does not plan to run. The seven-time NASCAR champion signed on for the road and street course events, and Ganassi announced Monday that Kanaan will complete the season in the No. 48 Honda.

"I was on the way out and all of a sudden I get a call from Jimmie about running the ovals. He kept saying 'Doesn't this make sense?'" Kanaan told The Associated Press. "They didn't have to twist my arm to come back, especially with Jimmie and Chip."

Kanaan's 23rd season was supposed to be his last but the popular Brazilian was able to put together only a six-race farewell on IndyCar's ovals. The pandemic then disrupted the entire year and Kanaan was not able to celebrate the end of his career with fans.

The two-year opportunity to pair with Johnson gets Kanaan back to Ganassi, where he raced from 2014 through 2017 and scored his 17th and final victory. It's also a chance to race in front of his rabid base. Kanaan will compete in 2021 in the doubleheader at Texas Motor Speedway, at



Associated Press

In this July 18, 2020 file photo, Tony Kanaan, of Brazil, puts on his helmet before the start of the IndyCar Series auto race at Iowa Speedway in Newton, Iowa.

Gateway near St. Louis and at the Indianapolis 500, where he's a beloved former winner.

Kanaan, who turns 46 on New Year's Eve, is grateful for this opportunity at the end of his career. He's also been picked to drive all six races in Tony Stewart's start-up SRX Racing Series of all-stars next year.

"I guess I must have done something really good in my life," Kanaan said. "Once you leave a team Ganassi, you don't get a chance to come back, especially at this time in my career. This is just a perfect fit. It is so obvious, as Jimmie said, for me to race the ovals that he does not want to race."

"Because of the pandemic, I expressed a desire to come back and do ovals. I never said I wanted to do a full season because I was realistic. So this is just too good to refuse."

The No. 48 will be sponsored by NTT DATA and Bryant, two longtime Kanaan partners. Both NTT Data and

Bryant stepped in this last season when Kanaan sold a six-race farewell tour with A.J. Foyt Racing. NTT Data first partnered with Kanaan in 2013, while Bryant has worked with the driver for 14 seasons.

Ganassi, who just hired 23-year-old Alex Palou to drive his No. 10 IndyCar entry next season, liked the idea of a veteran lineup in the No. 48.

"As the Indy car driver market trends younger and younger, experience is something that cannot be taught — especially at the Indianapolis 500," Ganassi said. "There is no one more experienced in the paddock than Tony, and when we needed the right fit for rounding out our oval program, it was clear he was the right choice."

"Tony also knows our team, he knows our system and he knows our drivers. We expect the combination of him and Jimmie to give us the one-two punch we're looking for in the No. 48."

PITTS

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Gamble catching two touchdown passes last week at Vanderbilt and Zipperer getting two the previous week against Arkansas.

"Obviously Pitts brings a lot of mismatches to defenses, but at the same time, we have so many great tight ends and receivers, so many weapons overall," quarterback Kyle Trask said. "I'm still going to trust my guys to get open no matter who's out there, so obviously it doesn't change a whole lot for me as far as going through my reads because I'm just trying to read the defense and find the open guy at the end of the day."

Pitts was knocked out Nov. 7 in the second quarter against Georgia when safety Lewis Cine delivered a crushing

blow over the middle. Cine was ejected for targeting. Pitts spent the rest of the game in the locker room.

He had surgery days later.

Mullen said he was never concerned the hit and its repercussions would prompt Pitts to even consider opting out of the season, a trend teams across the country as seeing as they deal with coaching changes or get eliminated from championship contention.

"He wanted to go play this past weekend," Mullen said. "I don't think that was ever something that popped up. I think if you just look at his competitive spirit, who he is, he's played with a competitive chip all year. He wants to continue to do that."

Also on the injury front, Mullen said linebacker James Houston will return against the Wildcats (3-5). Houston missed the last two games because of an unspecified injury.

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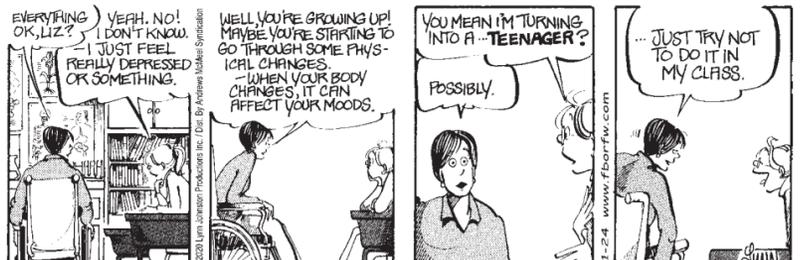
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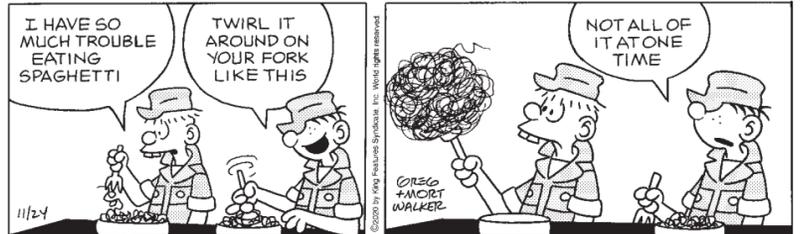
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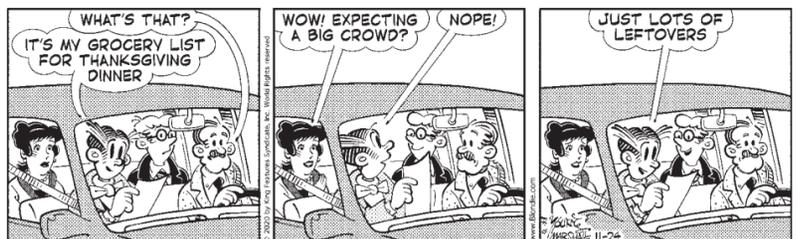
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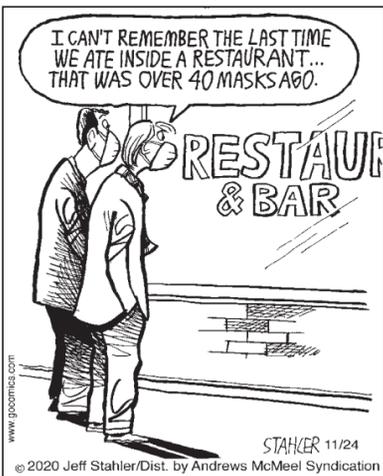
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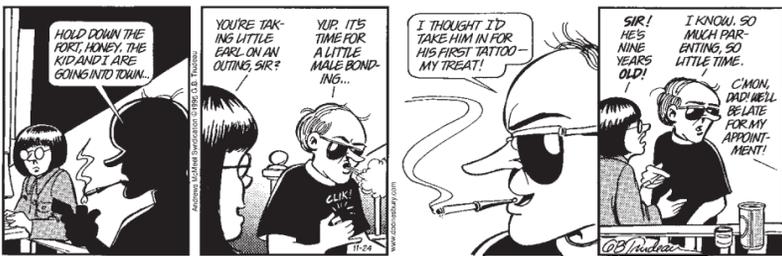
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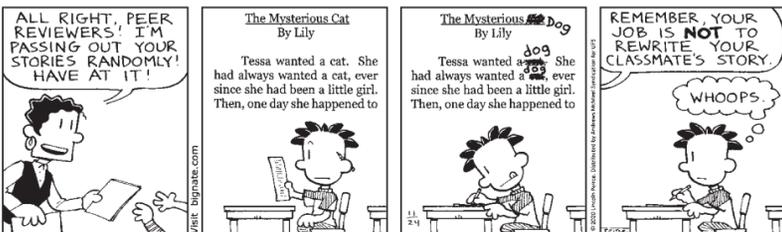
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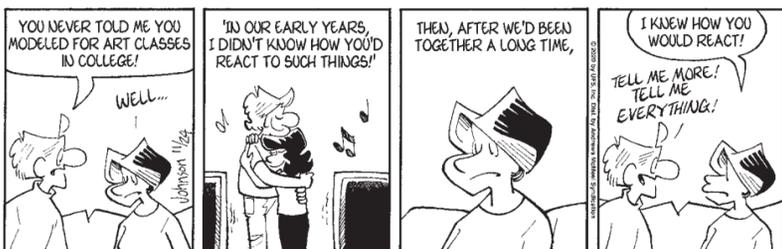
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Today's MOVIES

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Regal Cinema on State Road 44 in Inverness and Regal Cinema in Crystal River are closed until further notice.

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- Movie listings: "Despicable Me" (PG) Nov. 24, 1 p.m., "The Lego Movie" (PG) Nov. 25, 1 p.m., etc.

CELEBRITY CIPHER by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: G equals K

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Previous Solution: "The way to develop the best that is in a person is by appreciation and encouragement." Charles Schwab

Harrell: Lakers wanted me more than Clippers

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Montrezl Harrell did not make the trip lightly when he moved down the Staples Center hallway last weekend to join the Los Angeles Lakers.

The NBA's reigning Sixth Man of the Year realizes the gravity of his decision to leave the Los Angeles Clippers after three seasons — and to leave them for their bigger, more successful intra-city rivals, no less.

The decision turned out to be surprisingly simple, though. According to Harrell, the NBA champion Lakers made it clear they badly wanted him in the opening minutes of free agency.

The Clippers did not.

"If you spend your career in any place long enough, you're going to want to continue playing there and growing there," Harrell said Monday. "Of course, I still have great respect for those guys and for that organization. But as far as if they wanted me back? Obviously, it just doesn't seem that way, does it?"

The tenacious forward who plays much bigger than his 6-foot-7 frame agreed to a two-year deal during the Lakers' impressive roster-building spree in the opening days of free agency. Harrell seems to be a clear upgrade on departed Dwight Howard in the Lakers' retooled lineup as a much younger player bringing a more complete offensive game and defensive intensity to the champs.

"I'm definitely going to



In this Sept. 15, 2020, file photo, Los Angeles Clippers forward Montrezl Harrell (5) drives to the basket Denver Nuggets center Nikola Jokic (15) during the second half of an NBA conference semifinal playoff basketball game in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

be with a team that wanted me and with a group of guys that I'm going to build chemistry with fast," Harrell said.

Harrell still had mixed emotions about leaving the Clippers, where he became a key player two seasons before Kawhi Leonard and Paul George arrived to transform the roster a year ago. A former second-round pick by Houston who spent time in the D-League as a rookie, Harrell identified strongly with the Clippers' perpetual underdog mentality, particularly when contrasted with the Lakers' banners and glamour.

"When I was playing for the Clippers, I gave it everything I had every night I laced up my sneakers," Harrell said. "Now that I'm here with the Los Angeles Lakers, that's the same thing I want to do here. I'm blessed to be on a team that was strong enough and deep enough to win the tournament and the championship last year."

Harrell is confident he can get used to being on the other side of the power dynamic, particularly since he'll get to contend for a championship. The Clippers crashed out in the second round of the

Western Conference playoffs in the bubble, while the Lakers went all the way with LeBron James and Anthony Davis.

After his best regular season as a pro, Harrell received criticism for his postseason play in the bubble while he was grieving the death of his grandmother, to whom he was extremely close.

After averaging 18.6 points and 7.1 rebounds in the regular season, Harrell put up only 10.5 points and 2.9 rebounds in the playoffs for the Clippers, who blew a 3-1 series lead over the Denver Nuggets to ruin the

much-anticipated, all-Los Angeles conference final.

Harrell's cross-hallway move is major, but actually not that unusual. He is just the latest among more than 40 NBA players to suit up for both of LA's teams since the Clippers moved from San Diego in 1984. The list includes Lamar Odom, Glen Rice, Ron Harper, Norm Nixon, Matt Barnes, Nick Young, Antawn Jamison, recent Lakers guard Jared Dudley and current Clippers guard Lou Williams.

Harrell was quite successful in pick-and-roll situations with Williams in the Clippers' second unit,

and he could be just as dangerous with James' playmaking or with Dennis Schröder, the Lakers' newly acquired sparkplug point guard. Harrell also could fit well defensively alongside Davis, the center-sized big man who prefers to guard forwards.

Although that new chemistry will take time to develop, the Lakers' roster reconfiguration suggests they'll be strong contenders to repeat.

Along with Schröder and Harrell, the Lakers confirmed the addition of Wesley Matthews and the re-signings of Kentavious Caldwell-Pope and Markieff Morris over the past two days. Veteran big man Marc Gasol is on his way to join his big brother's old team in place of inconsistent JaVale McGee, while Alex Caruso is returning along with Kyle Kuzma and Talen Horton-Tucker.

The Lakers are still waiting to re-sign Davis when he decides on the preferred size and length of his contract, but that near-formality will be the crowning move in general manager Rob Pelinka's impressive two years of roster-building.

After spending last season alongside Leonard and George, Harrell can't wait to line up alongside Davis and James when training camp opens next week.

"To complement the Lakers, that's not a hard thing to do," Harrell said. "You're playing with two premier superstars in this league. Their record speaks for itself. I don't think it's going to take much to get used to."

NBA players hailed by Vatican for work on social justice

Associated Press

Pope Francis met with NBA players at the Vatican on Monday, lauding them as "champions" and saying he supported their work on social justice.

The five players — Marco Belinelli, Sterling Brown, Jonathan Isaac, Kyle Korver and Anthony Tolliver — were joined in the delegation by NBA players' union executive director Michele Roberts and two other union executives, Sherrie Deans and Matteo Zuretti.

"We're here because, frankly, we're inspired by the work that you do globally," Roberts told

the pope during the meeting in the papal library.

The union said the players spoke about their "individual and collective efforts addressing social and economic injustice and inequality occurring in their communities." Belinelli addressed the pope in Italian, and the group presented the pope with a commemorative basketball, a union-produced book highlighting efforts players have taken and an Orlando Magic jersey.

"You're champions," the pope said. "But also giving the example of teamwork, you've become a model, giving that good example

of teamwork but always remaining humble ... and preserving your own humanity."

The audience was held days before a book comes out in which Francis supports demands for racial justice, specifically the actions taken following the killing of George Floyd, a Black man who died in May. A police officer in Minneapolis pressed a knee against his neck for minutes while Floyd said he couldn't breathe.

"I was there to support my colleagues in their daily struggle in the United States, and not just for that," Belinelli said later Monday on Twitter. "I also went

to show that athletes have an active responsibility in society and need to dedicate themselves toward changing things that don't work. We athletes have a very big media platform and we've got to use it positively to reach where institutions are lacking.

"The pope had important words for us: We need to continue to be united, to operate as brothers, like a team, and to set an example for the younger generations," Belinelli continued. "The key is to remain humble. I will never forget this experience."

Roberts said Francis sought the meeting with the players,

and that it "demonstrates the influence of their platforms." Demands for social and racial justice have been paramount among players, especially in recent months following the deaths of Floyd and Breonna Taylor, among others.

Brown, in his remarks to the pope, told him about what he, Korver and the other Milwaukee Bucks went through in the NBA's restart bubble — particularly when they decided to sit out a playoff game against Orlando in response to the shooting of Jacob Blake, a Black man, by police in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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 Black/White Tuxedo Cat, skittish w/ a cropped ear -lost from Pine Ridge 9/30/20 - may be in old Beverly Hills or Crystal River (352) 464-1567

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 Callie is a long haired, friendly, indoor, microchipped, rescue Calico cat - missing since Sunday, 11/15/2020 from Citrus Springs - N Summerfield Pt & Deltona area-
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 Please Call 989-255-1513

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SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mepham Group

Level **1** 2 3 4

6			5	4				7
4				7	1	6		
3								
	1		7	3				2
	6							1
	9			6	2			3
								5
		6	8	1				3
1			2		5			8

Solution to Monday's puzzle 11/24/20

1	8	5	4	9	7	6	3	2
7	6	3	1	8	2	9	4	5
2	4	9	5	3	6	1	8	7
8	9	7	6	5	1	4	2	3
4	5	6	9	2	3	7	1	8
3	1	2	7	4	8	5	6	9
9	7	8	2	6	4	3	5	1
6	3	1	8	7	5	2	9	4
5	2	4	3	1	9	8	7	6

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 sudoku.org.uk

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Tuesday, November 24, 2020

KATHLEEN SAXE

WORD GAME

TODAY'S WORD -- IMPRESS

(IMPRESS: im-PRESS: To affect strongly, often favorably.)

Average mark 17 words
Time limit 25 minutes

Can you find 22 or more words in IMPRESS?
The list will be published tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S WORD -- SHIPSHAPE

sash	spies	passe	apse
sepia	hash	phase	apsis
shah	hasp	pipe	ashes
shape	heap	pish	
shies	hiss	aphis	
ship	pass	apish	

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 Dashed
- 4 Chicago business district
- 8 Get tangled
- 11 Ottoman official
- 12 Faint glow
- 13 Nomad dwelling
- 15 Baby bear
- 16 River in Russia
- 17 Close
- 18 Inched forward
- 20 Pleasantly warm
- 21 Muscle used in push-ups
- 23 Oct. and Nov.
- 24 TV, slangily
- 27 Augury
- 29 Resistance unit
- 32 Molding
- 33 Argon, e.g.
- 34 Princess Di's niece

DOWN

- 35 Neighbor of CTRL
- 36 Newspaper execs
- 37 Fly upward
- 38 Do batik
- 39 Patch locale
- 40 Grieved
- 41 Practiced Zen
- 42 Workout facility
- 44 Like the ocean
- 47 Dwindled
- 51 "Star Wars" guru
- 52 Handle problems
- 55 "Norma --"
- 56 Perched on
- 57 Say it's so
- 58 Plains dweller
- 59 Windy City trains
- 60 Redcaps' burden
- 61 Recipe qty.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

G	E	M		S	O	N			N	E	V
P	G	A		J	A	P	A	N		A	R
S	A	C		O	M	E	G	A		N	I
	D	E	A	C	O	N		C	H	O	K
		A	K	A		C	H	E			
B	A	T	H	S		B	O	O	N	I	E
A	G	E	S		U	R	L			L	Y
R	U	T			R	I	O		V	E	R
B	E	E	L	I	N	E		R	I	S	E
				I	T	S		F	I	B	
F	R	O	Z	E		F	I	N	E	S	T
L	E	G			M	I	L	E	S		A
E	E	R			S	N	O	R	E		P
A	D	E			S	P	Y			S	O

- 2 Water, to Pedro
- 3 Seizes suddenly
- 4 Magna cum --
- 5 Not their
- 6 Zoologists' mouths
- 7 Sidekick
- 8 Talking birds
- 9 Ayla's creator
- 10 Zoo transport
- 14 Dueler's sword
- 20 -- voyage!
- 22 Sound
- 23 GI meals
- 24 Warty critter
- 25 Unightly
- 26 -- noire
- 28 Fashioned
- 29 Band instrument
- 30 Pile
- 31 Trading center
- 37 Ear cleaner
- 39 Scarpetta or Starr
- 41 Zipper alternative
- 43 Jury members
- 44 Lose -- whisker
- 45 Habitual
- 46 Temple image
- 48 Dry, as champagne
- 49 Has a meal
- 50 Like a bass
- 52 Truck front
- 53 Caviar
- 54 Wooden pin

1	2	3		4	5	6	7		8	9	10
11				12					13		14
15				16					17		
18			19						20		
			21		22		23				
24	25	26			27	28			29	30	31
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44	45	46					47		48	49	50
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			59						60		61

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WORDY GURDY®

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE

Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

1. Damp guitar neck ridge (1)

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2. Slender aunt or cousin (1)

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3. Spinnaker story (1)

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4. Simulated rectangle of city land (1)

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5. Grumpy virus expert Dr. Anthony (2)

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6. Stiffens grounds of veggie patches (2)

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7. Whale fat scourer (2)

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ANSWERS
1. WET FRET 2. THIN KIN 3. SAIL TALE 4. MOCK BLOCK
5. GROUCHY FAUCI 6. HARDENS GARDENS 7. BLUBBER SCRUBBER

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Meeting Notices

3493-1124 TUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE

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Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the County Administrator's Office, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, FL 34461, (352) 527-5210, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service.

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Any person who decides to appeal any decision of the Governing Body with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose may need to provide that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Section 286.0101, Florida Statutes).

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Fictitious Name Notices

3494-1124 TUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Name

Notice under Fictitious Name Law, pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

Melissa does my Nails

located at 1916 NW U.S. Hwy. 19, Crystal Riveer, FL 34428 in the

Fictitious Name Notices

County of Citrus, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, FL.

Dated at Crystal River, FL, this 20th day of November, 2020.
/s/ Melissa Hogan
Owner
Published November 24, 2020

Lien Notices

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3495-1201 TUCRN
Notice of Public Sale

Big Chief Storage, Pursuant to the provisions of the Florida "Self-Storage Facility Act" (Fla. Stat 83.801 et. Sec.) hereby gives Notice of Sale under said act to wit on December 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Beginning on December 9th, at 10:00 a.m. bidding will start at Lockerfox.com to the Highest Bidder the contents of the spaces rented at Big Chiefs Storage, located at 1635 NW 27th. Ave., Chiefland, FL 32626. Units rented by:

Jim Ashley Unit Number 516
Jole Ballengee Unit Number 102
Sherry Nygard Unit Number 235

The contents are Personal Items. This sale is being made to satisfy a statutory lien. Dated this 20th day of November, 2020

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3480-1124 TUCRN

NOTICE OF INTENT TO USE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

Citrus County, Florida (the "County") hereby provides notice, pursuant to Section 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments throughout the unincorporated and all incorporated areas of the County, for the cost of providing fire protection services and facilities; roadway maintenance, improve-

ments, associated services and facilities; neighborhood beautification; bicycle and pedestrian facilities, improvements and associated services; potable water services and facilities; sanitary wastewater services and facilities; solid waste disposal services and facilities; street lighting services and facilities; property nuisance abatement services and facilities; water and wastewater availability, maintenance services, facilities and programs; and stormwater management services, facilities, and programs commencing with the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2021. The County will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 2:00 p.m. on December 1, 2020 in the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the boundaries of the real property subject to the levy. Copies of the proposed form of resolution, which contains the legal description of the real property subject to the levy, are on file at the Office of the County Administrator located at 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, Florida. All interested persons are invited to attend.

In the event any person decides to appeal any decision by the County with respect to any matter relating to the consideration of the resolution at the above-referenced public hearing, a record of the proceeding may be needed and in such an event, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the public hearing is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the County Administrator's Office, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, FL 34461, (352) 527-5210, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service. If you need a Spanish Translator please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at 352-527-5370. Si necesita un traductor de español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de los dos días de la notificación de la publicación a 352-527-5370.

DATED this 27th day of October 2020.
By Order of:
CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

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