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EXPLAINER:

Why AP called the election for Joe Biden

BRIAN SLODYSKO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

As Election Day ground on into "election week," it became increasingly clear that Democrat Joe Biden would oust President Donald Trump from the White House. Late-counted ballots in Nevada, Pennsylvania and Georgia continued to keep Biden in the lead and offered him multiple paths to victory.

The questions, rather, were these — where he would win, when it would happen and by how much.

On Saturday, Biden captured the presidency when The Associated Press declared him the victor in his native Pennsylvania at 11:25 a.m.

That got him the state's 20 electoral votes, which pushed him over the 270 electoral-vote threshold needed to prevail.

It was the final piece to fall into place after

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TIME FOR UNITY

Victorious Biden urges America to 'spread the faith'

JONATHAN LEMIRE
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WASHINGTON — Democrat Joe Biden defeated President Donald Trump to become the 46th president of the United States on Saturday, positioning himself to be a leader who "seeks not to divide, but to unify" a nation gripped by a historic pandemic and a confluence of economic and social turmoil.

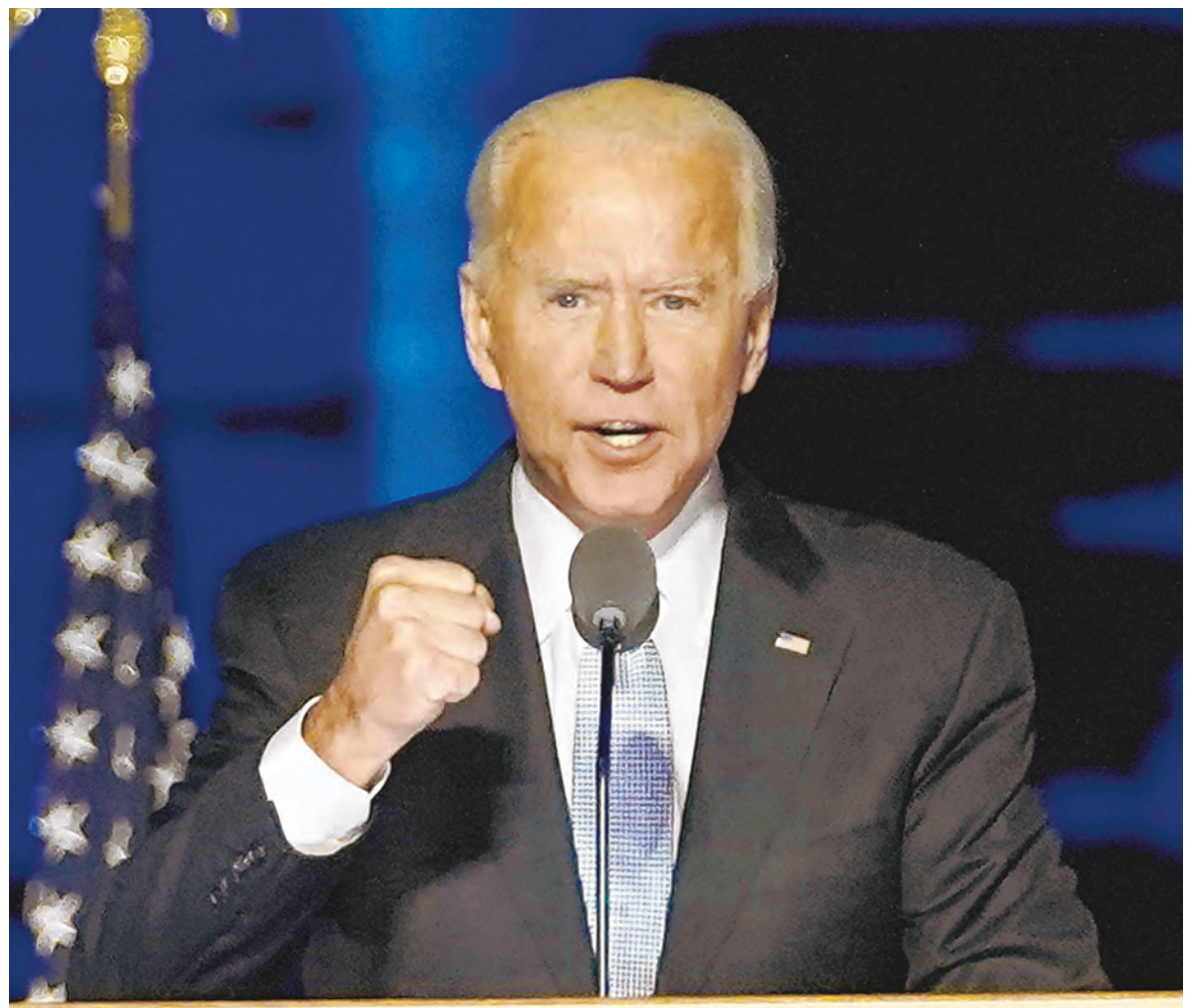
"I sought this office to restore the soul of America," said Biden in a prime-time victory speech not far from his Delaware home, "and to make America respected around the world again and to unite us here at home."

His victory came after more than three days of uncertainty as election officials sorted through a surge of mail-in votes that delayed processing. Biden crossed the winning threshold of 270 Electoral College votes with a win in Pennsylvania.

Trump refused to concede, threatening further legal action on ballot counting.

Biden, 77, staked his candidacy less on any distinctive political ideology than on galvanizing a broad coalition of voters around the notion that Trump posed an existential threat to American democracy. The strategy proved effective, resulting in pivotal victories in Michigan and Wisconsin as well as Pennsylvania, one-time Democratic bastions that had flipped to Trump in 2016.

Biden's victory was a repudiation of Trump's divisive leadership and the president-elect now



Associated Press

President-elect Joe Biden speaks to crowds, Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, in Wilmington, Del.

inherits a deeply polarized nation grappling with foundational questions of racial justice and economic fairness while in the grips of a virus that has killed more than 236,000 Americans and reshaped the norms of everyday life.

Kamala Harris made history as the first Black woman to become vice president, an achievement that comes as the U.S. faces a reckoning on racial justice. The California senator, who is also the first person of South Asian descent

elected to the vice presidency, will become the highest-ranking woman ever to serve in government, four years after Trump defeated Hillary Clinton.

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LEFT: Dr. Rafael E. Pinero waves a flag with the growing crowd of Joe Biden supporters as they take to the streets after the election is called in favor of Joe Biden at Lake Eola, Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020 in Orlando. RIGHT: Peregyn Marshall of Denver waves a placard outside the State Capitol Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020.

Associated Press



Biden victory gives Citrus Democrats joy, relief

MIKE WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Glee.
Ecstatic.
Relief.

Citrus County Democrats joined their brethren across the U.S. on Saturday in the joy of knowing former Vice President Joe Biden had won the presidency.

"I think it's a great day for America," Joe Adams, the county's Democratic state committeeman, said.

Hernando resident Gloria Hannemann, who along with other



Joe Adams
Citrus County Democratic state committeeman.



Mike Moberley
Citrus County Republican state committeeman.

like-minded opponents of President Donald Trump started the Citrus Coffee Coalition in 2019,

couldn't contain her happiness. "They really thought they had it in the bag," Hannemann said of Trump supporters. "The American people are fed up. It's been a long road to get this country back to the right path."

Trump, who won Florida, took 70% of the vote in Citrus County after winning 68% of the Citrus vote in 2016.

Trump captured 11,000 more votes this year than in 2016 while the Republicans gained about 13,000 registered voters in that time. Biden also gained on Hillary Clinton, the 2016 Democratic

candidate, receiving 4,299 votes more than Clinton, despite Citrus Democrats having 1,478 fewer registered voters in 2020 from 2016, according to the supervisor of elections website.

Citrus Democratic Party Chairman Bob Madeiros said Democrats and other non-Republicans voted in force because of Trump's handling of the COVID-19 crisis.

"COVID is really the thing that drove the vote by mail tallies," Madeiros said. "COVID is the thing that made it so different."

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WEEK IN REVIEW

PHOTO OF THE WEEK

WORKING ON A MASTERPIECE



JEFF BRYAN/Chronicle

William Mickey adds eelgrass to the mural on the west side of the Explorida wall in downtown Crystal River. The long-time artist expects the project to take up to two months to complete.

“I do want you to live a long time ... all alone, forever.”

— JUDGE RICHARD “RIC” HOWARD AS HE SENTENCED FORMER CORRECTIONS OFFICER 43-YEAR-OLD KENNETH SLANKER TO SIX CONSECUTIVE LIFE SENTENCES FOR SEXUALLY ABUSING A YOUNG GIRL FROM WHEN SHE WAS 5 UNTIL SHE WAS 15.

GOOD NEWS OF THE WEEK

A photo that ran in the Nov. 4, 2020, Chronicle showed a group of Citrus County Sheriff's Office deputies who, with lights flashing and sirens blaring from their patrol cars, rolled up to the home of Gavin Stiles on Oct. 30 to wish him a happy 16th birthday. The deputies gave him his favorite candy, Twizzlers. They also



new basketball and stayed to watch Gavin shoot a few hoops on his driveway court.

HOT TOPIC OF THE WEEK

Although the Nov. 3 general election continues to be THE hot topic, people were talking about other matters, such as County Administrator Randy Oliver suggesting the county use CARES funds to pay sheriff's deputies, freeing up salary money from the general fund that can be used for other purposes, including business-related grants.

Here are some of the comments Citrus County residents shared on Facebook:

■ Jason Hoover: “No, they get paid by tax money. That money needs to go towards helping the citizens of our county that need help with bills. Like other counties are doing.”

■ Billie Jean: “I want to attend funeral director schooling to give back to my community. I'll take a donation to fund my schooling!”

■ Tara Moore: “The fact that they are refusing to give any of that to local small businesses is infuriating. How many people lost their livelihood due to this? Shows once again how corrupt this county is.”

■ Alyssa Brzoska: “Donate large portions to CASA, food pantries for FOOD, utility help, rent help, help in general. CARES Act is for help. It's not a handout.”

THE MOST POPULAR STORIES FROM THE WEEK THAT WAS

Out the Window: Remember, people are good

In Chronicle Publisher Gerry Mulligan's Nov. 1, 2020 “Out the Window” column, he lauded the way the people in our community rallied to help



66-year-old Sandra Ingram get a home so she can raise

her grandchildren who were left in her care after their mother died last year.

“The response has been nothing short of incredible,” Mulligan wrote.

“More than 500 Citrus County residents and organizations have responded.

“Each day the Chronicle's mailbox was filled with cards and envelopes for Sandra. One reader sent \$10 in cash. Another reader of the newspaper sent a check for \$10,000. “This is anonymous,” the check writer wrote. “I just want to help.”

A mobile home was delivered to Ingram's property this past week and she and her grandkids will be moving in soon.

Mulligan wrote: “There is a lot of anger and hate being knocked around in our country these days fueled by the national election. Some people wonder if we can, as a nation, survive the turmoil.

“But then along comes a community like Citrus County where people were asked to focus on the plight of a grandmother in need. Forget about Republicans, Democrats, and COVID and the economy. Everyone just came together and helped turn one family's tragedy into a mission of hope.”



Local man with rare cancer shares his thoughts on life, imminent death

A self-described thrill seeker and adrenaline junkie, Matt Ballard has spent his lifetime diving off cliffs, jumping out of airplanes, hang gliding, bungee jumping, etc.

“I've been very blessed. I've had an incredible life. I've been to places most people don't get to see,” he said.

If it sounds like he's saying goodbye, it's because he is.

Ballard, 45, has a rare, aggressive cancer that began in his hip and is now in his lungs and brain.

“Three months ago, I was hiking the Grand Canyon, and now I struggle to make it from the bedroom to the kitchen,” he said.

Ballard may have weeks or days left, but he's facing them as he has faced any other adventure: with anticipation mixed with a bit of fear, with hope and an incredible peace.



Inverness City Garden fails to live up to hopes; city to try new tack

Inverness' hopes that its City Garden would attract residents to garden in a communal setting withered on the vine as few participated after the initial excitement over the project.

Initially, the hope was for a community nonprofit to manage the gardening facility and rent out its gardening beds, overseeing operations and hosting educational programs at the site.

That hasn't happened, so now City Manager Eric Williams is asking council members to partner with the Key Training Center, allowing its clients to utilize the 22-bed gardening center to grow and then sell produce at the city's farmers' market.

The Key Center would also like to host educational programs there.

Citrus Virtual enrollment shifting back to brick-and-mortar schools

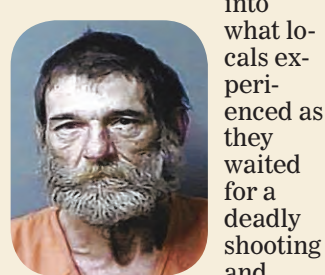
As Citrus County School District campuses started their first academic year in a COVID-19 environment, roughly 26% of their students flocked to the district's online school — 4,100 K-12 students.

However, parents who are overwhelmed or returning to work are having trouble acting as a learning coach for their children studying from home behind a computer or tablet and these families are deciding to re-enroll their kids back into brick-and-mortar classrooms.

As virtual students return to traditional schools at about 100 a week, these sudden transfers have caused havoc for school administrators and teachers, who have to make sure their expanding class rosters are still socially distanced. If not, another class has to be created and teachers must shift around to fill the new vacancy.

911 recordings provide detail of shooting, standoff in Hernando

Recordings of redacted 911 calls give a glimpse



into what locals experienced as they waited for a deadly shooting and standoff

to play out in a Hernando neighborhood the afternoon of Saturday, Oct. 10, 2020.

“My neighbor just shot my neighbor's father ... I'm scared; he's got a gun out there and he's shooting at my door. Please hurry!” a frantic woman told a 911 call-taker as she and others took shelter inside her home. “He's threatening to shoot me and everyone in here.”

The call came in at 3:41 p.m. and deputies were dispatched at 3:46, according to the CCSO, and the first units arrived at 3:57 to find a man pointing a pistol at them before retreating into a nearby trailer and firing gunshots from a window, striking other homes along the dirt road.

“He's shooting again, he's shooting again!” a man calling 911 said as he was running toward a deputy.

Shortly after 7 p.m., after a lengthy standoff, the gunman, later identified as 62-year-old William Cecil Poole, surrendered and was arrested.

— compiled by Nancy Kennedy

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Around the
COUNTY

No-cost mobile COVID-19 testing in Homosassa

The state of Florida is opening a one-time mobile COVID-19 testing site from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 8, at the Homosassa Public Library, 4100 S. Grandmarch Ave.

The walk-up/drive-thru test site will be available at no cost on a first-come, first-served basis for Florida residents with or without symptoms. ID required for adults. There is no age requirement.

It will be a nasopharyngeal (nasal) swab and individuals will be called or emailed within two days with results.

Follow the Health Department on Twitter at @HealthyFla and on Facebook. For information about the Florida Department of Health, visit www.FloridaHealth.gov.

Former Navy SEAL to speak at service Nov. 8

Former U.S. Navy SEAL Chad Williams, a featured guest on Fox News Channel, CNN News Room, Anderson Cooper 360 and more, will be the guest speaker at two Veterans Day services, 9:15 and 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020 at Cornerstone Baptist Church, 1100 W. Highland Blvd., Inverness.

Williams is a bestselling author of his book, "SEAL of God," and an in-demand keynote speaker. Drawing from his experiences as a SEAL, Williams illustrates and instructs the SEAL mindset and ethos that involve: mental toughness, discipline, teamwork, leadership, safety and motivation.

Visit online at www.atthecorner.church or email: info@atthecorner.church.

— From staff reports

More than 82% of votes cast early, by mail

Nearly 9.2 million Floridians voted by mail or at early voting sites, making up more than 82 percent of the ballots cast in Tuesday's elections, according to numbers posted on the state Division of Elections website. As of Friday morning, 4,855,487 vote-by-mail ballots had been tallied. Also, 4,332,221 people cast ballots at early voting sites. In all, the state website said more than 11.125 million ballots were cast by Florida's 14.44 million registered voters.

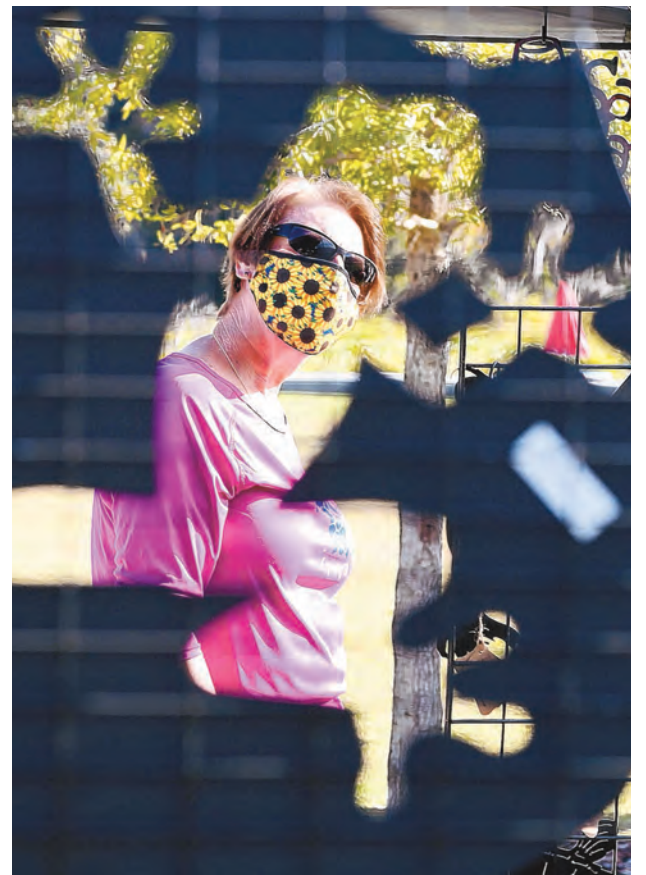
— News Service of Florida

50th annual Festival of the Arts



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Lea and Lou Bedinotti of Homosassa share a laugh with artist local Jan Lamarco, right, as she shows the couple a display of her handmade bird houses from Blackbottom Bird Houses in Crystal River. Each bird house has a humorous theme, according to Lamarco, bringing smiles to the Bedinottis as they look at each one Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, during the 50th annual Festival of the Arts in Inverness. Artists, vendors and crafters are spread across Liberty Park and the Depot Pavillion, keeping social distancing and safety measurers in mind, according to the representatives for the city of Inverness. The festival continues today from 9 a.m. and will close at 4 p.m.



Kelly Stone of Inverness is seen through a metal sculpture of a lizard Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, as she takes in some of the original metal artworks from Jen's Metal Art and Design at the 50th annual Festival of the Arts in Inverness.

Grant: Follow rules to move forward

Citrus County Hospital Board working to help local health initiatives

FRED HIERS
Staff writer

If the Citrus County Hospital Board is to help LifeStream Behavioral Center's efforts to build a Baker Act facility here, hospital board members agreed the mental health agency will have to follow paperwork rules.

The Citrus County Hospital Board owns Citrus Memorial on behalf of the public and leases the hospital to Hospital Corporation of America. As part of the 50-year lease, hospital trustees agreed not to compete with HCA or the hospital. Leesburg-based LifeStream has a \$3.2 million annual contract with the county to provide mental health services. Currently, LifeStream sends its Baker Act clients to its Leesburg Baker Act facility.

In August, LifeStream officials asked the hospital board members to help pay for its proposed Baker Act facility for Citrus County.

LifeStream received a county commission commitment this summer for land in Lecanto for the facility that would consist of a 20-bed stabilization unit and 32 residential beds and would cost \$8 million-\$10 million.

But hospital board lawyer Bill Grant told his hospital board bosses they

still need a written statement from Hospital Corporation of America that the Baker Act facility and the services it would provide would not compete with HCA's leased hospital.

Grant also warned that if the hospital board received financial help from the hospital board, LifeStream would need to agree in writing with the hospital board that the facility would revert to the county if LifeStream lost its contract to provide mental health care here.

In a related move, the hospital board is also agreeing to help fund the proposed Veterans Village of Citrus County, but is also asking for needed

paperwork.

The proposed Veterans Village of Citrus County will provide affordable, assisted-living apartments to as many as 300 area veterans. The Citrus County Hospital Board promised to donate \$2.5 million toward the \$10.2 million project. The hospital board money will allow the Veterans Village board to garner supporting federal loans.



Bill Grant
 Citrus County Hospital Board attorney.

The first phase of the assisted-living facility includes 100 apartments and will offer military veterans apartments at rates lower than market prices.

The facility is slated to be built adjacent to the U.S. Veterans Affairs Lecanto Clinic on West Marc

Knighton Court off County Road 491.

Grant said he still needs information from the Veterans Village about depositing the money and into which bank coffers.

In related hospital board business, HCA is again requesting permission to change the name of Citrus Memorial Hospital.

Earlier this year HCA request permission from the hospital board to change the hospital's name to HCA Florida Citrus Memorial. The hospital board members granted the request.

But HCA now asked that it change the name to HCA Florida Citrus Hospital. The hospital board approved the request.

Also is hospital board business, Bill Grant told

his hospital board members that the state audit of the organization continues.

He told the board that one of the auditors noted that the hospital board had no purchasing policy.

Grant told the board that one was not required by Florida statutes, but to comply the board approved a prepared purchasing policy.

Grant also told the board that once its pension lawsuit in federal court with Aon Hewitt is completed, along with the state audit and board sunset provisions, he would meet with the board about stepping down as its attorney.

He said his law firm is opening a second office and the hospital board work is consuming much of his time.

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Today's HOROSCOPES

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SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Don't let yourself be taken advantage of by someone who is emotionally manipulative.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Nurture your way to tiptop shape. Work on home improvements to ease stress and accommodate your needs. Romance is featured.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — A change will lift your spirits. Steer clear of friends and relatives who are argumentative or who don't share your life-style or beliefs.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Go over the ups and downs of a pending situation. Being prepared will help you engage in talks that are useful, factual and productive.
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — What you do for others will make you feel good about yourself. Work hard to make a difference. A financial boost is apparent.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Don't labor over something you cannot change or worry about people who don't share your beliefs or values. Self-improvement projects are favored.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Not everyone will agree with you today. An emotional situation will arise if you or someone close to you feels insecure or jealous. Keep the peace.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Improve your surroundings. Make the most of whatever situation you face, and work hard to better your prospects.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Pay closer attention to details. Update documents that are in need of it, review contracts and your financial situation.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Get ready to conquer whatever comes your way. Refuse to let others tempt you to act frivolously or behave excessively. Make romance and love priorities.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Don't hide your feelings. Honesty will help solve problems; being evasive will not. Offer solutions and compromises.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Don't stick around if you aren't appreciated. Size up your situation and make your grievances known.

ENTERTAINMENT

Whitney Houston, Nine Inch Nails ready for Rock Hall induction

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Years after their deaths, Whitney Houston, the Notorious B.I.G. and T. Rex's Marc Bolan will be inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

Joining them as part of the hall's 2020 class are Nine Inch Nails, Depeche Mode and the Doobie Brothers. Houston, T. Rex, B.I.G. and the Doobie Brothers are being inducted after being on the ballot for the first time.

The Rock Hall's annual induction ceremony was originally supposed to take place in May at the Public Auditorium in Cleveland, the city where the rock museum is located, but things changed because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Instead, HBO will air a taped special airing Saturday at 8 p.m. EST, with big names like Bruce Springsteen, Sean "Diddy" Combs and Alicia Keys making appearances alongside some of the inductees.

Houston, who died in 2012, released her debut album in 1985 and became one of the greatest singers in music history. B.I.G. only released two albums but made a major impact on both the rap and pop music scenes. He died in 1997 at age 24.

The death of Bolan in 1977 ended British band T. Rex, known primarily for its 1970s hit "Bang a Gong (Get it On)" and, to a lesser ex-



Associated Press

This combination photo shows Notorious B.I.G., who won rap artist and rap single of the year, during the annual Billboard Music Awards in New York on Dec. 6, 1995, left, and singer Whitney Houston at the BET Honors in Washington on Jan. 17, 2009. Houston and the Notorious B.I.G. are among the inductees to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame's 2020 class.

tent, "Jeepster."

Artists become eligible for induction to the Rock Hall 25 years after the release of their first record.

Depeche Mode remains active, but its biggest influence came in the 1980s when its post-punk, synthesizer-dominated music made the Brits a favorite of the goth subculture.

With songs like "Closer," Nine Inch Nails was a leader of the industrial rock movement in the 1990s.

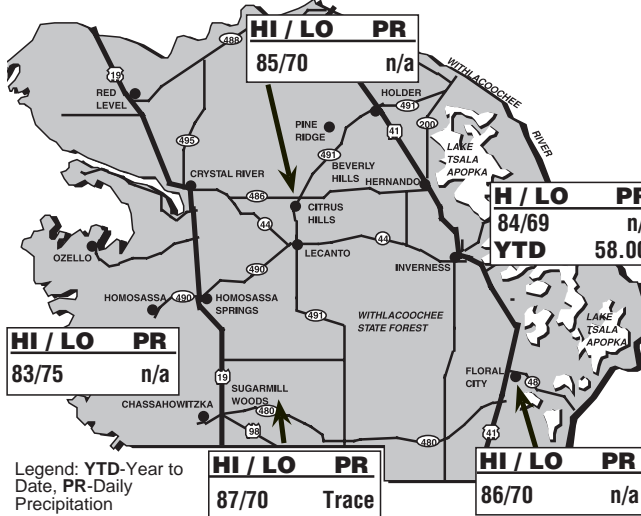
And the Doobie Brothers weren't critical favorites, but they had some indelible

rock hits in the 1970s, including "Listen to the Music," "Black Water" and "China Grove." This year they are celebrating their 50th anniversary.

Others set to make appearances during the TV special include Dave Grohl, Miley Cyrus, Jennifer Hudson, Gwen Stefani, Charliize Theron, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Adam Levine and Brad Paisley.

During the event, music managers Irving Azoff and Jon Landau will be honored with the Ahmet Ertegun Award.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



Legend: YTD-Year to Date, PR-Daily Precipitation
THREE DAY OUTLOOK
TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING
High: 83° Low: 70°
Monday & Tuesday Morning
High: 83° Low: 71°
Tuesday & Wednesday Morning
High: 84° Low: 71°

ALMANAC
TEMPERATURE
Yesterday 84/70
Record* 91/37
Normal 80/54
Mean temp. 67
Departure from mean 10
PRECIPITATION
Yesterday 0.00"
Total for the month 0.07"
Total for the year 21.23"
Normal for the year 48.08"
*Official record values from Tampa International
UV INDEX: 5
0-2 minimal, 3-4 low, 5-6 moderate, 7-9 high, 10+ very high
BAROMETRIC PRESSURE 30.01

SOLAR TABLES
DATE DAY MINOR MAJOR (MORNING) MINOR MAJOR (AFTERNOON)
11/08 SUNDAY 6:47 6:33 5:38 6:59
11/09 MONDAY 6:48 7:25 5:38 7:51

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK
SUNSET TONIGHT 5:38 pm
MOONRISE TOMORROW 6:48 am
MOONRISE TODAY 6:48 am
MOONSET TODAY 1:32 pm

BURN CONDITIONS
Today's Fire Danger Index is: LOW. There is no burn ban.
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TIDES
SUNDAY
*From mouths of rivers **At King's Bay ***At Mason's Creek
City High Low
Chassahowitzka** 11:25 a.m. 0.6 ft None n/a 1:53 a.m. 0.2 ft 8:16 p.m. 0.0 ft
Crystal River** 9:22 a.m. 2.1 ft 10:46 p.m. 1.5 ft 2:57 a.m. 1.0 ft 5:08 p.m. 0.3 ft
Withlacoochee* 5:55 a.m. 3.2 ft 8:17 p.m. 2.6 ft 1:08 a.m. 1.8 ft 2:11 p.m. 0.4 ft
Homosassa*** 12:34 a.m. 0.5 ft 9:34 a.m. 1.2 ft 3:44 a.m. 0.4 ft 7:51 p.m. 0.2 ft

FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

Table with columns: City, H, L, F'cast. Includes locations 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: Northeast winds 20 to 25 knots. Seas 2 to 4 feet. Bay and inland waters rough. A slight chance of thunderstorms. A chance of showers in the afternoon. Tonight: Northeast winds 25 to 30 knots with gusts to around 40 knots.

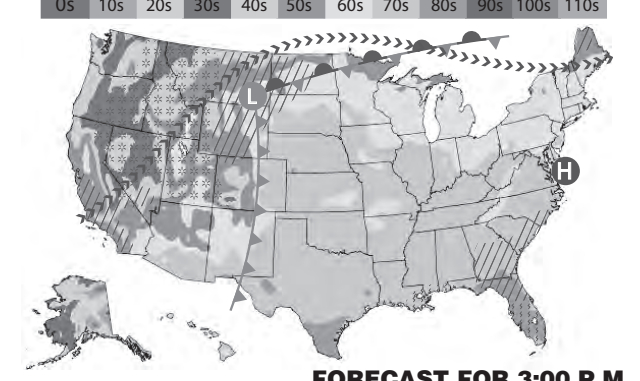
Gulf water temperature 73° Taken at Crystal River

LAKE LEVELS

Table with columns: Location, SAT, FRI, Full. Includes locations like Withlacoochee at Holder, Tsala Apopka-Hernando, Tsala Apopka-Inverness, and Tsala Apopka-Floral City.

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Today in HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Nov. 8, the 313th day of 2020. There are 53 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight: On Nov. 8, 2016, Republican Donald Trump was elected America's 45th president, defeating Democrat Hillary Clinton in an astonishing victory for a celebrity businessman and political novice.

On this date: In 1864, President Abraham Lincoln won re-election as he defeated Democratic challenger George B. McClellan.

In 1923, Adolf Hitler launched his first attempt at seizing power in Germany with a failed coup in Munich that came to be known as the "Beer-Hall Putsch."

In 1960, Massachusetts Sen. John F. Kennedy defeated Vice President Richard M. Nixon for the presidency.

In 1966, Edward W. Brooke, R-Mass., became the first Black candidate to be elected to the U.S. Senate by popular vote.

In 2000, a statewide recount began in Florida, which emerged as critical in deciding the winner of the 2000 presidential election. Earlier that day, Vice President Al Gore had telephoned Texas Gov. George W. Bush to concede, but called back about an hour later to retract his concession.

Ten years ago: On the third and final day of his trip to India, President Barack Obama endorsed the country's bid to become a permanent member of the U.N. Security Council.

One year ago: Facebook said it was deleting the name of the person who'd been identified in conservative circles as the whistleblower who triggered an impeachment inquiry into President Donald Trump.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Norman Lloyd is 106. Singer Bonnie Raitt is 71. Actor Alfre Woodard is 68. Singer-songwriter Rickie Lee Jones is 66. Chef and TV personality Gordon Ramsay is 54. ABC News anchor David Muir is 47.

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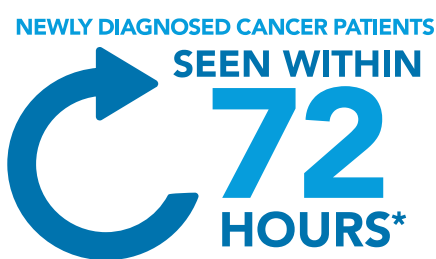


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Obituaries

Donald 'Don' Lowery, 91

CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

(FORMERLY OF MEADOWCREST)

Mr. Donald E. (Don) Lowery, 91 of Chattanooga, Tennessee, formerly of Crystal River (Meadowcrest) Florida, passed away in Chattanooga, on Friday, October 30, 2020.

Funeral services were held on Monday, November 2, 2020

Arrangements are by the North Chapel of Chattanooga Funeral Home, Crematory, and Florist, 5401 Highway 153, Hixson, TN 37343.

Please share your thoughts and memories at www.chattanoogaorth.chapel.com



Keith Correll, 89

HOMOSASSA

Mr. Keith Ervin Correll, age 89 of Homosassa, Florida, died Friday, October 23, 2020 in Homosassa, Florida.

He was born March 12, 1931 in Peru, IN, son of Elmer Ray Sr. and Dorothy (York) Correll. He was an



Army veteran who served during the Korean War. In November of 1963 Keith began his career at Chrysler Automotive and retired as a Mechanic in July of



Keith Correll

1990.

In 2008 he moved to Homosassa, Florida from Kokomo, IN. Keith was described by his family as a "Man of all Trades". He loved to build things and also enjoyed wood carving. Mr. Correll was a member of both the United Auto Workers Union (UAW) and Family Life in Indiana.

He was preceded in death by his parents and 5 brothers. Keith is survived by 4 daughters, Karen Correll Bilsborrow, Christine Correll Bowden, Pamela Correll Stout, and Linda Correll Hubbard, 2 sons, Gregory Correll and Brian Correll, brother, David L Correll, numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Correll will be laid to rest at Mount Hope Cemetery, Peru, Indiana.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.HooperFuneralHome.com. Arrangements by the Homosassa Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes & Crematory.

Marian Dallner, 97

Marian Helen Dallner was called home to be with our gracious Lord on September 14, 2020 at the age of 97.

A Memorial Service will take place at St. Paul's Lutheran Church and Memorial Garden in Beverly Hills on Sunday, November 29, 2020 at 1:00 PM and will be conducted by Reverend Mark Gabb.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to St Paul's Lutheran Church Building Fund, Beverly Hills, FL. Cremation care by the Chas E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL.

Mary Beaulieu, 81

MERRITT ISLAND

A Mass of Christian Burial for Mrs. Mary Eunice Beaulieu, age 81, of Merritt Island, FL., will be held at 11:30 am on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at Our Lady Fatima Catholic Church, Inverness, FL. Interment will follow at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL.

The family will receive friends from 9:30am until 11:00am on Tuesday at the



Mary Beaulieu

Inverness Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes. Mary was born November 2, 1938 in Floral Park, NY

to John Stephen and Eunice Vivian (Traeger) Gresser. She passed away peacefully on November 1, 2020 under the loving care of her family and hospice.

Mary was a homemaker but was very active with her church, Divine Mercy Catholic Church, Merritt Island, FL, serving with both the bereavement program and as Eucharistic Minister. She was a loving and wonderful woman who loved to travel and adored her family especially her grandchildren.

Mary is predeceased by her parents and her first husband Philip P. Ryan.

She is survived by husband Leonard A. Beaulieu, Merritt Island, FL, 2 daughters, Deborah (Roger) Shackelford and Patricia LaRosa both of Inverness, FL, 3 grandchildren, Cheryl (Kenny Molina) Dellatorre, Hudson, FL, Danielle (Brian) Godwin and Kathilen (Keith) Crisp all of Inverness, FL, 6 great grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.hooperfuneralhome.com. Arrangements are under the direction of Hooper Funeral Home & Crematory.



Blaine DuFrain, 60

FLORAL CITY

Blaine L. DuFrain of Floral City, FL passed away at his home on November 3, 2020 at the age of 60. Blaine was born in Watseka, IL, and resided in Onarga, IL.

He proudly served his country as a member of the United States Coast



Blaine DuFrain

Guard. Following his military service, Blaine continued to serve his community as a Police Officer for the St. Petersburg, FL Police Department for 22 years.

On June 12, 1983 he married Wanda (Bolvin) with whom he shared 37 years of marriage. Following his retirement from the police department, Blaine and Wanda made Floral City, FL their home in 2006. In his spare time, he enjoyed playing guitar, buying storage units and attending auctions.

In addition to his loving wife Wanda, those left to mourn Blaine's passing include his father, Blaine R. DuFrain (Dolores) of Woodland, IL; brothers: Brian DuFrain (Laura) of Onarga, IL, Barry and Ben DuFrain, both of Woodland, IL; sisters: Leala McClurg (Bob) of Bowling Green, MO, Dawn Parker (Nolan) of Florence, MS; and several nieces and nephews. Blaine is preceded in death by his mother, Linda Lee (Potts) Wojczynski.

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Gail Storr, 80

INVERNESS

Gail P. Storr of Inverness, FL went home to be with her Lord and Savior on November 1, 2020 while under the loving care of her family and Vitas Hospice in Lecanto. She was 80 years old.

Gail was born in Newark, NJ to the late Richard and Alice (Swain) Pinder on October 18, 1940.

She married Howard J. Storr, Sr. on March 12, 1960.

The couple made Inverness their home in 1970 after relocating from Lebanon, NJ and shared more than 60 years of loving marriage.

Gail's remarkable life is best characterized by her deep and steady devotion to Howard and their family, as well as to extended family, friends, and everyone around her who was in need. She was a loving caretaker who selflessly supported the elderly, in particular. She took care of her own mother and Howard's mother until they passed.



Gail Storr

Many neighbors were also the beneficiaries of her love — Gail spent decades tending to the needs of aging women who lived close by, enabling them to remain comfortably in their homes until their deaths. And her long ministry in two different nursing homes was a tremendous blessing to those who didn't have anyone to spend time with them and who eagerly awaited her regular visits.

When she couldn't be physically present with others, she prayed for them. She was a committed member of intercessory prayer teams at both the First United Methodist Church and the First Christian Church of Inverness. However, she found many ways to be present with those who needed her love and tangible support.

Gail was proficient in American Sign Language and spent years teaching signing to clients of the Key Training Center, as well as to members of her church who wanted to reach out to the deaf community with the love of Jesus Christ. She truly embodied the message of Scripture in Matthew 22:37-39: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

In her spare time, Gail enjoyed oil painting. She was very good, and she was an active member in the early days of the Citrus County Art League. She enjoyed knitting, too, and made countless blankets for family, friends, and those she visited in nursing homes. She was also co-owner and Treasurer of Am-Craft, Inc., a cabinet manufacturing company she established with her husband, and was a founding member of the Citrus County Builders Association.

In addition to her loving husband, Howard, those left to mourn Gail's passing include her sons: Glenn Lawrence Storr and his wife Sandra of Gainesville, FL, and Howard J. Storr, Jr. of Inverness; brother David L. Pinder of Syracuse, NY; sister Margaret Price and her husband Walter of Syracuse, NY; her nieces who were as daughters to her: Brenda, Sharon, Debbie,

and Nancy; their 12 children who were as grandchildren to her; and her devoted best friend Rachel Muroff of Floral City, FL.

A celebration of Gail's life will be held on Saturday, November 14, 2020 at 11:00 am at the First Christian Church of Inverness. Both Reverend Tom Thomas and Reverend Dr. Ray Kelly will lead the service.

Friends are invited to join Gail's family in visitation and fellowship from 10:00 am until the time of service (please wear masks).

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be sent to Vitas Hospice Health-care, PO Box 1330, Lecanto, FL 34460.

Arrangements are under the care of Chas E. Davis Funeral Home, Inverness, FL.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

Barbel Schrank, 80

HERNANDO

Barbel Elizabeth Schrank, 80, of Hernando, FL passed away October 30, 2020 at her residence in Hernando.

She was born in Helmstedt, Germany on May 20, 1940 to the late Rudolph and Wilma (Berger) Gerschinski.

Barbel was a factory worker and was retired when arriving in this area in 2002, coming from Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

She was Lutheran by faith and enjoyed crafting and golfing. She especially loved gardening and was very proud of her flowers. Barbel enjoyed spending time with her family and always made sure everyone felt welcome.

She was preceded in death by one son, William Schrank, and two sisters, Ingrid Colner and Petra Gerschinski.

Barbel is survived by her loving husband of 64 years, Harvey Schrank. Other survivors include her sons Roger Schrank of Milwaukee, WI, Michael Schrank of Delafield, WI, and Dean Schrank and his wife Lori of Hernando; sister Christa Werner; 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life for Barbel will be held at 3 pm on November 14th at 306 W. Keller St, Hernando, FL.

Private cremation arrangements under the care of Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

Opal Mae Stowe, 92

LECANTO

Opal Mae Stowe, 92, of Lecanto, FL, passed away on November 5, 2020. A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 AM, on Monday, November 9, 2020 at the Heinz Funeral Home in Inverness.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 AM until the hour of service. She will be interred in Texas at a later date.

Heinz Funeral Home & Cremation, Inverness, FL. heinzfh.com.

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- A flag will be included for free for those who served in the U.S. military.

Sharon Smith, 73

INVERNESS

Sharon Ann Smith, nee Cooper, age 73, of Inverness, FL, formerly of Illinois, passed away on Tuesday, October 20, 2020. Dear sister of Gary Cooper and sister-in-law of Melvin Scheeringa. Loving aunt of Julie (Kurt) Benda, Diane (James) Stewart, and Rob (Ericka) Lugar. Proud



Sharon Smith

great aunt of Jennifer (Rick) Vaders, Mark (Katie) Benda, Justin Benda, Alec Lugar and Tresa Tibble. Dear niece to her aunts and uncles and fond cousin to many. Loving friend of Holly Cabral and Angela Moore. Preceded in death by her parents Albert and Ione Cooper and sister Karen Ann Scheeringa.

Sharon worked in a variety of fields throughout her career but was most passionate about her career in real estate. She was excited to work with clients in helping them find their dream home and especially enjoyed working as a Realtor/Property Manager at Cridland Real Estate.

They say that love is when you put other people's happiness above your own and Sharon was happiest doing just that. She loved in the most selfless way, always happiest when putting others before herself. Sharon was genuine, kind, and humble.

She was also the family historian, the one you went to for facts and memories, and the keeper of all pictures. Sharon will be missed beyond measure, but we are certain she is having quite a celebratory reunion with her parents and sister!

In honoring Sharon's wishes, no services will be held. Arrangements entrusted to Charles E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, at 352-726-8323.

Martha 'Sue' Skelton, 82

FORMER RESIDENT OF CRYSTAL RIVER

On Wednesday, November 4, 2020, Martha "Sue" Skelton, loving Mother and Grandmother passed away at the age of 82.

A former Crystal River resident, Sue was a long-time member of the Lecanto Church of Christ.

Sue was preceded in death by her beloved husband Ernest L. Skelton in 1990.

Sue is survived by her daughters Selina (John) Witt, Cullowhee, NC; Katrina (Brian) Donovan, Crystal River, FL; Anita (Steve) Swingle, Tampa, FL; and Lanette Diss, Beverly Hills, FL; Nine Grandchildren and One Great-Grandchild.

A private family "Celebration of Life" will be held in lieu of a service.

Anyone wishing to pay tribute may donate to Vitas Healthcare Hospice of Citrus County (3280 W Audubon Park Path, Lecanto, FL 34461).

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

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Florida Lt. Gov. Nunez's father dies at 84

Victor C. Sanchez was Cuban exile

Associated Press

MIAMI — Florida Lt. Gov. Jeanette Nunez's father, who arrived in Florida as a Cuban exile after the 1959 revolution, has passed away of brain cancer. He was 84.

Victor C. Sanchez had been diagnosed with the illness earlier this year and died Thursday after a fainting episode, Nunez said.

The Republican lieutenant governor told The Associated Press that Sanchez left Havana in 1961 after learning he could face house arrest for having views that opposed the nation's leader Fidel Castro.

Nunez says her father had a passion for languages and learned "perfect English" as well as Italian, French and a bit of German besides his native Spanish.

After serving as a Florida representative, Nunez became Florida's first Latina lieutenant governor last year and was chosen to co-chair the national "Latinos for Trump" coalition to mobilize Hispanics to reelect the president.

Sanchez was survived by his wife Teresita Sanchez, three daughters and five grandchildren.

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Locals react to passage of minimum wage hike

MICHAEL D. BATES
Staff writer



Bruce Register, the county's economic development director, said Tuesday's passage of Amendment 2 — which hikes the state's minimum wage over the next six years — probably won't hurt large corporations.

But the numerous small- and medium-sized businesses in Citrus County should feel it most, he said.

For them, this is a triple whammy, he said. They've already had to adjust their business model due to COVID-19 as well as the exodus from brick-and-mortar stores in favor of online shopping.



Bruce Register
Citrus County economic development director.

Owners need to start adapting to the \$15-an-hour model, Register said. "They need to start now," he said. "They can't wait until it becomes a crisis."

For starters, Register urges small-business owners to contact the local SCORE office and see what help is available from the Small Business Association.

"They need to start focusing on how to hone their efficiencies so they can adjust their profit margins and adapt to the increased cost of labor," Register said.

A supermajority of Florida voters approved the amendment to the Florida Constitution that will raise Florida's minimum wage from the current \$8.56 an hour to \$15 an hour by 2026.

Under the six-year phase-in, minimum wage would go up to \$10 an hour starting next year, followed by a \$1 per hour increase each year until it reached \$15 an hour in 2026. Future increases would then return to being adjusted for inflation starting in 2027.

Supporters of Amendment 2 said it is impossible to live on the current minimum wage given the state's cost of living.

Before the election, County Administrator Randy Oliver said passage of Amendment 2 could have a negative impact on the local economy, be detrimental to seniors and lead to lower morale among county employees.

He still believes that. "(The impact) won't hit us, depending on how we work our contracts, out, for about three or four years," Oliver said.

The county's current lowest paid wage bracket starts at \$10.19 per hour effective Oct. 1, 2020. Assuming a 3% increase per year, the lowest salary would increase to \$11.90 by 2026.

The cost to bring all employees up to \$15

per hour per the schedule called for in Amendment 2, would be about \$200,000 per year for four years starting Oct. 2, 2022, and affect 194 employees, Oliver said.

"So many jobs will be lost from this amendment (and it's) sad it'll put a halt to our near future plans of expansion," said Morgan Sundberg, owner of Kane's Cattle Co., The Loft Bar & Grill and Lollygaggers Sports Pub & Grill.

"Do I agree an increase was well overdue? Absolutely," she said. "I don't, however, agree that we should be voting on a wage for 2026 when we don't even know what tomorrow brings. Inflation is imminent, and I feel terrible for the elderly on fixed income."

Sheila Reagan, president of the Democratic Women's Club of Citrus County, said before the vote that small-business owners, including restaurateurs, might have to raise prices slightly to help pay for the raises. But studies have shown, she said, that while they may take a short dip in sales, customers will adjust.

Reagan said recently voting for a minimum wage hike was "common sense."

"It's becoming glaringly obvious to everyone that the people who are wealthy are doing quite well in this economy and yet the minimum wage people are hovering on the verge of poverty," according to Reagan.

"If you work 40 hours a week, you should be able to pay your rent and have food and clothes and that's not true anymore," she added.

"(Tuesday) night, the working poor in Florida won in a very, very big way," said Orlando attorney John Morgan, who spent \$6 million pushing for the minimum wage hike. "(Tuesday) night, the people of Florida showed their good hearts and compassion."

Morgan said he won't fund more constitutional amendments. He said he's "happy" with the job Gov. Ron DeSantis is doing and doesn't see himself running for political office or bankrolling another amendment.

Part of the reason is that lawmakers continue to make the citizens' ballot-initiative process too timely and expensive. A bigger reason is that he's now 68, he's living part time in Maui and it's time to down-shift his political involvement.

Meanwhile, business owners can turn for help by contacting SCORE at naturecoastfl.score.org/ or the U.S. Small Business Association at www.sba.gov.

The News Service of Florida, The Center Square and the Associated Press contributed to this report.

RELIEF

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Citrus County Republican State Committeeman Mike Moberley, who attended the Republican National Convention in 2016 and witnessed Trump's nomination, said the media didn't give Trump a chance.

"In general, the media was never going to let him bask in anything he accomplished," Moberley said. "They were very much against him. Many of his accomplishments were glossed over by the media."

Now the focus turns to what happens next. Despite Trump losing the popular vote by 4 million votes to Biden but still getting 70 million votes, Democrats say they believe the country wants

healing.

"I think Joe is the one best suited for the job," Adams said. "Donald Trump, at his inauguration, I had hoped for some calming words but he just did the opposite. He's done nothing but pour gas on the flames. There's nothing presidential about him. After everyone takes a deep breath, I'm sure they'll say this is not what America is supposed to be about."

Moberley, who was a poll watcher, noted that the high voter turnout — a record 80% in Citrus County — took place because Trump was on the ballot.

"Say what you want about President Trump. The populace was energized on both sides," Moberley said. "He is responsible for that."

Maderiros, the county

Democratic Party chairman, said now is not the time for Democrats to gloat.

"I don't think I'd run around in my pickup truck with a Biden flag hanging out the back," he said.

Karen Gaffney, an attorney whose preferences were known to passersby with numerous Biden signs at her Inverness law office, said Democrats shouldn't ignore those who support Trump. (Gaffney is attorney for the Citrus County Chronicle.)

"It's incumbent for all of us to understand where these differences are and how we come together, instead of staying tribalistic," she said. "We need to take a step back and then start listening. I have neighbors with Trump flags and maybe I should listen to them more."

WHY

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the former vice president carved a path to the White House by recapturing Democrats' "blue wall," a trio of Great Lakes states — Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Michigan — that Trump narrowly won in 2016. Those states had long served as a bulwark against Republican presidential candidates.

But he also made historic gains in the Sun Belt, becoming the first Democrat to win Arizona since 1996. He also held a narrow lead of more than 7,000 votes on Saturday in Georgia, where a Democrat hasn't won since 1992.

Democrats entered Election Day confident that Biden would win. But their hopes for a landslide that would quickly repudiate Trumpism — something that polls helped amplify — did not materialize.

Florida, the president's adopted state and one of the largest

electoral prizes, went for Trump on Tuesday.

And a promising early Biden lead in North Carolina eroded. Trump continues to hold a narrow lead there, though the race is still too early to call and mail in ballots postmarked by the Nov. 3 election day can still be counted until Thursday.

On Election Night, both candidates stacked up wins in predictable places. Biden won the West Coast, and carried Democratic states in New England and the mid-Atlantic. Trump won much of the South, Texas and rural, sparsely populated states in the Mountain West and Midwest.

Biden's win in Pennsylvania was a dramatic, though not unexpected, turn after Trump jumped out to an early Election Day lead of 675,000 votes and prematurely declared he had won the state.

Over coming days, as local elections officials tabulated more ballots, Trump's lead dropped sharply, with Biden winning roughly 75 percent of the mail-in vote

between Wednesday and Friday, according to an analysis by the AP.

Another reason the late-breaking mail vote broke Biden's way: Under state law, elections officials are not allowed to process mail-in ballots until Election Day.

By Saturday afternoon, Biden's lead in the state had climbed to over 34,000 votes, an edge over Trump of 0.51 percentage points that placed him outside the margin for a mandatory recount.

Under Pennsylvania law, a recount is automatic when the margin between two candidates in a statewide race is less than 0.5 percentage points. Biden's lead over Trump was on track to stay outside of that margin as final votes are counted.

And the slow-going nature of the vote count? Blame the coronavirus pandemic. The election, in many ways a referendum on Trump's poor management of the virus, led to widespread use of mail voting for the first time in many states.



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Harris introduced Biden "as a president for all Americans" who would look to bridge a nation riven with partisanship and nodded to the historic nature of her ascension to the vice presidency.

"Dream with ambition, lead with conviction and see yourselves in a way that others may not simply because they've never seen it before," Harris said. "You chose hope and unity, decency, science and, yes, truth ... you ushered in a new day for America."

Biden was on track to win the national popular vote by more than 4 million, a margin that could grow as ballots continue to be counted.

Nonetheless, Trump was not giving up.

Departing from longstanding democratic tradition and signaling a potentially turbulent transfer of power, he issued a combative statement saying his campaign would take unspecified legal actions. And he followed up with a bombastic, all-caps tweet in which he falsely declared, "I WON THE ELECTION, GOT 71,000,000 LEGAL VOTES." Twitter immediately flagged it as misleading.

Trump has pointed to delays in processing the vote in some states to allege with no evidence that there was fraud and to argue that his rival was trying to seize power — an extraordinary charge by a sitting president trying to sow doubt about a bedrock democratic process.

Trump is the first incumbent president to lose reelection since Republican George H.W. Bush in 1992.

He was golfing at his Virginia country club when he lost the race. He stayed out for hours, stopping to congratulate a bride as he left, and his motorcade returned to the White House to a cacophony of shouts, taunts and unfriendly hand gestures.

In Wilmington, Delaware, near the stage that, until Saturday night, had stood empty since it was erected to celebrate on Election Night, people cheered and pumped their fists as the news that the presidential race had been called for the state's former senator arrived on their cellphones.

On the nearby water, two men in a kayak yelled to a couple paddling by in the opposite direction, "Joe won! They called it!" as people on the shore whooped and hollered. Harris, in workout gear, was shown on video speaking to Biden on the phone, exuberantly telling the president-elect "We did it!" Biden was expected to take the stage for a drive-in rally after dark.

Across the country, there were parties and prayer. In New York City, spontaneous block parties broke out. People ran out of their buildings, banging on pots. They danced and high-fived with strangers amid honking horns. Among the loudest cheers were those for passing U.S. Postal Service trucks.

People streamed into Black Lives Matter Plaza near the White House, near where Trump had ordered the clearing of protesters in June, waving signs and taking cellphone pictures. In Lansing, Michigan, Trump supporters and Black Lives Matter demonstrators filled the Capitol steps. The lyrics to "Amazing Grace" began to echo through the crowd, and Trump supporters laid their hands on a counter protester, and prayed.

Americans showed deep interest in the presidential race. A record 103 million voted early this year, opting to avoid waiting in long lines at polling locations during a pandemic. With counting continuing in some states, Biden had already received more than 74 million votes, more than any presidential candidate before him.

Trump's refusal to

concede has no legal implications. But it could add to the incoming administration's challenge of bringing the country together after a bitter election.

Throughout the campaign, Trump repeatedly refused to commit to a peaceful transfer of power, arguing without evidence that the election could be marred by fraud. The nation has a long history of presidential candidates peacefully accepting the outcome of elections, dating back to 1800, when John Adams conceded to his rival Thomas Jefferson.

It was Biden's native Pennsylvania that put him

over the top, the state he invoked throughout the campaign to connect with working class voters. He also won Nevada on Saturday pushing his total to 290 Electoral College votes.

Biden received congratulations from dozens of world leaders, and his former boss, President Barack Obama, saluted him in a statement, declaring the nation was "fortunate that Joe's got what it takes to be President and already carries himself that way."

Republicans on Capitol Hill were giving Trump and his campaign space to consider all their legal options. It was a precarious balance for Trump's allies

as they try to be supportive of the president -- and avoid risking further fallout -- but face the reality of the vote count.

On Saturday, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell had not yet made any public statements -- either congratulating Biden or joining Trump's complaints. But retiring GOP Sen. Lamar Alexander of Tennessee, who is close to McConnell, said, "After counting every valid vote and allowing courts to resolve disputes, it is important to respect and promptly accept the result."

More than 236,000 Americans have died during the coronavirus pandemic,

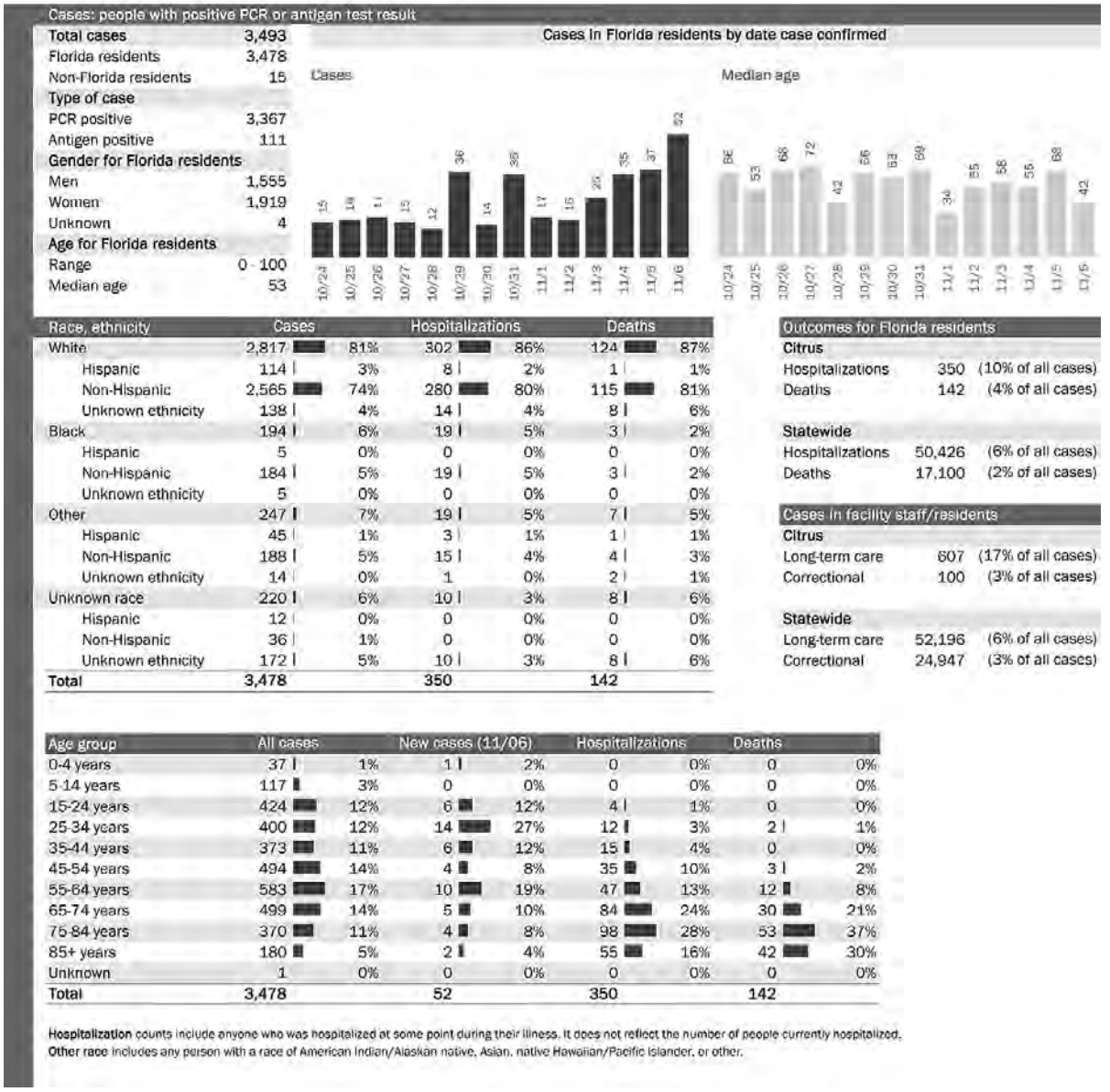
nearly 10 million have been infected and millions of jobs have been lost. The final days of the campaign played out against a surge in confirmed cases in nearly every state, including battlegrounds such as Wisconsin that swung to Biden.

The pandemic will soon be Biden's to tame, and he campaigned pledging a big government response, akin to what Franklin D. Roosevelt oversaw with the New Deal during the Depression of the 1930s. But Senate Republicans fought back several Democratic challengers and looked to retain a fragile majority that could serve as a check on such Biden ambition.

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WORLD REACTS



Associated Press

Beryl McCrainey Slevin, originally from California, reacts, as residents begin celebrations in the ancestral home of Joe Biden in anticipation of the results of the US election, in Ballina, Ireland, Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020.

Most world leaders express hope, relief

DAVID BILLER AND JOHN LEICESTER
Associated Press

World leaders swiftly congratulated U.S. President-elect Joe Biden on his victory Saturday, cheering it as an opportunity to fortify global democracy and celebrating the significance of Americans having their first woman vice president.

Although U.S. President Donald Trump did not concede defeat, relief was a common theme expressed in many parts of the world to the news that his reelection bid had failed.

"The Americans have chosen their President. Congratulations @JoeBiden and @KamalaHarris! We have a lot to do to overcome today's challenges. Let's work together!" tweeted French President Emmanuel Macron.

Other leaders who sent congratulations included German Chancellor Angela Merkel, NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg and Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi. The president of Ukraine, whose country was central to Trump's impeachment and an attempt by the Trump campaign to paint Biden and his family as corrupt, offered speedy congratulations.

Most Western allies quickly welcomed a fresh start with a new administration in Washington.

"We're looking forward to working with the next U.S. government," German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas tweeted. "We want to work in our cooperation for a new trans-Atlantic beginning, a New Deal."

Word of the victory in Pennsylvania that pushed Barack Obama's former vice president past the threshold of 270 Electoral College votes needed to take over the Oval Office cascaded around the globe on social media and live news broadcasts, sparking celebrations.

But the election's outcome inspired disbelief in Slovenia, the homeland of first lady Melania Trump. Prime Minister Janez Jansa was the only world leader who congratulated Trump even before all the votes were counted, and continued to show support after Biden's win was announced.

It also drew mixed reviews in Iraq. Many Iraqis remember Biden as having been a champion of the U.S. invasion of Iraq in 2003. Activists who have been protesting neighboring Iran's heavy hand in Iraq, had supported Trump and cheered the U.S. assassination of Iran's top general in an airstrike

at Baghdad's airport at the beginning of the year.

Still, Iraqi President Barham Salih tweeted his congratulations to Biden, describing him as a friend and trusted partner.

Indeed, detractors were outliers. Congratulations poured in from nations that disagreed with Trump administration policies, as well as from leaders who had gotten along with the Republican president but now were essentially ignoring his claims that the divisive election wasn't over.

United Arab Emirates' Crown Prince Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, who was particularly cozy with Trump's son-in-law Jared Kushner, extended his best wishes to Biden and Vice President-elect Kamala Harris on Twitter.

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who has been known for public displays of bonhomie with Trump, shared a photo of himself with Biden and offered his congratulations "on your spectacular victory!"

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson, another Trump ally, hailed Biden's win and said he looked forward to "working closely together on our shared priorities, from climate change to trade and security."

Both Modi and Johnson commented on Harris' election as the first Black woman vice president. Modi celebrated Harris' "pathbreaking" success and said her win is a "matter of immense pride" for all Indian-Americans.

Harris' late mother was from India. Kamala is Sanskrit for "lotus flower," and Harris gave nods to her Indian heritage throughout the campaign.

Her election struck an immediate chord internationally. It inspired calls in parts of Africa for governments long run by men to think again.

"Kamala Harris lights up the tunnel for many women who continue to advocate for gender equality and inclusion in leadership!" tweeted Anne Waiguru, one of two female governors in Kenya, where the Supreme Court president recently advised the country's president to dissolve parliament for failing to have enough female lawmakers.

"The time has also come to give our women the chance to occupy such a high office in our country and even the number one position," tweeted a Nigerian Cabinet minister, Festus Keyamo.

Nigeria's President Muhammadu Buhari said Biden's track record "gives us hope that he will add value to the presidency."

Kamala Harris makes history

California senator breaks glass ceiling in 2020 election

KATHLEEN RONAYN
Associated Press

Kamala Harris made history Saturday as the first Black woman elected as vice president of the United States, shattering barriers that have kept men — almost all of them white — entrenched at the highest levels of American politics for more than two centuries.

The 56-year-old California senator, also the first person of South Asian descent elected to the vice presidency, represents the multiculturalism that defines America but is largely absent from Washington's power centers.

Her Black identity has allowed her to speak in personal terms in a year of reckoning over police brutality and systemic racism. As the highest-ranking woman ever elected in American government, her victory gives hope to women who were devastated by Hillary Clinton's defeat four years ago.

Harris has been a rising star in Democratic politics for much of the last two decades, serving as San Francisco's district attorney and California's attorney general before becoming a U.S. senator.

After Harris ended her own 2020 Democratic presidential campaign, Joe Biden tapped her as his running mate. They will be sworn in as president and vice president on Jan. 20.

Biden's running mate selection carried added significance because he will be the oldest president ever inaugurated, at 78, and hasn't committed to seeking a second term in 2024.

Harris often framed her candidacy as part of the legacy — often



Associated Press

Students and alumni of Howard University, alma mater of Vice President-elect Kamala Harris, gather on campus to celebrate her victory with President-elect Joe Biden, Saturday evening, Nov. 7, 2020. Harris, a daughter of Indian and Jamaican immigrants, is set to become the highest-ranking woman in the nation's history.

undervalued — of pioneering Black women who came before her, including educator Mary McLeod Bethune, civil rights activist Fannie Lou Hamer and Rep. Shirley Chisholm, the first Black candidate to seek a major party's presidential nomination, in 1972.

"We're not often taught their stories," Harris said in August as she accepted her party's vice presidential nomination. "But as Americans, we all stand on their shoulders."

That history was on Sara Twyman's mind recently as she watched Harris campaign in Las Vegas and wore a sweatshirt featuring the senator's name alongside Chisholm.

"It's high time that a woman gets to the highest levels of our government," said Twyman, who is 35 and Black.

Despite the excitement surrounding Harris, she and Biden face steep challenges, including deepening racial tensions in the U.S. in the wake of a pandemic that has taken a disproportionate toll on people of color and a series of police killings of Black Americans. Harris' past work as a prosecutor has prompted skepticism among progressives and young voters who are looking to her to back sweeping institutional change over incremental reforms in policing, drug policy and more.



Associated Press

Volunteer firefighters huddle in prayer before beginning a search and rescue operation in San Cristobal Verapaz, Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, in the aftermath of Hurricane Eta. Searchers in Guatemala were digging through mud and debris looking for an estimated 100 people believed buried by a massive, rain-fueled landslide, as Eta regained tropical storm strength and churned toward Cuba.

Guatemala searches, Eta heads toward Cuba

Florida governor declares state of emergency for 8 counties

SONIA PÉREZ
Associated Press

PURULHA, Guatemala — Searchers in Guatemala dug through mud and debris looking for an estimated 100 people believed buried by a massive, rain-fueled landslide, as Tropical Storm Eta continued to gain strength Saturday and churned toward Cuba and southern Florida.

The U.S. National Hurricane Center said Eta was located about 85 miles west-southwest of Camaguey, Cuba, Saturday and was moving northeast at 16 mph with winds of 60 mph. The storm was expected to be near Cuba Saturday night and Sunday, and approach the Florida Keys or south Florida late Sunday.

Tropical storm warnings were issued for central Cuba, southern Florida and the Florida Keys. The hurricane center said flash floods could occur in the Cayman Islands, Jamaica and the Bahamas. Parts of southern Florida and the Keys were even put under a hurricane watch.

Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis declared a state of

emergency Saturday for eight counties at the end of the state as Eta approached, urging residents to stock up on supplies. South Florida started emptying ports and a small number of shelters opened in Miami and the Florida Keys for residents in mobile homes and low lying areas.

The storms' threat comes as many streets across South Florida have been inundated by heavy rains and unusual King Tides.

Back in Central America, which Eta reached as a Category 4 hurricane Tuesday before weakening into a tropical depression, authorities from Panama to Mexico were still surveying the damages from flooding and landslides following days of torrential rains. The confirmed death toll was in the dozens and expected to rise.

Search teams in Guatemalan began pulling the first bodies from a landslide in San Cristobal Verapaz, but the work was slow and help was trickling in. Teams first had to overcome multiple landslides and deep mud just to reach the site where officials have estimated some 150 homes were devastated.

VETERANS NOTES

Veterans Notes are only for special events that are open to the public. To find out about regularly scheduled post activities that welcome the public during the week, including entertainment and menus, call the post. For information about post members-only activities, call the individual posts for a schedule. Call the individual posts regarding meeting times and dates. Contributed notices must be submitted by Wednesday afternoon before publication the following Sunday.

NEW THIS WEEK

American Legion plans Veterans Day event

American Legion Post 166 will host a Veterans Day event on Wednesday, Nov. 11, at the post at 4520 S. Suncoast Blvd., Homosassa.

At 1:30 p.m., there will be a raffle for a Quilt of Valor, followed by a flag retirement service and ceremony at 2 p.m.

The Lecanto High School JROTC Color Guard will participate in the ceremony and the Homosassa Fire Department will be on site with their large fire truck.

Members of the post will provide snacks, sweets and treats all day. All veterans are welcome.

Yard sale proceeds assist Citrus veterans

All are invited to the next Citrus County Veterans Coalition (CCVC) yard sale from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 14, at 1081 N. Paul Drive, Inverness.

Rain or shine. This month's sale will feature a special clearance of Christmas items.

The coalition will also accept any food donations to help replenish supplies. Paper goods and canned/dry goods are especially needed.

All proceeds will be used to purchase food and other essentials for our registered veteran clients. If you are a veteran or know a veteran who can use assistance during these difficult times, have them register. Just bring a DD-214, or other proof of honorable discharge to the sale, or visit us any Tuesday or on the first and third Thursday of the month from 9 a.m. to noon to register.

For information, call 352-400-8952 or visit veterans-coalition.com.

COMING UP

All invited to Massing of the Colors Ceremony

Veterans and members of the public are invited to the annual Massing of the Colors Ceremony at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 8, at the New Church Without Walls, 300 S. Kensington Road, Lecanto.

Arrive by 1:45 p.m. to see a police escorted motorcycle procession.

Motorcycle procession staging is 1 p.m. at American Legion Post 155.

Contact Tom Voelz at 352-601-2882 or ALRNorthern@legionmail.org for information.

11th Hour Memorial Service, luncheon planned

There will be a Veterans Day 11th Hour Memorial Service beginning at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at the Old Courthouse Heritage Museum grounds.

Guest Speakers include U.S. Rep. Daniel Webster, Inverness Mayor Bob Plaisted and Citrus County Sheriff Mike Prendergast. Limited to 50 spectators.

Following the service, there will be a Veterans Day luncheon for veterans and their spouses at The Depot on North Apopka Avenue in Inverness.

Contact Chris Gregoriou at 352-302-9777 for more information. Contact Barbara Mills at 352-422-6236 or barbarajmills@earthlink.net for luncheon information.

Military Tribute Bikes on display for Veterans Day

The custom made Navy Tribute Bike designed by Justin Krumholtz will be on display to honor and remember veterans on Veterans Day Wednesday, Nov. 11, at Plaza Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge and Ram, at 2077 State Road 44 West, Inverness.

The Air Force Tribute Bike will be on display at Trick Concepts in Inverness by the Inverness Airport the week of Nov. 11.

The Army Tribute Bike will not be on display because it is in need of repairs. Please do not touch the bikes, as hand sanitizer eats through paint.

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US Army museum opens Nov. 11

All invited to livestream celebration

U.S. ARMY

Special to the Chronicle

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Army plans to open the National Museum of the United States Army on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, 2020. Building construction and exhibit installations are now complete, and the museum is ready to open its doors to the public for the first time.

The National Museum of the U.S. Army, located on a

publicly accessible area of Fort Belvoir, Virginia, will be the first and only museum to tell the entire history of the U.S. Army since its establishment in 1775.

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An exterior shot of the National Museum of the United States Army is shown. The U.S. Army plans to open the museum on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, 2020.

DUANE LEMPKE/Special to the Chronicle



Thank you for your service



MetroCreative

This Veterans Day, thank a veteran for their service and consider greeting them with a new and thoughtful expression of gratitude.

As Veterans Day approaches, thank a veteran with words of gratitude

Veterans Day is rapidly approaching and because of the pandemic situation, we will see far fewer activities to honor our veterans.

However, you'll have the chance to see many of us in the public arena wearing the familiar hat, shirt, or jacket depicting our service branch and war if served in combat. Once most of you see one of us in that attire, you'll probably come up to us and say, "Thank you for your service."

Veterans appreciate the warmth and remembrance of those moments, but there is more that should and could be done to honor those who served America in uniform to preserve our peace and freedom. I'll tell

you about it but, first of all, let's take another look at that method of greeting a veteran.

The Cohen Veterans Network is a national nonprofit organization of mental health clinics for post 9/11 vets and military families. They conducted a poll and found that 91% of civilians have thanked a veterans for their service; however, 49% of veterans feel uneasy with the expression, "Thank you for your service."

Veterans were asked what greeting would they prefer when approached by the public and their response was:

- When did you serve? (71%)
- Where were you stationed? (71%)
- What was your job while serving? (73%)

Of course, this does not mean you should stop the "Thank you for your service" greeting. Perhaps adding one of the above questions into your greeting would be more comfortable for many veterans. As it would be if you asked the veteran if they need any help, asked for their favorite story about serving, asked what branch of service they served in, asked what was the most rewarding part of serving, or asked what made the veteran the most proud to have served our country.

These questions I have proposed may seem a bit overdone to you. Let me tell you a little about veterans and perhaps you will understand why I expanded the greeting.

First of all, yes, some of us have killed people (please don't ask us if we have). Too, some of us did not like

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John Stewart
SERVING VETERANS

Paychecks for Patriots career fair goes virtual

Veterans, family members invited

Special to the Chronicle

CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion (CLM) will hold a "Paychecks for Patriots" virtual career fair on Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2020, as part of a statewide effort to connect Florida veterans with career opportunities. The career fair takes place from 10-11:30 a.m.

During Paychecks for Patriots, now in its eighth year, CareerSource CLM will help match veterans with employers who value the knowledge, skills and attributes attained during military service. Similar hiring events, mostly virtual, will be held throughout the month by other CareerSource Florida

regions.

CareerSource CEO Rusty Skinner said Paychecks for Patriots, which is open at no charge to veterans and members of military families, is part of an ongoing effort to "help make Florida the most veteran-friendly state in the nation."

"With Veterans Day upon us, and during our special month of giving thanks, we can think of no finer way to honor those who have served our country than by hiring a hero," Skinner said.

CareerSource CLM is using a multi-functional platform developed by recruiters that enables businesses and

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AMVETS donate funds for 'Hook a Veteran' fishing trip



Special to the Chronicle

AMVETS Post 89 Cmdr. Floyd Blodgett recently presented a check to American Legion Riders 166 Finance Officer Gary Merritt for the Post 166 American Legion Riders "Hook a Veteran" fishing trip for disabled veterans. The trip is directed to those veterans who cannot normally get out to fish due to age, mobility restrictions or handicaps. The event is planned for Veterans Day or a date close to Veterans Day. From left, are: Amvets Post 89 Past Cdmr. Roger Ingall, American Legion Riders Post 166 Finance Officer Gary Merritt and AMVETS Post 89 Cmdr. Floyd Blodgett.

■ Submit information for the Veterans page at least two weeks before the event.
■ Early submission of timely material is appreciated,

but multiple publications cannot be guaranteed.
■ Notes tend to run one week prior to the date of an event. Publication on a specific day is not guaranteed.

■ Submit material at *Chronicle* offices in Inverness or Crystal River; by fax at 352-563-3280; or email to community@chronicleonline.com.

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Annie gives advice

Dear Annie: We are on our second marriage and in our 60s. I believe he loves me, but Facebook is coming between us.



DEAR ANNIE

He used to ask pretty, single younger women to be friends. I had a fit and told him it had better stop, and it has.

Am I overreacting to getting upset when he finds an attractive woman and "likes" nearly everything on her page...

Part of intimacy is connecting face to face with eye contact, and if his eyes are glued to a screen with other women on them, you have every right to be upset.

However, there have been regular conversations with only a few that he has known, and they were single.

I tell him that it could open doors, and women are more emotional and can read into the conversation as flirting.

I have seen him chatting with women, but he's not saying anything sexual.

I have been having serious thoughts about leaving him. I have made him realize how this makes me feel.

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Today's MOVIES

Times provided by Regal Cinemas and are subject to change; call ahead.

LOCAL THEATER INFORMATION

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

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- COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS ARE IN PLACE. Valerie Theatre, Inverness; 352-341-7850. "Calendar Girls" (PG-13) Nov. 8, 3 p.m.

Sunday PUZZLER

ACROSS and DOWN crossword puzzle clues and a grid with numbers 1-166.

Publix offers discount to veterans on Veterans Day

Get 10% off with military ID

Associated Press

As a token of appreciation for their military service, veterans, active military and their families can save 10% on their groceries this Veterans Day, Wednesday, Nov. 11. To receive the discount, customers should present their veteran or military ID card, discharge document or a driver's license with veteran designation at checkout.

"Publix is proud to once again provide a discount to veterans and current military in our

communities," said Publix Director of Communications Maria Brous. "We are a company founded on the ideal of service to others, and this discount is a small gesture of gratitude for the sacrifices our veterans and military families have made, and many continue to make, for our country."

Prescriptions, alcohol, tobacco, gift cards, lottery tickets, postage stamps and money services are excluded from the discount, which is valid for in-store purchases only. Customers are responsible for all

applicable taxes.

Publix, the largest employee-owned company in the U.S. with more than 225,000 associates, currently operates 1,253 stores in Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia. For 23 consecutive years, the company has been recognized by Fortune as a great place to work. In addition, Publix's dedication to superior quality and customer service is recognized among the top in the grocery business. For more information, visit the company's website, corporate.publix.com.

Dunnellon quilting group honors Navy veteran for service



Sam Dunlap, career Navy veteran, receives a patriotic quilt from the Dunnellon Country Quilters in recognition for his service. The Country Quilters meet from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Mondays at the First United Methodist Church on Highway 40 West in Dunnellon.

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Vietnam veteran to speak at MOAA event

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Citrus County Chapter welcomes veterans and the public to attend a Thursday, Nov. 12, speaker event at 11 a.m. at the American Legion Post 155 located at 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River.

The featured speaker is Army combat medic and Silver Star recipient Frank Jolliff, author of "365 and a Wake-Up: My Year in Vietnam."

To provide a safe environment, masks will be required and seating will be arranged to meet social distancing requirements. Registration is required to plan seating. Register at the chapter's website at "Upcoming Events" section at: <https://tinyurl.com/y3dxytw2>. Click on the "November MOAA Sponsored Speaker Event" link.

VFW Post celebrates 75th anniversary

Eugene M. Quinn VFW Post 4337 will celebrate its 75th anniversary on Sunday, Nov. 15, 2020. The

celebration will begin at 2 p.m.

The post received its charter on Nov. 14, 1945. Eugene M. Quinn, a graduate of Citrus High School Class of 1940, became the first casualty of World War II from Citrus County.

Call 352-344-3495 for additional information.

Ride in Wreaths Across America Benefit Run

Join Crystal Harley-Davidson and American Legion Riders Chapter 237 for a "Wreaths Across America Benefit Run" beginning at 9:45 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at Crystal Harley Davidson, 1147 S. Suncoast Blvd., Homosassa.

Kick stands up at 11 a.m.

Stops include: American Legion Post 166, 4520 S. Suncoast Blvd., Homosassa; Crystal River Eagles, 5340 W. Grover Cleveland Blvd., Homosassa; IRRU Social Club, 922 U.S. 41 South, Inverness; and American Legion Post 237, 6726 N. Le-canto Highway, Beverly Hills (final stop). Last bike in at 5 p.m.

High dice roll wins prize. Entry fee is \$20 for rider and passenger (includes meal at final stop). All motorcycles and autos welcome to ride.

There will be a 50/50 at each stop and 100% of profits go to purchase wreaths to be placed at Bushnell

National Cemetery for fallen heroes and their families. Come out and help us with this worthy cause.

Make a donation at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/wreaths-for-bushnell>. For more information, contact Director John Roby at 352-536-7480 or American Legion Post 237 at 352-897-4776.

American Legion hosts mobile pantry giveaway

American Legion Post 155 in partnership with We Care Food Pantry will host a Mobile Food Pantry from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 21, at located at American Legion Post 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River.

All are welcome to simply drive up and have your trunk filled with free food boxes. For information, call Doug or Ashley at 352-795-6526.

GOOD TO KNOW

Apply for Chapter 776 MOPH scholarships

Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 Military Order of the Purple Heart is pleased to announce two scholarship opportunities for local graduating high school seniors.

Chapter 776's College of Central Florida (CF) Endowed Scholarship awards \$1,250 to a graduating senior accepted or currently enrolled as a full time student (12 or more semester credit hours) at CF for academic year 2021-22.

Chapter 776's Sgt. Dennis J. Flanagan Memorial Scholarship awards \$1,000 to a graduating senior enrolled in the JROTC program and accepted as a full time student (12 or more semester credit hours) at any accredited U.S. college for Academic Year 2021-22.

The Chapter 776 scholarship information and application can be obtained at www.citruspurpleheart.org, by contacting your school guidance department or by either emailing info@citruspurpleheart.org or calling 352-382-3847. Chapter 776 must receive scholarship applications no later than 5 p.m. Feb. 26, 2021.

Donate to Wreaths Across America

Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 776 would like assistance in donating 500 wreaths to put on the graves at the Bushnell National Cemetery on Dec. 19, 2020.

The wreaths help to thank those who have served. Please help us reach or exceed our goal of 500 wreaths this year to honor our

veterans.

If there is still a problem with COVID-19 at that time, the wreaths will be placed in December 2021.

To donate a wreath, visit wreathscrossamerica.org/FL0227P, click on Sponsor a Wreath. Group ID No. FL0227P, the cemetery is FLNCCBU. Online, you can request site specific to be honored. Cost is \$15 per wreath. For more information or assistance, email mom4sba@tampabay.rr.com.

CCVC expands services in light of COVID-19

In addition to existing clients at the Citrus County Veterans Coalition (CCVC), the coalition is now accepting any veteran who now be unemployed, due to the COVID-19 outbreak. Also, any veteran, whose financial situation has changed, is also invited to attend the CCVC food pantry for assistance.

A DD-214 certificate or other proof of honorable discharge must be shown to qualify for assistance.

The CCVC pantry is located at 1081 N. Paul Drive, Inverness, and is open from 9 a.m. to noon every Tuesday, and the first and third Thursdays of the month. For further information, call 352-400-8952.

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the military and not everyone of us saw combat. But all of us trained very hard to defend the free world and, if necessary, be forced to take a human life. Some of us have Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) because of it, and our response back to your greeting may in some instances seem somewhat strange but please understand living with PTSD is horrific.

Secondly, many of us had unbelievable problems while serving and now that we have entered civilian life, we still have some of those problems along with others in our new life. In 2018, for example, the number of veterans aged 65 or above living with an income below the poverty level was 494,000. For the 55 to 64 age group, 304,000 veterans lived with an income below poverty level. For 35 to 54, it was 252,000 living with an income below poverty level. One in eight military families are going hungry. Military spouses are struggling to find work and stay employed. Service members worry about health care for their most vulnerable family members. Now we have 20 years of consecutive war while the pandemic continues and the challenges military families face have gotten no easier. Having one or two deployments into combat used to be the norm. Now we see veterans serving 10, 11, 12, or more — with no end in sight.

My comments about the amending the greetings may now be starting to get your attention after telling you some of our difficulties. There are other problems, such as the fact that veterans have many Bills before Congress, with few being addressed. Most are simply sitting on someone's desk month after month after month; somewhere around 145 bills introduced since last year to be specific with only 33 enacted. Bills to help veteran homelessness, reducing high risk to veterans, improving employment opportunities, help with housing for women veterans, provide support for



suicide prevention, develop presumptive benefits for those exposed to burn pits in Iraq and Afghanistan, manage support for veterans families, and a host of other important steps to help and honor our veterans and their families. I'll give you an example.

I am on a board up north that was developed to improve veterans support by that particular State in areas ranging from taxation, to employment opportunities. On our board is another retired Air Force Chief Master Sergeant, like me, and we share the medical condition of prostate cancer: His being stage 4 and mine being in the stages. But we are not alone. In the Veterans Administration (VA), there are 489,000 registered veterans with the same cancer; the number one cancer disease diagnosed in the VA. A bill was introduced in Congress, H.R. 6092, the Veterans Prostate Cancer Treatment and Research Act, designed to be a national clinical pathway for prostate cancer and a standardized system of care for the treatment. It would improve health care outcomes for our veterans by standardizing treatment options and expanding access to cutting-edge clinical trials. Additionally, this bill will create a real-time registry to track patient progress and will allow patients greater access to cutting edge clinical

trials. You'd think this bill would be expedited thru Congress. Ain't happening. Though introduced March 5 of this year and finally passed in the House on Sept. 22, it was referred to the Committee on Veterans Affairs by the Senate where it rests someplace on a desk.

Now, if you don't mind, I have a couple questions I'd like to ask you. How many veterans have had their prostate cancer spread to other areas during the 9 months since the bill was introduced? How many have died? How many may have received better medical care thereby avoiding the spread, or death itself, from cancer if the bill had been expedited thru the congressional nightmare? How many?

So, why have I told you about this Bill? Because Veterans Day is approaching. Because you will be approaching veterans and perhaps saying "Thank you for your service." How about amending your greeting to veterans this Veterans Day, and every day, with the following statement: "I want you to know there are many bills sitting before Congress that would impact better support for you and your family. I intend to write my congressman and demand immediate attention to those bills. Thank you for your service. How about telling me what your job was and where were you stationed."

The Cohen Veterans Network, a national nonprofit organization of mental health clinics for post 9/11 vets and military families, conducted a poll and found that 91% of civilians have thanked a veterans for their service; however, 49% of veterans feel uneasy with the expression, "Thank you for your service."

MetroCreative

If you are near a veterans memorial this Veterans day, or any day, you will not hear tears but you will see them. You will not hear sadness but you will see it. You will hear not hear our sacrifices but it is there. There will be many things that you might not hear but I guarantee you that if you get involved to support us you will one day hear these words from us: "Thank you for your service."

John Stewart is a retired Air Force Chief Master Sergeant, disabled Vietnam War veteran and has been a veterans advocate for nearly three decades. In 2016 he was inducted into the Florida Veterans Hall of Fame for his volunteer service.

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Elks donate to homeless veterans shelter



Recently, members of the West Citrus Elks 2693 Veterans Committee presented a check for \$2,850 to Katherine Romanowski, representing the Mission in Citrus Inc., a local shelter for homeless veterans. This donation will help them to offset their operating expenses. The West Citrus Elks Veterans Committee also helps support veterans in assisted living facilities in Citrus County. When permitted, they have personal visits with the veterans as a way of thanking them for their service and letting them know they are not forgotten. They also supply them with needed items as well as occasional goodies and remember them on holidays and their birthdays. Pictured, from left, are: Frank Hayes, Katherine Romanowski and Joanne Hepner.

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MUSEUM

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“The U.S. Army and the American Soldier forged the birth of our nation,” said Secretary of the Army, Ryan D. McCarthy. “The National Army Museum will be a place for members of the total Army family to gather and share their stories, while also creating an opportunity for visitors to connect with our nation’s history through the eyes and voices of individual soldiers.”

The museum’s Experiential Learning Center will provide visitors of all ages a unique opportunity to participate in hands-on, educational and team-building activities in the areas of geography, science, technology,

engineering and math. “The museum is stunning, and it is an honor to present this history in a way that shows the connection between the American soldier, the U.S. Army and the nation,” said the museum’s director, Tammy E. Call.

The museum will open with enhanced health and safety measures for visitors. Free, timed-entry tickets are required to manage visitor capacity and provide an optimal experience to visitors.

“We have worked hard to ensure the safety of our staff and visitors, and we are excited to open the doors of this long-awaited national museum,” added Call.

The museum is a joint effort between the U.S. Army and the Army Historical Foundation (AHF),

a nonprofit organization. The AHF constructed the building through private funds, and the U.S. Army provided the infrastructure, roads, utilities and exhibit work that transformed the building into a museum. The Army owns and operates the museum, and the AHF manages retail, catering and special events.

“The Army is people. They are our greatest strength and our most important weapon system,” said the Chief of Staff of the Army, Gen. James C. McConville. “The National Museum of the United States Army is designed to tell the compelling and heroic stories of our people and take visitors on an exciting journey through the history of the U.S. Army as told through the American

Soldiers’ point of view.”

The opening will be preceded by a small ceremony that will be livestreamed to encourage people around the world to participate in this historic moment. A link to the livestream will be posted on the museum’s website and social channels as soon as it’s available. For more information, visit <http://www.theNMUSA.org>.

To view a video of the National Museum of the U.S. Army, visit https://youtu.be/3MLNA_b2EE.

For inquiries on the National Army Museum, its holdings, site, tours and tickets, contact the National Museum of the U.S. Army Public Affairs, Susan Smullen at susan.l.fazakerley-smullen.civ@mail.mil or 202-246-1610.

Citrus County shelter for veterans

■ The Mission in Citrus provides shelter, clothing, tents, food, haircuts, help with furthering education, job help and much more for veterans. The Mission needs local businesses, individuals and churches to help adopt our veterans. We are the only veterans shelter in Citrus County. Help is need for utilities, leases and more. Stop by and visit. To help and for information, call 352-270-4357. The Mission is at 306 S. Park Ave., Inverness.

Veterans sought to share experiences

■ Veterans living in Citrus County who served in the U.S. armed forces and are interested in sharing their experiences in the service with Chronicle readers are encouraged to contact the community editor, Gwen Bittner, at Gwen.Bittner@chronicleonline.com or 352-563-3224. Be prepared to leave a detailed message.

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- Roger Cramer, Inverness vs. Linda

- Kathleen Cramer, Citrus Springs.
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- Jessie Danyelle Hart, Dunnellon vs. Justin Timothy Hart, Trenton.
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- Nicholas Rossi, Lecanto vs. Erika Rossi, Floral City.
- Joshua Wright, Inverness vs. Zoie Starr Wright, Floral City.

SO YOU KNOW

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VA looking for volunteer drivers

Do you have a few hours during the week to drive a Citrus County veteran to much needed services?

Volunteer drivers are desperately needed to drive veterans to appointments at the Gainesville Veterans' Administration Medical Center (VAMC) and to the Villages Out Patient Clinic (OPC). Drivers volunteer on an on-call basis, one to three times a week. Volunteers will receive a free physical examination at the Gainesville VAMC, lunch

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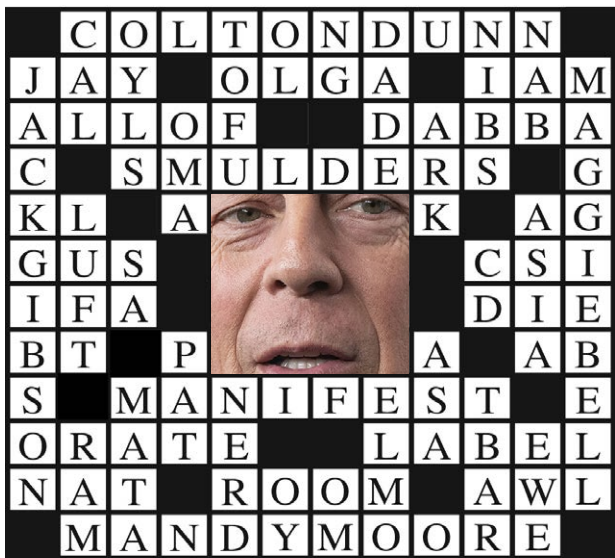


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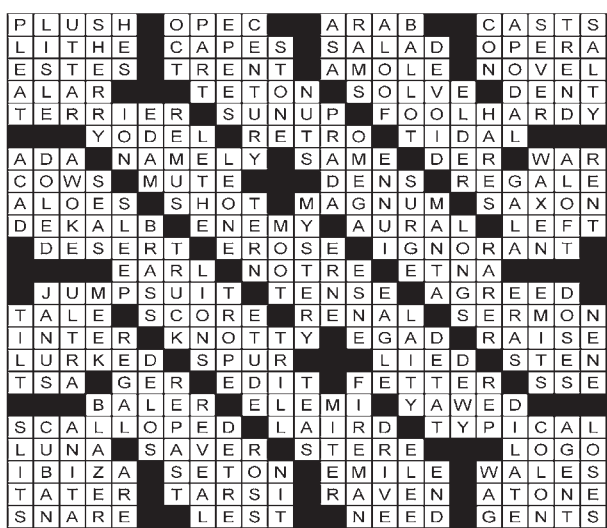
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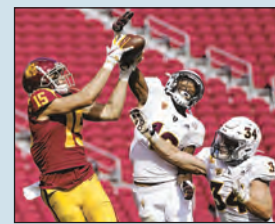


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SPORTS BRIEFS

Local cross country runners advance to FHSAA state meet

It was a great day Saturday for cross country runners in Citrus County, as a pair of teams and two more individuals had outstanding performances at their respective regional meets to advance to next week's state championships.

At the Class 2A-Region 2 Meet at Wickham Park in Melbourne, both the Citrus boys and girls teams placed in the top 4 to advance to state next Friday morning at Apalachee Regional Park in Tallahassee. The girls will run at 10:20 a.m. and the boys at 10:55 a.m.

The girls qualified for the fifth year in a row, placing third in the region with a score of 91, led by junior Mackenzie Scordato, who finished second in the region in 19:33.9.

"It's exciting. It's always a goal for us. It's always meaningful and they work really hard," Citrus girls coach Roselle Lattin said. "It also feels good because it's an improvement from last year. It's nice to see improvement year to year, especially with the same core group of girls that are juniors."

For the boys, who placed fourth with a 127, this is their first trip to state as a team since 2017. Cody Bishir had the team's top finish, running a 14th-place 17:36.96

"We knew that it'd be incredibly close, but the boys really pulled it out. It's an incredibly tough reason as it is. The region has the No. 1-ranked team in 2A, Satellite," Citrus boys coach Karen Tyler said. "The boys were rated seventh going in. We knew it'd be close, it'd be a heartbreakingly close and we'd be the ones heartbroken, but we placed fourth and that was really amazing in a competitive region as it is."

At the Class 3A-Region 3 Meet at Lake Region High School in Eagle Lake, a pair of Lecanto runners earned berths to state.

Freshman Catalina Veldwijk finished seventh overall with a clocking of 20:05.2 and earned one of the four at-large state meet berths with her performance. The top 4 individuals not on a qualifying team advanced to Tallahassee.

The Panthers finished eighth in the team race.

"I'm just proud of how they performed over the course of the season," Lecanto girls coach Ben Simmons said. "I'm proud of how they did over the course of the season considering the additional stressors of running with COVID and all that."

In the boys race, junior Brandon Rydzewski placed eighth with a time of 17:12.5 and earned the third of four at-large berths to state. The Panthers took ninth in the team race.

"I'm really proud of the team for making it this far to regionals. It's not the overall result we were hoping for, but we still ran season bests, a couple guys PR'd," Lecanto boys coach Nate Cuelar said. "He's (Rydzewski) always training and works really, really hard, but he really kicked it into another level. That and we encouraged him to start the race faster than normal. He was able to start fast, keep up with the leaders of the pack and never fell back from there. I couldn't be happier. If anyone deserves a trip to states, it would be Brandon."

The Class 3A State Finals will be held Saturday, Nov. 14 at 7:30 a.m. at Apalachee Regional Park in Tallahassee.

Crystal River's Wilson secures trip to states swim meet

Crystal River senior Marshall Wilson will return to states for the third straight season after finishing second in both the 50-yard freestyle and 100-yard freestyle on Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, in the Region 2A-2 meet. See BRIEFS/Page B3

Trask leads triumph



Florida tight end Kyle Pitts (84) tumbles to get past Georgia defensive back Lewis Cine (16) after a reception during the first half of a game, Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, in Jacksonville.

No. 8 Florida knocks off No. 5 Georgia 44-28 in 'Cocktail Party'

MARK LONG
AP sports writer

JACKSONVILLE — Kyle Trask started jumping up and down on the sideline. His Florida teammates took it to another level, running and leaping into the stands.

Coach Dan Mullen wasn't going to be left out of the fun. Mullen pulled himself onto the edge of the front row and celebrated wildly with fans.

Mullen clearly understood the magnitude of the victory. Everyone did.

Trask had another four-touchdown night, becoming the first quarterback in Southeastern Conference history to accomplish the feat in five consecutive games, and the eighth-ranked Gators beat No. 5 and undermanned Georgia 44-28 on Saturday.

"You've got to enjoy it," Mullen said. "I might be 48 years old, but I'm really young on the inside so I've still got to enjoy some of that stuff."

The Gators (4-1) ended a three-game losing streak in the rivalry known as the "World's Largest Outdoor Cocktail

Party" — it was Mullen's most significant victory in three years in Gainesville — and now have a stranglehold on the SEC's East Division.

The Bulldogs (4-2), who entered the game as 3 1/2-point favorites, were likely eliminated from College Football Playoff consideration and probably have a quarterback competition moving forward.

Florida, meanwhile, has a Heisman Trophy contender.

Trask completed 30 of 43 passes for a career-high 474 yards — 8 yards shy of Tim Tebow's single-game school record — despite playing much of the night without standout tight end Kyle Pitts.

Pitts was knocked out of the game in the second quarter on Lewis Cine's crushing hit over the middle. Cine was ejected for targeting, adding to Georgia's already-thin defense.

The Bulldogs were without nose tackle Jordan Davis (elbow), safety Richard LeCounte (motorcycle accident) and defensive tackle Julian Rochester (knee) to start the game.

Trask and the Gators took advantage,

burning Georgia repeatedly with wheel routes while overcoming a 14-0 deficit. Running backs Malik Davis, Nay'Quan Wright and Dameon Pierce combined to catch 10 passes for 212 yards.

"Kyle Trask does a great job," Mullen said. "He's not going to force the ball. If they're going bracket and take away and double people, he's going to go to who you're not doubling or covering."

Once Trask and Florida got going, the Bulldogs did little to stop them. The Gators scored on seven of eight possessions after a three-and-out to open the game and finished with 571 yards — the most allowed in Georgia coach Kirby Smart's five seasons.

"We just can't let this game define us," Dawgs receiver Kearis Jackson said. "We're not in the situation we want to be in right now, but we still have games to be played. There are still plays out there to be made."

The Bulldogs had several chances to make it a one-possession game late, but D'Wan Mathis kept overthrowing open receivers. Mathis, who started the

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Bucs, Saints collide on SNF

First place on line in NFC South

FRED GOODALL
AP sports writer

TAMPA — Tom Brady vs. Drew Brees won't be the only compelling storyline when the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and New Orleans Saints clash with first place on the line in the NFC South.

The NFL career passing leaders meet for the seventh time Sunday night, with Brady (561) and Brees (560) ranking first and second on the touchdown passes list after exchanging the lead three times in the past two weeks.

The Bucs (6-2) have won three straight, six of seven since losing to Brees in Week 1.

The three-time defending division champion Saints (5-2) have won four in a row to stay on the heels of Brady, Tampa Bay's ever-expanding collection of offensive playmakers and a defense that has emerged as one of the best in the league.

Brees, 41, called the TD pass race "pretty cool" while stressing what's more important is winning and regaining the division lead.

"Speaking for myself, I'm just



Tampa Bay Buccaneers quarterback Tom Brady throws during the first half of a game against the New York Giants, Monday, Nov. 2, 2020, in East Rutherford, N.J.

laser focused on the job that is right in front of me, and the opportunity that we have this week," the Saints quarterback said.

Brady, 43, also had little to say

about the uniqueness of him and Brees chasing history at the same time.

Brees took over the top spot with two TD passes in an overtime win over Chicago last

Sunday. Brady reclaimed the lead with a pair of scoring passes against the New York Giants on Monday night.

"We've both been around for

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No. 20 USC rallies late, stuns ASU 28-27

Doaks, Ridder help No. 6 Cincinnati

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Drake London caught a 21-yard touchdown pass with 1:20 to play, and No. 20 Southern California rallied from a late 13-point deficit for a 28-27 victory over Arizona State on Saturday in the Pac-12's long-delayed season opener.

Bru McCoy caught a deflected 26-yard TD pass with 2:52 left for the Trojans (1-0), and McCoy then recovered the ensuing on-side kick as well. On fourth and 9, Kedon Slovis fired a pass down the middle to London, and the two-sport athlete beat double coverage to haul it in for an electrifying score.

USC's defense then stopped Arizona State (0-1) on downs near midfield with 50 seconds left to preserve an astonishing comeback for perpetually embattled coach Clay Helton's team.

"Well, it reminds you of 2020, doesn't it?" Helton said. "A year of adversity and finding a way to overcome hard situations. I'm proud of our football team. We made it."

Until their rally, the Trojans were struggling for poise and precision in a game that began at 9 a.m. USC agreed to its earliest kickoff in at least 70 years for a national television audience, but it looked like another embarrassment for Helton and his Trojans — before it abruptly turned into a thrilling triumph.

USC racked up 556 yards of offense and outgained the Sun Devils by 164 yards, but the Trojans were nearly finished

because they committed three turnovers and turned the ball over on downs two more times — all inside ASU territory.

Slovis passed for 381 yards for USC, while Stephen Carr and Markese Stepp made scoring runs in the first half. London also caught eight passes for 125 yards, none bigger than his winning TD reception.

"That play was a play we run all the time," Slovis said. "There was three steps and a hitch ball, and Drake did the rest for me."

Freshman DeaMonte Trayanum rushed for 87 yards and two touchdowns, while Rachaad White had a 55-yard TD reception in a similarly strong debut for the Sun Devils, who got agonizingly close to an impressive road win for coach Herm Edwards and new offensive coordinator Zak Hill.

"The thing I've learned about college football, they can score at any moment," Edwards said. "We had an opportunity defensively to get off the field a couple of times, and we didn't do it. We gave their offense life, and they were able to make the plays. I just think we're going to grow from this, put it behind us and get ready to play next week."

Jayden Daniels passed for 134 yards and ran for 111 more, but the Sun Devils' star quarterback threw four straight incompletions to end their last-ditch drive.

New Arizona State co-defensive coordinator Marvin Lewis also was on the verge of a resilient debut before the Trojans broke through.

"I don't think we were out of gas," Arizona State safety Evan Fields said. "We've just got to do a better job having mental toughness. That's what it comes down to. Our focus,



Associated Press

Southern California wide receiver Drake London (15) catches a pass in the end zone for a touchdown as Arizona State defensive back Kejuan Markham (12) and linebacker Kyle Soelle (34) defend during the second half of a game Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, in Los Angeles. USC won 28-27.

we can't let it tire."

The USC defense had a decent start under new coordinator Todd Orlando, but the Sun Devils showed a knack for big plays like White's exceptional run to score on an ordinary screen pass in the second quarter.

USC trailed 17-14 at halftime despite outgaining the Sun Devils. The Trojans lost a fumble at the goal line by Vavae Malepeai and later got stopped on downs near midfield. Slovis then threw an interception with the Trojans in field-goal range right before the break.

Trayanum's second TD run from 17 yards out put the Sun Devils up 24-14 midway through the third quarter.

Arizona State's defense had its biggest moment

shortly afterward, stopping two running plays for no gain by the Trojans from the Sun Devils 6 for a turnover on downs.

Stepp also fumbled on fourth down at the ASU 23 with 6:04 to play, but the Trojans' offense finally caught a break when McCoy made his first career TD catch when a contested pass deflected straight to him in the end zone.

No. 6 Cincinnati 38, Houston 10

CINCINNATI — Gerrid Doaks rushed for a career-high 184 yards and one touchdown, Desmond Ridder ran for three scores and threw for another and Cincinnati rolled past Houston.

The Bearcats (6-0, 4-0 American Athletic Conference) extended their

school-record home winning streak to 18 games.

No. 7 Texas A&M 48, South Carolina 3

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Kellen Mond threw four touchdown passes to become Texas A&M's career leader, Isaiah Spiller ran for 131 yards and the Aggies routed South Carolina.

No. 12 Oregon 35, Stanford 14

EUGENE, Ore. — Tyler Shough picked up where Justin Herbert left off, throwing for 227 yards and a touchdown and running for another score to lead Oregon past short-handed Stanford in the opener for both teams.

No. 13 Indiana 38, No. 23 Michigan 21

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Michael Penix Jr. passed for

342 yards and three touchdowns and Indiana beat Michigan for the first time in 33 years.

No. 14 Oklahoma St. 20, Kansas St. 18

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Jason Taylor II returned a fumble 85 yards for a touchdown late in the fourth quarter, and Oklahoma State stopped Kansas State's 2-point try that would have tied it with 2:08 to go.

No. 16 Marshall 51, Massachusetts 10

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Grant Wells threw three touchdown passes, Brenden Knox ran for two scores and Marshall pummeled Massachusetts.

Marshall (6-0) continued to produce a season-long balance on offense that keeps opponents guessing.

Pickett returns to help Pitt snap skid, defeat FSU

No. 17 Cyclones overcome TOs, rally past Baylor

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — Kenny Pickett knew he would miss some games with an ankle injury. But he also had a recovery plan and intended to be back in time to face Florida State.

His return was just the spark Pittsburgh needed.

Nick Patti had two touchdown runs, Pickett added a 10-yard TD run and the Panthers capitalized on short fields to defeat Florida State 41-17 on Saturday night, snapping a four-game losing streak.

Pickett returned to the starting lineup after missing two games, losses to top-15 teams Miami and Notre Dame. The senior completed 21 of 27 passes for 210 yards, connecting with freshman Jordan Addison a season-high 11 times for 127 yards.

"I'm just not at 100 percent yet," Pickett said. "I had this game circled after it happened, I kind of knew this was the game where it would come back or at least plan to come back. A credit to our training staff and doctors. I was pretty much living with those guys to this moment. A lot of hard work went into it and it's just great to be back."

Pickett said he was watching Florida State film, preparing for this game during the bye last week. With Pitt on the goal line twice in the first half, he yielded to Patti for touchdown runs from 1 and 2 yards for Pittsburgh (4-4, 3-4 Atlantic Coast Conference). But Pickett was efficient and showed little effects from the ankle injury.

"Kenny Pickett is a tough, tough son of a gun," Pitt coach Pat Narduzzi said. "I didn't even know if he was going to go or not. He did go and he played hard. Obviously, he had a heavily taped up, braced ankle, but he's my MVP. Our offense ticks when he's out there."

Florida State's offense stopped ticking and was scoreless in the second half for a third straight game. Jordan Travis had an



Associated Press

Iowa State quarterback Brock Purdy gets off a pass despite pressure from Baylor linebacker William Bradley-King during the first half of a game Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, in Ames, Iowa.

88-yard TD run, but Florida State (2-5, 1-5) couldn't generate much of a rushing attack otherwise, accumulating just 58 yards on their other 34 carries.

Travis left the game at halftime with an undisclosed injury. Freshman Chubba Purdy came off the bench and completed 12 of 21 passes for 38 yards, including an interception.

The Panthers scored four touchdowns with the benefit of short fields, completing drives of 32, 41, 47 and 20 yards. Two interceptions as well as a pair of fourth-down stops helped Pitt's offense.

"That's all the difference in the world when you give your offense a short field to work with," Narduzzi said. "The offense did a heck of a job, the run game, the pass game, we put it all together."

Brandon Hill also had a 50-yard interception return for a touchdown in the fourth quarter; the Panthers' third pick of the game.

SirVocea Dennis had two of Pitt's seven sacks, which

matched a season-best for the Panthers. Pitt also had seven sacks against Syracuse and Louisville.

Pitt's defensive pressure coupled with the turnovers forced Florida State coach Mike Norvell to go for it on fourth down, with the Seminoles converting just 1 of 3 chances.

"We put the defense in some really bad situations tonight with field position and some turnovers," Norvell said. "Right now we're not at that place within our program where we're able to overcome the negatives that are showing up there offensively."

No. 17 Iowa State 38, Baylor 31

AMES, Iowa — Brock Purdy threw three touchdown passes in the second half after throwing three interceptions in the first, and Iowa State rallied to beat Baylor.

The Cyclones (5-2) are 5-1 in conference play for the first time in the program's 128-year history and are first in the Big 12 by a half-game.

No. 18 SMU 47, Temple 23

PHILADELPHIA — Shane Buechele threw four touchdown passes, two to Tyler Page, and SMU broke away from undermanned Temple.

The game was pushed back from its original Thursday date while Temple dealt with virus-related issues. The Owls were missing 15 players who were in COVID-19 protocol.

No. 19 Oklahoma 62, Kansas 9

NORMAN, Okla. — Rhamondre Stevenson ran for 104 yards and two touchdowns and Oklahoma routed winless Kansas.

Stevenson, in his second game back from a suspension, also caught four passes for 60 yards.

Spencer Rattler passed for 212 yards and a touchdown and ran for a score to help the Sooners (5-2, 4-2 Big 12) win their fourth straight game. It was Oklahoma's 22nd consecutive November win dating to 2014.

The Sooners got a scare when

Rattler left the game briefly in the second quarter with what appeared to be an injury to his left hip. He ran for a touchdown and took a hard shot right after he crossed the goal line. Rattler returned and played much of the third quarter.

No. 22 Texas 17, West Virginia 13

AUSTIN, Texas — Texas stopped West Virginia on fourth-down passes into the end zone twice in the fourth quarter, enabling the Longhorns to escape.

Texas (5-2, 4-2 Big 12) overcame an offense that produced nearly 100 yards and 27 points fewer than its average.

No. 25 Liberty 38, Virginia Tech 35

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Alex Barbir hit a career-long 51-yard field goal with a second left to lift Liberty past Virginia Tech.

The Flames rallied from a 20-14 halftime deficit to move to 7-0 for the first time in program history.

Memphis 34, USF 33

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Brady White threw a pair of late touchdown passes to lift Memphis to a 34-33 win over South Florida.

After Spencer Schrader kicked his fourth field goal of the game with about 4 1/2 minutes left to extend the Bulls' lead to 33-20, White threw a 10-yard TD pass to Sean Dykes and then a 9-yard score to Calvin Austin III with just over a minute remaining to go ahead before the Bulls turned the ball over on downs. The final Memphis drives were both over 70 yards and took the Tigers (4-2, 3-2 American Athletic) a little over 2 1/2 minutes combined to complete.

FAU 10, Western Kentucky 6

BOCA RATON — Backup quarterback Javion Posey scored the game's only touchdown on an 11-yard run with 2:27 remaining and Florida Atlantic beat Western Kentucky 10-6.

Posey finished with nine carries for 60 yards. Tronti was 7-of-16 passing for 106 yards. BJ Emmons added 56 yards rushing on 14 carries for FAU (3-1, 3-1 Conference USA).

NASCAR Xfinity Desert Diamond Casino West Valley 200 Results

Saturday
At Phoenix Raceway
Avondale.
Lap length: 1.00 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

- (3) Austin Cindric, Ford, 206 laps, 40 points.
- (6) Noah Gragson, Chevrolet, 206, 48.
- (8) Brandon Jones, Toyota, 206, 42.
- (10) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 206, 43.
- (1) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 206, 32.
- (5) Harrison Burton, Toyota, 206, 37.
- (7) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 206, 36.
- (4) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 206, 29.
- (2) Chase Briscoe, Ford, 206, 28.
- (13) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 206, 29.
- (9) Riley Herbst, Toyota, 206, 28.
- (14) Brandon Brown, Chevrolet, 205, 25.
- (16) Josh Williams, Chevrolet, 205, 24.
- (27) BJ McLeod, Toyota, 205, 23.
- (33) Bayley Currey, Chevrolet, 205, 0.
- (29) David Starr, Chevrolet, 205, 21.
- (31) Kyle Weatherman, Chevrolet, 205, 20.
- (15) Myatt Snider, Chevrolet, 204, 0.
- (12) Brett Moffitt, Chevrolet, 204, 0.
- (25) Colby Howard, Chevrolet, 204, 17.
- (21) Alex Labbe, Chevrolet, 203, 16.
- (30) Kody Vanderwal, Chevrolet, 203, 15.
- (19) Timmy Hill, Toyota, 203, 0.
- (24) Mason Diaz, Toyota, 202, 13.
- (18) Daniel Hemric, Chevrolet, 201, 12.
- (34) JJ Yeley, Toyota, 200, 0.
- (23) Joe Graf Jr., Chevrolet, 199, 10.
- (37) Stan Mullis, Toyota, 198, 9.
- (20) Jesse Little, Chevrolet, 198, 8.
- (36) Jesse Iwuji, Toyota, 197, 0.
- (11) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 196, 6.
- (22) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Chevrolet, 185, 5.
- (32) Ryan Vargas, Chevrolet, 124, 4.
- (17) Tommy Joe Martins, Chevrolet, engine, 73, 3.
- (32) Matt Mills, Toyota, accident, 36, 2.
- (26) Donald Theetge, Chevrolet, accident, 27, 1.
- (35) Cj McLaughlin, Chevrolet, accident, 27, 1.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 92.346 mph.
Time of Race: 2 hours, 13 minutes, 51 seconds.
Margin of Victory: .162 seconds.
Caution Flags: 8 for 47 laps.

Lead Changes: 16 among 7 drivers.
Lap Leaders: J.Allgaier 0-6; C.Briscoe 7-33; J.Allgaier 34; C.Briscoe 35-48; J.Allgaier 49; T.Martins 50-52; J.Allgaier 53-82; A.Cindric 83-93; J.Allgaier 94; B.Jones 95-97; J.Allgaier 98-129; A.Cindric 130-162; R.Chastain 163-172; A.Cindric 173-199; J.Allgaier 200-204; N.Gragson 205; A.Cindric 206

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): J.Allgaier, 7 times for 76 laps; A.Cindric, 4 times for 72 laps; C.Briscoe, 2 times for 41 laps; R.Chastain, 1 time for 10 laps; B.Jones, 1 time for 3 laps; T.Martins, 1 time for 3 laps; N.Gragson, 1 time for 1 lap.

Wins: C.Briscoe, 9; A.Cindric, 6; H.Burton, 4; J.Allgaier, 3; J.Haley, 3; B.Jones, 3; N.Gragson, 2; A.Allmendinger, 2.

Top 16 in Points: 1. A.Cindric, 4045; 2. J.Allgaier, 4032; 3. J.Haley, 4029; 4. C.Briscoe, 4028; 5. N.Gragson, 2306; 6. B.Jones, 2273; 7. R.Chastain, 2270; 8. H.Burton, 2248; 9. M.Annett, 2202; 10. R.Sieg, 2187; 11. B.Brown, 2170; 12. R.Herbst, 2152; 13. J.Clements, 666; 14. A.Labbe, 609; 15. J.Williams, 609; 16. M.Snider, 561.

NASCAR Driver Rating Formula

A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.

The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish.

FOOTBALL

NFL Glance

AMERICAN CONFERENCE						
East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	6	2	0	.750	198	199
Miami	4	3	0	.571	188	130
New England	2	5	0	.286	136	167
N.Y. Jets	0	8	0	.000	94	238
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	5	2	0	.714	198	136
Tennessee	5	2	0	.714	208	184
Houston	1	6	0	.143	166	217
Jacksonville	1	6	0	.143	154	220
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	7	0	0	1.000	211	142
Baltimore	5	2	0	.714	203	132
Cleveland	5	3	0	.625	206	237
Cincinnati	2	5	1	.313	194	214
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	7	1	0	.875	253	152
Las Vegas	4	3	0	.571	187	203
Denver	3	4	0	.429	147	183
L.A. Chargers	2	5	0	.286	179	185

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	3	4	1	.438	186	205
Washington	2	5	0	.286	133	165
Dallas	2	6	0	.250	185	266
N.Y. Giants	1	7	0	.125	145	199
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tampa Bay	6	2	0	.750	247	165
New Orleans	5	2	0	.714	206	197
Carolina	3	5	0	.375	179	193
Atlanta	2	6	0	.250	209	224
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	6	2	0	.750	253	204
Chicago	5	3	0	.625	161	166
Detroit	3	4	0	.429	177	206
Minnesota	2	5	0	.286	183	214
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	6	1	0	.857	240	149
Arizona	5	2	0	.714	203	196
L.A. Rams	5	3	0	.625	193	152
San Francisco	4	5	0	.444	225	207

Thursday's Game

Green Bay 34, San Francisco 17

Today's Games

Baltimore at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Denver at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Houston at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Washington, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Las Vegas at L.A. Chargers, 4:05 p.m.
Miami at Arizona, 4:25 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Dallas, 4:25 p.m.
New Orleans at Tampa Bay, 8:20 p.m.
Open: Cincinnati, Cleveland, L.A. Rams, Philadelphia

Monday's Game

New England at N.Y. Jets, 8:15 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 12

Indianapolis at Tennessee, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 15

Houston at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Denver at Las Vegas, 4:05 p.m.
L.A. Chargers at Miami, 4:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 4:25 p.m.
San Francisco at New Orleans, 4:25 p.m.
Seattle at L.A. Rams, 4:25 p.m.
Baltimore at New England, 8:20 p.m.

Florida LOTTERY

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

PICK 2 (early)	FANTASY 5
1 - 7	6 - 21 - 25 - 27 - 30
PICK 2 (late)	LOTTO
6 - 4	14 - 16 - 29 - 33 - 40 - 46
PICK 3 (early)	DOUBLE PLAY
6 - 4 - 6	2 - 15 - 16 - 34 - 45 - 51
PICK 3 (late)	POWERBALL
7 - 1 - 3	14 - 16 - 37 - 48 - 58
PICK 4 (early)	POWER BALL
2 - 4 - 4 - 5	18
PICK 4 (late)	CASH 4 LIFE
3 - 6 - 8 - 0	2 - 3 - 18 - 43 - 49
PICK 5 (early)	CASH BALL
9 - 2 - 0 - 9 - 0	3
PICK 5 (late)	
1 - 9 - 3 - 9 - 1	

Friday's winning numbers and payouts:

Jackpot Triple Play: 2 - 23 - 25 - 27 - 31 - 39	4-of-5 MB No winner
6-of-6 No winner	4-of-5 16 winners \$500
5-of-6 21 winners \$554.50	3-of-5 MB 40 \$200
4-of-6 1,206 \$23.50	3-of-5 1,052 \$10
3-of-6 20,820 \$1	2-of-5 MB 916 \$10
Combo 10+ No winner	Fantasy 5: 8 - 11 - 24 - 26 - 33
Combo9 8 \$500	5-of-5 4 winners \$50,954.54
Combo8 7 \$50	4-of-5 296 \$111
Combo7 598 \$20	3-of-5 9,115 \$10
Combo6 3,046 \$10	Cash 4 Life: 19 - 20 - 22 - 31 - 35
Combo5 11,472 \$5	Cash Ball: 3
Mega Millions: 18 - 24 - 27 - 34 - 60	5-of-5 CB No winner
Mega Ball: 2	5-of-5 No winner
5-of-5 MB No winner	Players should verify winning numbers by calling 850-487-7777 or at www.flalottery.com.
5-of-5 No winner	

On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S SPORTS

AUTO RACING

3 p.m. (8 NBC) NASCAR Cup Series Season Finale 500

BOWLING

2 p.m. (FS1) PBA Playoffs: Round of 8 (Same-day Tape)
4 p.m. (FS1) PBA Playoffs: Final Four (Same-day Tape)

EQUESTRIAN

3 p.m. (FSNFL) America's Day at the Races

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

5 a.m. (FS1) Oklahoma State at Kansas State (Same-day Tape)
6 p.m. (SEC) Texas A&M at South Carolina (Taped) NFL
1 p.m. (10 CBS) Baltimore Ravens at Indianapolis Colts
1 p.m. (13 FOX) Carolina Panthers at Kansas City Chiefs
4:25 p.m. (10 CBS) Pittsburgh Steelers at Dallas Cowboys
8:20 p.m. (8 NBC) New Orleans Saints at Tampa Bay Buccaneers

GOLF

1 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Houston Open, Final Round
4 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Champions Charles Schwab Cup Championship, Final Round

MOTORCYCLE RACING

9:30 p.m. (NBCSPT) MotoGP Racing: Comunitat Valencia-Ricardo Tormo (Same-day Tape)

OUTDOORS

1 p.m. (ESPN2) Toyota Bassmaster Texas Fest (Same-day Tape)

FIGURE SKATING

12 p.m. (8 NBC) ISU Grand Prix: Cup of China (Taped)

SOCCER

6:15 a.m. (ESPN2) Italian Serie A Lazio vs Juventus
7 a.m. (NBCSPT) Premier League West Brom vs Tottenham Hotspur
8:55 a.m. (NBCSPT) Premier League Leicester City vs Wolverhampton Wanderers
3:30 p.m. (28 ABC) MLS New England Revolution at Philadelphia Union
6:30 p.m. (FS1) MLS Portland Timbers at Los Angeles FC
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
3 a.m. (SEC) Florida at Missouri (Same-day Tape)
COLLEGE TENNIS
4 p.m. (ESPN2) Women's ITA Fall National Championship
6 p.m. (ESPN2) Men's ITA Fall National Championship
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
2 p.m. (SEC) Alabama at Georgia
4 p.m. (SEC) Auburn at Kentucky

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.

Open: Kansas City, N.Y. Jets, Atlanta, Dallas
Monday, Nov. 16
Minnesota at Chicago, 8:15 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Major League Baseball American League

DETROIT TIGERS — Named George Lombard bench coach, Scott Coolbaugh hitting coach and Chip Hale as third base coach.
NEW YORK YANKEES — Announced affiliations with Somerset Patriots (Double-A) and Hudson Valley Renegades (High-A).
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Agreed to terms with LHP Robbie Ray on a one-year contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS — Activated TE Maxx Williams from injured reserve. Promoted RB D.J. Foster, DL Michael Dogbe and CB Jace Whittaker to the active roster from the practice squad. Released TE Jordan Thomas.
ATLANTA FALCONS Placed DB Jordan Miller on injured reserve.
BALTIMORE RAVENS — Promoted WR Dez Bryant from the practice squad. Signed LB Kristian Welch. Promoted CB Terrell Bonds, OLB Tyus Bowser, S DeShon Elliot, LB Patrick Queen and OLB Malik Harrison to the practice squad from reserve/COVID-19 list. Placed LB L.J. Fort and WR Chris Moore on injured reserve.
BUFFALO BILLS — Placed LB Matt Milano on injured reserve. Promoted CB Dane Jackson and WR Jake Kumerow to the active roster. Activated LB DeShawn Phillips from injured reserve.
CAROLINA PANTHERS — Waived DT Woodrow Hamilton.
CHICAGO BEARS — Activated QB Tyler Bray and DL Danile McCullers to the active roster as COVID-19 replacements. Promoted OLB Dieter Eiselein and Badara Traore to the active roster. Signed WR Dwayne Harris from the practice squad to the active roster.
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Placed DB Mackensie Alexander and LB Jordan Evans on reserve/COVID-19 list.
DALLAS COWBOYS — Signed P Hunter Niswander. Promoted QB Cooper Rush and CB Saivion Smith from the practice squad to the active roster. Placed P Chris Jones on injured reserve.
DETROIT LIONS — Activated QB Matthew

Stafford from the reserve/COVID-19 list. Placed CB Darryl Roberts on injured reserve. Activated DE Austin Bryant from the reserve/PUP list. Promoted OL Marcus Martin to the active roster.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Activated LB Matthew Adams from injured reserve. Placed WR Ashton Dulin on injured reserve. Signed K Matt Gay to the practice squad. Released RB Darius Jackson from the practice squad. Elevated WR Daurice Fountain and DeMichael Harris to the active roster from practice squad.
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed S Doug Middleton. Placed LB Shaquille Quarterman on injured reserve.

LOS ANGELES CHARGERS — Promoted RB Kalen Ballage, DB Quenton Meeks and DE Jesse Lemonier to the active roster. Placed CB Brandon Facyson on the reserve/COVID-19 list. Signed S Jaylen Watkins to the practice squad.
LOS ANGELES RAIDERS — Waived WR Rico Gafford.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Promoted C Brett Jones from the practice squad to the active roster. Announced a roster exemption for CB Holton Hill. Activated Abdullah Anderson to active roster as COVID-19 replacement.
MIAMI DOLPHINS — Activated LT Austin Jackson from injured reserve. Promoted WR Kirk Merritt to the active roster.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Activated CB Brandon Williams from injured reserve. Promoted DB Montre Hartage, RB Alfred Morris and G Chad Slade to the active roster from the practice squad.

NEW YORK JETS — Waived CB Quincy Wilson.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Activated LB Avery Williamson from the exempt list. Promoted OLB Jayrone Elliott and S Antoine Brooks Jr. to the active roster. Waived OL Steven Wisniewski and RB Trey Edmunds. Signed DT Demarcus Christmas to the practice squad.
TENNESSEE TITANS — Signed P Ryan Allen to the active roster. Signed CB Breon Borders, WR Cameron Batson, RB D'Onta Foreman and DL Teair Tart to the active roster from the practice squad. Promoted LS Matt Overton and OLB Wyatt Ray to the active roster. Placed CB Tye Smith and P Brett Kern on injured reserve. Waived C Daniel Munyer.

WASHINGTON FOOTBALL TEAM — Activated WR Steven Sims from injured reserve. Waived DE Nate Orchard. Promoted WR Jeff Badet and C Ross Pierschbacher to the active roster.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Cindric steamrolls to first NASCAR championship

AVONDALE, Ariz. — Austin Cindric charged on fresh tires to his first NASCAR championship with a gutsy overtime drive Saturday to win the Xfinity Series finale at Phoenix Raceway.

Cindric was already headed toward the win when title-favorite Chase Briscoe spun with six laps remaining. It brought out a caution that forced Cindric and Team Penske into a bold race-deciding strategy call.

Cindric handed contender Justin Allgaier the lead by pitting from the lead for new tires. Cindric dropped to third for the two-lap overtime shootout.

Allgaier had taken new tires on the previous pit stop — he and Cindric were on opposite strategies — and Allgaier restarted as the leader. He chose the top lane and Cindric chose to start up there, too, right behind Allgaier.

Cindric had to wrestle with Noah Gragson, Allgaier's JR Motorsports teammate, for position before he got his shot at

Allgaier. Gragson moved to the lead then Cindric bounced off Allgaier as the two took the white flag.

Cindric cleared Allgaier and, even though he didn't have to win, he chased down Briscoe for extra measure. It was Cindric's sixth win of the season but first of what had been an underwhelming playoffs.

The victory gave Team Penske one championship on the weekend with a shot for one more. Brad Keselowski and Joey Logano race in the Cup Series' final four Sunday.

Zverev tops Nadal, sets up final vs. Medvedev

PARIS — Alexander Zverev advanced to the Paris Masters final for the first time by beating top-seeded Rafael Nadal 6-4, 7-5 on Saturday, denying Nadal the chance to win a tournament that continues to elude him.

The fourth-seeded Zverev faces No. 3 Daniil Medvedev in Sunday's final.

— From wire reports

BUCS

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quite a while. He's a great quarterback," said Brady, second in career yards passing behind Brees with 76,760.

"I have a lot of respect for him as a player, as a person, and we're both closer to the end than we are to the beginning," Brady added. "I think we both still enjoy being out there on the field with our teammates playing and competing, and it's going to be a very competitive game Sunday night."

The primetime matchup will also feature Antonio Brown's debut with the Bucs.

The four-time All Pro receiver signed with Tampa Bay last week and is coming off an eight-game suspension for multiple violations of the NFL's personal conduct policy.

He's the latest big-name addition the Bucs have made on offense since signing Brady in free agency, joining Rob Gronkowski, LeSean McCoy and Leonard Fournette.

"I'm just excited to put my hand in the pile. There are so many great guys here," Brown said.

"I'm just super grateful for this opportunity and ... excited to fit in and do what's best for us to win," Brown added. "Whatever that entails."

GETTING IT DONE

Brady is off to a terrific start, throwing for 2,198 yards, 20 touchdowns and four interceptions. He has tossed 17 TD passes vs. one interception over the past six games.

Brees is coming off a 280-yard, two-touchdown, zero-interceptions game against Chicago. In one fewer game than Brady, he has thrown for 1,898 yards, 13 TDs and three interceptions.

Bucs coach Bruce Arians was asked what his defense has to do disrupt Brees on Sunday night.

"Knock him down a few times. That always helps," Arians said. "None of them — especially the older guys — like getting knocked down. We've got to pressure him, get him off his spot and have really good, tight coverage."

GATORS

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season opener, replaced Stetson Bennett in the third quarter.

Bennett left the game briefly in the first quarter with a shoulder injury and was ineffective after returning. He completed 5 of 16 passes for 78 yards, with a touchdown and an interception.

Bennett was without his top target, George Pickens (upper body), and lost Marcus Rosemy-Jacksaint to an apparent broken right leg on a 32-yard touchdown catch in the first quarter.

Replays showed the severity of Rosemy-Jacksaint's injury as team trainers rushed to the end zone and quickly got an air cast on his leg. He was carted into the tunnel amid a standing ovation. Florida safety Brad Stewart hit Rosemy-Jacksaint just before he crossed the goal line.

Rising Dolphins visit revitalized Cardinals

Tua vs Kyler in matchup of young quarterbacks

BARRY WILNER
AP pro football writer

When the Dolphins leave the oceanfront and head to the desert to play the Cardinals on Sunday, it will be about more than Tua vs. Kyler.

It's about two rising teams, perhaps earlier than anyone truly thought logical. Two play-off contenders, with dynamic young coaches, one trained to test defenses with wide-open offensive schemes (Arizona's Kliff Kingsbury). The other a former assistant in New England (Miami's Brian Flores) who just might be a product of the Patriots' coaching tree who can succeed in charge elsewhere.

Arizona (5-2) comes off a bye preceded by a major step, rallying to knock off division leader Seattle in overtime. The defense is coming around, though not like Miami's.

And there are the young QBs. Kyler Murray was the NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year in 2019. Tua Tagovailoa, as touted as any signal caller coming out of college in years, will make his second start for Miami.

"You get the feeling of who is next up going into the league," Murray says. "Obviously, Tua had a great college career. I didn't envision this, but I knew he'd be in the league."

Twelve months ago, the Dolphins (4-3) were 0-7 under Flores. They've since gone from worst to first in points allowed, now giving up 18.6 per game, compared with 34 a year ago.

"I think people have different definitions of turnaround," Flores says. "Right now, we're just trying to have a good turnaround and have a good practice today. Turnaround and have a good practice tomorrow. Someone else's interpretation of a turnaround might be different than mine is."

The action began with Green Bay's rout of severely undermanned San Francisco 34-17. Aaron Rodgers threw for four touchdowns for the Packers (6-2). The host 49ers (4-5) were missing such key starters as quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo, tight end George Kittle and their top wide receivers.

On byes this week are Cincinnati (2-5-1), Cleveland (5-3), Philadelphia (3-4-1) and the Los Angeles Rams (5-3).

Seattle (6-1) at Buffalo (6-2)

A coast-to-coast battle between division leaders.

The Seahawks have won at least seven of the first eight games of a season once, in 2013, when they were 7-1. They won the NFL title that season. The Bills could go 7-2 for the first time since 1993, when they went to the Super Bowl for the last time.

Seattle's Russell Wilson is on the verge of several NFL marks. Wilson's 92 wins are tied with Peyton Manning for most through a quarterback's first nine seasons, and his 101 career wins (including playoffs) are tied with Tom Brady for most by a QB over the same span.

Chicago (5-3) at Tennessee (5-2)

A pair of slumping squads

coming off consecutive defeats, but the Bears are in worse shape, their offensive line ravaged by injuries and illness.

This could come down to whether Chicago, with its mediocre offense, can ride the D to victory. That would mean shutting down Titans running back Derrick Henry, the NFL's leading rusher with 775 yards. Henry has eight rushing touchdowns, finding the end zone in five straight games.

Baltimore (5-2) at Indianapolis (5-2)

Baltimore has won a league-high nine straight road games, including all three this season. It has scored 20 or more points in 30 consecutive games, matching Denver's NFL record from 2012-14. On defense, the Ravens have a takeaway in 20 straight outings.

They will be missing two 2019 All-Pros, though: Left tackle Ronnie Stanley (ankle) is done for the season and cornerback Marlon Humphrey is on the COVID-19 list.

Indy, which has won five of six overall and all three home games, can play some defense, too. It's tied for the league lead with 11 interceptions, and fewest touchdowns allowed (14), holding opposing quarterbacks to a league-low passer rating of 76.2.

Pittsburgh (7-0) at Dallas (2-6)

Oh, for the days when the Steel Curtain and Doomsday Defense faced off.

While Pittsburgh remains in pro football's elite, the Cowboys have reached a nadir. Dallas will start a fourth quarterback in 2020, either Cooper Rush or Garrett Gilbert. The Cowboys are last in turnover margin at minus-11, and standout running back Zeke Elliott has yet to rush for 100 yards in a game; the two-time rushing champion had never gone more than two weeks into a season without one.

The Steelers can set a franchise record with their eighth consecutive victory to start the season. Last week's win matched the 7-0 start of 1978, when Pittsburgh won the third of its six Super Bowls — beating the Cowboys.

Carolina (3-5) at Kansas City (7-1)

Christian McCaffrey might finally be back from a sprained ankle that sidelined the 2019 All-Pro running back for six weeks. After three victories without him, Carolina lost the past three.

Chiefs coach Andy Reid has 229 wins, tied with Curly Lambeau for fifth most in NFL history. His defense usually takes a back seat to the Patrick Mahomes-led offense, but Kansas City is tied for the league lead in takeaways with 14 and has caused at least one turnover in 10 straight regular-season games.

New England (2-5) at New York Jets (0-8), Monday night

Rarely is this a competitive game, and given how the Jets have played in 2020, it might be a Monday night snoozer. The Patriots have won the past eight meetings.

But those were the Brady Patriots. Now New England enters on a four-game losing streak, its longest skid since 2002. The Patriots will try to avoid losing five



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ABOVE: Miami Dolphins quarterback Tua Tagovailoa (1) throws the ball as he warms up before taking on the Los Angeles Rams during a game, Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020, in Miami Gardens.

BELOW: Arizona Cardinals quarterback Kyler Murray (1) leaves the field after a game against the Seattle Seahawks, Sunday, Oct. 25, 2020, in Glendale, Ariz. The Cardinals won 37-34 in overtime.



straight games for the first time since 1995.

Denver (3-4) at Atlanta (2-6)

Back in the 1998 season, these were the conference champions. Now, they search for respectability.

Denver's defense could be the deciding factor. Bradley Chubb has sacks in four consecutive games, Malik Reed in three. And the Broncos rank third in red-zone defense (48%); the Falcons are 27th in red-zone offense (53.3%).

Detroit (3-4) at Minnesota (2-5)

One of the more lopsided division rivalries, with Minnesota ahead 76-39-2 and having won six in a row. But the Vikings also have lost their past five home games since a win against Detroit last December.

Lions RB Adrian Peterson returns to Minnesota, where he played the first 10 years of his career and became the franchise's all-time leading rusher.

The Vikings are one of five teams in the league he has not gotten a rushing TD against.

New York Giants (1-7) at Washington (2-5)

The three victories all came within the NFC East, with New York beating Washington, which has wins over Philadelphia and Dallas. The Giants won the past four meetings. Their past three losses have come by a total of six points and their past four games have been decided by seven points, including the one-point win over Washington.

New York must protect Daniel Jones against pass rushers Ryan Kerrigan, who has 7 1/2 sacks against the Giants, DE Montez Sweat, who leads Washington with five sacks, and second overall draft pick Chase Young.

Las Vegas (4-3) at Los Angeles Chargers (2-5)

The Chargers have lost eight straight against AFC West opponents, tied with Detroit for the longest current losing streak in division games. LA has

mastered blowing leads, too: The Chargers have lost four games this season when holding a lead of 11 points or more, which ties the 1986 team for most in franchise history. The 1996 New York Jets have the most since the 1970 merger with five.

Maybe Las Vegas discovered some keys to future victories with its win in nasty conditions at Cleveland. Las Vegas had three drives last week that covered at least eight minutes and five drives of at least 10 plays. RB Josh Jacobs had 31 carries for a season-high 128 yards, the most carries in a game for a Raider in 13 years.

Houston (1-6) at Jacksonville (1-6)

Both teams come off byes. Some folks are wondering why bother.

The Texans already switched coaches, going 1-2 under Romeo Crennel. Jacksonville has stuck with Doug Marrone, but a loss here makes his wobbly job security shakier.

NFL LEADERS

NFC Individual Leaders											
Quarterbacks					Punters						
Att	Com	Yds	TD	Int	No	Yds	Lg	Avg			
Ryan, Atl	316	211	2462	12	4	Fox, Det	27	1437	67	53.2	
Rodgers, GB	280	189	2253	24	2	Johnston, Phi	34	1713	66	50.4	
Brady, TB	308	204	2189	20	4	Dickson, Sea	29	1461	67	50.4	
Wilson, Sea	256	183	2151	26	6	Way, Was	34	1631	61	48.0	
Goff, LAR	284	186	2145	13	6	Wishnowsky, SF	29	1388	60	47.9	
Bridgewater, Car	257	184	2106	9	6	Heikker, LAR	32	1519	63	47.5	
Stafford, Det	246	151	1916	13	5	O'Donnell, Chi	37	1718	64	46.4	
Brees, NO	253	185	1898	13	3	J.Scott, GB	22	1011	62	46.0	
Wentz, Phi	305	178	1883	12	12	Pinion, TB	31	1380	59	44.5	
Prescott, Dal	222	151	1856	9	4	Lee, Ari	25	1100	58	44.0	
Rushers					Punt Returners						
Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD		
Cook, Min	122	652	5.3	39t	10	Harris, NO	11	177	16.1	42	0
Gurley, Atl	140	531	3.8	35t	8	Mickens, TB	14	98	7.0	14	0
Brady, TB	117	529	4.5	37	4	Lamb, Dal	13	89	6.8	27	0
Elliott, Dal	132	521	3.9	24	5	Ward, Phi	11	72	6.5	22	0
Drake, Ari	119	512	4.3	69t	4	S.Sims, Was	10	56	5.6	19	0
Henderson, LAR	95	458	4.8	40	3	Webster, LAR	10	56	5.6	15	0
Jones, GB	90	447	5.0	75t	5	Kickoff Returners					
Montgomery, Chi	117	442	3.8	38	1	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	
K.Murray, Ari	65	437	6.7	48	7	Patterson, Chi	22	606	27.5	47	0
Sanders, Phi	71	434	6.1	74t	3	Agnew, Det	11	294	26.7	35	0
Receivers					Scoring Touchdowns						
No	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	Pts		
Hopkins, Ari	57	704	12.4	60	3	Cook, Min	11	10	1	0	66
Anderson, Car	51	688	13.5	75t	1	D.Adams, GB	8	0	8	0	48
Metcalf, Sea	36	680	18.9	62	7	Gurley, Atl	8	8	0	0	48
D.Adams, GB	53	675	12.7	49	8	Evans, TB	7	0	7	0	42
Ridley, Atl	43	657	15.3	63	6	Jones, GB	7	5	2	0	42
Robinson, Chi	50	631	12.6	42	3	Kamara, NO	7	4	3	0	42
Moore, Car	33	622	18.8	74t	3	Rushers					
Cooper, Dal	54	588	10.9	58	2	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	
J.Jones, Atl	38	584	15.4	44	2	Henry, Ten	161	775	4.8	94t	8
McLaurin, Was	43	577	13.4	52t	2	Edwards-Hel., KC	121	572	4.7	31	2
						Hunt, Cle	115	529	4.6	33	3
						Jacobs, Was	147	523	3.6	16	5

Authentic goes wire-to-wire

Derby winner takes Breeders' Cup Classic

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LEXINGTON, Ky. — From start to finish, Authentic left no doubt he was the horse to beat in the Breeders' Cup Classic.

His dominant performance on another big stage should also end the debate about this year's top 3-year-old, strange as the season has been because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Authentic won the Classic in the same fashion he took the rescheduled Kentucky Derby two months ago, going wire-to-wire for a 2 1/4-length victory over Improbable that gave trainer Bob Baffert a 1-2 finish on a warm, sunny fall Saturday at Keeneland.

And perhaps erased Baffert's regret over Authentic's narrow runner-up finish to filly Swiss Skydiver in last month's Preakness, also shifted to the fall because of the pandemic.

"He just struggled that day," Baffert said, "but we got him back and I've got a great team and we just tightened the screws on him.

"He's just matured. He's maturing right now and this ... is the time of the year they catch up."

There wasn't any catching up to Authentic on Saturday as he broke quickly out of the No. 9 gate between stablemates and set the pace for the 10-horse field to follow. Maximum Security, last year's 3-year-old champion, pursued for a while before Global Security overtook him and then was passed by Improbable entering the stretch.

Authentic, at 9-2, never let up with John Velazquez aboard and extended his lead by the end.

"I didn't think it was that much speed in the race, other than the other horse that Bob had on outside," said the Hall of Fame jockey, referring to Maximum Security. "And I thought we were going to be quicker than him anyway."

"Once we got in front and I passed the wire for the first time, I mean, it was pretty easy from

there, yeah."

Authentic earned his fifth win with two seconds in seven starts this year, strengthening his case as the year's top 3-year-old. The victory bookended a successful day for Baffert, whose filly Gamine opened the \$31 million season-ending world championships with a dominant, record-setting win in the \$1 million Filly and Mare Sprint.

Both horses will certainly be named in any Eclipse Award discussion, and Baffert's bias for Authentic was obvious.

"There was a lot on the line," he said. "What he did today was pretty amazing."

Authentic covered 1 1/4 miles in 1:59.19 in the \$6 million marquee event and paid \$10.40, \$5.40 and \$4.20. Improbable returned \$4.80 and \$3.30 while Global Campaign paid \$8.80.

As for Gamine, she beat retiring great Serengeti Empress by 6 1/4 lengths and clocked a track-record 1:20.20 over seven furlongs to top Taris' old mark of 1:21.32 on Oct. 18, 2014. Her fourth victory this year comes after a tumultuous year in which she tested positive for lidocaine in May and for betamethasone, a regulated corticosteroid, in September.

Baffert is appealing a suspension in the first case, while results are pending from a split-sample test in the second. He wasn't necessarily seeking vindication but got it anyway with the win and gushed over his filly.

"She showed what a wonderful filly she is and there was no doubt today," Baffert said. "That was a tough field. Serengeti Empress, we know she's a great filly and there were some really nice fillies in there. And to break a track record."

There was tragedy just before the nine-race card began, when colt Absolutely Aiden had to be euthanized following an injury that occurred during a scary chain-reaction incident in the \$150,000 Lafayette that toppled mount Chris Landeros and fellow riders Tyler Gaffalione and David Cohen from Dinar and Strike That.

Optimum weather and conditions on the dirt and turf led to not only several record-breaking runs but also an impressive showing by European horses, a seasoned veteran and two wins by a substitute jockey.

Day 1 off lead in Houston

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Jason Day stumbled at the end at difficult Memorial Park, three-putting for bogey on the par-4 18th to fall a stroke behind Sam Burns in the Houston Open.

"Unfortunately, I just gave it a little bit too much gas," Day said.

Winless in 2 1/2 years and fighting lingering back and neck problems, Day shot a 3-under 67 on Saturday to remain in contention in the final event before the Masters.

"Overall, it was a solid day," the Australian star said. "I think I drove it nice, hit a lot of good iron shots and I was just very patient out there today, so it was good to see. Looking forward to tomorrow."

Sam Burns shot a 68 to hold onto the lead at 9-under 201.

"I think this golf course, it's not a matter of if, it's a matter of when, when this golf course will hit you," Burns said. "I think for me, just being able to hang in there."

He eagled the par-5 eighth. "I kind of necked the tee shot, but fortunately it stayed in the first cut," Burns said.

Day had five birdies and two bogeys.

"I was just trying to be as patient as possible," Day said. "I know it's a Saturday round. Obviously, can't win it today. You've got to just give yourself an opportunity to get into tomorrow's round."

Mexico's Carlos Ortiz was tied with Day after a 67. Sepp Straka (66) was 7 under.

Dustin Johnson, needing to finish solo 15th or better to remain No. 1 in the world, was 6 under after a 66 in his return from the coronavirus.

Aaron Wise (69) and Dawie van der Walt (69) followed Johnson at 5 under.

Veerman, Jordan in form as 19 advance in Cyprus Showdown

PAPHOS, Cyprus — Nineteen players advanced to the Sunday shootout in the Cyprus Showdown, with Johannes Veerman of the United States and Matthew Jordan of England entering the final day full of confidence after shooting the lowest score in the third round.

In a first-of-its-kind format on the European Tour, the scores were reset after the first two days' play and will be again after Saturday's round.

Veerman and Jordan both shot 7-under 64 and will tee off as part of the first group in Sunday's final.

Bernd Ritthammer of Germany and Jamie Donaldson of Wales had 65s.

All players who shot 69 or more missed the tournament's second cut.

Sutherland takes 5-shot lead in Schwab Cup Championship

PHOENIX — Kevin Sutherland hit a sand wedge to inches on the par-5 18th for one last birdie on a windy afternoon in the desert at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship.

Sutherland shot a 7-under 64 to take a five-stroke lead into the final round at Phoenix Country Club. He had a 13-under 129 total.

"Yeah, it played hard, I just hit a lot of shots really close to the hole, hit it solid," Sutherland said. "What was important for



Jason Day lines up his putt on the 18th green during the third round of the Houston Open, Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, in Houston.

me today was I holed out of the bunker on 6. At that point I felt I couldn't find a rhythm. After that, I hit just about every

shot right on the button and made a few putts and got a couple really close and just kind of snowballed."

Vivint Houston Open

Saturday
At Memorial Park Golf Course
Houston, Texas
Purse: \$7 million
Yardage: 7,432; Par: 72

Third Round	
Sam Burns	68-65-68—201 -9
Jason Day	67-68-67—202 -8
Carlos Ortiz	67-68-67—202 -8
Sepp Straka	68-69-66—203 -7
Dustin Johnson	72-66-66—204 -6
Aaron Wise	70-66-69—205 -5
Dawie van der Walt	70-66-69—205 -5
Hideki Matsuyama	70-70-66—206 -4
Michael Thompson	67-72-67—206 -4
Shane Lowry	69-69-68—206 -4
Tony Finau	69-69-68—206 -4
Patton Kizzire	69-67-70—206 -4
Russell Knox	69-71-67—207 -3
Adam Long	68-70-69—207 -3
Viktor Hovland	70-69-68—207 -3
Brooks Koepka	72-70-65—207 -3
J.T. Poston	70-67-70—207 -3
Tyrrell Hatton	71-70-67—208 -2
Fabian Gomez	70-69-69—208 -2
Talor Gooch	68-69-71—208 -2
Will Gordon	76-67-65—208 -2
Cameron Tringale	70-70-69—209 -1
Erik van Rooyen	71-69-69—209 -1
Francesco Molinari	70-68-71—209 -1
Maverick McNealy	71-71-67—209 -1
Scott Brown	69-68-72—209 -1
Corey Connors	69-67-73—209 -1
Russell Henley	69-72-69—210 E
Denny McCarthy	69-72-69—210 E
Nate Lashley	73-68-69—210 E
Pdraig Harrington	71-68-71—210 E
Harold Varner III	67-71-72—210 E
Mackenzie Hughes	70-72-68—210 E
Charley Hoffman	71-69-71—211 +1
Brian Stuard	73-69-69—211 +1
Satoshi Kodaira	70-69-72—211 +1
Max Homa	74-68-69—211 +1
Scott Piercy	68-74-69—211 +1
Graeme McDowell	69-73-69—211 +1
Troy Merritt	74-68-69—211 +1
John Huh	73-69-69—211 +1
Adam Scott	68-69-74—211 +1
Jhonattan Vegas	73-70-68—211 +1
Kramer Hickok	75-68-68—211 +1
Austin Cook	71-72-68—211 +1
Mark Hubbard	69-71-72—212 +2
Justin Harding	72-68-72—212 +2
Brian Harman	71-69-72—212 +2
Jamie Lovemark	73-69-70—212 +2
Zach Johnson	73-70-69—212 +2
Brandt Snedeker	65-71-76—212 +2
Greg Chalmers	68-73-72—213 +3
Kevin Chappell	70-71-72—213 +3
Doc Redman	71-70-73—214 +4
C.T. Pan	72-69-73—214 +4
Brice Garnett	74-68-72—214 +4
Kristoffer Ventura	69-69-76—214 +4
Scottie Scheffler	67-75-72—214 +4
Lanto Griffin	72-71-71—214 +4
Sean O'Hair	71-69-75—215 +5
Chris Kirk	73-68-74—215 +5
Isaiah Salinda	71-69-75—215 +5
James Hahn	71-71-73—215 +5

Scott Harrington	70-72-74—216 +6
Sungjae Im	74-69-73—216 +6
Erik Barnes	71-72-73—216 +6
Matt Jones	69-72-77—218 +8
Cameron Davis	67-76-77—220 +10

Aphrodite Hills Cyprus Showdown

Saturday
At Aphrodite Hills Resort
Paphos, Cyprus
Purse: \$1.2 million
Yardage: 6,878; Par: 71

Third Round	
Jamie Donaldson, Wales	66-64-64—194 -19
Johannes Veerman, US	67-64-64—195 -18
James Morrison, England	68-63-66—197 -16
Louis De Jager, S. Africa	68-65-66—199 -14
Alexander Levy, France	67-66-66—199 -14
Callum Shinkwin, England	68-65-66—199 -14
Steven Brown, England	68-64-67—199 -14
Sami Valimäki, Finland	66-66-67—132 -14
Jorge Campillo, Spain	69-62-68—199 -14
Matthew Jordan, England	68-68-64—200 -13
Bernd Ritthammer, Germany	70-65-65—200 -13
Masahiro Kawamura, Japan	67-67-66—200 -13
Robert Macintyre, Scotland	65-68-67—200 -13
Thomas Detry, Belgium	66-66-68—200 -13
Marcus Armitage, England	68-68-66—202 -11
Niklas Lemke, Sweden	70-66-66—202 -11
Jonathan Caldwell, N. Ireland	72-64-67—203 -10
Richard Bland, England	69-67-68—204 -9
Gavin Green, Malaysia	70-66-68—204 -9

Charles Schwab Cup Championship

Saturday
At Phoenix Country Club
Phoenix, Ariz.
Purse: \$2.5 million
Yardage: 6,764; Par: 72

Second Round	
Kevin Sutherland	65-64—129 -13
Wes Short, Jr.	68-66—134 -8
Tom Lehman	68-67—135 -7
Paul Broadhurst	67-68—135 -7
Corey Pavin	69-67—136 -6
Jim Furyk	68-68—136 -6
Woody Austin	67-69—136 -6
Mike Weir	67-69—136 -6
Mark O'Meara	67-70—137 -5
Billy Mayfair	67-70—137 -5
Brandt Jobe	64-73—137 -5
Mark Brooks	65-72—137 -5
Duffy Waldorf	70-68—138 -4
Glen Day	69-69—138 -4
Ken Duke	69-69—138 -4
Ernie Els	68-70—138 -4
Fred Couples	67-71—138 -4
Dicky Pride	66-72—138 -4
Gene Sauers	70-69—139 -3
Jeff Maggert	70-69—139 -3
Relief Goosen	70-69—139 -3
Kent Jones	69-70—139 -3
Jose Maria Olazabal	71-68—139 -3
Kenny Perry	71-68—139 -3
Stephen Ames	67-72—139 -3
K.J. Choi	65-74—139 -3
Paul Goydos	64-75—139 -3

Bowling SCORES

Manatee Lanes
MIDWEEK MIXERS
WOMEN'S HIGH GAME
180 & OVER: Joyce Longfellow 232, Krissy Koller 182/183/210, Sharon Blake-man 198
WOMEN'S HIGH SERIES
500 & OVER: Krissy Koller 575, Joyce Longfellow 569
MEN'S HIGH GAME 200 & OVER: Richard Koller 227/236/245, Seth Phillips & Don Blakeman 223, Ken Clark 212/214, John Zuehlke 211, Mike Murray 205, Buzz Bishop 202
MEN'S HIGH SERIES
525 & OVER: Richard Koller 708, Ken Clark 618, Seth Phillips 574, Mike Murray 553, Patrick Kingsbury 544, John Zuehlke 543, Greg Barlow 540, Buzz Bishop & Ken Sutton 535, Don Blakeman 534, Nick Montalvo JR 533, Chuck Ahn 529, Mike Pontbriand 526
TOTAL PINS OVER AVERAGE: Pamela Mahoney, 117 total pins & Mike Murray, 79 total pins.
Fall season starts next month, come on in and sign up for a league or two. Information is at the front counter.

Tuesday Odd Balls
Men's Hdcp Game, 268, Tre Scrivens
Men's Hdcp Series, 767, Rich Koller
Men's Scratch Game, 226, Tim Caudill
Men's Scratch Series, 628,

John Walker
Women's Hdcp Game, 263, Krissy Koller
Women's Hdcp Series, 673, Laurie Bixler1
Women's Scratch Game, 173, Amy Cochran
Women's Scratch Series, 509, Danyelle Lee
Friday Fun Bunch
Men's Hdcp Game, 272, Dwayne Harrell Sr.
Men's Hdcp Series, 759, Dave Hair
Men's Scratch Game, 224, Tom Burgard
Men's Scratch Series, 619, Douglas Williams
Women's Hdcp Game, 257, Sheri Deshane
Women's Hdcp Series, 758, Jenni Waterman
Women's Scratch Game, 202, Peggy Rummier
Women's Scratch Series, 564, Danyelle Lee
Tuesday Odd Balls
Men's Hdcp Game, 280, Dale Deshane
Men's Hdcp Series, 755, Mike Scott
Men's Scratch Game, 259, Rob Cummins
Men's Scratch Series, 739, Ryan Carlisi
Women's Hdcp Game, 282, Laurie Bixler
Women's Hdcp Series, 707, Krissy Koller
Women's Scratch Game, 242, Amy Cochran
Women's Scratch Series, 594, Betty Schlageter

Tuesday Youth
Boy's High Game Hdcp, 265, Trent Baumes
Boy's High Series Hdcp, 724, Xander Joslyn
Boy's High Game Scratch, 214, Robert Pierson
Boy's High Series Scratch, 587, James Cummins
Girl's High Game Hdcp, 237, Madison Platz
Girl's High Series Hdcp, 409, Madison Platz
Girl's High Game Scratch, 101, Suzanne Rohn
Girl's High Series Scratch, 351, Alayna Lee
Wednesday Match Play
High Game Hdcp, 285, Greg Barlow
High Series Hdcp, 763, Will Bemis
Thursday Powder Puffs
High Game Hdcp, 257, Kathy Tomasik
High Series Hdcp, 695, Irene Ciuppa
High Game Scratch, 234, Susan Dantoni
High Series Scratch, 500, Barb Moore
Thursday Florida Power Mixers
Men's High Game Scratch, 280, Gary Gersitz
Men's High Series Scratch, 784, Ralph Mejia
Men's High Game Hdcp, 278, Matt Ivkovic
Men's High Series Hdcp, 631, Sonny Arashiro
Women's High Game Scratch, 253, Renee Smith

Women's High Series
Scratch, 672, Lori McAvoy
Women's High Gme Hdcp, 190, Amy Cochran
Women's High Series Hdcp, 516, Danyelle Lee
Friday Fun Bunch
Men's Hdcp Game, 275, Vinnie Covino
Men's Hdcp Series, 715, Ken Weiner
Men's Scratch Game, 296, Bird Zachary
Men's Scratch Series, 682, Tom Burgard
Women's Hdcp Game, 260, Jen Caudill
Women's Hdcp Series, 692, Sheri Deshane
Women's Scratch Game, 213, Lisa Pozzi
Women's Scratch Series, 578, Brooke Wharton
Sportsmen's Bowl
His And Hers Mixed
Men Scratch: Stephen Liik 256-645, Mark Ash 255-631, Carl Hilgert 221, Tom Frost 572
Men Handicap: Mark Ash 282-712, Stephen Liik 274-699, Ricky Ward 268, Al Sutherland 696
Women Scratch; Vicki Jeffers 195-464, Carmen Carrero 178-480, Rose Cooley 176, Annia Vargashe 464
Women Handicap: Vicki Jeffers 259, Rose Cooley 255, Helen Turner 241-667, Ashton Connor 673, Joyce Crosby 657

Tuesday Afternoon Mixed
Men Scratch: Jeff Wright 215-539, James Micker 202, Dick Newhall 199, Jim Sanders 550, Bill Spreen 538
Men Handicap: James Micker 254-663, Jeff Wright 247-635, Bob Biggs 244, Bill Davis 650
Women Scratch: Brenda Naylor 174-461, Peg Toth 167-475, June Micker 166-459
Women Handicap: PegToth 245-709, Brenda Naylor 232-635, June Micker 225-636
Firstnighters, Men
Men Scratch: David Caudill 265, Tony Thompson 258-765, Tim Lawrence 258-711, Jeff Peterson 718
Men Handicap: Mark Wrightson 306-755, Tony Thompson 288-840, Wayne Hill 284, Jeff Peterson 793
Wednesday Mixed
Men Scratch: Ricky Ward 241-608, Tyler Beatty 226-637, Charles Watt 224-629
Men Handicap: Ricky Ward 308-809, Paul Vargashe 261-713, Charles Watt 261-731
Women Scratch: Jennifer Brooks 181-467, Annia Vargashe 169-450, Kathy Sherry 164-450
Women Handicap: Jennifer Brooks 256-692, Jodi Ward 234-650, Annia Vargashe 226, Kathy Sherry 226-636
Hits & Misses, Mixed
Men Scratch: Bill Spreen 225, Mike Murray 221-555,

Art Beardsley 218, Alan Rice 573, Dick Newhall 560
Men Handicap: Art Beardsley 272-701, Mike Murray 261-675, Bill Spreen 251, Sixto Danois 703
Women Scratch: Kathy Pollari 210-543, Nancy Duncan 186-474, June Micker 173, Gale Piazza 477
Women Handicap: Kathy Pollari 255-675, Helen Turner 244-660, Nancy Duncan 235, Joann Frost 662
Pinbusters, Women
Scratch: Ashley Worrell 205-551, Kimberly Richie 163, Missy Padillo 162-451, Ar-leane Malatt 447
Handicap: Ashley Worrell 240-665, Kimberly Richie 232, Missy Padilla 222-631, Ar-leane Malatt 636
Mixed Trios Draw League: Fridays at 1 p.m. Play only if you bowl. Prizes paid each week. Number of prize winners is dependent on the number of entries. Handicap is 100% of 210. Entry fee \$10. High Handicap Scores: Joann Frost 703, Russ Letner 670.
Senior Fun Bowl: Saturdays at 1 p.m. Prizes for high game and series for both men and women, colored pins, mystery frames, mystery game, Bingo, side pots, 50/50, refreshments and fun for all. Entry fee \$10. High Scratch Scores: Alan Rice 184, Millie George 180-488, Rick Rollason 576.

Hamlin faces tough field for elusive 1st title

Cup Series champ to be decided today

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AP auto racing writer

AVONDALE, Ariz. — Denny Hamlin is 0-for-3 in championship chances, his shot at an elusive first NASCAR crown ending just short each time.

It's his turn again, without rival Kevin Harvick in his way and his Toyota teammates all eliminated. Hamlin on Sunday will try to close his own career-defining season with the Cup title in NASCAR's season finale at Phoenix Raceway.

Hamlin will be racing with Joey Logano and Brad Keselowski, Ford teammates from Team Penske, as well as NASCAR's most popular driver. Chase Elliott last week drove Chevrolet and Hendrick Motorsports back into the championship race for the first time since 2016.

Elliott's win at Martinsville put him on NASCAR's biggest stage for the first time in his career, but the upset also bounced Harvick out of the finale. Harvick won a Cup Series-high nine races and was the regular-season champion, and Harvick and Hamlin went head-to-head nearly all summer in a rivalry worthy of NASCAR's golden days.

Harvick's elimination theoretically made Hamlin the favorite. He won seven races this season and the title for the first time is being decided at Phoenix, where Hamlin is a two-time winner including last November when he raced his way into the championship four.

The Cup is now his, right?

"I think it's unlikely anyone considers us an underdog, especially our competition," said Hamlin.

All four of the finalists are confident they will take the winner-take-all showcase of a grueling season. NASCAR was among the first series to

resume racing during the pandemic, returning in May with a rebuilt schedule as NASCAR worked to get venues open across the country.

It took doubleheaders, midweek races and one-day shows to get to Phoenix, where the highest finisher of the final four wins the championship. The champion has also won the race — at Homestead-Miami Speedway, however — every year since this format debuted in 2014.

Harvick is a nine-time winner at Phoenix. Yet all four remain convinced they will win the race.

Logano won Phoenix in March, the final race before the 10-week shutdown. He has zero friends on the race track and on Sunday that will include his Penske teammate. Logano has made it to the championship race four times and is the only one of this year's finalists to win the title in this format, in 2018 when he won Homestead and the title.

Keselowski won the 2012 title under a different format and has been to the final four only once. He brought to Phoenix the tall beer glass he chugged from on TV after his first championship, when he accidentally caught a buzz while celebrating post-race.

Logano and Keselowski this year adjusted to new crew chiefs after Roger Penske's offseason three-team swap. They've done it without practice or qualifying, and many remote meetings. Keselowski was in a contract year, earned a one-year extension and a title could lead to a renegotiation.

Penske likes his two chances.

"We don't have any team orders," Penske said. "They're going to race their hearts out. We're going to execute in pit lane. The best driver is going to win out of the two."

Then there's Elliott, ready to prove he can deliver on the track. The 24-year-old is statistically enjoying his best Cup season and advanced to the final four after three previous failures. Just getting into the finale checks multiple boxes for Elliott, who



Denny Hamlin walks out during driver introductions prior to the NASCAR Cup Series race March, 8, 2020, at Phoenix Raceway in Avondale, Ariz.

carries the weight of Hendrick and Chevrolet's long drought.

He's leaning on his father Bill Elliott, a NASCAR Hall of Famer and the 1988 Cup champion, for advice on racing for the biggest trophy.

"My dad obviously has had great success over the years, has been around this deal for a long time," Elliott said. "The big thing from talking to dad ... is just enjoy these moments because these aren't things you can take for granted."

"I feel like that's where I'm at right now. Try to make the most of a great opportunity."

Hamlin has been here before. He coughed away a title to Jimmie Johnson in 2010 when Johnson won for a record fifth consecutive time, then lost because of late race strategy screwups in 2014 and 2019.

Last season was particularly brutal: Hamlin was in contention until a late pit stop, when his Joe Gibbs Racing team slapped a huge piece of tape across the front of his Toyota in a misguided aerodynamic adjustment. Hamlin has been close enough to suffer heartbreak, but insists he's handled the disappointments much better than he did in

2010, when he used a sports psychologist to deal with the defeat.

"All I can do is control what I can control, and I'll live with the result no matter what that is," Hamlin said. "I won't second-guess any moves that I make, and last year I had no regrets. The last two times I've raced for championships I've had no regrets."

Hamlin turns 40 exactly 10 days after Sunday's title race and has matured greatly the last several seasons. He opened this year with his third Daytona 500 win and took an active role in the online iRacing that carried NASCAR through its shutdown.

He's already thinking about his future in NASCAR and in September announced that he partnered with Michael Jordan to field a race team next season for Bubba Wallace. Winner of 44 career Cup races, he and Mark Martin are considered the best NASCAR drivers without a title.

Martin, a Hall of Famer and winner of 40 races, finished second in the championship hunt four times.

"I never would consider any comparison to Mark Martin an insult. I'll take

those comparisons all day because the guy is a ... driver that nobody wanted to face," Hamlin said. "Championships, I get it, it's very, very important. But I also know that my competitors will probably say that I'm one of the

toughest competitors and toughest guys to beat.

"That's all I really care about, is having the respect of them ... and knowing that over the last two years, ain't nobody won any more. I like where I'm at."

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They decided time was right to retire



Gerry Mulligan
OUT THE WINDOW

Brian Coleman is not a politician. He is a public servant. It is true that he just completed a term as a member of the Citrus County Commission, but that still does not make him a politician. Coleman served as a county sheriff's deputy for two decades before he decided that he needed to run against an incumbent county commissioner he had once arrested. Coleman felt the incumbent commissioner was being disrespectful

and disruptive while serving on the board. The sheriff's deputy ran in the 2016 GOP primary and soundly defeated the incumbent. Now, four years later, Coleman has done his job and he is riding off into the sunset. He has been a good county commissioner, but had no desire to become a politician. He doesn't have the big and/or fragile ego that needs constant stroking to remind him he is doing the right thing.

As a commissioner, Coleman paid particular attention to code enforcement issues around the county. Those are the sticky neighborhood problems where someone violates the rules or permits a property to fall into disrepair. The breakdowns cause health hazards and decrease the property values of the other taxpayers in the neighborhoods. Politicians hate to deal with such complaints because someone always ends up unhappy. And

unhappy people tend not to vote for incumbents. But Coleman didn't give it a second thought. When the rules said otherwise, he did not care if you believed it was your constitutional right to have five junk cars sitting in your front yard. He visited complaint sites himself and got sheriff's deputies involved when laws were violated. Coleman had common sense and the right values. And it was his
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Chronicle political reporter Mike Wright discusses voting results Tuesday, Nov. 3, with Supervisor of Elections Susan Gill. After 24 years in office, Gill is retiring, and Tuesday was her final election.

In dark era of politics, she earned trust



Mike Wright
WRIGHT ON TARGET

After 24 years as Citrus County Supervisor of Elections, Susan Gill is retiring

Sometimes people ask what I do for a living. When I say I write about politics, most immediately go into some diatribe about the president or Congress or such thing. "No," I stop them. "Not national politics. I write about local politics." I write about Citrus County politics. That's my job. I don't get

mixed up in most things outside these county borders, though I once snuck on a van carrying news reporters when Vice President Dan Quayle was in Ocala, but that's for another day. Plus, I'm sure I kept it local by asking Quayle about the Bush administration's plan for fixing roads in Citrus Springs. I don't just write about local

politics, I'm really into it. I'm an elections geek, not tied to a specific candidate or cause, able to view the whole thing from atop the bubble, as it were. I pour over election statistics and reports and, of course, people feed me information all the time. There aren't too many like me in Citrus County. Actually, I can think of only one: Susan Gill.

I was just getting warmed up as a political writer at the Chronicle when Gill ran for supervisor of elections to replace the legendary Wilma Anderson, who was retiring. I wasn't a big Susan Gill fan at first. The late Sybil Barco, just an absolute gem of a person, had worked for

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Don't let the election overshadow Veterans Day



Cortney Stewart
SEEING BEYOND

It's Friday morning as I'm writing this and currently we still don't know who will be sworn in as president of the United States in January. As anticipated, the process has proven long and contentious and, once again, has highlighted a pretty divided nation. Maybe by Sunday when this is published we'll know more about what will be happening in January. If that's the case, then it's possible this idea is even more timely. Right

now it seems that no matter who is finally declared the winner, the election will be far from over as all eyes will likely shift to the courts. This election has been an emotional battle for the American people just as much as it has been a political battle for candidates and parties. Coming to grips with long-term ambiguity is a tall order. And mostly I think the electorate is just tired. That's why we need to splash the proverbial water on our face.

The election is obviously important. We need to be paying attention. But it is not the only thing on the agenda this week. And if we aren't careful, we'll miss one of the most important days all Americans share — Veterans Day. Not to be confused with Memorial Day, the day we remember, honor and pay tribute to fallen soldiers, Veterans Day is more of a celebration. The day, originally called Armistice Day, marked the signing of the Treaty of Versailles, which

took place in 1918 on the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour. Beginning in 1919, as a way to celebrate the end of World War I, all business would cease at 11 a.m. on Nov. 11 and parades and festivities would ensue as a way to mark the end of such a terrible conflict. But with the onset of World War II things changed, a new Armistice Day was declared and veterans groups lobbied Congress to change the celebration to Veterans Day as a

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FEDERAL MONEY

Use CARES funds to help businesses and nonprofits

We are living in a highly unusual time that requires all of us to do things we never fathomed possible.

Asking for help is one of those actions that many people are unfamiliar with.

Citrus County currently has millions of dollars of CARES Act funds from the federal government that have been entrusted to the county commission to keep local businesses and nonprofits afloat. The county is struggling to disburse the money in an equitable way while the state layers on unreasonable deadlines that could result in the funds being sent to another county.

The county should not let that happen.

There are hundreds of small businesses in Citrus County that are struggling through the impact of the COVID pandemic. Restaurants, bars and retail shops have been hit the hardest. Many will never recover from the impact of the shutdowns, employee layoffs and loss of customers.

Just this past week, Pizza Hut in Crystal River closed its doors for the final time because of the pandemic.

The CARES Act was created and funded to help businesses overcome the financial barriers created by the government shut-down orders. Hundreds of small and mid-sized businesses were devastated by the pandemic and many have already received a first round of funding, but can certainly use another round of support.

In its haste to use the funds, the county has come up with the idea of paying county sheriff's deputies with the federal money and then using the budgeted county dollars designated for deputy salaries for another public purpose.

While we appreciate the creative thinking, that

scenario seems disingenuous to us. The dollars are not really intended to support local government and the county is

not talking about giving extra pay to deputies. They are talking about shifting deputy salaries for another county purpose.

The CARES Act dollars need to flow to local businesses and nonprofits that have been hurt by the pandemic. There have been other programs available for paying salaries and COVID related costs.

Government itself has not been devastated by the pandemic the way other private entities have been. Government is supported by tax dollars, and the last we checked those dollars are still flowing. Admittedly, gas tax and sales tax dollars have dropped because consumers are not spending or traveling as they did prior to the pandemic. But those reductions are minor compared to a restaurant or a gym that has been forced to close for months because of government action.

Chamber president Josh Wooten, an advisory member of the county CARES committee, has recommended that the county proposal only be considered as a last resort. Every effort needs to be made to keep the dollars flowing to those citizens and businesses who suffered deep financial losses from the crisis.

We agree. At the same time, we acknowledge that it is a difficult task for the county bureaucracy to make the distribution process work under such artificial time restrictions mandated by the state. We urge businesses and nonprofits to check in with the county to see if they qualify for the funding. We know the need exists.

You can get more information by calling the county CARES office at 352-527-5449.

THE ISSUE:

CARES funding deadline.

OUR OPINION:

Spend the funds.

The justice system needs you

I would like to take this opportunity to address all the readers of the Citrus Chronicle about an important issue. We have all suffered under the terrible consequences of the COVID-19 virus. We have all suffered from mandatory quarantines, business closings, testing, masks, social distancing and other plagues too numerous to mention.



Richard Howard
GUEST COLUMN

I am writing this directly to you to say "thank you" for your patience. Thank you for understanding the unique dilemmas that our courthouse has also endured. While we are open, it is with very restrictive rules. This is not the time to list all the rules,

but please understand we are doing everything that we can to reopen safely.

For the past 10 months, we have been struggling to process all the civil and criminal cases for our county. Our jail is bursting with defendants who are entitled to their trials. Important civil cases await a jury's verdict. We need you. All the judges have diligently worked to handle as many cases as possible that do not require juries. We now have a need for your assistance as jurors.

We have taken extraordinary steps to streamline the jury process. Our courtrooms will be modified to have stationary structures to prevent the spread

of the virus. We are getting face shields to safeguard all our courtroom visitors. We will be safely socially distanced from one another. Once you come into your courthouse, you'll be impressed to the attention to detail that we have expended.

There is only one thing missing ... you. The trial judges will be resuming jury trials for both civil and criminal cases in January 2021. The summonses will be going out in the coming weeks. Please consider this as my personal request to you to continue to assist your justice system to work. Our rules, our laws, our entire court system will only work if you show up for jury service. Thank you.

Richard A. Howard is the Administrative Judge in Citrus County.

LETTERS  to the Editor

We must slow climate change

Earnest Gallion's letter states that our grid could support a small percentage of electric vehicles "but any large number is untenable." We are on our second EV, both of which have been powered for half a decade by the 23 solar panel system on our roof, which also provides more than enough for our house as well. The total area of these 23 panels is just under a hundredth of an acre. Our two story house was made energy efficient by adding insulation, plugging leaks, using efficient HVAC and appliances, and so on.

Solar seems almost magical. Once installed, it just keeps producing electricity for its 50 year life, with almost no maintenance. It gets cheaper and more efficient each year, and is being put on our turnpikes to power EVs and building. Wind power has a lot of the same attributes. Fuel burning turbines are expensive to build and maintain, and older methods produce coal ash, radiation, and more air pollution.

Where would we get 3,500 acres to produce the power of Duke's 850 megawatt plant? There is easily hundreds of times that much area on rooftops and roadways in the state, and the power is distributed, reducing the need for transmission lines. I don't want to get technical either, Earnest, but confusing power with energy when you say a Tesla uses 300 watts/mile and make similar errors in other parts of your letter, makes me question the validity of your data.

But the real question is, can we afford not to promote new technology that will slow the climate change that causes the fires, floods, droughts and hurricanes that we read about in the Chronicle and see each night on TV? The answer is a resounding no.

New interconnected high-efficient D.C. grids will allow power to be produced in one area and used in another with no storage needed. High-speed trains, energy storage devices, self-driving vehicles, robotic no-till farming, and so many other new technologies will develop as we transition from the age of fossil fuels over the next couple of decades, as we have witnessed in the last few years with LEDs, lithium rechargeable batteries, brushless motors, digital cameras, mass data storage devices and cellphones, etc. The world

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must also address a population problem, as climate change impacts food production and habitable spaces.

Lee Kane
 Crystal River

Input in space exploration

I wrote the Chronicle last week with the story of Elon Musk and the ambitious plan of colonizing the moon and Mars. Since then, I see that I did not include that the federal government has given him a total of \$4.9 billion for NASA to help him in his scheme. He is building containers and attaching rockets to the containers to first go to the moon to build a city and start mining the moon's surface. Today on the internet, I see that NASA is asking for \$25 billion for the extension of Space X, Musk's colonization project.

Who is giving NASA and Musk permission to pursue this world-encompassing idea? In the United Nations, there was a space committee where major countries of the world would address these projects. The United Nations space committee was established in 1967, so their rules are not lengthy or pertinent to today's problems. They did not establish how far up into the sky should the rules apply to, or if aliens are found, who takes precedence in establishing the rules over the aliens or the territory.

Shouldn't there be a world vote on exploration and developing of celestial bodies in our solar system? Mr. Musk and Mr. Bezos will make trillions of dollars. What right have they to build, mine and

pollute the solar system?

Why are earthlings so complacent and not being told of these plans? Musk is now like Columbus and our moon astronauts trying to move ahead in space exploration, but invading the moon and Mars without a broader input from the world's population is not the way to go. We have to have some input.

The earth is in very bad shape. The \$25 billion should be used to lower CO2 emissions and for the pandemic we are going through. I am very angry about this and your paper has to inform the public.

Cleo Lydy

Technology has distanced us

Prior to the explosion of the computer era there was an age-old phenomenon called social interaction. People would enjoy sitting down and having conversations and showing interest in each other, listening and even laughing together. When in public places, we would look at each other, smile and even say hello. Eye-to-eye contact was once very common and one did not glance away as if ignoring or being distracted.

Social interaction has been displaced with social distancing II. The android and iPhone have displaced the other person. It has become more important to interact with the phone rather than people around us. Social media, video games, and 24/7 connectivity has distanced us from others.

I first became aware of this phenomenon when I encountered younger generation store clerks. The normal greeting smiles have been replaced with a millisecond glance and then they looked at their phone, the floor or even the wall as if it were more important. It is now very common to see people in restaurants peering into their phones instead of enjoying conversations across the table. I now put this type of behavior into social distancing II. People — especially our younger generations — no longer establish eye contact with others, smile and converse, but instead avoid it by looking away. Practicing social distancing due to the COVID-19 pandemic will be gone someday, but unfortunately social distancing II is here to stay!

Robert Rutemiller
 Floral City



There are still some honest people

I would like to thank the person who returned my bank card I left in the ATM machine at SunTrust, Sugarmill Woods. There are honest people in the world. Thank you.

Feed your cats so they stay home

I applaud everybody for adopting

cats and bringing them home, whether they're indoor or outdoor cats. But if you get an outdoor cat, please make sure that you feed them just a little bit morning and night, so that they stay home, OK?

Line moved quickly at polling place

In reference to early voting, let me tell you, there was a line, but it moved very quickly and very fast. I don't see

why people are making a big brouhaha about waiting on line. They move very fast. I'm very happy with it.

Not one employee wore a mask

So we came down to the Cooter Fest at Liberty Park today and we're down here now. There's three food trucks. I don't know if they're local or not — one of them is. At any rate, not one employee (is) wearing a

mask — not one. Some of them have two, three people inside their trucks and not a one wearing a mask. So guess what we did? We kept on going. We'll only patronize the ones that care about their customers.

■ Sound Off is meant for readers to comment on local issues. To comment on national issues, write a letter to the editor.

Honor and celebrate veterans on Nov. 11



THOMAS WISNIESKI
Special to the Chronicle

Veterans Day is a day when, together, we pause to reflect on American Veterans — the country's brave men and women who have served and sacrificed while wearing the uniforms of the nation, those who have defended our country in peace and in war.

Who are the American veterans?

Our veterans are ordinary citizens who accomplished extraordinary things for all of us.

They were sentries who guarded our representative democracy.

Our veterans are strangers we pass in the street who were ready to sacrifice their lives so others would not have to sacrifice theirs.

Veterans Day is Wednesday, Nov. 11.

Special to the Chronicle

Other VOICES

They are our brothers, sisters, aunts and uncles, neighbors and friends and colleagues.

They are our protectors and defenders, the 41 million who have put on the uniform since the first shots were fired at Lexington Green in April of 1775 — 19.2 million living among us today.

Every American is a beneficiary of veterans' vigilance and valor.

Every day, employees of the North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System work to afford our veterans the highest merit they are due. It is a privilege to represent our grateful nation in keeping faith with the promise of President Lincoln who, in his iconic second inaugural address, charged us to "care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan."

Over the past three years, VA has been engaged in the most significant transformation since the end of World War II: to improve VA's service to veterans and their families, to keep faith with Lincoln's promise.

Today, the MISSION Act is giving millions of Veterans access to care in their communities.

We expanded the Caregiver Program to include Vietnam veterans, Korean War veterans and World War II veterans injured in the line of duty.

We expanded benefits for post-9/11 veterans in the Harry Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act, or Forever GI Bill.

And we are caring for thousands of Vietnam Blue Water Navy veterans.

We're bringing the electronic health record online so when Americans

take off their uniforms and leave service for veterans' ranks, their medical records will seamlessly follow them to VA.

And we have started a national conversation on veteran suicide and mental health — our top clinical priority.

Our Veterans Day celebration may look different this year, as we continue to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. It is imperative that on Nov. 11, we remember, honor and celebrate all veterans, our champions of a noble cause.

On behalf of myself and our 5,600 North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System employees, we pledge never to forget the sacrifices our veterans have so generously and selflessly made, for us and our posterity.

Thomas Wisnieski is the director of North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System.

Sound OFF

Some don't care about others

I am reading the Sound Off today (Saturday, Oct. 31, 2020) and it says, "Not wearing a mask a political statement." As I read it, I couldn't agree more with whoever called this in. ... I was brought up to look after my fellow man. I see these same people not caring about their fellow next to them, or where these people will travel and locate afterwards to another county. But I guess it's different nowadays ... You

treat one another as you would treat yourself and so forth and that's the way you should look after your fellow man. I've never been so disappointed in people. This is not political statements. ... I don't understand it anymore in this country. This is America and where are we going?

COVID a joke until you get it

I'm calling in regards to the Sound Off of Oct. 31, the gentleman or lady who called regarding the masks being a political

statement. I agree. Everybody thinks it's a big joke until someone they know gets COVID and passes away. This should all be stopped. Nothing is a hoax. Everybody believes it's a hoax.

Sounds like guilty party confessed

I was reading Thursday's (Oct. 22, 2020) edition of the Sound Offs in the Chronicle and I came across a call-in titled, "Picture means nothing." Of all my years in courts and listening to testimony and

listening to people being interviewed, it sounds to me like the guilty party just called in to the Chronicle and confessed. Have a nice day.

Phone numbers would be nice

I know it's the 21st century. I am a senior citizen living off Social Security. I'm trying to find help I need. I don't own a computer. I can't afford a computer and certainly I can't pay the fees to have it running if I did. I am upset because it seems like every

time I turn around, people are just giving their email address. Like I said, I don't have it. Could you please request or put in there that they put a phone number also, OK? Signed, Broke in Beverly Hills.

Wear mask and I'll patronize your biz

It has become obvious to me that the high-risk dining blamed for the COVID spread are (some) mom-and-pop diners. We have gone into restaurants and walked out because wait-staff or cooks were not

wearing their masks. It is unbelievable that their sheer existence depends on the patrons feeling safe and not feeling like it is a Russian-roulette game every time they eat out. Restaurants need to work hard at building confidence in the customer that they are safe and protected. ... The national chains are going above and beyond. ... All the claims of cleaning mean nothing to me if the wait-staff is spreading it in handling my food. How hardheaded can these owners be?

WRIGHT

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Anderson for years and was running. This was 1996 and the political tides were shifting. She was a Democrat and Gill a Republican. I remember writing in a column that Gill didn't have the experience to do such an important job correctly.

I have several times since then pointed out to her how much I was wrong. That's because she has so many times shown us Citrus County folks just how right she is for this job.

We want a lot from politicians, but the most important is trust. Elected officials can make all the promises and assurances in the world, but if we don't trust them it doesn't make any difference.

Four years after Gill was elected came the 2000

"hanging chad" election. We forget this today, but Citrus avoided the whole punch ballot fiasco because we didn't have punch ballots. Gill, in her first term, had convinced county commissioners to pay for these new fangled ballot scanner things. The things we've been using since then and that everyone has these days.

Gill was able to build public trust with that election and it's only grown.

I once heard someone say, "I don't want to be a nice guy. I just want to have a REPUTATION of being a nice guy." Gill's reputation for running fair and efficient elections, plus getting the results out in record speed after polls close, are known and accepted by just about everyone in Citrus County politics. Democrat, Republican, no party, other party — I never hear a bad word about Gill's office or her treatment of candi-

dates. Never.

Along with fairness, Gill stressed voter education. Her staff, particularly Patrick Thomas, who just left the elections office recently for the Key Training Center, showed up at every festival. They attended all the community candidate forums and Gill was a popular speaker.

One year Susan asked me to participate in a video she was producing at Fort Island Gulf Beach. It loosely had a "Survivor" theme, as much as you can go Survivor on voting practices. I say loosely because I'm pretty sure Susan wrote it. We acted out this thing at dusk with tiki torches, then met up at a restaurant later where Susan handed out Oscars to her actors.

She also was big on getting young folks interested in the elections. Gill was in the high schools, signing up new voters.

We were talking one day

about involving high school students in the campaign process. From that we hatched a plan to have student-led forums for county commission, school board and superintendent where government and journalism classes showed up and grilled the candidates.

We became friends and debated election issues all the time. I've even forgiven her for moving the elections office from downtown Inverness to downtown Meadowcrest. By the way, name me another Citrus County politician who could have pulled that off without some public yelling.

Inverness once threatened to sue the county government if it moved the county commission offices to Lecanto, but no one said a peep when Gill left the quaint Coca-Cola building in Inverness, ending a decades long tradition of announcing election results

in the county seat. They stood by because of their trust in Gill.

And now she's retiring. Gill even set up an exit plan of sorts, throwing her full support behind Maureen "Mo" Baird, who has been at the elections office for so long she worked for Wilma Anderson. Baird won her first election outright in the primary, and it should be a smooth transition come January when she takes office.

Tuesday was Gill's last election. A few of us were in the shiny new elections office when she announced at 7 p.m., "For the last time, the polls are now closed." A little while later, the canvassing board started handing out the first set of results, which always come with an explanation. And I rarely hear the explanation because I'm looking at the results or taking pictures.

That's what happened Tuesday.

"Of course, I heard none of what you just said," I told her.

As we were talking, her staffer Bryce Hale snapped the photo that accompanies this column. I love this photo. It's two old election types, getting to the meat of voter results, on yet another election night. We've had this conversation so many times. It saddens me we won't have it again.

You see, we're election geeks. There aren't many like us. The results are not as important as the process because without a fair process, the results don't matter.

Susan Gill made sure the election process worked well for Citrus County. She deserves our gratitude and well wishes for a deserved retirement.

Mike Wright covers government and politics for the Chronicle.

WINDOW

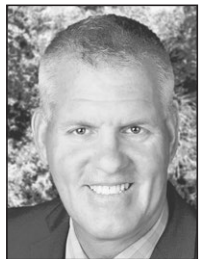
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judgment to retire while on top.

His exit is our loss.

Another longtime public servant who is walking away from an elected position this year is Les Cook, the county's property appraiser. He was never a politician and worked behind the scenes in the property appraiser's office for decades as other folks held the top job and dealt with the public.

But after the unfortunate 2014 death of Geoff Greene while in office, the



Brian Coleman
outgoing county commissioner.



Les Cook
outgoing county property appraiser.



Susan Gill
outgoing supervisor of elections.

governor appointed Cook to the top position.

Cook was never a politician, he was the guy who knew the numbers as they related to the value of property in the county. He particularly liked to deal with the large property owners (Duke, Spectrum)

because there wasn't any way their attorneys could razzle-dazzle him into agreeing to lower property values. Cook knew the detail better than any stuffed-shirt attorney from the big city.

He decided it was time to walk away from the job

and let others take the top spot. Voters selected Cregg Dalton in the November general election as the new property appraiser.

And the final voluntary exit this year is Susan Gill, our longtime supervisor of elections. She has held the elective post for the past 24 years and has run the office with enthusiasm and great competency.

There is general agreement in Florida that Gill ran the most efficient and trusted office in the entire state. She was called upon to lead the state organization of election supervisors and helped mentor new individuals elected in other counties.

Our elections ran

without a hitch during her entire 24 years of service. During the last presidential race (2016) Citrus County had the honor of being the first voting district in the state to report the final results. That was Susan Gill in action.

Voters elected her chief assistant, Maureen "Mo" Baird, to take over the top spot.

These three public servants had a few things in common, but from a taxpayer standpoint, the most important might have been that you very seldom saw their names in the headlines. Brian Coleman, Les Cook and Susan Gill did the job they were each elected to

do without getting sucked into big controversies or letting their egos get out in front.

They competently performed their duties and earned the trust and appreciation of the voters. And now, each one of them made the decision that it was time to walk away and retire.

It takes an equal dose of intelligence and confidence to know when the time is right. Citrus County citizens owe them a debt of gratitude.

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BEYOND

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way to honor every veteran who served in every war.

As a kid, I remember celebrating Veterans Day in Beverly Hills, once a community full of veterans from World War II, Korea and Vietnam. I talked to soldiers who had liberated concentration camps and soldiers who had seen a Korea without a famous demilitarized zone (DMZ). So many of those veterans are no longer with us and I

cherish the memories I have of hearing their stories firsthand.

COVID-19 drastically changes the way we can celebrate and honor our veterans this year. I know many people visit VA hospitals on Veterans Day, attend parades and community gatherings or spend time with local veterans in the neighborhood. Some of those things are, likely, not possible this year.

With so many things hanging in the balance and so much tension in the air, this may seem like that one year to just lay low,

forgo the celebration and double the effort in 2021.

If that's you, I beg you to reconsider. I would argue that this year, maybe more than ever before, we need to celebrate our veterans and their families with gratitude and sincerity. We need to celebrate the common bond that binds us all together — no matter who we voted for. Without veterans, there would be no freedom to choose our leaders; there would be no democracy to defend; there would be no election to contest.

2020 has not been the year for maintaining

traditions or doing things "the way we've always done them." And so maybe this is the year to think outside the box. It doesn't have to be extravagant, it just needs to be genuine.

Send a care package to soldiers stationed abroad. Support a business owned by a veteran. Find an American Legion Auxiliary and get a red paper poppy to wear in support of veterans and soldiers in active duty.

As an aside, the red paper poppies are handmade by veterans in therapeutic rehab and the money raised by these

sales goes to support disabled and hospitalized veterans. It's a twofold way to support veterans. So buy a few and give them to your kids. Teach them early what it means to honor the few who have sacrificed so much for the benefit of so many.

It's been a crazy year. But on Thursday we have an opportunity to take a moment and be thankful; to put to rest all of the stress and tension and uncertainty, even for just a day, to celebrate one of the most egregiously overlooked segments of society.

We need this and they deserve it. Make Thursday count.

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Letters to THE EDITOR

Happy to elect a fiscal conservative

Stephanie Adams received my vote because of her scientific background not her position on the ballot. That she only spent \$713 on her campaign makes me even happier with my vote. A fiscal conservative is who we need. West, spending over \$28,000 for a position that pays \$4,800 per year does not make sense on any level. West thinking she lost because of the

“first name on the ballot” phenomenon might take the sting out of her loss after spending all that money, but at least it was her money, not the county taxpayers’ money.

Delinda Beem
Inverness

Terrorists have created hatred

On Sept. 11, 2001, Islamic terrorists attacked and destroyed the World Trade Centers in New York City. Their motive

and intention was to create hatred and violence in our country on a scale like we have never seen before. We bonded for a while. We became closer and displayed our patriotism, flew our flags, hugged each other. Now almost 20 years later the terrorists have succeeded in their objective. They won. We have more hatred and violence and divisiveness in our country and amongst ourselves on a scale like we have never seen before. How does it feel

knowing that they won?

Douglas Vance Karup
Inverness

About COVID deaths

I’m so tired of Trump supporters saying if someone catches COVID and dies while suffering another illness, that cause of death shouldn’t be attributed to COVID. Even if the person would still be alive if they didn’t catch COVID. Here’s my question.

Let’s say a person goes to a Trump super spreader event. If they catch COVID and pass away, should ignorance be considered a co-morbidity?

Barry Stine
Homosassa Springs

Thanks election workers

Voting in any election is the duty of any election in this democracy. Having missed only one election in my life, I cherish that right to vote. Given the seeming

importance of this particular election for our country, the act of voting took on added significance. I want to thank all the election workers, poll watchers, postal workers, traffic coordinators, and all others who worked to make voting possible this year of pandemic. Each of you deserves the thanks of each of us. It is people like you (as well as the actual voters) who continue to make this democracy possible.

Sue Norman
Homosassa

Sound OFF

Sign is too negative

I’m calling about the (Thursday, Oct. 29, 2020) Sound Off article that says, “Leave the sign up,” the “Eternity in hell.” I think that you are totally wrong and I also sent something in about it. ... It is nothing but negative vibes out there. That’s what it’s saying and we don’t need that kind of negativity here in this county with all that’s going on and everything. I think it’s time to put it to rest and move forward. ... That’s cruel to put that up and it serves no purpose in our county.

Column hit the nail on the head

(Re the Oct. 25, 2020, Page C1 Out the Window column): I’m calling Sound Off in reference to Mr. Mulligan’s Sunday comments, “What patriotism looks like to me.” I totally agree with you wholeheartedly, sir. I feel the same way. It’s really a shame that many people are just totally politically biased and are closed-minded and have no respect for people’s opinions. So I totally agree with what you’re saying. I’m very proud, very proud of being an American and I really like the way you hit the nail on the head. Thank you.

My sandspur solution

I think that I’m not the only one that has a problem with sandspurs in the yard. They’re extremely pesky, painful and hard to get rid of. Here’s something I did and it worked for me: When you cut the grass, if you do not catch it, then you’re just spreading the seed, which is the sandspur. Then later, you walk on it and they just regrow more and more and more. So what I did, I took a large, old blanket that I would have given away or thrown away and I took a long piece of PVC pipe the same length as the blanket, attached the two together and put a loop rope on it. Then I pulled it around my yard right after I cut the grass with my riding mower. I made several passes and I loaded that blanket up with sandspurs. Then when I got done, I took the blanket and I threw it in a fire pit. I hope somebody else can do what I did, because it sure did work for me. Have a great day.

We need stop signs in Crystal Oaks

Residents of Crystal Oaks subdivision walk their dogs and walk for exercise up and down Crystal Oaks Boulevard, which is a residential street within the subdivision with a posted speed limit of 35 mph. Drivers, especially between 6 a.m. and 7:30 a.m., are driving down Crystal Oaks Boulevard anywhere between 55 and 65 mph, as if they are driving on (State Road) 44, while children are out waiting for their school buses. There is never a Citrus County sheriff’s officer in sight. If the county would make the small effort to install stop signs spread out between the entrance at Hunters Ridge, the

entrance at Stone Gate and at Mesquite Point, to create three four-way stops down Crystal Oaks Boulevard — like they have the stops on Meadowcrest Boulevard — the speeding and amount of traffic using Crystal Oaks Boulevard as a racetrack would be significantly reduced.

Thanks for the help

I want to thank the young couple that helped me get my car started last Friday (Oct. 23) in the Dollar Tree parking lot. I got home safe and AAA came. Better to wait at home than in the hot parking lot. It was the starter. Isn’t it wonderful there are still people out there ready to help someone? Thank you again...

Don’t publish sign photos

(Re the Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2020, front-page story, “Trump, Biden signs targeted by vandals,” “Party officials say theft, defacement is worse than normal in this election”): Very good article on the damage of political signs that have been happening, but please do not put pictures of the signs in the paper (Page A2). Not only

do the vandals get to do it on the sign itself, but now their message is clearly in the paper for everybody to read. Gee, I don’t think that’s a deterrent at all. So, think better before you put the pictures of the signs in.

Letter really touched a nerve

I was just reading the letter from Connie Robinson from Beverly Hills in today’s paper (Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2020). I agree with her. I fear for my grandchildren, my children and my great-grandchildren. ... I agree with this Ms. Robinson totally. Her letter was beautiful and really touched a nerve. Thank you for writing it.

Endorsements mean paper biased

I’m calling in because one of your customers who called in (the Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2020, Sound Off), “Just stay unbiased,” it says, when elections are going on. But in my opinion, the Chronicle is not unbiased. Granted, they print letters from people who are recommending different people for different offices in the election system, but as long as the Chronicle endorses people

for different offices, you’re not unbiased. So I don’t really understand why they said that they do hope the Chronicle stays unbiased. In my opinion, when you endorse someone and choose someone as a recommended person, then you’re biased or otherwise you wouldn’t endorse anyone.

Wear a mask, people

I just got home from the store and there was a sign on the door that said something about you can’t come in without a mask and there was a lot of people that came in there after I was in there that didn’t have a mask on. What is this? You know, I am floored. I am upset. If we’re supposed to get rid of this pandemic, then wear a mask, people.

Contractors not wearing masks

Are contractors exempt from wearing a mask? I was at the big-box stores — most of them — and every contractor walking in and out of there did not wear a mask while other people shopping all had a mask on. It’s clearly stated that you must wear a mask to enter. How can they get away with not wearing a

mask? Maybe the contractors should look into not wearing a mask.

Loved the column

(Re the Oct. 25, 2020, Page C1, “Out the Window” column): Gerry Mulligan, I loved your article on patriots and patriotism and what it looks like. You’re a true American and so am I. Whatever other people say or what they do, doesn’t matter. I believe exactly the same as you. God bless you. Thank you.

Shelter is in the right location

I read in the Sunday paper (Oct. 25, 2020, Page C4, the Sound Off titled) “Lecanto great location for shelter.” They complained about it being in Floral City, which is completely wrong. I think it’s right in the right place where it should be. The person must have never been to the shelter, as it’s not in Floral City. It’s back behind the racetrack, fairgrounds and right by the airport. It was not hard for me to find. Also, it’s closer to the middle of the county than Lecanto is and there’s plenty of property out there to build a new one. Maybe this

person should learn to read a map or Google it into their computer road thing and they could find it very easily. I don’t understand this person’s deal about building a new one in Lecanto, which is crazy to me. So anyway, thank you for your time. You have a great newspaper — enjoy it every week.

Sign is on private property

I’m calling regarding the “Eternity in hell” sign that people are talking about. That sign has been there for decades. The man who put it there put it on his own private property and I think if people are worried about the sign, they better be worried about where they’re spending eternity.

We need a code for political signs

For new Citrus County Commission consideration: Time for Citrus County to look to the south to bring back the Nature Coast. Posting of political signs from January to October is, to put it mildly, ridiculous. Our neighbor to the south, Hernando County, has a code for political signs limited to 45 days prior to election that determines fate.

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Giving thanks, giving back to vets

This week, during this month for giving thanks, it is fitting that we'll recognize the sacrifice and service of our U.S. military veterans.

Of course, there are many ways to thank a veteran, but since we are, after all, CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion, we can think of few better than helping ensure they are not embattled by economic hardship.

That's why CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion is proud to participate in the eighth annual state-wide "Paychecks for Patriots" career fair, a special hiring event in collaboration with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, the Florida National Guard, and the Florida Department of Veteran Affairs.

The career fair is open at no charge to veterans and members of military families. Our CEO, Rusty Skinner, said it is part of an ongoing effort to help make Florida the "most veteran-friendly state in the nation."

"With Veterans Day fast approaching, we can think of no finer way to honor those who have served our country than by hiring a hero," he said. "Paychecks for Patriots is designed to address the employment needs of veterans by matching them with employers who value the knowledge, skills and attributes attained during military service."

Our career fair takes place Tuesday, Nov. 10, starting at 10 a.m. More than a dozen similar hiring events are taking place this month throughout the state's CareerSource Florida network of workforce development regions.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau's latest, just released American Community Survey, Citrus County has 16,867 veterans, representing 13.2% of the civilian population. Understandably, with 71.5% of our veterans age 65 and older, not all are in the labor force — that is, working or actively seeking employment. I'll bottom line it: of the estimated 2,452 vets in the local labor force, with a veteran unemployment rate here of 6.0%, we're looking at about 150 in need of a job.

Of course, this doesn't include members of military families who may be unemployed.

Last year, you may recall, we held in-person hiring events throughout our three-county region, including at the Lakes Region branch of the Citrus County Libraries in Inverness.

But this year, for everyone's safety, we and most other regions are offering Paychecks for Patriots as virtual events.

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Dillon does it again



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Inverness Burrito Company owner Ron Dillon offers freshly prepared meals at his newly opened restaurant in downtown Inverness.

Longtime restaurateur realizes dream of opening taco-burrito place

Ron Dillon said he's had the idea of opening a taco-burrito restaurant floating in the back of his mind for at least two years and he wanted it in downtown Inverness.

Dillon's dream came true a week-and-a-half ago when he opened his Inverness Burrito Company at 105B Courthouse Square.

That's the same spot as his former venture — From the Earth Juice Bar & Roots Cafe — that never quite caught on and was ultimately done in by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dillon said he got the idea for this new venture after stopping at mom-and-pop taco spots in downtowns while on vacation.

"They're always very busy and they're always very good," said Dillon, who also owns Cinnamon Sticks.

He believes this will fill a need and draw the downtown Inverness crowd and others in the county who can come in, create their own taco, burrito or bowl and get out in a hurry.



Michael D. Bates
**COMINGS
 & GOINGS**

How's business so far?

"It's unbelievably good," he said. "I think we hit a homerun here."

When he opened the juice bar cafe, Dillon planned to cater to the downtown working crowd. But he was only open one month and was forced to close when the pandemic hit.

It lasted another two months or so but had to shut down again. Traffic was down because many city employees were working from home and that, along with the state stay-at-home directive, did him in.

"I never had the chance to grow it," he said.

A vegetarian/vegan juice cafe is very much a niche business anyway, he said.

Dillon said he originally thought about launching the burrito place from a food truck but he didn't want to give up his existing storefront and the location, and so the Inverness Burrito Company was born.



The Inverness Burrito Company is located on Courthouse Square and offers indoor and outdoor seating.

"There was way more demand for burritos and tacos than the juice bar," he said.

Dillon said patrons create their own tacos, burritos and bowls. They choose the base, the rice, bean and meat and their entree is made in front of them.

"Lots of fresh ingredients and high-end meats," he said.

Dillon stressed the restaurant adheres to strict safety protocols, complete with mask-wearing employees and shields protecting the food surfaces.

He has 10 employees now but plans to add another five and expand to catering, online ordering and deliveries down the road.

The restaurant, he said, "is another enhancement to our beautiful downtown."

Inverness Burrito Company is open 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday thru Saturday. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/invernessburritoco.

Quick takes

■ The Huddle House on State Road 44 in Crystal River has permanently closed.

However, the Inverness location at 321 South U.S. 41 remains open and under new management.

■ The new 7-Eleven in Inverness opened Oct. 31. The new store, which includes a car wash, is at 1007 U.S. 41 North.

■ The Golden Corral buffet chain has reopened 29 locations in Florida, but the Inverness site is not one of them.

The chain is gradually reopening restaurants and modifying the buffet experience. Many are offering cafeteria-style dining and some family-style service where employees deliver food to the table or take orders, according to Restaurant News.

The closest reopened Golden Corral is in The Villages and Spring Hill.



Schlabach Security and Sound welcomes Justin Lomelin

Justin Lomelin was born at Citrus Memorial Hospital in Inverness, but finished high school in Daytona Beach. After serving as a jet mechanic in the Air Force Reserve, he returned home to Citrus County. The past few years, Lomelin has been installing cable television and high-speed internet locally before bringing his solid work ethic and knowledge of low-voltage systems to Schlabach Security and Sound. He and his wife live in Inverness, where they are raising their dog and cats.

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Lee Herndon, Realtor with ERA Suncoast Realty, is a new member of the LIVE UNITED 365 Small Business Circle of the United Way of Citrus County. He is pictured with Meghan Pitzer, United Way CEO. To learn more about the program, call the United Way at 352-795-5483.

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So yes, this year's event will look different than usual, but CareerSource CLM remains committed to using technology to allow service members and veterans to come together with local businesses. The platform enables veterans and members of their families to meet in real time with hiring managers, learn about job openings and submit resumes. They will also be able to connect with veterans' services organizations from all three counties.

I asked Henry Ayala, U.S. Army (retired) and one of our local veteran employment representatives, to help explain why hiring a hero is such a win-win for businesses.

"From day one, military personnel are trained to take their jobs extremely seriously," Henry told me. "They have it drilled into them that stupid mistakes, bad decisions or blatant oversights can get their comrades seriously hurt — or worse. You can't unlearn that, and so veterans will usually bring that enviable level of precision into the workplace.

"Veterans also know how to make decisions," he added. "Rather than making snap judgements, veterans have been trained to absorb every

single piece of information they can so they can typically be relied upon to make the best choice available."

And then there's that critical work ethic. "When you're in the military, slacking off isn't an option. Every task you've been asked to do must be done for a reason, and veterans have been trained to understand that. As a result, you can expect veterans to understand the meaning of hard work."

Veterans and members of their families can

register right now at bit.ly/RegisterP4P. If you know someone who might benefit from this career fair, please let them know.

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Christmas Parade Application Deadline Approaching

This year we are taking you back to a simpler time. A time when Christmas was about homemade gifts and generational traditions. From tinsel to popcorn garland, hand-painted dolls to matchbox cars, celebrate the true meaning of Christmas with this year's theme, A Vintage Christmas!

Completed Parade Applications, Proof of Auto Insurance for any vehicle in the parade and signed disclaimers are due Monday, November 20, 2020 by 5:00 p.m. Applications for parade entries are now open online at www.CitrusCountyChamber.com/Christmas-Parades.

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WHAT IS THE COST?

The Christmas parades are about celebrating the reason for the season and providing some much-needed Holiday cheer to our community. That is why entry costs are kept so affordable!

- School band — \$0.00
- Pageant Winner — \$0.00
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- School Affiliated Band/Drill Team/Marching Unit — \$0.00

- Non-Commercial Float or Entry (includes trailer) — \$25.00
- Religious Entry — \$25.00
- Commercial Units (includes trailer) — \$50.00

*Additional Units may result in a small additional fee.

WHAT IS THE HEALTH RISK?

In line with CDC Guidelines, the Chamber recommends parade viewers practice social distancing and use face coverings when social distancing is not possible.

Parade Participants will be asked to use precautions during staging and hand washing stations will be readily available. To reduce physical interaction, handing out or "tossing" of anything along the parade route will be strictly prohibited.

If you are feeling ill, it is encouraged that you please stay home.

Alternatively, the Chamber has partnered with Digital Hound Media to offer those unable to attend the option to view the parades in real time via Facebook LiveStream.

CF Corporate College offers time management class

CF Corporate College is offering a workshop on Time Management, Planning and Goal-Setting with Accountability: Planning and Follow-up for Success from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. hosted by Rebecca Martin via Zoom.

Professional Development Trainer Rebecca Martin is a credentialed professional development trainer and coach specializing in workshops tailored to small group needs.

She has conducted a number of highly interactive and well-received workshops at CF and for the Corporate College.

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Yogi Berra once said, "If you don't know where you're going, you'll wind up somewhere else."



Rebecca Martin

You can't do everything, and you certainly can't do it in the short amount of time you generally have available. Effective goal-setting — and building in timelines and accountabilities — will propel you in the right direction.

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Individual workshop fee is \$29. Register and pay online at: CF.edu/Corporate-College or call 352-873-5855.

No refunds will be granted five (5) business days prior to each workshop.

RECENT RIBBON CUTTINGS

The Chamber is growing every week. We welcome our new members and thank all of them for joining the Chamber. We encourage the community to support their businesses. Ribbon cuttings currently featured were held prior to the CDC recommendations regarding physical distancing or without direct Chamber interactions. The Chamber encourages the community to follow current CDC recommendations, which can be found on our website at www.CitrusCountyChamber.com.

Seafood Seller and Café

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Citrus Pregnancy Center

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Congratulations to Citrus Pregnancy Center on their new, larger location at 3185 E. Thomas St, Inverness! Citrus Pregnancy Center has been in our community since 1999. All the services are free and confidential. They expect this new, larger location will allow them to serve even more women who are pregnant, or think they are pregnant in the future. When you're pregnant and you don't know what to do, you have several options. This is a safe place to talk and find out what options are available to you. They also have programs for the dads!

'Chamber Report' on WYKE



Watch the weekly Chamber Report show on WYKE-TV to stay informed on Chamber events, issues, and member spotlights. Chamber Report is broadcast on Tuesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays at 5:00 p.m. on Spectrum Channel 16 or through LiveStream (www.livestream.com/watch and search for "WYKE TV 47").

This week, host Jade White, Chamber Public Relations & Communication Coordinator, talks with Bonnie McMullin and Sue Grable of the Nature Coast Ministries about their new store location and their mission to serve our veterans and underserved citizens through free dental care, clothing assistance, housing assistance, and more.

Also joining Jade is Veronica Kampschroer, Chamber Young Professionals Chairwoman and Industry Relations for Discover Crystal River, to discuss the way 2020 has affected the group, how they have used this time to build a new initiative to be released in 2021, and their hopes for the future of our community.



Sue Grable



Bonnie McMullin



Veronica Kampschroer

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Citrus County Mosquito Control District wishes to invite you to submit sealed proposals for Mosquito Control Products. Sealed bids plainly noted on envelope, "BID PROPOSAL FOR MOSQUITO CONTROL PRODUCTS" will be received at the Lecanto Office until 4:30 p.m. on December 7, 2020. The Bids will be awarded at the regular Board Meeting on December 10, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.

Specifications may be obtained by contacting the office located at 968 N. Lecanto Hwy, Lecanto, FL 34461 or by calling (352) 527-7478.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all formalities. By order of the Board of Commissioners of the Citrus County Mosquito Control District.

Joe Adams
Chairman of the Board

Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the Citrus County Mosquito Control District, 968 N. Lecanto Hwy, Lecanto, FL 34461, (352) 527-7478 at least two days before the meeting.

Any person who wishes to appeal any decision made by the Board, Agency or Commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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1283-1108 SUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Citrus County Veterans' Advisory Board will meet on **Thursday, Nov. 12, 2020 at 3:30 pm** in the Citrus County Resource Center, 2804 W. Marc Knighton Ct., Lecanto, Florida, to conduct its regular meeting.

Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the County Administrator's Office, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Second Floor, Inverness, FL 34450, (352) 341-6560, at least two (2) days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD Telephone (352) 341-6580.

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If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Advisory Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which record shall include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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2081-1108 SUCRN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
CITRUS COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED
LOCAL COORDINATING BOARD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Citrus County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (LCB) will hold a public meeting on Thursday, November 19, 2020, beginning at 10:30 a.m., at the Citrus Transit Center, 1300 South Lecanto Highway, Lecanto, Florida.

Items on the agenda include, but are not limited to:

- Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) 10/28 Business meeting
- Annual CTD Training Conference
- 2020 Legislative Policy Positions - State Transportation Trust Fund
- LCB Vacancies
- 2021 Meeting Calendar
- Voting Conflict
- Annual Operating Report (AOR) approval
- Citrus Transit Quarterly Report
- Key Center Update

All meetings are open to the public. Any questions concerning this public meeting should be directed to Mr. Steve Diez, MPO Executive Director, Hernando/Citrus MPO, 1661 Blaise Drive, Brooksville, FL 34601, telephone (352) 754-4082, extension 28013, or email mpe@hernandocounty.us. The meeting agenda will be available approximately one week prior to the meeting at: www.hernandocitrusmmpo.us.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact the County Administrator's Office, Lecanto Government Building, 3600 Sovereign Path, Room 267, Lecanto, FL, 34661, (352) 527-5214, TTY (352) 527-5312 at least two (2) days prior before the meeting.

If a person decides to appeal any quasi-judicial decision made by the Citrus County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board with regard to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, said person will need a record of the proceeding, and that, for

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Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization
/s/ Steve Diez
MPO Executive Director

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1279-1108 SUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Citrus County Code Compliance will conduct a Special Master Hearing on **Wednesday, November 18, 2020 @ 9:00 AM** at the Lecanto Government Building, Room 166, 3600 West Sovereign Path, Lecanto, Florida 34461, to conduct its regular meeting and any other business to come before the Code Compliance Special Master, at which time and place any and all persons interested are invited to attend. If you have questions, contact Code Compliance at (352) 527-5350.

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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If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Code Compliance Special Master with respect to any matter considered at this public hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which record shall include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

GREGG R. BRENNAN, SPECIAL MASTER CITRUS COUNTY CODE COMPLIANCE

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1282-1115 SUCRN
FORFEITURE - CCSO
PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to FSS 705.103, the following found item(s) will be disposed of as provided by Florida State Statute unless claimed by the owner:

- Yamaha 15HP boat motor Mod F15MSHK
- \$470 US Currency

To make claim for any of the items, contact Liz Laughlin, Evidence Custodian, Citrus County Sheriff's Office at 352-341-7435.

Sheriff Mike Prendergast
By: Liz Laughlin, Evidence Custodian

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1280-1108 SUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ACTION: ORDERS TO VACATE & DEMOLISH - VIOLATION OF CITRUS COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 20 ARTICLE V UNSAFE STRUCTURES AND/OR CONDITIONS

CASE NUMBER: 257167

Description of Property: Altkey: 1102031; CRYSTAL CREST ADD UNREC SUB LOT 22: COM AT THE NW CORNER OF NE 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF NE 1/4 OF SEC 34-18-17 E TH S 89DEG 17M 50S E AL THE N LN OF SD SEC 34 A DIS OF 29.64 FT TO THE NE CORNER OF CRYSTAL CREST TH CONT S 89DEG 17M 50S E AL SD N LN A DIS OF 332 FT TH S ODEG 02M 50S W PARALLEL TO THE E LN OF SD CRYSTAL CREST A DIS OF 395.25 FT TO THE POB TH CONT S ODEG 02M 50S W 156.75 FT TH S 89DEG 17M 50S E PARALLEL TO SD N LN A DIS OF 166 FT TH N ODEG 02M 50S E 156.75 FT TH N 89DEG 17M 50S W 166 FT TO THE POB EXCEPT TH E 25 FT AND TH S 25 FT FOR R/W DESC IN OR BK 2078 PG 1090 OR BK 2196 PG 2088; Parcel ID: 17E18S34 1A000 0220

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Any person(s) having a legal interest in this property may contact the Code Compliance Office within 30 days of this publication. Board of County Commissioners, Dept. of Growth Management, Code Compliance Division, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Lecanto, FL. 352-527-5350. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 341-6580.

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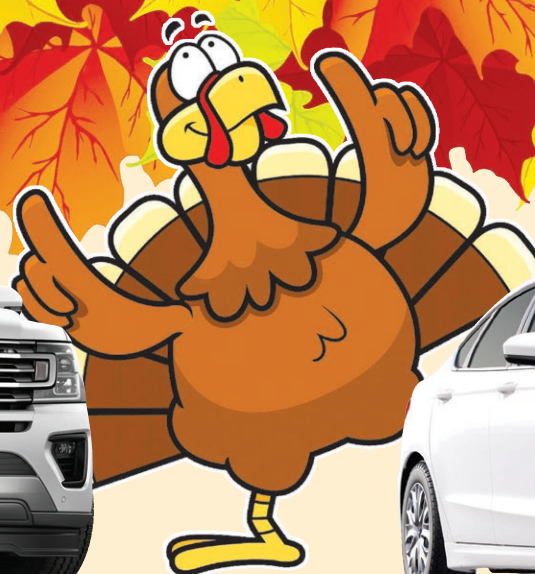
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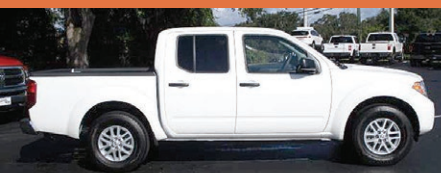
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Sunday, November 8, 2020



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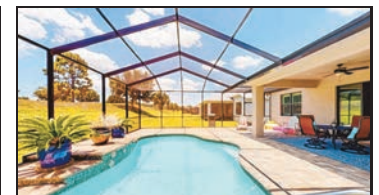


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Bridgewater pair sell True Value Rental Center

Bridgewater Commercial Real Estate announces the sale of a 4,624-square-foot True Value Rental Center at 3315 E. Gulf-to-Lake Highway.

Kori and Shane Billings overcame numerous hurdles during the 126-day contract period including a PPP loan, seller note and revenue proforma to satisfy increased lender scrutiny in today's economic climate. The Buyer obtained SBA 7A financing, which provides for business acquisition and working capital, through Central Bank in Tampa.

The business and property were listed just prior to COVID-19 and went under contract in June. The Buyer was not represented in the transaction. The sellers had previously listed with another brokerage for a year and received no offers. Kori Billings is Bridgewater's exclusive business broker and Shane Billings' 26-plus years of environmental consulting experience brings added value to real estate deals.

This transaction is the Billings' second True Value Rental Equipment business with real estate sold this year. The duo represented the seller of True Value Rental of Crystal River, which closed in April for \$3 million.

For information on this sale, contact Kori Billings at 813-997-3341 or Shane Billings at 813-995-1592.

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Creating the closet of your dreams could be in closer reach than you may think if you're willing to take matters into your own hands. With a little creative inspiration and some basic DIY skills, you may be surprised by the stylish space you can design by yourself.

Start with a vision

Creating the perfect closet space begins with your ideas. Think about the details such as how you want the space to look and the amount and type of storage you need. Envision everything from colors and finishes to the physical shape.

Get practical

Once you've dreamed up your ideal closet, compare your ideas with the space you have available and adjust your plans to fit your footprint and budget. This step allows you to get creative with ways to maximize your space and use every available inch to create a closet that gives you the function and aesthetic you desire.

See **CLOSET/Page E5**

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Relocating pipes, wires and ducts

TIM CARTER
Tribune Content Agency

Ask the **BUILDER**

Q: Tim, I need you to weigh in on a remodeling conundrum. Two plumbers and one handyman say that two plumbing vent pipes can't be relocated to an exterior wall. I took the drywall off the back of a linen closet to open up the space for my soaking tub.

I want to have extra space for candles and wine bottles.

I live where it can get really cold, and they say moving the vent pipes can be a problem. Do you know anything about plumbing? Can the vent pipes be moved, yes or no? Can I just cap them off below the floor?

Also, what about moving wires and ductwork? Can that be accomplished? What's involved when moving all these utilities? — *Suzanne B., Minneapolis*

A: Many DIYers have experienced that "uh-oh" moment at some point

in their remodeling escapades.

You know, when they gleefully start to tear down a wall and find all sorts of unexpected things going up through and between the wall studs.

The fast answer for Suzanne is the vent pipes can be moved. I can say this with a considerable amount of authority, as I've been a master plumber since age 29. The important question is: how easy will it be to relocate the pipes?

That question can only be answered by a visit to the job site to see what framing is in the way and what additional demolition needs to be done to create a pathway to allow the vent pipes to drain any condensate back into the drainage part of the plumbing system.

Local codes may require the vent pipes to be put in certain walls.

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Jane's Garden

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This pretty, marble-topped table carries good value

Dear John: This white marble-top table has been in the family for 50 years. A family member purchased it, while living in Ohio, for \$75. Now it belongs to us and we would like to sell it.



John Sikorski
**SIKORSKI'S
ATTIC**

We just moved to a retirement community and it does not fit into our interior design scheme.

There are several people in our neighborhood interested in buying the table.

So, we need your advice on the value, what should we ask for it. The marble is nice and clean, there are no cracks, and the wood has no damage.

The table is quite sturdy. The dimensions are 30 inches high, 22 inches deep and 30 inches wide.

Thank you for your advice. — *B.P., Internet*

Dear B.P.: Your white, fancy marble-top table

was made in America, possibly Grand Rapids, Michigan. The time of production was 1870 to -90.

The style is Rococo revival. Rococo had its beginnings in the 18th century and became popular again during the Victorian era.

It is one of many styles from earlier periods that were revived during the Victorian era.

Today, we refer to these as revival styles; e.g., Rococo revival, Queen Anne revival.

The shaped marble top conforms to the wood frame it rests on and is original.

I think if you get between \$250 and \$500, it would be par for the course.

Dear John: I have read your articles in the Citrus County Chronicle and have an item I want to ask you about.

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The style of this white marble-topped table is Rococo revival. Rococo had its beginnings in the 18th century and became popular again during the Victorian era.

Special to the Chronicle



CLOSET

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Attention to detail

It's not just the structure that can bring your dream closet to life; little touches can add up in a big way. Upgrade your light fixture, for example, and look for other ways to personalize the space for a look that's all yours, such as shelving to display treasured photos or keepsakes, or a spot on the wall for a vision board to draw inspiration from as you begin each day.

Create closet zones

An envy-worthy closet isn't just a stunning space, it integrates functional elements so seamlessly that they blend right into the design.

When it comes to storage, a stylish and easy-to-assemble system like ClosetMaid's SuiteSymphony balances form and function in almost any space.

This tower-based closet system, which can be a perfect



Family Features

A beautiful walk-in closet enhances any master bedroom.

option for projects on tighter budgets, combines multiple tower sizes and corner units to create a completely custom DIY closet system.

The system also accommodates a wide range of accessories for more customization such as stylish doors and drawers, angled shoe shelves, jewelry trays and tie and belt racks.

Keep color in mind

Introduce light and

personality into your closet with rich color and style. Add accent color on the walls behind your clothes or incorporate color with the structural elements. For example, the SuiteSymphony line offers several color options, including on-trend finishes like Graphite Grey and Midnight Brown.

Find more inspiration for creating your dream closet yourself at closetmaid.com/suitesymphony.

BUILDER

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That's up to your local inspector.

Never cap off vent pipes. These pipes are vital as they deliver air into the plumbing system. Most people think that the plumbing vent pipe up on the roof is like a factory chimney that exhausts smoke. Vent pipes work in reverse. They deliver air down into the system each time you flush a toilet, drain a sink, or run water into a fixture.

The moving water not only pushes air ahead of it as it travels to a septic tank or sewer, but it can also create a vacuum as a slug of water passes a drainage branch within the system.

Vent pipes need to be installed just like regular plumbing drain pipes. They need to have a slope so that any condensation that does form in the pipes can drain by gravity into the plumbing system on its way to the septic tank or sewer.

This same condensation can be a pesky problem in cold climates, as hoarfrost can choke off a vent pipe. This is why in very cold climates the main vent stack is often full-sized and a 4-inch-diameter pipe. The larger pipe size means that much more frost must form to choke off the air supply.

Vent pipes on exterior walls in cold climates should be located in such a way as to be as far from the cold exterior wall surface as is reasonably possible. You want as much insulation space between the pipe and the outer wall to hopefully keep the pipe temperature just above freezing.

Electrical wiring can also be relocated in a remodeling job. There can be significant challenges, and the paramount thing to remember is neither you nor a worker should ever bury a junction box. If you have to create a splice to add additional wiring, the junction box must be visible. You can often achieve this in a closet.

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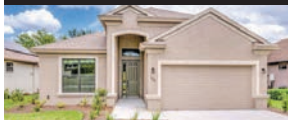


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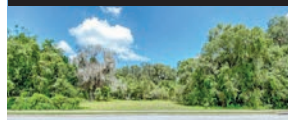


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JANE WEBER/For the Chronicle

Senna alata, commonly called Candlestick plant is an exotic noninvasive plant originally from South America. It hosts several sulphur butterfly caterpillars and it attracts yellow pollinators to its terminal clusters of flowers.



JANE WEBER/For the Chronicle

In the fall throughout Florida, the widespread and common Senna pendula, Fall- or Winter Senna, can be seen blooming yellow with masses of beautiful flowers. Each plant usually flowers for six to eight weeks.

Exotic beauties: Sennas in Florida

In Florida, examination of herbarium specimens from the University of Florida, University of South Florida, and Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden show *Senna bicapsularis* is a rare, nonnative, exotic South American plant.

Not listed as an invasive species, it has three pairs of opposite leaflets on each compound leaf. However, this same scientific name was misapplied to the popular, attractive but invasive *Senna pendula*, commonly called Fall- and Winter Senna these days.

In the past, the three genera — *Cassia*, *Senna* and *Chamaecrista* — were all lumped together. Today's gardeners can easily use scientifically accurate names.

Senna pendula is an erect shrub, 2-4 meters (6-13 feet) tall. Arching stems are multi-branched with distinctive greenish-brown bark with horizontal flecks.

Each compound, hairless leaf has three to seven pairs of opposite leaflets up to 5 centimeters (2-inches) long with rounded tips and noticeable yellow edges. There are glands between the leaflet pairs.

Clustered at the branch tips, *pendula*'s bright yellow flowers are about 3 centimeters (1.25 inches) in diameter; have five petals and prominent curved stamens.

Flower stalks, pedicels are long whereas *S. bicapsularis* flowers have short pedicels. *S. pendula* cylindrical seedpods are 10 to 20 centimeters (up to 8 inches) long.

Interested homeowners can get the facts online. University of Florida lists *S.*



Jane Weber
**JANE'S
GARDEN**

pendula as an invasive species at <https://plants.ifas.ufl.edu/plant-directory/senna-pendula>, as does FLEPPC, the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council.

Extension botanist Marc Frank explains the confusion in the names at gardening solutions.ifas.ufl.edu/mastergardener/.

All 30 *Cassia* species are tropical trees.

Frank writes: "Cassia species (flowers) always have 10 stamens, with the three lowest stamens longer than the others and sigmoid (with a distinctive S-shaped curve)."

Pairs of *Cassia* leaflets do not have nectar glands on the rachis between

leaflets.

Nowadays informed gardeners can easily understand the difference. The *Senna* genus has about 300 species, including trees, shrubs, and herbs. Most sennas are tropical but some grow in temperate regions.

Subtropical Florida has several native sennas, as well as many introduced species. *Senna* flowers have between two to 10 stamens that are shorter and straighter than in *Cassia* flowers. Some *senna* flowers have curved, but never S-shaped lowest stamens.

Scientist Alan Franck, Ph.D., is the curator of Wertheim Conservatory, Institute of Environment, Department of Biological Sciences, at Florida International University in Miami.



JANE WEBER/For the Chronicle

A butterfly, sulphur caterpillar on an exotic, invasive ornamental Senna pendula shrub is yellow because it has grown up eating flowers, not the green leaves.

JANE

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He kindly emailed me to explain: "There are glands on the RACHIS (not a stem) between the leaflet pairs on *S. pendula*."

Senna pendula flowers have long flower stalks called pedicels.

In the fall, the widespread and common *Senna pendula*, Fall- or Winter *Senna* can be seen blooming yellow with masses of beautiful flowers throughout Florida.

Introductions to Florida were begun in 1912 by the USDA Office of Foreign Seed and Plant Introduction and mistakenly thought to be *Cassia bicapsularis*.

Decades later, the name was changed to *Senna bicapsularis*. The introduced species turned out to be exotic *S. pendula* which has naturalized and become invasive in natural areas around the planet including Florida. Gardeners now know the names *cassia* and *senna* are not interchangeable.

Extension botanist Marc S. Frank writes: "Master Gardener publications and demonstration gardens cannot promote

species that are deemed invasive by the UF/IFAS Assessment. Native alternatives that would be more appropriate for a Florida-Friendly garden include *Senna marilandica* and *Senna ligustrina*. For those in the warmest, southernmost parts of Florida *Senna mexicana* var. *chapmanii* is another possibility."

Sennas are important butterfly caterpillar host plants for four of the seven species of Sulphur butterflies that breed in Florida. Cloudless Sulphur, *Phoebis sennae*; introduced Orange-barred Sulphur, *Phoebis philea*; and Sleepy Orange, *Eurema nicippe* butterfly caterpillars feed on *senna* plants including some native species, as well as exotic Candlestick plant, *Senna alata* and the invasive *S. pendula*.

These butterflies breed and their caterpillars feed in my garden, but I do not knowingly grow any invasive species including *S. pendula*.

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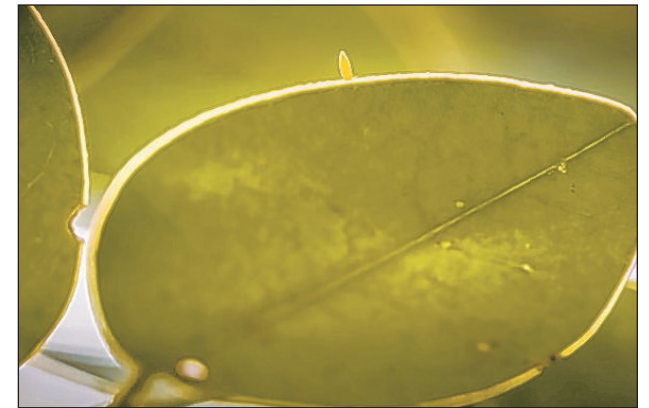


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A sulphur butterfly laid this yellow egg singly on the edge of a *S. pendula* leaflet.

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Make magic: Multiply trees, shrubs by using cuttings

LEE REICH
Associated Press

How magical: Stick a piece of wood in the ground and next year it becomes a plant.

That stick is a hardwood cutting, an easy way to multiply some favorite trees, vines and shrubs. They're called "hardwood" because the pieces are mature and woody.

Not every woody plant will magically take root and start to grow from hardwood cuttings. Expect close to a 100% "take" with plants such as grape, currant, gooseberry, privet, spiraea, and honeysuckle. But don't even bother trying this method to make new apple, maple or oak trees.

Because they lack leaves, hardwood cuttings are less perishable than "softwood cuttings," whose leaves can dry rooting stems out before roots form.

If you want to make your thumbs feel greener,

try hardwood cuttings of willow, a plant I've seen take root from branches inadvertently left on top of the ground through the winter. Most other plants demand a little more finesse.

TAKE THE CUTTINGS

If you'd like to multiply a favorite plant by hardwood cuttings, now is a good time of year to start. Step back and look at the plant, and select some shoots that grew this past season – the youngest shoots. Those most likely to root have moderate vigor; they're not too fat or too thin for the particular species.

Cut the shoots into manageable lengths of a half-foot or so, the upper cuts just above a swollen node where a leaf was attached, and the lower cuts just below a swollen node. Make sure you remember which end was up (furthest from the root). Professionals do this by cutting the bottoms off squarely and the tops at an angle so the

ends are not mixed up during planting.

All that's needed, then, is to slide the bottom of each cutting into some well-drained soil, deeply enough so that only the top node still shows. If you plant cuttings in autumn, mulch them

to keep the soil warmer and prevent freezing and thawing of the ground from heaving them up out of the soil during winter. If you plant the cuttings in a nursery bed, the rooted plants should be ready to move to their permanent homes by next fall.



Associated Press

Leaves appear on currant cuttings stuck in the ground the previous fall, in the spring while new roots are developing below ground.

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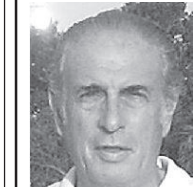
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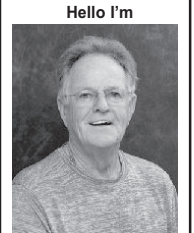
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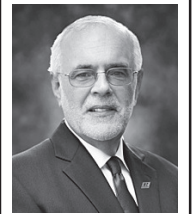
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The young lad standing by the bear with a basket of berries is likely from a storybook theme. It was made in a mold.

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Please see the attached pictures. I do not know where it came from, other than it was in my parents' house when they passed away. I remember it when I was a child, so it is at least 60 years old.

It is very heavy and made of rough material. There are no readable markings on the bottom. What can you tell me about it? Thank you. — M.D., *Internet*

Dear M.D.: I appreciate the good, clear photographs of your figurine, including the underside.

The young lad standing by the bear with a basket of berries is likely from a storybook theme. It was made in a mold.

There is no specific collector interest that I am aware of. This leaves potential dollar value at the catch-as-catch-can.

Dear John: I have a piece of coin glass that has been in the family for decades. The story goes it rested in the center of a card table on a river gambling boat and was

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The description of the piece you have leads me to suspect you have a small epergne; however, you did not include the photograph in your correspondence.

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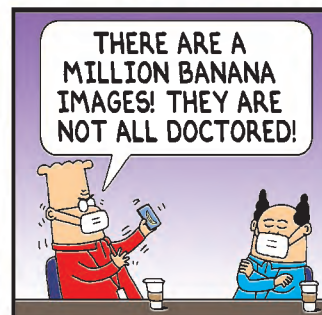
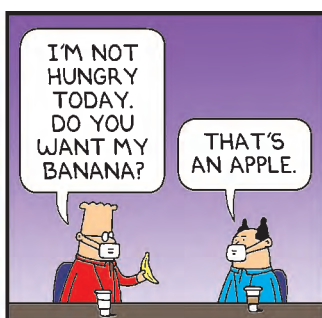
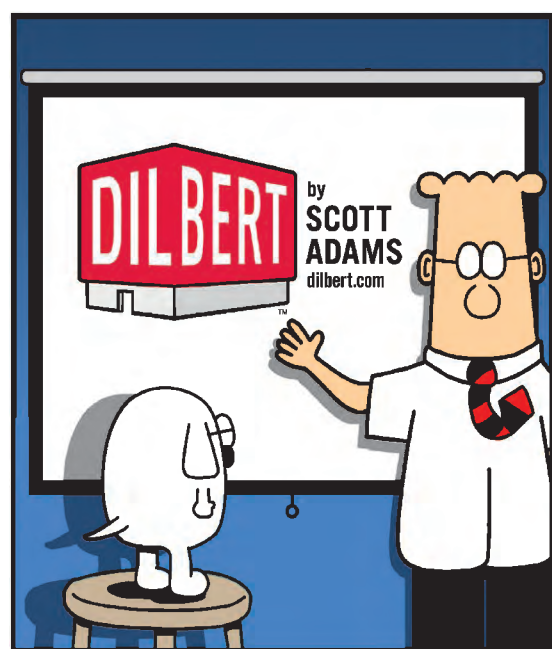
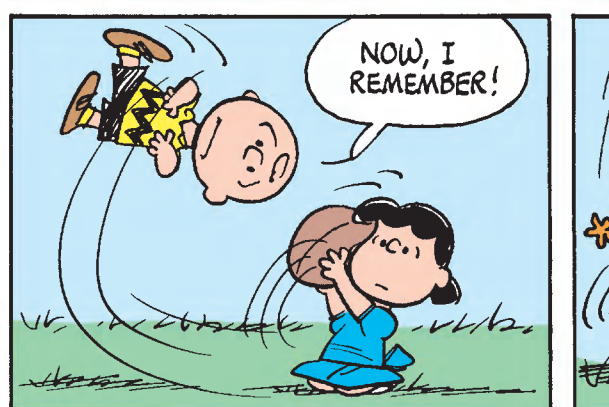
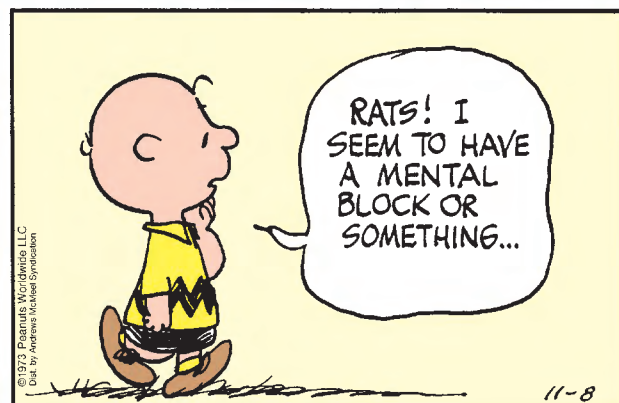
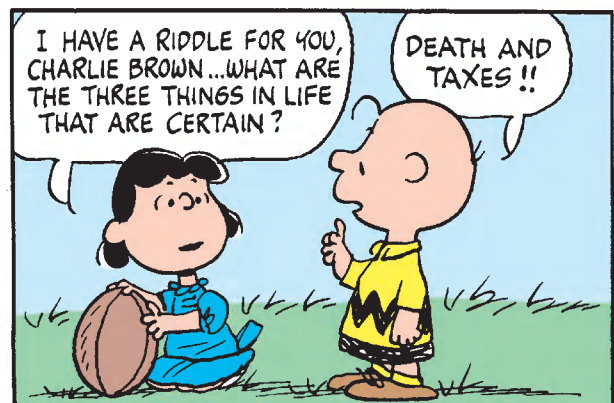
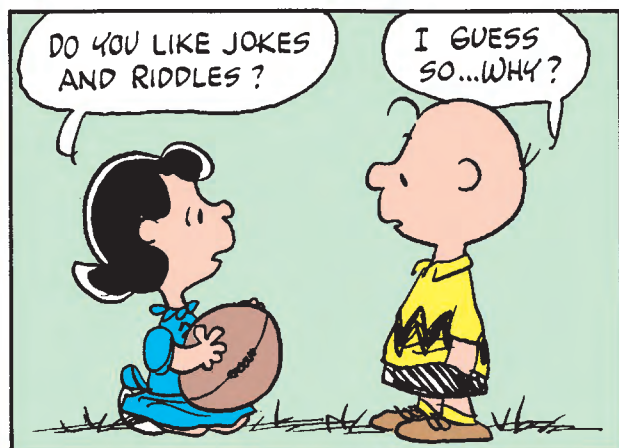
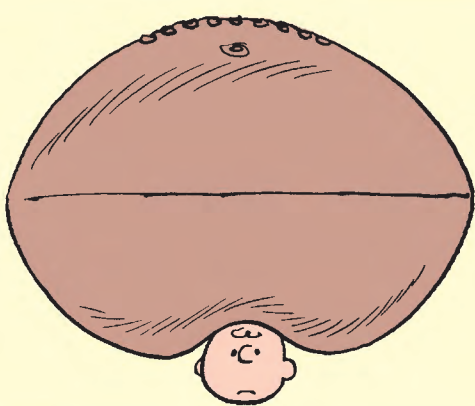
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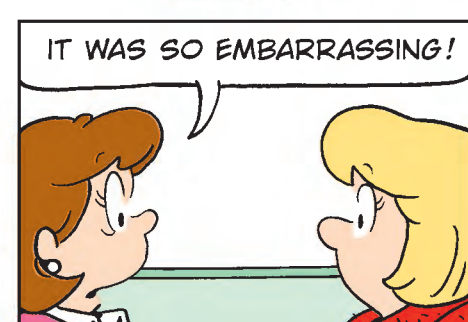
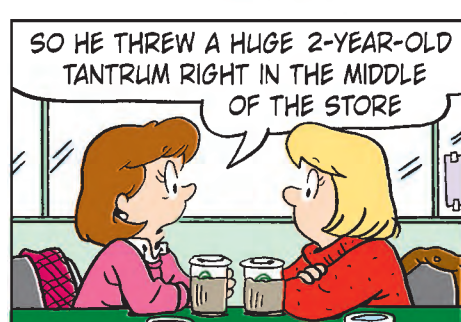
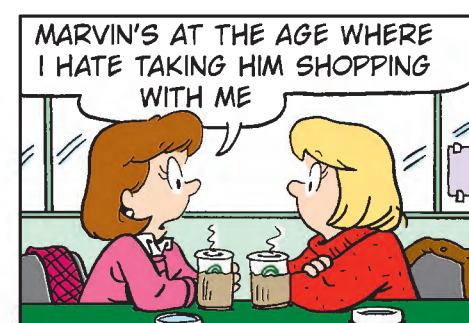
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MARVIN and STAFF

by TOM ARMSTRONG



A deceitful dog posing as a pest exterminator has been scamming forest citizens. Slylock Fox tracked the canine crook to Rachel Rabbit's house, where he has already secretly released nine biting spiders. Help Slylock Fox and Max Mouse quickly find all the spiders in this scene.

HOW TO DRAW a skunk

YOUR DRAWING Today's terrific artist is Lilly, age 9

Which is the longest-living spider species?
a) Black widow
b) Tarantula
c) Brown recluse
d) Daddy longlegs

Answer - a) Black widow (can live up to 30 years)

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Spot six differences between these panels.

Answer - Shovel, flower, fence, barn, milk drop and hair.

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Sunday Puzzle Fun

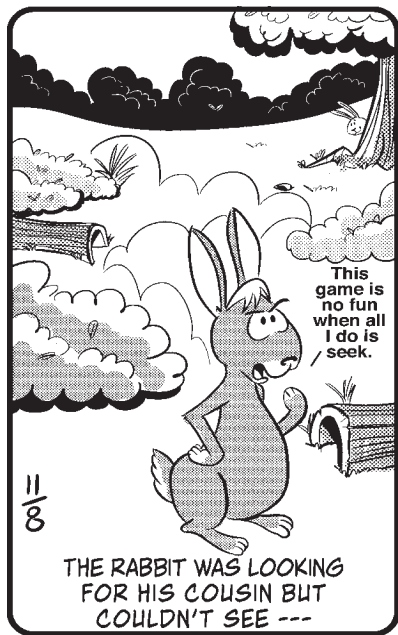
JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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

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

PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW

○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ "○ ○ ○ ○ ○" ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

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SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mepham Group

Level

1 2
3 4

2			3					8
		4						
5			2					9
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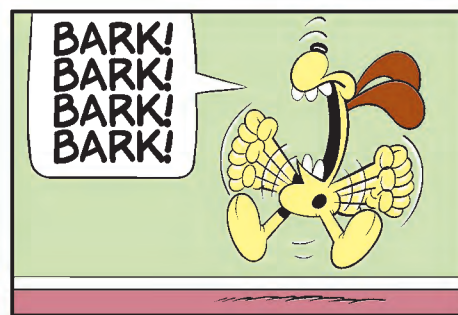
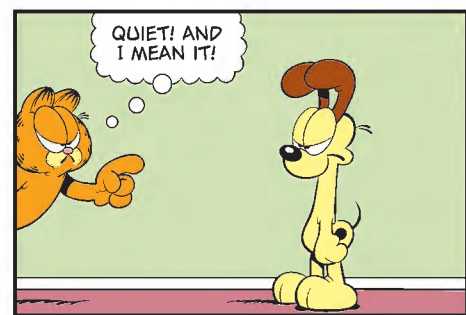
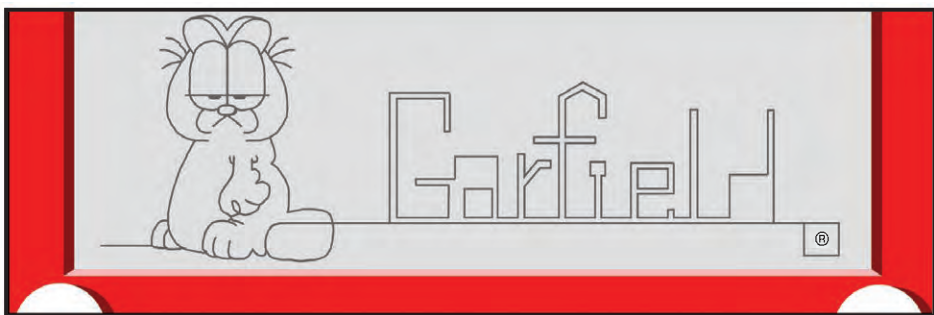
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, please visit sudoku.org.uk

Solution to Last Weeks puzzle

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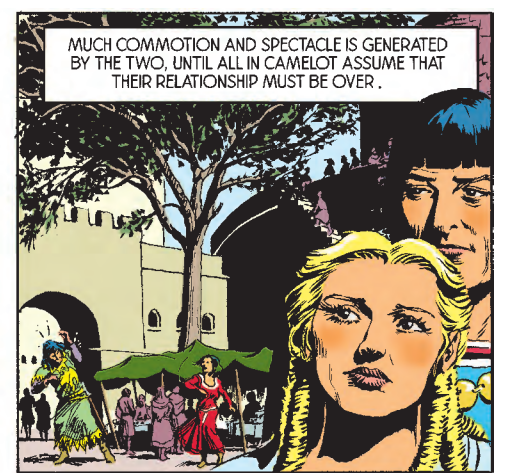
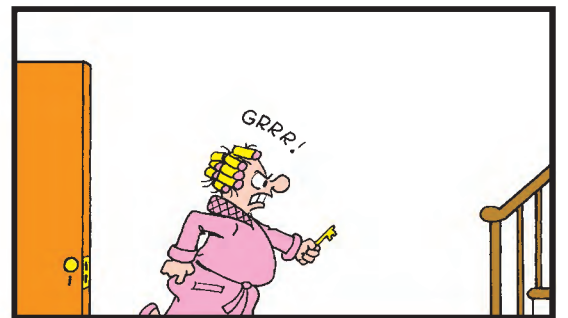
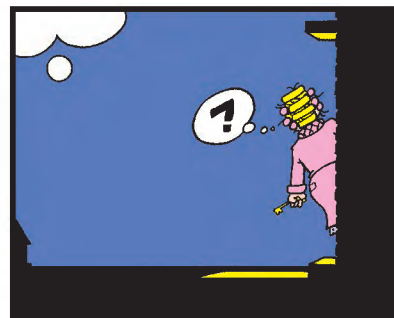
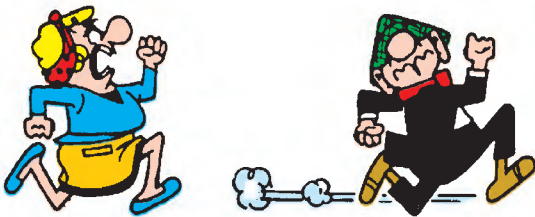
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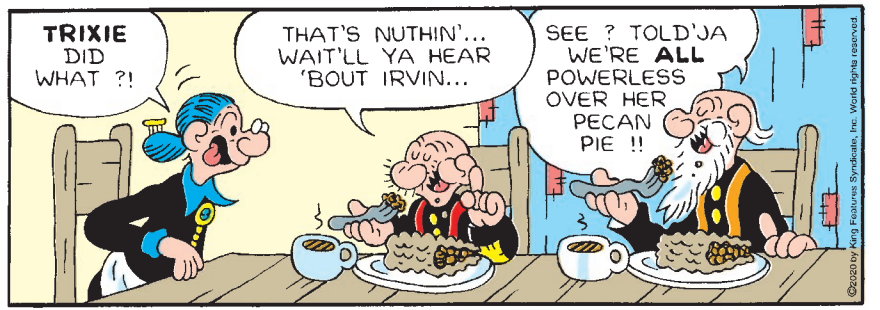
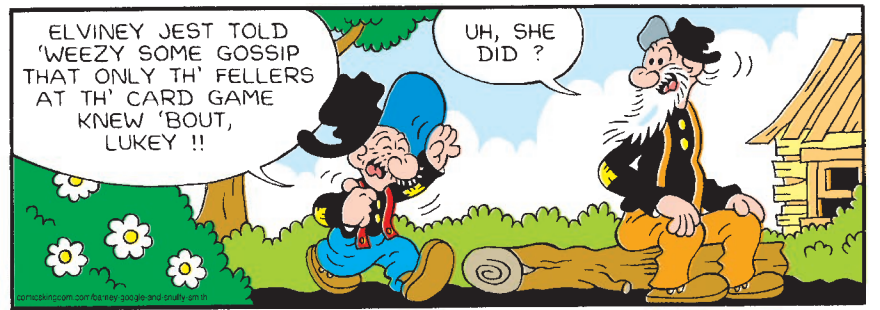
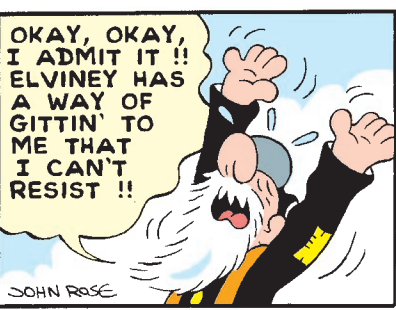
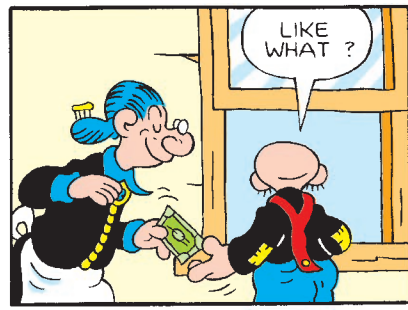
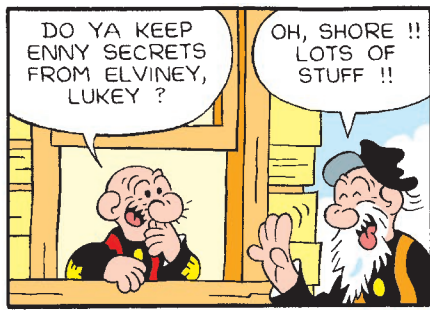
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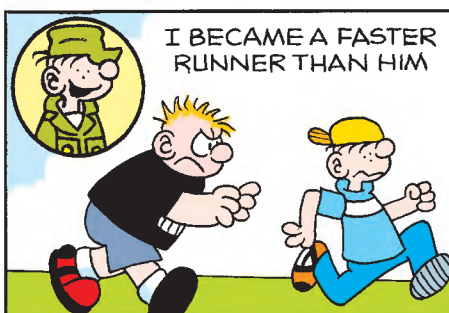
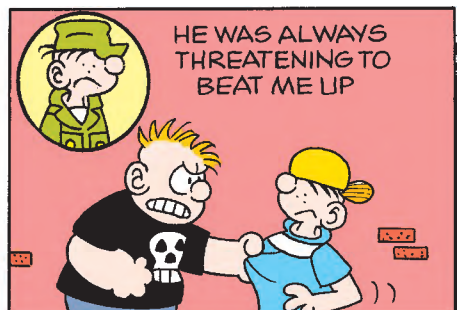
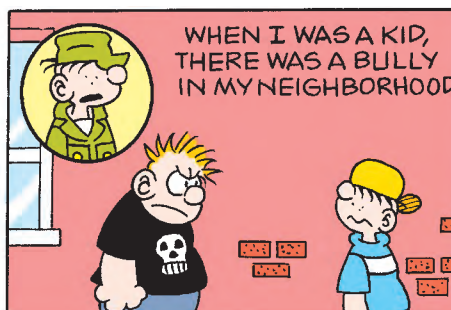
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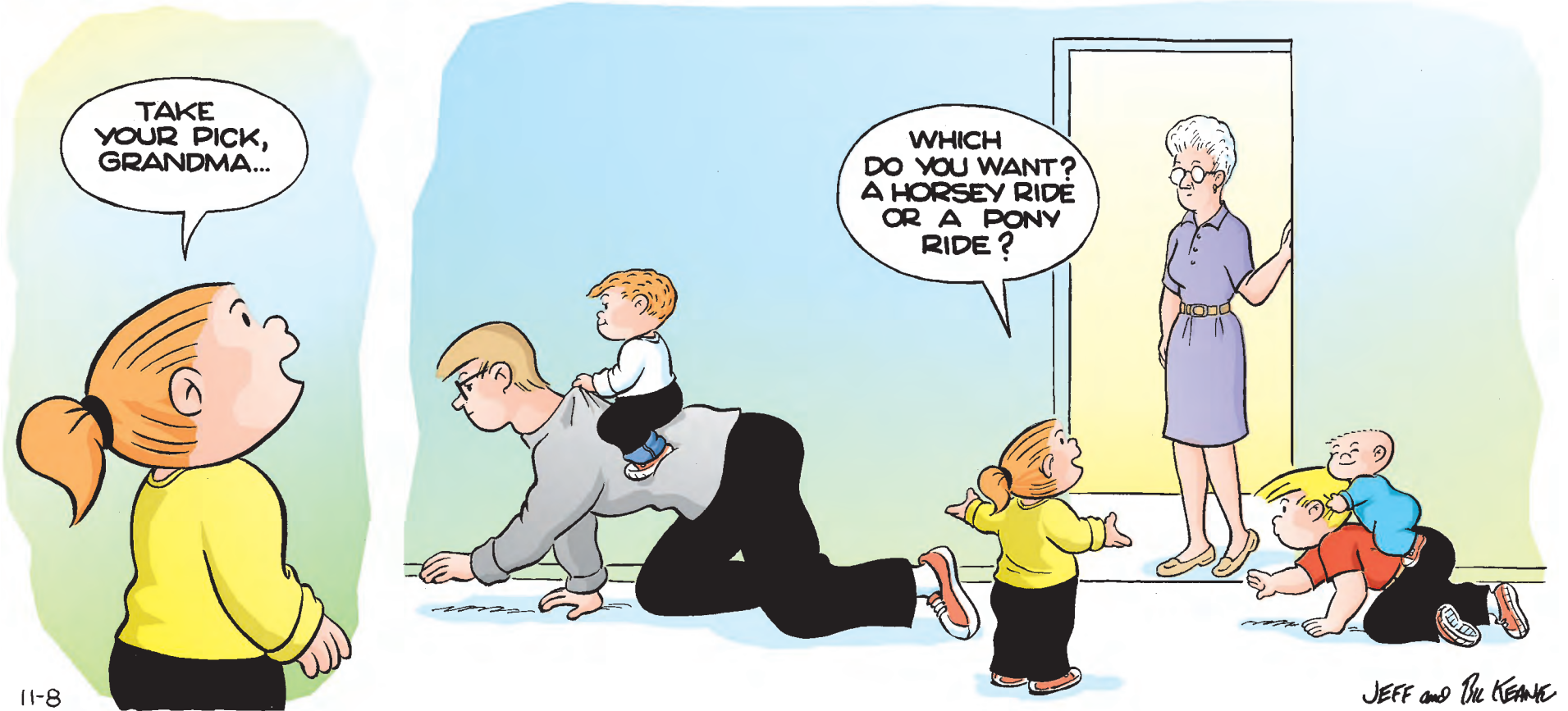


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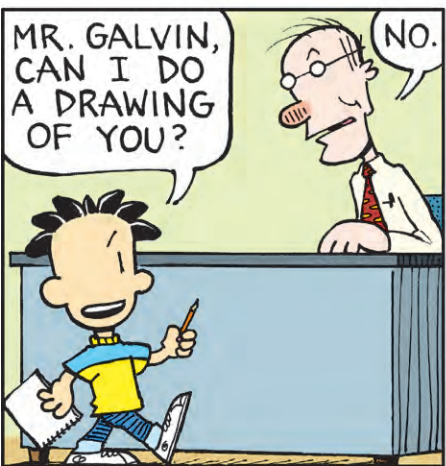
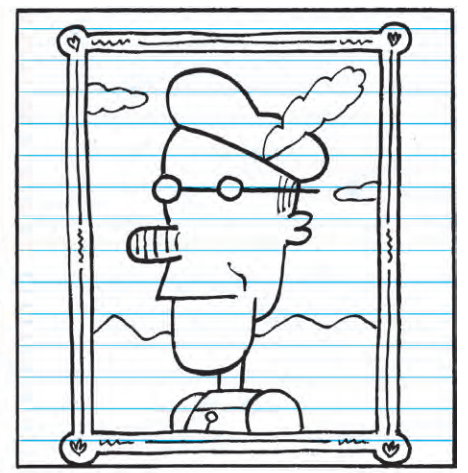
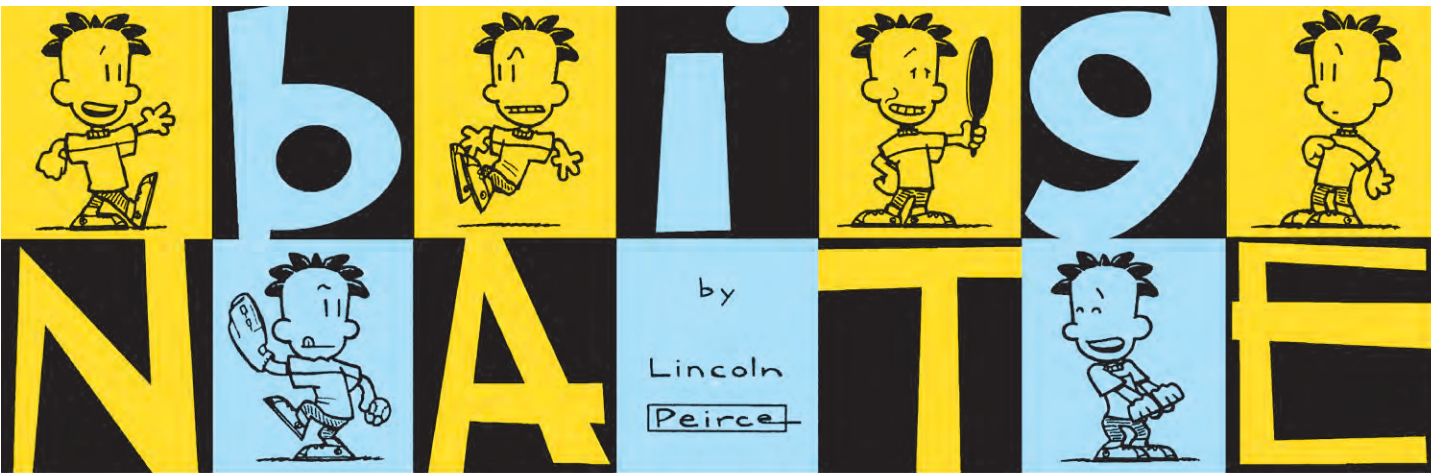
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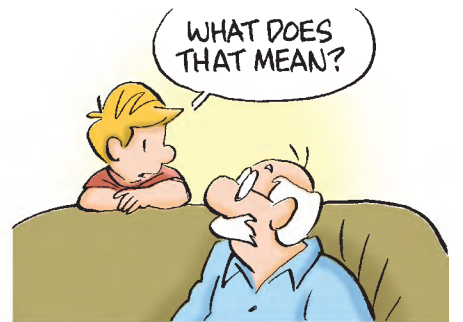
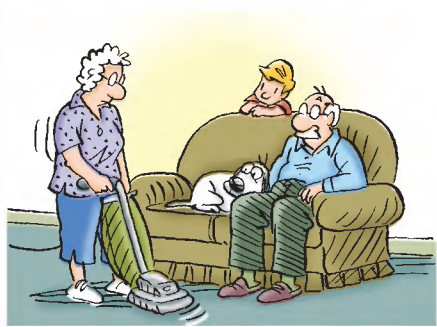
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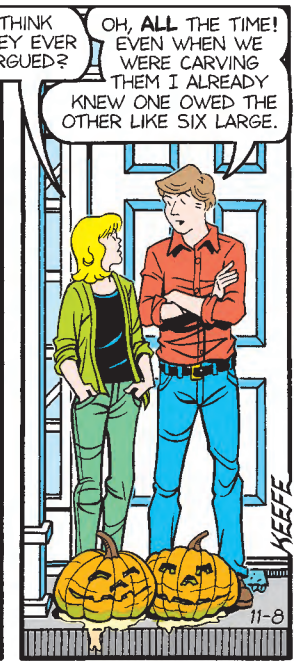
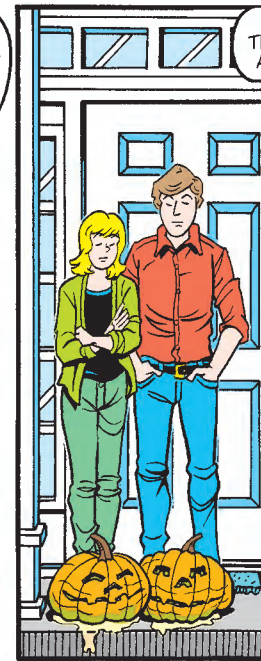
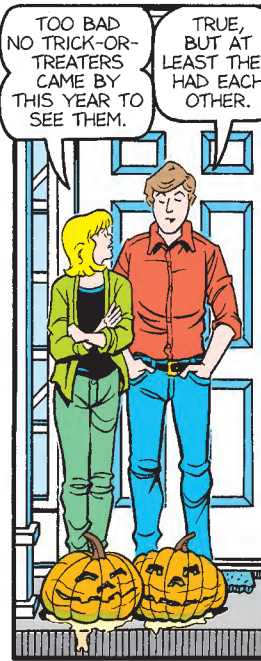
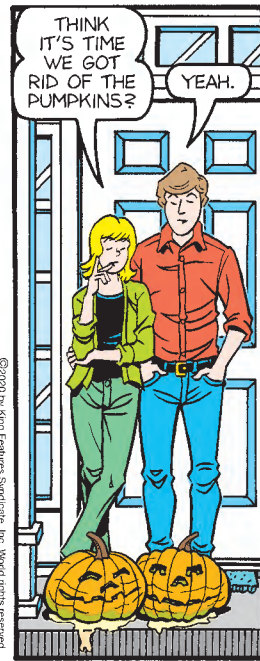
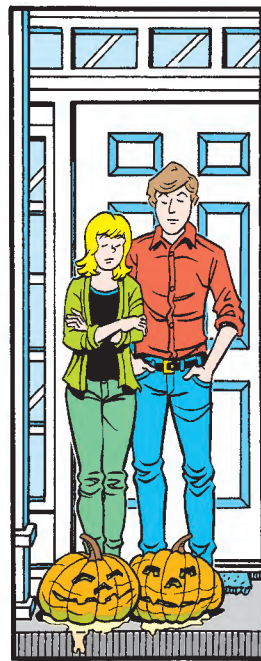
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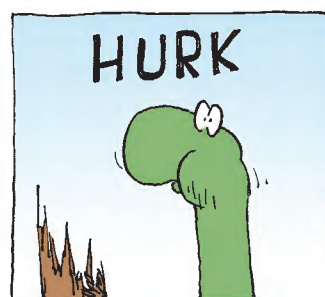
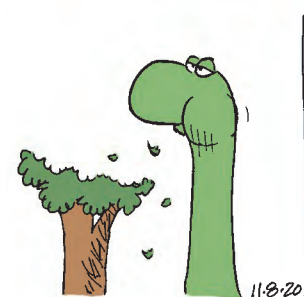
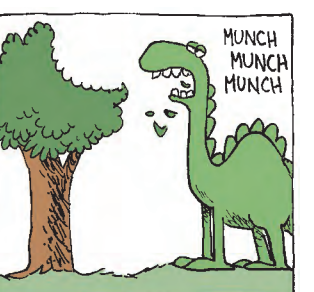
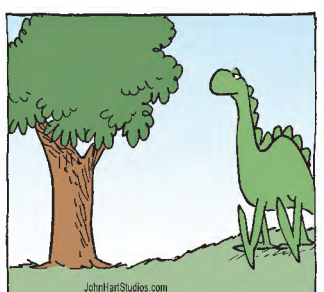


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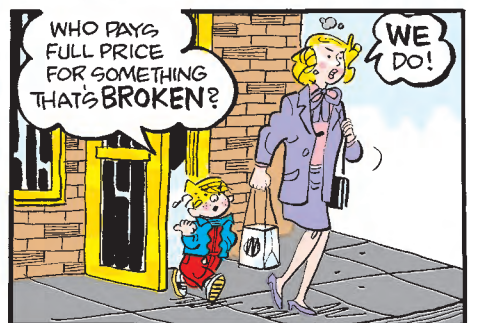
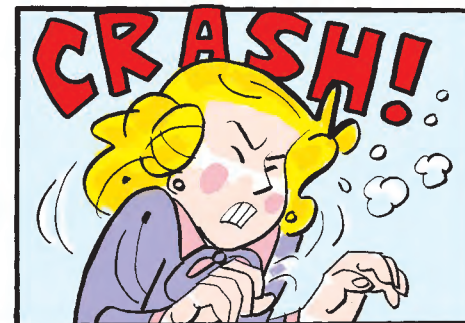
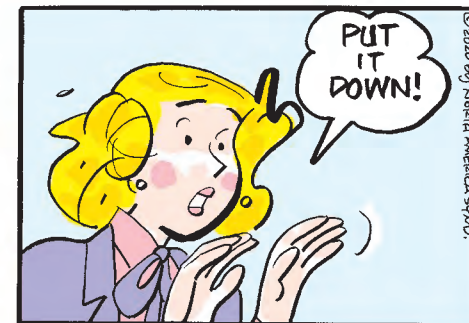
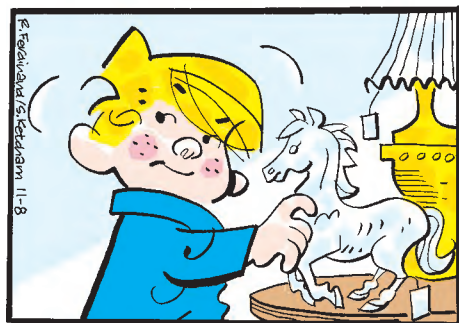
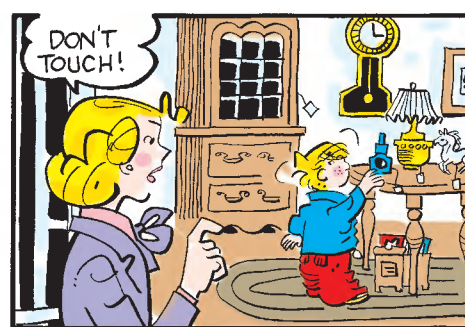


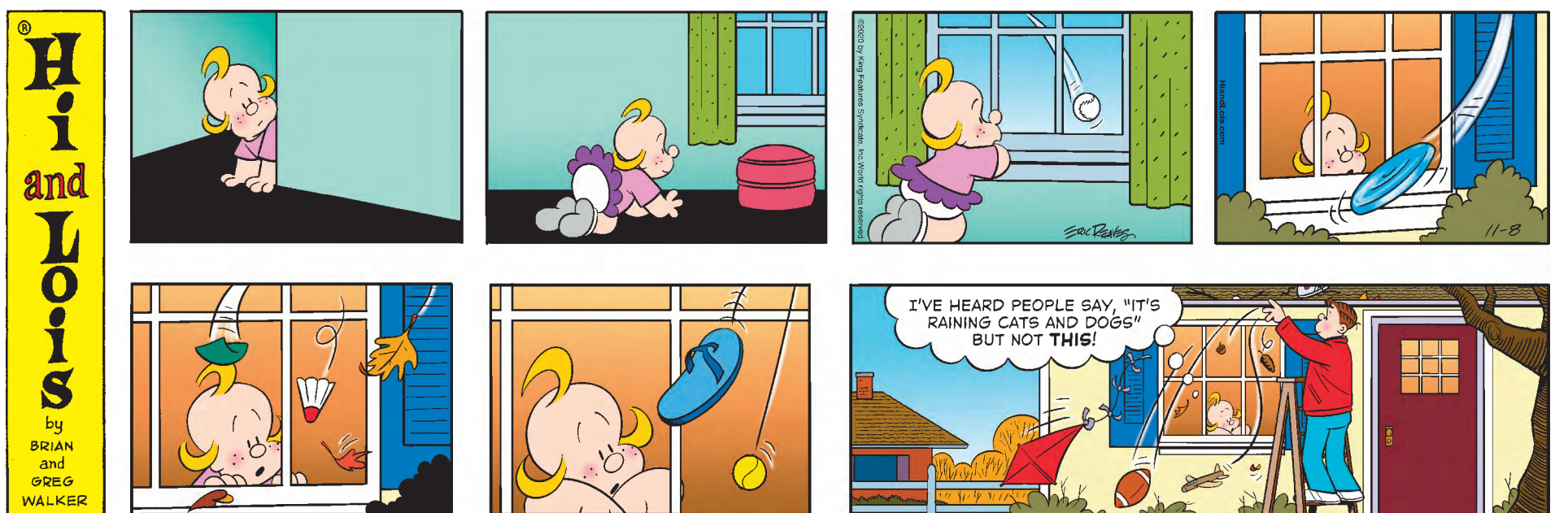
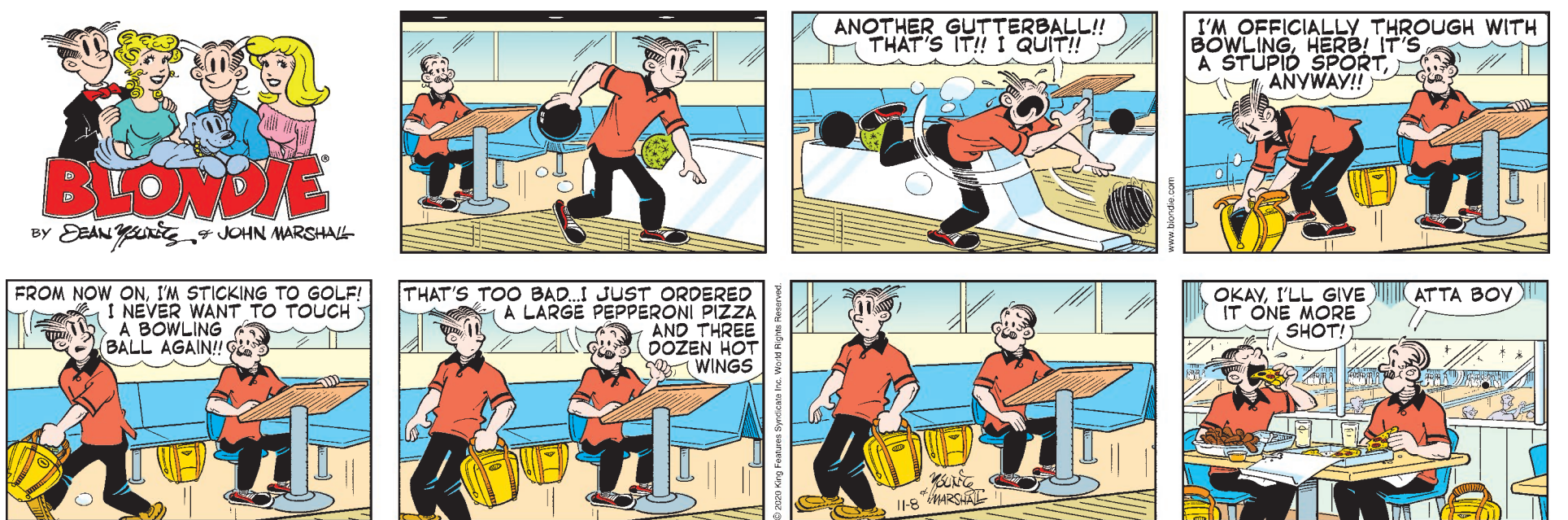
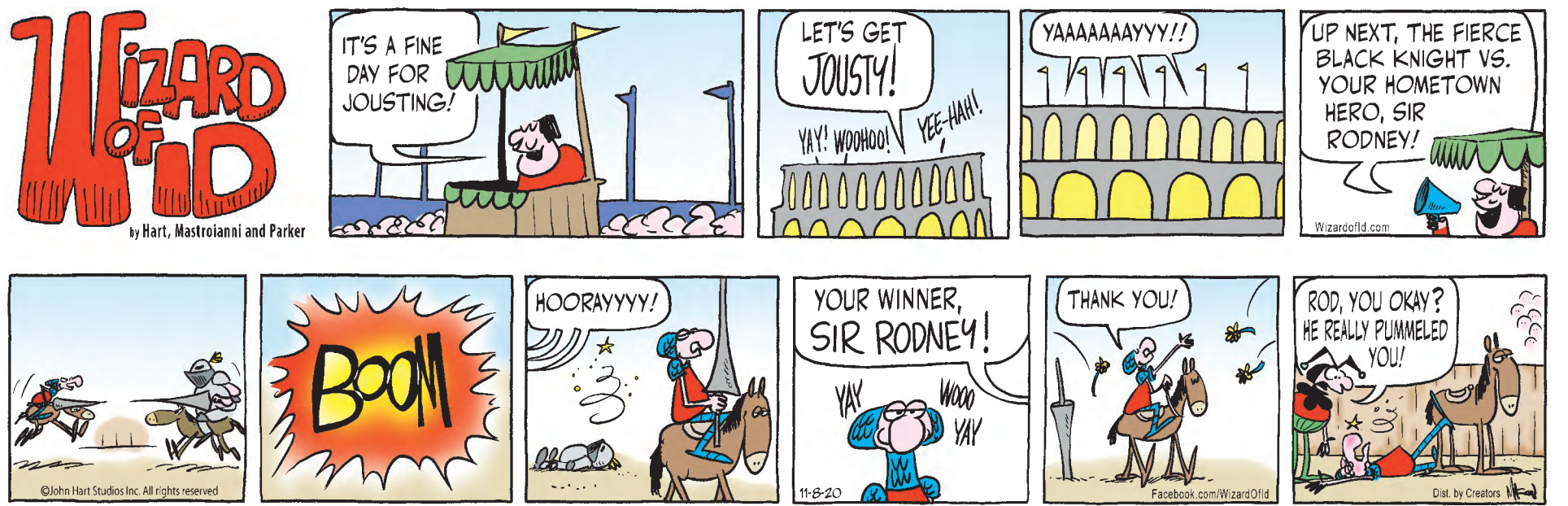
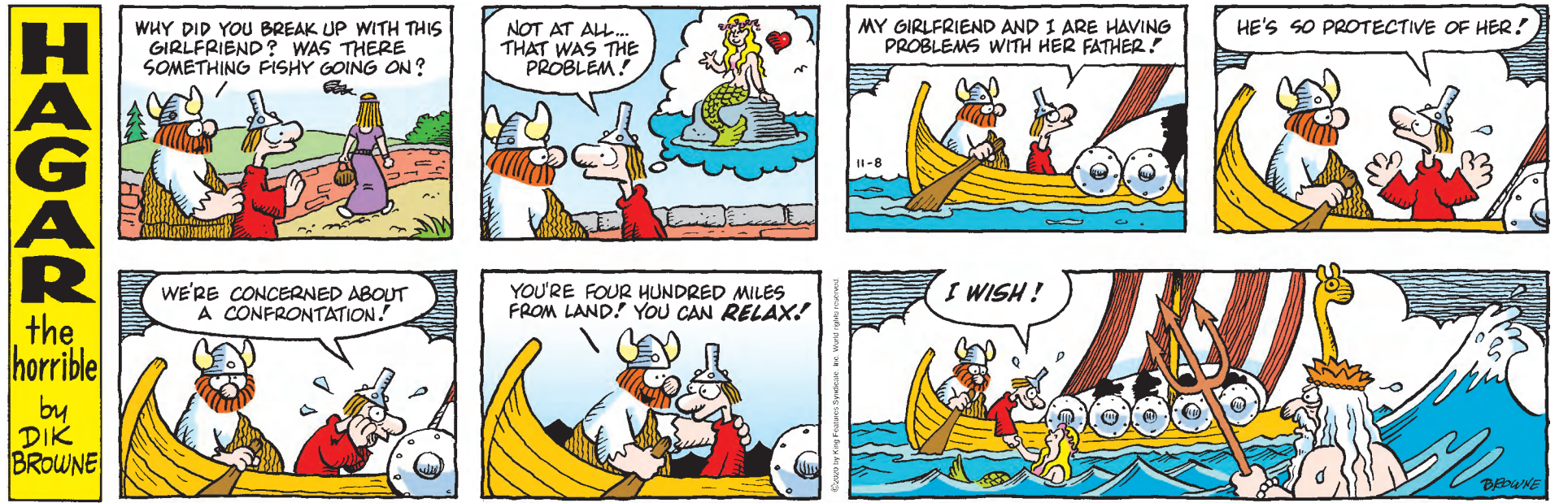
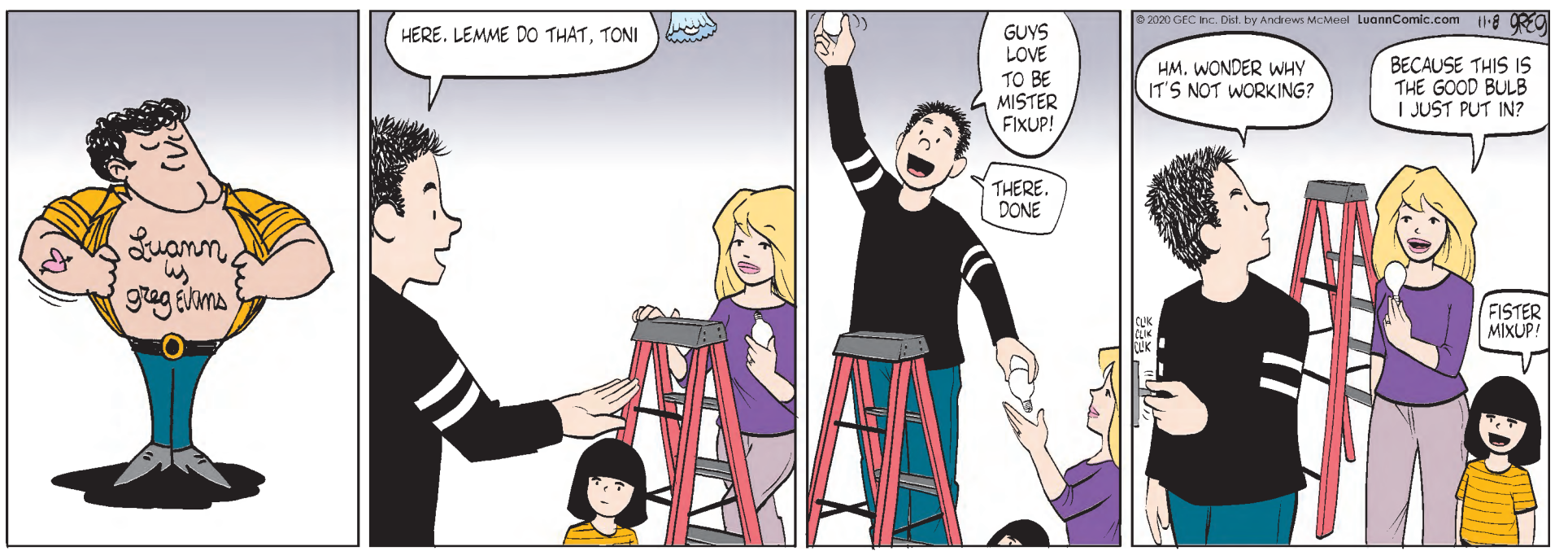
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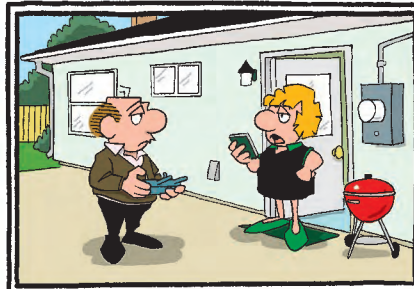
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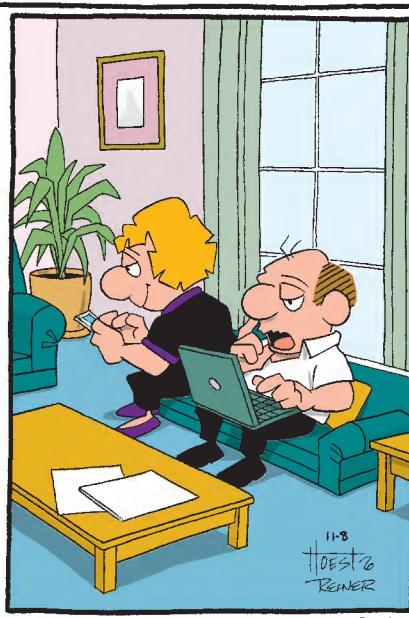
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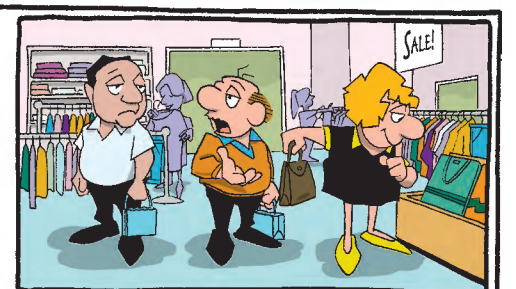
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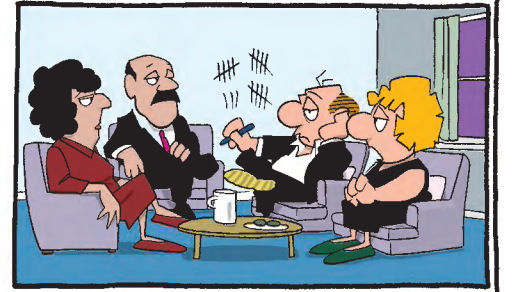
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