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NEWS BRIEFS

Citrus County COVID-19 cases

According to the Florida Department of Health, no new positive cases were reported in Citrus County since the latest update.

No new deaths were reported, for a total of 463. To date in the county, 11,418 people have tested positive (including 99 non-residents).

No new hospitalizations were reported, for a total of 743 hospitalized.

To view the latest COVID-19 data about Citrus County, go to **Page A9**.

Church to host vaccinations

The Moderna COVID-19 vaccine appointments will be available to anyone over the age of 18 beginning at 9 a.m.

Wednesday, June 9, at North Oak Church, 9324 N. Elkcum Blvd. in Citrus Springs.

The Citrus County Health Department will be administering first and second doses of the vaccine. Those getting their second dose must present their card showing 28 days from the first dose.

The second dose for those receiving their first on June 9 will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, July 9.

A consent form must be filled out prior to the appointment. Forms can be picked up at the church office from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The deadline to make an appointment is June 7. Call 352-489-1688.

Legion Post offering vaccines

American Legion Post 155 in partnership with the Citrus County Health Department will provide COVID-19 Johnson & Johnson vaccines to the public, 16 years of age and older, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, June 8, at 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River.

— From staff reports

‘WE WERE THE EXPENDABLES’



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Homosassa resident Nathaniel Davis, 95, holds a photo taken in the early 1940s of himself and three good friends while serving in the U.S. Navy. Davis survived the invasion of Normandy aboard the USS Hobson. “No one expected us to make it out alive.”

Local veteran recalls harrowing service aboard the USS Hobson on D-Day

HANNAH SACHEWICZ
STAFF WRITER

Amid the Battle of Normandy, Nathaniel Davis, now 95, was certain that he wouldn't return home.

“You just thought you were going to die,” Davis said during an interview in his Homosassa home. “You didn't think any further ahead than that.”

“I've been in the Navy all my life,” Davis said. “I went from seaman second to lieutenant commander in the Navy.”

In his home, Davis proudly hangs his white service dress uniform on the back of a door. Behind the door is his war room. With a lifetime of service, he treasures every photo, letter, award and document from his military service.

At just 16, Davis enlisted in

the U.S. Navy. At that time, he was living in Jersey City, with the nearest recruiting office in New York.

“The place was packed,” Davis said. They told him to come back in a few days and he did.

Before he knew it, Davis was on a bus to Grand Central Station, where he took a train to Newport, Rhode Island. Davis would spend three and a half weeks in boot camp

before being assigned to his first station aboard a destroyer, the USS Hobson (DD-464). He would call the USS Hobson home for the next four years.

In the weeks prior to D-Day, Davis took part in exercises and invasion tactics with the crew. Some of Davis' shipmates gave a written history of everything that happened aboard the USS Hobson in

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At Normandy, it was a night of ‘boom, boom, zing, zing’

NANCY KENNEDY
STAFF WRITER

Like many young men in 1942, at 19 years old, longtime Dunnellon resident Clinton Burns answered the call to serve his country in World War II.

“I was with the 346th Combat Engineers,” he said in an interview from

his hometown of Dunnellon.

He had been part of the motor pool, driving a supply truck in the Red Ball Express, a convoy system of Army trucks that traveled in a non-stop loop carrying rations, gasoline, ammunition and other vital supplies to troops at the front in Europe.

“I was in the invasion of Normandy and the Battle of the Bulge,” he said. “We were five days behind the first initial invasion, so we were not in the really heavy fire.”

Prior to landing in Normandy, Burns spent time in England, preparing for the invasion.

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‘I was there’: Man's father never forgot

HANNAH SACHEWICZ
STAFF WRITER

Hobart C. Adams refused to watch “Saving Private Ryan.”

When the film came out in 1998, people said to him, “That was a really powerful movie, you ought to see it,” his son, Hobart “Clark”

Adams, said. “I don't need to — I was there,” Hobart said in return.

Hobart was born on Sept. 9, 1911, and died Jan. 5, 2005. “He never met someone that he couldn't make a friend,” Clark said.

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WEEK
IN REVIEW

PHOTO OF THE WEEK
PAYING TRIBUTE



American Legion Rider Doug Wisser pauses Monday, May 31, to spend time at the gravesite of his mother and father. Wisser's father was a United States Navy veteran.
MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

GOOD NEWS OF THE WEEK

On June 1, the county community centers fully reopened after being closed and/or restricted during the coronavirus pandemic. These centers have long been places where seniors congregate for social activities, friendship and support, also lunch is served every weekday. Face masks, signing a waiver and temperatures taken upon entry are no longer required, although those who want to continue to wear a face mask may do so. For information, call 352-527-5975.

HOT TOPIC OF THE WEEK

What should the county do with the Historic Hernando School now that its restoration is nearly completed? Chronicle readers chimed in on Facebook after a story ran about commissioners passing on the chance for a state grant because it required a \$103,000 county cash match, which wasn't budgeted.

Here's what some said:

■ **Alexandra Lewis:** "I think private enterprise could make something really cool out of it while preserving the history. I hope Commissioner (Holly) Davis pursues this. Knocking the building down for a parking lot is not a reasonable option. We can't get these buildings back."

■ **Merr Predmo:** "Could be used for mental health/substance abuse outreach."

■ **Josh Wooten:** "It would be foolish to stop the project now when so much has been invested by public and private entities. This was a WPA project and has significant historical value. The little town of Hernando needs revitalization and this could be the cornerstone."

■ **Tabitha Wells:** "This is such a cool building. I'm afraid if we don't preserve it, that down the road we will regret it as a community."

■ **Nancy Doak:** "The annual Southern Heritage Cattle Drive is a longstanding tradition in Hernando and it would be sad for it not to happen. There are so many potential uses for the old school house and so much time and money have been invested it would be a shame to not see it as the focal point in this little town. I can imagine a nice venue to rent with an outdoor garden/bandstand."

THE MOST POPULAR STORIES FROM THE WEEK THAT WAS

Jenkins Auto Group to buy three Crystal car dealerships

By the end of summer, the Ocala-based Jenkins Automotive Group will be the new owners of three out of four dealerships owned by Steve and Jewel Lamb.

The sale includes Crystal Ford-Lincoln, Crystal Chevrolet and Crystal Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep-Ram.

The Lambs are keeping the Harley-Davidson franchise in Crystal River.

"This positions us to have a company that is much easier to run and Jewel and I can enjoy the fruits of our labors," Steve Lamb said. "The timing is right. The Jenkins Group is a good company."

Even with the acquisition, the Lambs will still be a large company with 11 total dealerships. In addition to the Harley-Davidson franchise, they have a car dealership in Brooksville and the rest are tractor-construction equipment dealerships throughout the region.

Lamb said his son, Justin, will continue to be the general manager for all of them.

Crystal River roofer arrested

Jason Lee Beville turned himself into the Citrus County Detention Facility on Thursday, May 27, for allegedly stealing \$36,000 from five customers in two counties. He was charged with grand theft of between \$20,000 and \$100,000 and faces a prison sentence of up to 15 years if convicted.



Beville was the owner of Crystal River-based Elite Roofing & Gutters Inc. — originally Top Knotch Roofing Inc. — since July 2006. He voluntarily dissolved his company in September 2020.

State prosecutors allege Beville defrauded a Brevard County resident and four Osceola County clients out of \$36,000, dating back to March 2018.

According to Beville's arrest affidavit, he would take down payments for roofing but either didn't finish the job or didn't start it.

Prosecutors also noted several other prior instances dating back to 2008 in which customers from Citrus County complained Beville failed to complete the work after receiving their deposits.

Beville's attorney, Michael Kovach, of the Kovach Law Firm in Inverness, could not be reached Friday, May 28, for comment for this story.



Dog owner gets 5 years in prison

Kevin Lee Thompson, 57, of Inverness was sentenced to five years in prison for aggravated animal cruelty — in a case that went to trial only because Thompson refused the prosecution's offer for probation.

Thompson was convicted for ignoring the family pet, a chihuahua named Bennie, that needed medical care for a cancerous cyst that had grown to the size of a fist and ravaged the dog's tiny body.

Eventually, a family member took Bennie to the animal shelter where she was euthanized.

After seeing photos of Bennie, Circuit Court Judge Richard "Ric" Howard didn't hide his disgust. "It's an animal that's covered in fleas to the extent that you can actually see them in the photograph," he said. "The dog's hair is so completely absent, having scratched itself to death almost."

County ponders future of Historic Hernando School

After many years, restoration work at the Historic Hernando School is nearly complete and is quietly serving its function as a community center.

However, Citrus County commissioners last week passed on the chance for a state grant because it required a \$103,000 county cash match, which wasn't budgeted.

The county has owned the property since 1999, when the school district transferred ownership rather than sell it to someone who wanted to build a convenience store on the corner of Parsons Point Road and U.S. 41.

The county gave oversight of the property to the Citrus County Historical Society, which designated the Hernando Heritage Council the task of working with the county to seek grants to renovate the now 80-year-old building as a community center, according to county records.

County Administrator Randy Oliver said the county's plan is to have public works tear down the vacant non-historical building that's next to the historic brick structure, but leave the historic building.

As for further use of the historic building, that's still up for discussion.

School district proud of efforts to locate students

When the 2020-21 school year ended, almost 70 county students were missing from its attendance rosters.

They either didn't show as expected on the district's first day Aug. 20 or they just stopped going to class at some point during the school year.

"After 10 days, when they've not shown up ... the school starts working the process of finding where these students are," Director of District Services Kit Humbaugh said. "It's phone calls, it's home visits."

At its latest count from February, the school district was missing 10 elementary, eight middle and 50 high school students.

Compared to prior school years, the 68 unaccounted students is a typical number for the district to have in the spring, Humbaugh said.

"We go through five or six people to locate where a family is," Humbaugh said about district social workers questioning neighbors. If the school district, after exhausting its efforts, can't locate a missing student at the end of a school year it removes their name from its list.

“Freedom is definitely not a cheap gift. It's fought for hard. It's a genie that's hard to put back in the bottle once it's out, so when you win it, you want to protect it.”


— TORY GEE, FERO MEMORIAL GARDENS GENERAL MANAGER AND A FORMER US COAST GUARD MEMBER, SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE AT FERO MEMORIAL GARDENS.

— compiled by Nancy Kennedy

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Around the STATE

Join the American Legion for bingo in Crystal River

The American Legion Post 155 in Crystal River is hosting bingo at 1 p.m. every Monday and Thursday, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway.

The games are open to the public. For questions, call 352-795-6526.

Attend the Radio Control Airplane All Electric Fly-In

Join the 12th annual Radio Control Airplane All Electric Fly-In at 8:30 a.m. June 12 at the Rainbow R/C Park, 12175 S. Bridges Road in Dunnellon. Registrations open at 8:30 a.m. and the pilot meeting is at 9 a.m.

The event is open to all electric planes and helicopters. The landing fee is \$5. Spectators are welcome.

The Rainbow Café will be open with hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks available for purchase.

The event is sponsored by the Tri-County R/C Club, sanctioned by the Academy of Model Aeronautics (sanction #11252).

This is an outdoor event. Due to COVID-19, adherence to current CDC guidelines is encouraged.

— From staff reports

Police: Man, 86, fatally shoots boss after firing

BELLE GLADE — An 86-year-old sugar mill worker with 31 years on the job fatally shot his boss after he was refused another year at the mill, authorities said Saturday.



Felix Cabrera

The Palm Beach Sheriff's Office said in a news release that Felix Cabrera was jailed without bail on a first-degree murder charge following the Friday morning shooting at the Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative in Belle Glade.

Jail records did not list an attorney for Cabrera.

The victim's name was not released by the sheriff's department. He was a 67-year-old man from nearby Martin County.

Authorities say Cabrera sought to work one additional year for financial reasons but was turned down. That's when he allegedly pulled out a handgun and shot the boss several times, killing him.

The cooperative is comprised of 44 different sugar cane farms that operate on about 70,000 acres in the Everglades Agricultural Area near Lake Okeechobee.

DeSantis signs several bills

Bills to reduce local impact fees charged against developers, creating a task force on abandoned Black cemeteries and making wildlife trafficking a racketeering crime have been signed into law by Gov. Ron DeSantis.

The Republican governor signed more than two dozen bills announced late Friday, according to a news release from his office.

The impact fee bill reduces how much local governments can charge developers for such things as roads and sewer lines.

A bill summary shows more of these costs will be borne by local residents rather than developers.

The measure takes effect immediately.

— From wire reports

Happier anniversary



NANCY KENNEDY/For the Chronicle

Dottie and Mike Ptaszynski are especially thankful to be celebrating their 46th wedding anniversary, June 6, 2021. On April 9, Mike's heart stopped after a cardiac arrest. Quick-thinking friends who performed CPR, skilled paramedics who "shocked" his heart back to beating and ICE treatment at Citrus Memorial Hospital gave him his life back.

After cardiac arrest, 'ICE man' and wife have even more to celebrate

NANCY KENNEDY
Staff writer

Normally, a 46th wedding anniversary isn't considered a major milestone.

But for Dottie Ptaszynski, as her husband, Mike, clung to life in the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit at Citrus Memorial Hospital after a cardiac arrest on April 9, she feared she would never get to celebrate another anniversary with her high school sweetheart "Mikey."

However, thanks to the life-saving ICE treatment (Induced Cooling by EMS), Mike Ptaszynski, 79, is alive and well and the couple are together on their anniversary today, June 6, 2021.

ICE cools the body to a mild hypothermic state through an IV.

Because a cardiac arrest affects all the body's organs, especially brain tissue, which is the most sensitive to damage, cooling halts the continual injury process.

Citrus Memorial, the first rural community hospital in the nation to offer ICE treatment, began using this procedure in 2007.

"The nurses at the hospital call him the 'ICE man,'" Dottie said from the couple's Hernando home as Mike sat next to her.

Then

They met as high school students in Maryland on a double date in 1958.

Mike's date was Marie and Dottie's date was Jimmy.

"I had a car," Mike said, "and after I dropped the other two off I asked Dottie if she wanted to go home and she said, 'Not a bit.'"

They dated for a while, broke up in 1959 and went on to marry other spouses.

Thirteen years went by. Dottie's husband had died and Mike was divorced.

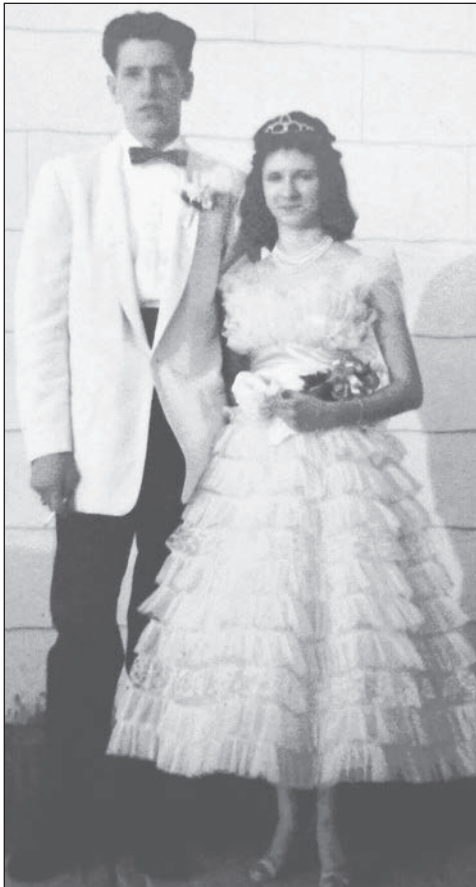
It was around Christmas time and Dottie had taken two of her three children Christmas shopping to Montgomery Ward.

Mike was at Montgomery Ward buying a coffee table.

"I heard her one aisle over say to her daughter, 'Toni, come here,' and I recognized her voice."

"After all that time," Dottie added.

They went to a coffee shop to catch up,



Special to the Chronicle

Mike and Dottie Ptaszynski before their high school prom.

which led to them dating for a year and a half.

Then one morning in June 1975, Mike finished the night shift as a Maryland state trooper and Dottie said, "We gotta go," meaning it was time to get married and blend their families, her three children and his daughter.

"We knew where we were headed, so that day we went to the Justice of the Peace and got married," Dottie said.

The couple moved to Citrus County in 1998.

Now

Fast-forward to Friday, April 9, 2021.

Mike had gone to play golf with three of his buddies at Twisted Oaks Golf Club in Beverly Hills.

They had already played 12 holes when Mike, who was driving the golf cart, slumped over the steering wheel.

"I don't remember any of this; I only know what people have told me about what happened," Mike said.

One friend, Tim, got him out of the cart and another friend, also named Mike, started performing CPR until another friend, George, took over until the paramedics arrived.

"His heart had stopped and EMTs did the 'epi-pen' and then shocked him to get it started again," Dottie said.

Mike was taken to Citrus Memorial Hospital where he was admitted to the cardiac care unit where he stayed for the next nine days.

After the ICE treatment, which usually takes 24 hours in a cooled state and another day to bring the body to normal temperature, doctors cleared his blocked artery, put in a new stent and checked Mike's older stents.

He also has a pacemaker.

"On Wednesday, the doctor told me he was fine, and I felt better, but I was still scared," Dottie said.

"This whole incident was so much harder on her than on me," Mike said.

All this time Mike was in and out of consciousness, but then on Thursday, just as he had recognized her voice in Montgomery Ward all those years ago, he heard Dottie's voice — talking to one of their daughters about their son's gray hair.

By Friday, a full week since his heart stopped, he was alert and eager to go home, although that didn't happen for another few days.

Two weeks after being discharged, the Ptaszynskis were back at the CCU, this time bringing Edible Arrangements fruit baskets as thank you gifts for the nurses.

As for their anniversary plans: a dinner out at a fine dining steakhouse in Ocala.

"I can't believe I almost lost him," Dottie said.

"We're planning on making it to our 50th," Mike said, "and hopefully beyond."

Medical marijuana dispensary coming soon to Crystal River

Trulieve remodels storefront on U.S. 19

MICHAEL D. BATES
Staff writer

Crystal River is getting a medical marijuana dispensary.

It will be located at 600 SE U.S. 19 in Crystal River, inside the former Lowman Law Firm building next to CVS.

Assistant City Manager Brown "Jack" Dumas III said Trulieve has its building permit and interior renovations have begun. The business license has not yet been granted because the city needs additional information, he said.

Trulieve sells products to alleviate seizures, severe and persistent muscle spasms, pain, nausea, loss of appetite, and other symptoms associated with serious medical conditions such as cancer, according to its website.

Its low-THC/CBD products are available for patients who need

non-euphoric care. THC is the psychoactive chemical that, at higher levels, defines marijuana.

Trulieve officials could not be reached for comment. The closest Trulieve is in Brooksville and opened in 2020.

Trulieve's website said the dispensaries sell high-quality medicinal THC and CBD cannabis products. The dispensary provides such items as smokable flowers, tinctures, chocolate and gel edibles, capsules and other medical marijuana products.

Trulieve has more than 80 dispensaries nationwide. Its plants are hand-grown in a facility with a controlled environment.

Crystal River Administrator Ken Frink said a medical marijuana dispensary is a permitted use in the city because it is a retail establishment.

He understands that Trulieve is a "high-end" medical marijuana company and there has been no pushback from residents.

"There seems to be a need for it in the community," he said.

Red tide limits harvest at farms

Associated Press

TAMPA — Fears over red tide prompted Florida officials to briefly prohibit aquaculture farmers from harvesting in lower Tampa Bay, although the ban was lifted Saturday morning, state officials said.

The Florida Department of Health in Hillsborough County issued a health advisory warning people of possible respiratory problems from red tide in lower and middle Tampa Bay.

The Tampa Bay Times reported that fish kills "suspected to be related to red tide" were discovered in both Pinellas and Manatee counties over the past week, according to a Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

The harvesting activity was initially closed May 26

for the farmers who hold 10 leases in the area. State officials told the Times those farmers were permitted to resume operations at sunrise Saturday.

The Department of Environmental Protection, which has offered frequent updates on the Piney Point situation, said late Friday that wildlife officials are "currently investigating reports of fish kills in Boca Ciega, Pass-a-Grille and St. Pete Beach."

Elevated levels of red tide have shown up near the Hillsborough-Manatee line, in the eastern portion of the bay, according to a conservation commission map. That is where approximately 215 million gallons of polluted wastewater from a leaking reservoir at the old Piney Point fertilizer plant site were released in early April.

Today's
HOROSCOPES

Birthday: Dream on, but not at the expense of your taking care of your responsibilities. You need to step up and do things according to well-thought-out plans, good organization and sound judgment. Be prepared to work hard.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Do your homework, know what you are up against and leave nothing to chance. Seize the moment and dazzle everyone with your knowledge and insight.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Do things your way. Explore your options and lean on your imagination to help you overcome any obstacles you face.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Put your force and influence where they will bring the highest return. Refuse to bend to someone trying to take advantage of your generosity and good nature.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Team up with someone who shares your sentiments and is willing to work to make a difference. Refuse to let anyone railroad you.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Keep your thoughts to yourself, and share facts and figures that will help you make your point. Discipline will be necessary.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22): Control your emotions as the day unfolds. Base your decisions on facts, not on what someone wants you to believe.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21): Be the driving force behind your ideas and plans, and you won't be disappointed. Take heed of what others say, but in the end, do what fits your schedule.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Implement necessary changes, and keep moving forward. Home improvements are favored, but stay within budget.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19): Avoid persuasive people. Set your mind on what you want to achieve, and put your plans in motion.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20): A personal pick-me-up will improve your day. Refuse to let what others do or say ruin your plans.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Take time to think before you speak or take action. Use your intelligence to sidestep disagreements. Getting along with everyone will encourage others to offer help and suggestions.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Place more emphasis on the way you look and feel and your relationships with close friends and relatives. Look for safe ways to socialize and improve your surroundings.

ENTERTAINMENT

Cruise ships restart in Venice

Environmental
protests begin

COLLEEN BARRY
Associated Press

VENICE, Italy — The first cruise ship since the pandemic wended its way Saturday through the heart of Venice, escorted by triumphant water-spouting tugboats and elated port workers as it traveled down the Giudecca Canal but also protested by hundreds on land and a small armada of wooden boats waving “No Big Boats” flags.

The battle for Venice's future was stark as the MSC Orchestra set sail with some 1,000 passengers. The voyage heralded the return of cruise ships to the Italian city after more than 18 months, but the vessel reignited an anti-cruise movement that for more than a decade has opposed the passage of the enormous ships through the fragile lagoon city due to environmental and safety concerns.

Italian Premier Mario Draghi's government pledged this spring to get cruise ships out of the Venice lagoon, but reaching that goal will take time. Even an interim solution rerouting ships away from the Giudecca Canal is not likely before next year. Ridding the lagoon of the ships, which run more than 250 yards in length and weigh over 90,000 tons, could take years.

Venice has become one of the world's most important



Associated Press

The the 92,409-ton, 16-deck MSC Orchestra cruise ship exits the lagoon Saturday as a flag of the Lion of St. Mark, the symbol of Venice, is being waved, in Venice, Italy. The first cruise ship leaving Venice since the pandemic departed amid protests by activists demanding that the enormous ships be permanently rerouted out of the fragile lagoon.

cruise destinations over the last two decades, and in 2019 served as a lucrative turnaround point for 667 cruise ships carrying nearly 700,000 passengers, according to the association Cruise Lines International (CLIA).

Passengers arriving Saturday for the weeklong cruise aboard the 92,409-ton, 16-deck MSC Orchestra, with stops in southern Italy, two Greek islands and Dubrovnik, Croatia, were greeted at the port with signs reading “Welcome Back Cruises.”

Antonella Frigo from nearby Vicenza had her departure date delayed multiple times due to the pandemic and was excited to finally be leaving on vacation. But she also sympathized with activists who want the huge ships moved out of the center of Venice.

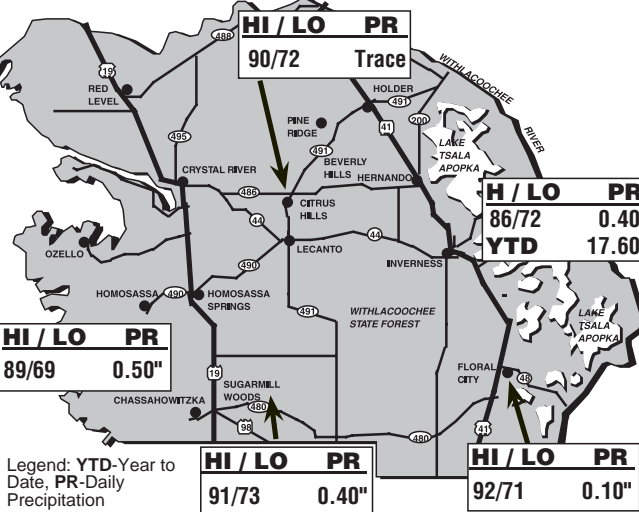
“I have always said that they should be moved, but I'm sorry, I need to depart from Venice, since I am from nearby,” Frigo said after a

companion had dropped her off at the cruise terminal. “But I hope they can be rerouted. I ask myself, ‘Is it not possible to come up with another solution, so they don't pass where they shouldn't?’”

The message for passengers taking in Venice from the ship's decks was mixed as the ship navigated the Giudecca Canal. Hundreds of Venetians gathered at a noisy canal-side protest to demand an immediate halt to cruise ships moving through the lagoon, citing a series of past decrees they say were never enforced.

The MSC Orchestra responded with noisy blasts of its horn, while two dozen boats filled with port employees and VIPs motored alongside, celebrating the renewal of cruises and the return to work for hundreds of port workers. According to the Venice Works Committee, more than 1,700 workers deal directly with cruise ships.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



THREE DAY OUTLOOK

TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING
High: 91° Low: 70°
Partly sunny with scattered PM showers and storms

MONDAY & TUESDAY MORNING
High: 93° Low: 69°
Partly sunny with a few PM showers and storms

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY MORNING
High: 93° Low: 69°
Partly sunny with a few PM showers and storms

ALMANAC				Data from Crystal River Airport
TEMPERATURE		DEW POINT		
Yesterday	89/73	Yesterday at 3 p.m.	72°	
Record*	100/56	HUMIDITY		
Normal	92/68	Yesterday at 3 p.m.	65%	
Mean temp.	80	POLLEN COUNT**		
Departure from mean	1	Today's active pollen:		
PRECIPITATION		ragweed, grasses, privet		
Yesterday	0.00"	Today's count: 2.8/12		
Total for the month	0.41"	Monday's count: 3		
Total for the year	10.06"	Tuesday's count: 4.5		
Normal for the year	16.25"	AIR QUALITY		
*Official record values from Tampa International		Yesterday observed	Good	
UV INDEX:		Pollutant	PM2.5	
0-2 minimal, 3-4 low, 5-6 moderate, 7-9 high, 10+ very high				
BAROMETRIC PRESSURE				
30.05				

SOLUNAR TABLES					Provided by ezfshn.com
DATE	DAY	MINOR (MORNING)	MAJOR (MORNING)	MINOR (AFTERNOON)	MAJOR (AFTERNOON)
06/06	SUNDAY	6:30	10:41	8:25	11:02
06/07	MONDAY	6:30	11:23	8:26	11:44

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK			
Jun 10	Jun 17	Jun 24	Jul 1
SUNSET TONIGHT		8:25 pm	
SUNRISE TOMORROW		6:30 am	
MOONRISE TODAY		4:11 am	
MOONSET TODAY		5:17 pm	

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WATERING RULES
For established lawns and landscapes, irrigation may occur during only one (1) of the specified time periods, 12:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., or 4:00 p.m. - 11:59 p.m., on the allowable watering days below:

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

Questions, concerns or reporting violations, please call: City of Inverness at 352-726-2321; City of Crystal River at 352-795-4216, Ext. 313; unincorporated Citrus County at 352-527-7669. For more information, visit: https://www.citrusbocc.com/departments/water_resources/watering_restrictions.php

TIDES			
*From mouths of rivers **At King's Bay ***At Mason's Creek			
SUNDAY			
City	High	Low	
Chassahowitzka**	3:52 a.m.	0.3 ft 4:16 p.m.	0.5 ft 10:25 a.m. 0.2 ft None
Crystal River**	2:28 a.m.	1.5 ft 2:19 p.m.	1.9 ft 8:44 a.m. 0.7 ft 9:32 p.m.
Withlacoochee*	12:23 a.m.	2.7 ft 11:55 a.m.	3.4 ft 6:41 a.m. 1.4 ft 7:44 p.m.
Homosassa***	3:40 a.m.	0.8 ft 3:20 p.m.	1.3 ft 8:55 a.m. 0.3 ft 11:36 p.m.

FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

City	H	L	F'cast	City	H	L	F'cast
Daytona Bch.	86	75	pc	Miami	84	79	mc
Fort Lauderdale	86	78	mc	Ocala	93	73	t
Fort Myers	90	75	sh	Orlando	91	74	t
Gainesville	91	71	sh	Pensacola	82	76	sh
Homestead	88	76	mc	Sarasota	92	74	sh
Jacksonville	89	73	t	Tallahassee	88	71	t
Key West	87	81	t	Tampa	93	76	sh
Lakeland	91	75	sh	Vero Beach	87	74	mc
Melbourne	86	76	pc	W. Palm Bch.	84	81	mc

MARINE OUTLOOK

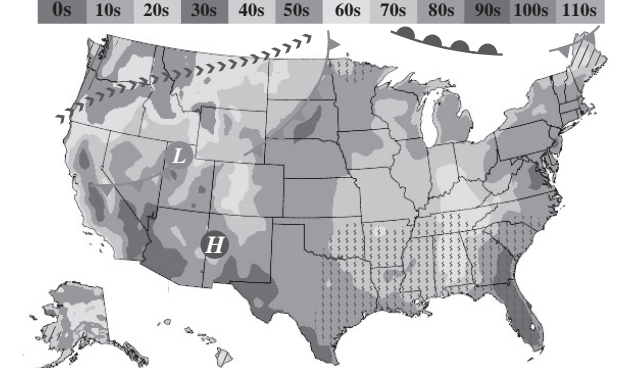
Today: Southeast winds 10 to 15 knots becoming southwest around 10 knots in the afternoon. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland waters a light to moderate chop. Isolated thunderstorms in the afternoon.

Gulf water temperature
85°
Taken at Crystal River

LAKE LEVELS			
Location	SAT	FRI	Full
Withlacoochee at Holder	27.42	27.39	34.64
Tsala Apopka-Hernando	36.72	36.69	38.66
Tsala Apopka-Inverness	37.63	37.64	39.73
Tsala Apopka-Crystal City	38.66	38.66	41.37

Levels reported in feet above sea level. Flood stage for lakes are based on 2.33-year flood, the mean-annual flood which has a 43-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any one year. This data is obtained from the Southwest Florida Water Management District and is subject to revision. In no event will the District or the United States Geological Survey be liable for any damages arising out of the use of this data. If you have any questions you should contact the Hydrological Data Section at (352) 796-7211.

THE NATION



FORECAST FOR 3:00 P.M. Sunday

City	SAT			SUN			City	SAT			SUN		
	H	L	Pcp.	H	L	Fcst		H	L	Pcp.	H	L	Fcst
Albany	88	60	0.00	93	67	s	New Orleans	79	72	0.39	80	73	t
Albuquerque	92	61	Trace	98	62	pc	New York City	89	66	0.00	89	70	s
Asheville	84	59	Trace	83	65	sh	Norfolk	89	67	0.70	91	72	pc
Atlanta	88	69	0.01	85	69	sh	Oklahoma City	79	61	0.03	82	67	t
Atlantic City	90	65	0.00	89	67	s	Omaha	93	69	0.00	90	68	pc
Austin	83	70	0.04	89	73	mc	Palm Springs	10875	Trace		10172	s	
Baltimore	93	63	0.00	94	72	s	Philadelphia	92	66	0.00	95	74	s
Billings	95	57	0.04	79	51	s	Phoenix	10880	0.00		10475	s	
Birmingham	86	71	0.01	80	68	sh	Pittsburgh	86	64	0.00	90	69	s
Boise	86	62	0.00	76	47	s	Portland, ME	86	55	Trace	82	66	sh
Boston	91	63	0.00	95	72	s	Portland, OR	68	58	0.01	65	49	sh
Buffalo	77	66	0.00	81	68	s	Providence, RI	88	58	Trace	94	68	s
Burlington, VT	88	66	0.01	91	70	sh	Raleigh	89	66	0.00	89	70	mc
Charleston, SC	89	68	0.08	84	73	t	Rapid City	94	65	0.00	79	62	s
Charleston, WV	88	57	0.00	96	68	pc	Reno	90	59	0.00	87	53	s
Charlotte	90	67	0.00	86	70	t	Rochester, NY	88	64	0.00	92	69	s
Chicago	91	69	0.00	88	71	pc	Sacramento	90	55	0.00	93	58	s
Cincinnati	85	56	0.00	86	67	sh	Salt Lake City	97	69	0.00	91	65	s
Cleveland	88	72	Trace	87	71	s	San Antonio	90	71	Trace	90	73	pc
Columbia, SC	88	72	0.02	86	69	sh	San Diego	72	64	0.00	67	61	mc
Columbus, OH	88	61	0.00	89	68	pc	San Francisco	73	55	0.00	59	52	s
Concord, NH	91	54	Trace	94	67	pc	Savannah	89	75	0.07	87	73	t
Dallas	86	69	0.27	85	70	t	Seattle	67	54	Trace	60	47	ra
Denver	91	58	0.00	88	59	t	Spokane	73	55	0.00	65	44	mc
Des Moines	91	68	0.00	89	67	pc	St. Louis	88	61	0.00	85	71	t
Detroit	90	71	0.00	91	70	s	St. Ste Marie	81	62	0.15	86	68	pc
El Paso	99	62	0.00	100	76	s	Syracuse	92	68	0.00	94	69	s
Evansville, IN	86	61	0.00	84	70	t	Topeka	86	64	0.00	84	66	mc
Harrisburg	92	64	0.00	94	70	s	Washington	91	68	0.00	95	72	s
Hartford	92	61	0.00	95	69	s	YESTERDAY'S NATIONAL HIGH & LOW						
Houston	88	71	Trace	89	76	t	HIGH 115, Tecopa, Calif.						
Indianapolis	84	62	0.00	85	69	sh	LOW 34, Mammoth Lakes, Calif.						
Kansas City	88	68	0.00	83	68	sh	WORLD CITIES						
Las Vegas	109	82	0.00	104	77	s	SAT						
Little Rock	76	66	0.04	81	68	sh	CITY	H/L/SKY	Lisbon	77/58/s			
Los Angeles	78	62	0.00	73	60	pc	Amsterdam	68/53/pc	London	68/55/ra			
Louisville	88	64	0.00	84	69	t	Acapulco	95/75/mc	Madrid	82/60/s			
Memphis	82	68	0.07	81	70	t	Athens	82/66/s	Mexico City	79/64/ra			
Milwaukee	93	69	0.00	92	71	s	Beijing	94/71/pc	Montreal	80/63/ra			
Minneapolis	99	78	0.00	94	73	s	Berlin	79/60/pc	Moscow	71/55/ra			
Mobile	81	73	0.02	81	75	sh	Bermuda	75/75/ra	Paris	81/68/pc			
Montgomery	89	69	Trace	83	70	sh	Cairo	92/67/s	Rio	79/64/ra			
Nashville	90	64	0.00	82	69	sh	Calgary	56/45/ra	Rome	74/55/s			
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Havana 86/77/ra Tokyo 73/66/ra													
Jerusalem 78/58/s Toronto 83/67/mc													

Today in
HISTORY

Today is Sunday, June 6, the 157th day of 2021. There are 208 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:
On June 6, 1944, during World War II, Allied forces stormed the beaches of Normandy, France, on “D-Day” as they began the liberation of German-occupied Western Europe.

On this date:
In 1816, a snowstorm struck the northeastern U.S., heralding what would become known as the “Year Without a Summer.”
In 1934, the Securities and Exchange Commission was established.
In 1939, the first Little League game was played as Lundy Lumber defeated Lycoming Dairy 23-8 in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Ten years ago: The Bowl Championship Series stripped Southern California of its 2004 title after the Trojans were hit with heavy NCAA sanctions for rules violations committed during the 2004 and '05 seasons.

Five years ago: A jury in Los Angeles returned a death sentence for Lonnie Franklin Jr., the serial killer known as the “Grim Sleeper” who murdered nine women and a teenage girl over several decades.

One year ago: Tens of thousands rallied in cities from Australia to Europe to honor George Floyd and voice support for the Black Lives Matter movement.

Today's Birthdays: Singer-songwriter Gary “U.S.” Bonds is 82. Country singer Joe Stampley is 78. Jazz musician Monty Alexander is 77. Actor Robert Englund is 74. Folk singer Holly Near is 72. Singer Dwight Twilley is 70. Playwright-actor Harvey Fierstein is 69. Comedian Sandra Bernhard is 66. International Tennis Hall of Famer Bjorn Borg is 65. Actor Amanda Pays is 62. Comedian Colin Quinn is 62. Actor Jason Isaacs is 58. Actor Anthony Starke is 58. Actor Paul Giamatti is 54. TV correspondent Natalie Morales is 49. Rapper-rockers Uncle Kracker is 47.

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Worth NOTING

Senior Friends for Life to meet

Senior Friends for Life will meet at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 9, at the Citrus Hills Golf and Country Club, 509 E. Hartford St. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. and lunch is served at noon.

Members will be called for their lunch choice. The program will be "Find-M' Friends," by Linda Boles.

New members and visitors are welcome anytime. Yearly dues are \$10.

Wednesday, June 23, is the next restaurant tour. Attendees will visit The Freezer in Homosassa, 5590 S. Boulevard Drive. For reservations, call Pat at 352-795-5822.

YMCA announces Recovery Series

The YMCA will host presenters for their 2021 Recovery Series, who will share information and community resources available to help people who have experienced challenges during the pandemic.

■ Grief and Loss During COVID-19 & Mental Well-being During and After, 1:30 p.m. June 10, presented by Lois Osborn and Priscilla Viera, of MSW Vitas Healthcare

■ Dementia: The Coming Tsunami, 1:30 p.m. June 9, presented by Deborah Sel-savage, of Coping with Dementia, LLC

■ Men's Health Month, 1:30 p.m. June 24, with Dr. Nelson Main

■ Can Macular Degeneration and Diabetic Retinopathy be Reversed?, 1:30 p.m. June 12 and 28, with Dr. Shelesh Kaushal

■ STEMI Alert: What You Should Do in a Heart Emergency, 1:30 p.m. June 15, with Cheryl Bray, emergency room clinical nurse coordinator

The presentations are open to the public and pre-registration is recommended. To learn more, visit the YMCA Facebook page or call 352-500-9622. To get an organization involved, contact Joanna Castle, YMCA district vice president, at jcastle@suncoastymca.org.

Enjoy activities at community centers

■ The East Citrus Community Center, 9907 E. Gulf-to-Lake Highway in Inverness, announced their events and classes for the month of June.

● Line dancing, 1 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays

● Line dancing class with Kathy Reynolds (\$5), 1 p.m. Tuesdays

● Weekly drum circle, 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays

● Bingo at noon Thursdays, beginning June 10

For information, call the community center at 352-344-9666.

■ The West Citrus Community Center, W. Veterans Drive in Homosassa, announced their entertainment and events for the month of June.

● Music by "Better Than Nothin'," 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 2

● Music by Ron Lamb, 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 9

● Chair exercise classes, noon Mondays

● Trivia and word games, noon Tuesdays

● Night club dancing,

2 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays

● Bingo, noon Thursdays

● The Citrus County UF/IFAS Extension Office will also present a brief nutrition education program, "Focus on Nutrients," at 11:15 a.m. Thursday, June 10.

For information, call the community center at 352-795-3831.

Senior program announces June entertainment

The Hernando Area Senior Program, 2415 N. Florida Ave. in Hernando, announced their June entertainment and events.

Bingo, noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
Karaoke, 9 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays

Ukulele classes with Joy Wilson, noon Tuesdays

The Citrus County UF/IFAS Extension Office will also present a brief nutrition education program, "Focus on Nutrients," at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 15.

For questions, call the community center at 352-566-2328.

Attend a class at community center

The Central Citrus Community Center, 2804 W. Marc Knighton Court in Lecanto, announced their June classes.

■ Aerobics, 8 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays

■ Yoga, 9 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays

■ Zumba classes (\$5), 11 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

■ Craft classes, noon Mondays and Thursdays

■ Hawaiian dance classes (\$5), 2:30 p.m. Mondays

■ Bingo, noon Tuesdays and Fridays

■ Card making classes (\$5), 10 a.m. Wednesdays

■ Intermediate line dance classes (\$5), 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays and noon Thursdays

■ Beginner line dance classes (\$5), 2 p.m. Thursdays

■ Belly dance classes (\$5), 2:30 p.m. Fridays

The Citrus County UF/IFAS Extension Office will also present "Focus on Nutrients," at 11:15 a.m. Thursday, June 17.

For information, call the center at 352-344-9666.

NEWS NOTE SUBMISSION DEADLINES

Follow these guidelines to ensure timely publication of submitted material:

■ Community notes: At least one week in advance of the event.

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■ Religious events: 4 p.m. Tuesday for publication Saturday.

■ Submit material at Chronicle offices in Inverness or Crystal River or by email to community@chronicleonline.com.



William Atkinson, 85 HOMOSASSA

William Frank Atkinson, 85 of Homosassa, FL died Thursday May 27, 2021 at his home. He was a US Air Force Veteran. Burial with full military honors will be on Friday June 11th beginning at 10:30 AM in the Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL. Arrangements are with Strickland Funeral Home and Crematory, Crystal River, FL.

Richard Barcome, 62 BEVERLY HILLS

Mr. Richard William Barcome, age 62 of Beverly Hills, Florida, died Sunday, May 30, 2021.

He was born May 20, 1959 in Pontiac, MI, son of William and Mary (King) Barcome.

Richard earned a Bachelors degree with a major in Arts and a minor in Business and worked as a Technical Engineer for building roof trusses. Richard was a car enthusiast and was also a musician (drummer).

Mr. Barcome was preceded in death by his father, William Richard Barcome, and mother, Mary Etta Barcome. Survivors include wife, Katherine Ableman of Beverly Hills, FL, 3 sisters: Lynda Barcome of Wasilla, AK, Kari Barcome-Imhoff and her husband Gregg of Safety Harbor, FL, Mary Beth Miller and her husband Kevin of Peoria, AZ, and Laura Eagleson and her husband David of Severne Park, MD, much loved nephews and nieces: David, Connor, Leif, Wyatt, Bailey, Jacquelyn and Amelia and step-grandchildren: Darius, Emily, Aubrey, Ethan and Cordi.

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



Shaler 'Swede' Johnson, 94 BEVERLY HILLS

A military funeral service will be held for Swede Johnson (Shaler T.) of Beverly Hills, Florida on Saturday June 12th Mr. Johnson was a US Army World War II veteran who served in the Pacific Theater. Swede was born in Franklin, PA and passed away at the Bayfront Seven Rivers Hospital in Crystal River, FL on February 6, 2021 at the age of 94.

Services for Swede Johnson will be held at 11:00 a.m. on 6/12/21 at the Columbarium at the Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church 2540 W. Norvell Bryant Highway Lecanto, Florida. A celebration of his life will be held afterwards in the Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal

Church Community Hall. All who wish to celebrate his life are welcome to attend.

Ingrid Ricci, 78 HOMOSASSA

Ingrid Lucia Alameda Ricci, 78, of Homosassa, FL, passed away on Thursday, May 27, 2021 at her home.

A native of Havana, Cuba, she was born Dec. 13, 1942 to the late Dr. Jesus (Jay) C. Alameda and Hilda Perez Alonso.

Ingrid emigrated from her native Cuba to Peoria, IL in 1955 at the age of 13. Mrs. Ricci held a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration, majoring in International Business, from University of New Haven in Connecticut. Her working life held two facets, as Ingrid was a research and development coordinator for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, Groton, CT for 24 years, but then also held a position as an educator and administrator for Dade County Schools in Florida.

Ingrid was married for 45 years to her beloved husband, Donato Anthony Ricci, who survives her. They raised their family in Noank, CT before moving to N. Miami Beach and finally settling in Homosassa, FL in 2011. Ingrid was a tirelessly generous person, who gave her love and heart to her family and community. Her energy was infectious, and time spent with her was an adventure, usually accompanied with outstanding food. She embraced every pursuit with authenticity and passion. She possessed an indefatigable thirst for knowledge, and was always seeking ways to improve herself and her surroundings.

In addition to her husband Donato, she is survived by her four children: Guy Ricci, New London, CT; Mark Quinn, Seattle, WA; Mary Ricci Franklin (husband Lynn), Jackson, GA and Kathleen Quinn Cruz (husband Vincent), Vista, CA; sisters Aida Gonzalez (husband Rudy), St. Petersburg, FL and Maria Waite (husband John), Ascuntny, VT; grandchildren Tara Ross (husband Felton), Jackson, GA and Sean Franklin, Ft. Collins, CO and great grandson Lucas James Ross, Jackson, GA.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thurs., June 10, 2021 at 11:00 A.M. from St. Benedict Catholic Church, 455 S. Suncoast Blvd., Crystal River, FL 34428 with Fr. Richard Stradomski, Celebrant. Inurnment will follow on Fri., June 11, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL. Memorial donations in Ingrid's memory may be made to the Homosassa River Garden Club Scholarship Fund, PO Box 4293, Homosassa Springs, FL 34447. Wilder Funeral Home, Homosassa, FL. www.wilderfuneral.com

■ The Chronicle does not edit obituaries for content.



Ingrid Ricci

Geneva Sandlin, 98 EATON, OHIO

GENEVA (HOOVER) SANDLIN, aged 98, of Eaton, OH, formerly of Inverness, FL., passed away Thursday, June 3, 2021

with her family by her side. She was born in Elias, KY on December 4, 1922 to Robert and Kate (Bales) Farmer.

Geneva loved her home and especially her flowers. She was an avid churchgoer and a member of several churches including The First Baptist Church of Bushnell, FL. She would play the piano often and enjoyed going to the local flea markets to look for antiques to collect.

She is survived by her daughter; Teresa Hoover, 3 grandchildren; Mark (Amanda) Adams, Randy (Shari Zook) Hoover, Julie (Shawn) Sizemore, 6 great-grandchildren; Michael May, Maycee Adams, Madynn Adams, Madalynn Adams, Marlyee Adams and Olive Sizemore, a daughter-in-law; Shirley Hoover and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her first husband of 48 years; Paul Hoover, second husband of 8 years; Boyd Sandlin, her son; Paul Randall Hoover, three sisters; Dorothy, Kitty and Retta and her two brothers; Paris and Bob.

There will be a visitation for Geneva on Thursday, June 10, 2021 at BALES FUNERAL HOME in Camden, OH from 6:00PM-7:00PM. For condolences please visit: www.Balesfh.com

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■ Obituaries are at www.chronicleonline.com.

■ Email obits@chronicleonline.com or call 352-563-5660 for more information.



Jerry Thompson, 74 INVERNESS

Jerry Allen Thompson, 74, of Inverness, FL passed away on May 21, 2021 in Lecanto, FL while under the care of HPH Hospice. He was born to the late James and Frances (Simpson) Thompson on October 11, 1946 in Quitman, Georgia and in 1989, made Citrus County his home after moving from Sumter County, FL. Jerry bravely served as a member of the United States Army and for 44+ years, defended and protected his cherished community by delivering justice and closure to families affected by violent crimes and homicides.

Jerry was a very devoted husband, father, brother, and son, as he was committed to his family. Jerry was also dedicated to his work, while striving for nothing less than teamwork amongst his criminal investigators to deliver justice. If his team was investigating a case, he was side by side with them, putting in the hard work and never requesting anything of his team, that he wouldn't do himself. He relentlessly pursued the evidence to bring justice for families that desperately needed closure. He is described as one of the kindest, most generous, compassionate, and truthful men you would have the pleasure of meeting.

Jerry worked as a Criminal Investigator for much of his career and later, became Under Sheriff from which he eventually retired. Jerry made his community a safer and better place, and for that, so many people are grateful. Along with his parents, Jerry is preceded in death by his brother, Louie Thompson. Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 32 years, Kathy, his daughter, Melissa Thomas of Summerfield, FL, his brother, Jimmy (Sharon) of Panama City, FL, his four grandchildren, one great grandchild and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be held by Jerry's family at 1100 W Highland Blvd, Inverness, FL 34452, Cornerstone Baptist Church on June 12, 2021 at 11:00 AM. Cremation with Care is under the direction of the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home, Inverness, FL.

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D-DAY

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Normandy, which he keeps in a blue folder in his home.

This is an excerpt from their writing, recounting the days prior to D-Day: “We somehow always knew in our own minds, that we were going to invade the German Fortress Europe, invade France. Even then, we did not know when the exact day would be, for it was to be declared by the high command shortly before our hour of departure.”

On June 3, 1944, crew members of the USS Hobson finally learned the role they were selected to play on D-Day.

“Destroyers are designed not only to be sea-going, but they protect the biggest ships in the Navy,” Davis said. “When we went in, we were the expendables. No one expected to make it out alive.”

On D-Day, June 6, 1944, the mission of the USS Hobson was to load small assault crafts with the first wave of troops toward the beach. When they couldn’t go any further, they would swing to the side and begin their fire on enemy troops.

At the time of the invasion, Davis was a Navy Snipe.

“A Snipe in the Navy means an engineer,” Davis said. “I was below decks in the fire room.”

For Davis, the horrors and emotions of that day are still all too real and difficult to recount.

“We were scared to death, believe me,” Davis said. “After 70 years. ... It’s



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Nathaniel Davis, a 95-year-old Navy veteran, becomes emotional while recounting the war on the beaches of Normandy. “War is hell,” he said with tears in his eyes.

hell on earth. War is hell.”

After hours of open fire, the USS Hobson’s sister ship, the USS Corry (DD-463) began to sink after being struck. Davis and his shipmates helped pull the survivors out of the water and brought them to safety, while bullets fired at them from all angles.

“We were constantly under attack,” Davis said.

D-Day was just the beginning of the end of the

World War II, but Davis said it felt like eternity. He said he feels lucky to have made it out alive.

“Those guys that went down — they never had a shot,” he said. “It’s by the grace of God I’m here.”

Another excerpt from Davis’ shipmates’ writing, which recounts the immediate aftermath on the USS Hobson following D-Day, reads: “We recalled the events which had

occurred during the previous long hours, thanked the Lord that it was over at last, and pinched ourselves upon occasions, to convince our minds that our bodies were actually still with us, and that we hadn’t gone down in the battle of Normandy, as the odds had seemed to say we would.”

D-Day is just a small part of Davis’ story. As for the USS Hobson, she sunk

in 1952 after an accidental collision with the USS Wasp, an aircraft carrier. One-hundred and seventy-six men were lost. At the time, Davis was in the Navy reserve.

“By the grace of God, I wasn’t aboard it,” he said.

To this day, Davis stays involved with the Navy, recruiting and educating youths with the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps. Davis said he

swore to himself that if he survived, he would dedicate his life to teaching kids about military service.

“If there’s any place to go, it’s going to the service,” he said. “It’s a great crusade.”

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BURNS

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“We had to get the vehicles prepared to be in water,” he said. “We had to waterproof all the spark plugs and everything, and then we had a big trough filled with water. You went in it with your vehicle with the water up to your waist to test them before they went to battle.

“I had to inspect them, make sure they were ready to go. We knew when we landed that we would be in water,” he said.

The vehicles and servicemen were transported on the USS LST-541 amphibious landing craft.

Burns said even though the news of the blood and carnage of the first few waves hadn’t reached them, they knew something was going on.

“We knew something was happening, that it was real tough, because the air was so covered with planes that you couldn’t see,” he said. “We knew it was really bad.”

However, he said he wasn’t scared because he decided whatever was going to happen, he would just face it.

“I had a 1936 Ford back home, and I called my dad and told him to go ahead and sell it, because I didn’t think I’d make it back, it looked so bad for us,” he said.

When they arrived in Normandy and landed on the beach, the first vehicle went straight ahead, the next one went right and the next went left.

“My vehicle was loaded so heavy, the clutch blew,” Burns said with a laugh. “So, there I was — I couldn’t move. So, they had a bulldozer come



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Hernando native and current Dunnellon resident Clinton Chester Burns served in World War II as a member of the U.S. Army’s 364 Combat Engineers. At nearly 100 years of age, Burns recalls the time in his life when he participated in the invasion of Normandy.

down and hook onto my truck and pull it up on the beachhead.

“I dug a foxhole and got out of the truck and into the foxhole and stayed there all night long,” he said, recalling the constant bombings going on all around him.

“It was ‘boom, boom, zing, zing’ all night long while I was stuck there,” he said.

From Normandy, he and the others made their way through France, at one point camping in an orange grove, “eating all the fruit we wanted,” Burns said.

“I saw a lot of combat,”

he said. “I was in the Battle of the Bulge, that’s where it all ended ... they really came at us.

“I was there when the war ended,” he said. “Some of us had a chance to get out and go home, but some had to go to the Pacific ... so, here I am now, I’m 99 and sitting around telling my story about World War II.

“We don’t have too many World War II veterans around anymore, especially Black World War II vets,” he said. “You know, when I was drafted into the Army, it was segregated. We could shed blood together, but we couldn’t be together or go to town on the same night the whites went.

“And when we came

back home, after all we did in battle, when we came back home and got on the bus, we had to sit in the back.”

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FATHER

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Before Clark was born, his father stormed Omaha Beach on D-Day as a first lieutenant with the 29th Infantry Division, Signal Corps, one of the divisions represented in the beloved film.

“He was in communications,” Clark said. “His group had to go out and lay a cable either through the trees or whatever to keep everyone in touch.”

During World War II, Hobart took lots of photos to pass the time. In his possession, Clark has his father’s old scrapbook, filled with little moments captured during the war.

“I’ve been carrying this around for years,” Clark said.

Hobart took photos of everything from haircuts, dubbed “in the field barber school,” hunting, meal time and crumpled, war stricken buildings in European cities.

“It does give you a reality of what happened in war,” Clark said.

Clark has no idea what his father experienced on D-Day, but he tries to piece it together through the photographs he left behind.

“He would never talk about it,” Clark said. “After a while, you just didn’t ask.”

Hobart took a few photographs of ships at Omaha Beach on June 5, 1944, the day before D-Day. He also photographed a kitchen truck arriving with food on the beach.

“He had a real good sense of humor,” Clark said. Those were the only photographs Hobart took just prior to D-Day.

Clark was born in 1947, shortly after his father returned home from the war. As a child, Clark remembers a basement filled with Hobart’s war memorabilia, including Bronze Stars, Purple Hearts and medals from different areas of France.

When people asked how he liked France, he would reply, “I don’t know, I was crawling on my belly,” Clark said.

Clark is unsure if his father even spoke with his mother about what happened on D-Day. If they did, “They kept it between them,” Clark said.

“He would have episodes — flashbacks at night — and he would



Special to the Chronicle
This photograph, taken by Hobart C. Adams, was labeled, “Kitchen Truck Comes on Beach D+7 Vierville, France June 1944.”



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Hobart C. Adams captured this photograph and labeled it, “LST English Channel June 5, 1944.”

jump up, roll out of bed and say ‘incoming’ or something,” Clark said. “He lost a lot of friends.”

After retiring, Hobart regularly attended Omaha Beach reunions.

“He was very active with the division,” Clark said. “We all have regrets in life, but one of my biggest was — he asked if I wanted to go with him,” he said. “I said, ‘Oh, I’m too busy. I’m working.’”

Hobart would also put together newsletters and Christmas cards to send to the members of the 29th Infantry Division.

“The mailing list started getting shorter and shorter,” Clark said.

Although Clark doesn’t know much about Hobart’s war experiences, he does know his father’s character.

“He was kind — gracious — I never saw him lose his temper,” Clark said. “He was very active with me as a young boy.”

From his father, Clark learned to respect his elders and open doors for ladies. Hobart took him on hunting trips and bought him his first gun at 12 years old.

“He had stacks and stacks of these old Western paperbacks,” Clark said. He was a great speaker and always said the prayer at family gatherings.

“You don’t know what you have ‘til you lose it,” Clark said. “I’m very proud of him.”

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D-Day spirit lives on



World War II history enthusiasts parade in WWII vehicles in Ouistreham, Normandy, Saturday June, 5 on the eve of the 77th anniversary of the assault that helped bring an end to World War II.

Despite pandemic restrictions, event still commemorated

SYLVIE CORBET
Associated Press

CARENTAN, France — In a small Normandy town where paratroopers landed in the early hours of D-Day, applause broke the silence to honor Charles Shay. He was the only veteran attending a ceremony in Carentan commemorating the 77th anniversary of the assault that helped bring an end to World War II.

Amid the coronavirus pandemic, this year's D-Day commemorations are taking place with travel restrictions that have prevented veterans or families of fallen soldiers from the U.S., Britain and other allied countries from making the trip to France. Only a few officials were allowed exceptions.

Shay, who now lives in Normandy, was a 19-year-old U.S. Army medic when he landed on Omaha Beach on June 6, 1944. Today, he recalls the "many good friends" he lost on the battlefield.

Under a bright sun, the 96-year-old Penobscot Native American from Indian Island, Maine, stood steadily while the hymns of the Allied countries were played Friday in front of the monument commemorating the assault in Carentan that allowed the Allies to establish a continuous front joining nearby Utah Beach to Omaha Beach.

Shay regretted that the pandemic "is interrupting everything." He is expected to be the only veteran at Sunday's anniversary day ceremony at the Normandy American Cemetery of Colleville-sur-Mer.

"We have no visitors coming to France this year for two years now. And I hope it will be



Charles Shay, right, the 96-year-old native American from Indian Island, Maine, attends a D-Day ceremony in Carentan, Normandy, Friday, June 4. In a small Normandy town where paratroopers landed in the early hours of D-Day, applause broke the silence to honor Charles Shay. He was the only veteran to attend the ceremony in Carentan commemorating the 77th anniversary of the assault that led to the end of World War II. Shay was a 19-year-old U.S. Army medic when he landed on Omaha Beach.

over soon," he told The Associated Press in Carentan.

Shay's lone presence is all the more poignant as the number of survivors of the epochal battle dwindles. Only one veteran now remains from the French commando unit that joined U.S., British, Canadian and other allied troops in storming Normandy's code-named beaches.

While France is planning to open up to vaccinated visitors starting next week, that comes too late for the D-Day anniversary. So for the second year in a row, most public commemoration events have been canceled. A few solemn ceremonies have been maintained, with dignitaries and a few guests only.

Local residents, however, are coming in greater numbers than last year, as France started lifting its internal virus restrictions last month.

Some French and a few other World War II history enthusiasts from neighboring European countries gathered in Normandy.

Driving restored jeeps, dressed in old uniforms or joyfully eating at the newly reopened terraces of restaurants, they're contributing to revive the commemorations' special atmosphere — and keeping alive the memory of June 6, 1944.

"In France, people who remember these men, they kept them close to their heart," Shay said. "And they remember what they did for them. And I don't think the French people will ever forget."

On Saturday morning, people in dozens of World War II vehicles, from motorcycles to jeeps and trucks, gathered in a field in Colleville-Montgomery to parade down the nearby roads along

Sword Beach to the sounds of a pipe band. Residents, some waving French and American flags, came to watch.

Sitting in an old sidecar, Audrey Ergas, dressed in a vintage uniform including an aviator hat and glasses, said she used to come every year from the southern city of Marseille, except for last year due to virus travel restrictions.

"We absolutely wanted to come ... it's great pleasure, we needed it!" she said. "We were afraid that we might feel a bit alone, but in the end we were happy to do even small gatherings."

Pascal Leclerc, a member of the Remember Omaha Beach 44 group, shared the same joy.

"We missed it a lot. That's just fun, happiness, and also being able to pay tribute to all the veterans. That's the main goal," he said.

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Hero rat retires



This undated photo provided by the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals (PDSA) shows Cambodian landmine detection rat Magawa wearing his PDSA Gold Medal in Siem, Cambodia.

Mine-sniffing rat ends years of hard work in Cambodia

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia — After five years of sniffing out land mines and unexploded ordnance in Cambodia, Magawa is retiring.

The African giant pouched rat has been the most successful rodent trained and overseen by a Belgian non-profit, APOPO, to find land mines and alert his human handlers so the explosives can be safely removed.

Magawa has cleared more than 1.5 million square feet of land, the equivalent of some 20 soccer fields, sniffing out 71 land mines and 38 items of unexploded ordnance, according to APOPO.

And for the first time, he won a British charity's top civilian award for animal bravery last year, an honor so far exclusively reserved for dogs.

"Although still in good health, he has reached a retirement age and is clearly starting to slow down," APOPO said. "It is time."

Protest erupts again over man killed by deputies

MINNEAPOLIS — Protesters faced off with officers in Minneapolis early Saturday over the shooting death of a man by members of a U.S. Marshals task force.

Photos from the scene following a vigil for Winston Boogie Smith Jr., 32, showed dumpster fires in the street and a line of officers standing guard. It was the second night of protests in response to the fatal shooting Thursday in Minneapolis' Uptown neighborhood.

Authorities said Friday that Smith was wanted on a weapons violation and fired a gun before two deputies shot him while he was inside a parked vehicle. Members of the U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Force were trying to arrest him on a warrant for allegedly being a felon in possession of a gun.

No shirts, pants or undies for ride — just a mask

PHILADELPHIA — Philadelphia bike riders won't need their shirts, pants, skirts or even underwear — just a mask.

Organizers of the annual Philly Naked Bike Ride say this year's event will take place Aug. 28 and will require masks, based on the city's earlier coronavirus restrictions.

The city lifted most of its COVID-19 rules this week, citing an increase in vaccinations and a decrease in cases. But ride organizers said they hadn't had a chance to chat since the city's guidelines changed so for the time being, they're "going to stick with our initial mask guidance." Lead organizer Wesley Noonan-Sessa said they'll keep an eye on what the city says in the next month or so.

Ride participants, sometimes in the thousands, usually gather in a park to strip off their clothes and paint each other's bodies before carefully hopping on their bikes. The naked ride is to

promote positive body image, advocate for the safety of cyclists and protest dependence on fossil fuels.

G-7 back steps to deter tax dodging by corporations

LONDON — The Group of Seven wealthy democracies agreed Saturday to support a global minimum corporate tax of at least 15% to deter multinational companies from avoiding taxes by stashing profits in low-rate countries.

G-7 finance ministers meeting in London also endorsed proposals to make the world's biggest companies — including U.S.-based tech giants — pay taxes in countries where they have lots of sales but no physical headquarters.

British Treasury chief Rishi Sunak, the host, said the deal would "reform the global tax system to make it fit for the global digital age and crucially to make sure that it's fair, so that the right companies pay the right tax in the right places."

U.S. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen said the agreement "provides tremendous momentum" for reaching a global deal that "would end the race-to-the-bottom in corporate taxation and ensure fairness for the middle class and working people in the U.S. and around the world."

Nations have been grappling for years with the question of how to deter companies from legally avoiding paying taxes by using accounting and legal schemes to assign their profits to subsidiaries in tax havens — typically small countries that entice companies with low or zero taxes, even though the firms do little actual business there. International discussions on tax issues gained momentum after U.S. President Joe Biden backed the idea of a global minimum of at least 15% — and possibly higher — on corporate profits.

Nigerian Twitter suspension takes effect

LAGOS, Nigeria — Millions of Nigerians were unable to access Twitter Saturday after the government enforced an indefinite suspension of the microblogging platform's operations in Nigeria.

The Association of Licensed Telecommunication Operators of Nigeria said in a statement that its members have suspended access to Twitter in compliance with a government directive to do so.

The Nigeria government said Friday it was indefinitely suspending Twitter in Africa's most populous nation, after the company deleted a controversial tweet President Muhammadu Buhari made about a secessionist movement.

Minister of Information and Culture Lai Mohammed said Friday that government officials decided to suspend Twitter because the platform was being used "for activities that are capable of undermining Nigeria's corporate existence."

— From wire reports

Calif. assault weapon ban overturned

Federal judge says state's 32-year-old law a 'failed experiment'

DON THOMPSON
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — A federal judge has overturned California's three-decade-old ban on assault weapons, calling it a "failed experiment" that violates people's constitutional right to bear arms.

U.S. District Judge Roger Benitez of San Diego ruled on Friday that the state's definition of illegal military-style rifles unlawfully deprives law-abiding Californians of weapons commonly allowed in most other states and by the U.S. Supreme Court.

"Under no level of heightened scrutiny can the law survive," Benitez said. He issued a permanent injunction against enforcement of the law but stayed it for 30 days to give state Attorney General Rob

Bonta time to appeal.

Gov. Gavin Newsom condemned the decision, calling it "a direct threat to public safety and the lives of innocent Californians, period."

In his 94-page ruling, the judge spoke favorably of modern weapons and said they were overwhelmingly used for legal reasons.

"Like the Swiss Army knife, the popular AR-15 rifle is a perfect combination of home defense weapon and homeland defense equipment. Good for both home and battle," the judge said in his ruling's introduction.

That comparison "completely undermines the credibility of this decision and is a slap in the face to the families who've lost loved ones to this weapon," Newsom said in a statement. "We're not backing down

from this fight, and we'll continue pushing for common sense gun laws that will save lives."

Bonta called the ruling flawed and said it will be appealed.

California first restricted assault weapons in 1989, with multiple updates to the law since then.

A surge in sales of more than 1.16 million other types of pistols, rifles and shotguns in the last year — more than a third of them to likely first-time buyers — show that the assault weapons ban "has not prevented law-abiding citizens in the state from acquiring a range of firearms for lawful purposes, including self-defense," the state contended.

Similar assault weapon restrictions have previously been upheld by six other federal district and appeals courts, the state argued.

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.

COMING UP

American Legion Post 155 offering COVID-19 vaccines

American Legion Post 155 in partnership with the Citrus County Health Department will provide COVID-19 Johnson & Johnson vaccines to the public, 16 years of age and older, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8, at 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River.

American Legion Post 155 hosts mobile food pantry giveaway

American Legion Post 155 in partnership with We Care Food Pantry will host a Mobile Food Pantry from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, June 8, at 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway. Public is welcome. For more information, call Doug or Ashley at 352-795-6526.

Attend the Flag Day celebration in Inverness

Join the City of Inverness' Flag Day celebration at 10 a.m. Monday, June 14, at Liberty Park, 286 N. Apopka Ave.

The children of the Boys & Girls Club of Citrus County will present American flag facts and the Nature Coast Young Marines Honor Guard will salute the flag. Operation Welcome Home will pass out flags to attendees.

The event is open to the public, rain or shine.

GOOD TO KNOW

WTC scholarships available to vets

For the second year in a row, the Citrus County Veterans Coalition (CCVC) made a \$3,000 scholarship available to the Withlacoochee Technical College (WTC). WTC distributes these funds to veterans who attend classes there.

The funds may be used for the purchase of books, manuals, tools of the trade or uniforms. Veterans can receive grants through the VA for course tuition, but incur many other expenses in the course of their education.

These funds are specifically intended to ease the financial hardships of veterans in their continuing education.

To access the available funds, veterans should contact the financial aid coordinator at WTC. For additional assistance, call Bob Bendle, CCVC scholarship officer, at 352-400-8952.

FDN to have monthly meetings

Female Veterans Network (FDN) invites all female veterans to their monthly meeting on the second Thursday monthly at the Citrus County Resource Center on 2804 W. Marc Knighton Court in Lecanto. The meeting is held in the cafeteria.

Masks and social distancing are strongly encouraged.

The mission of the (FDN) is to unite female veterans, develop camaraderie and discuss issues that are important and unique to female veterans.

For information or to support FDN, contact Cynthia at 352-628-6481, Jo Monty at 352-527-6575 or visit femaleveteransnetwork.org.

American Legion Post 155 invites the public to breakfast

The public is invited to American Legion Post 155 for breakfast from 8:30 to 11 a.m. every Sunday at 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway in Crystal River.

VFW Post 10087 announces upcoming events

VFW Post 10087 Harry F. Nesbitt has announced their upcoming events at the post, 2170 W. Vet Lane in Beverly Hills.

Show Me the Money (SMTM), 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesdays and 5 to 7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Open mic, 4 to 7 p.m. Thursdays

For general event questions, call the post at 352-746-0440.

Buy a pin, support the FVN

The Female Veterans Network is selling pins for \$5 at Mac 1 Signs Inc., 7068 W. Grover Cleveland Blvd. in Homosassa.

For additional information, call 352-628-3246.

VFW Post 10087 to host Vittles for Vets

VFW Post 10087 Harry F. Nesbitt will be hosting Vittles for Vets at 4 p.m. every Tuesday at the post, 2170 W. Vet Lane in Beverly Hills.

For additional information, call the post at 352-746-0440.

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VA looking for volunteer drivers

Special to the Chronicle

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 the day they drive and participate in the awards program for miles driven.

There is an application process for potential volunteers and a Veterans' Administration (VA)

identification badge will be provided.

Fingerprinting and proof of driver's license and vehicle insurance will need to be provided to participate.

For more information on this volunteer opportunity, call 352-746-8005.

Funds raised for Heroes on the Water



Special to the Chronicle

Members from the VFW Riders 8189, VFW District 7 Riders, American Legion Riders 166 and Eagle Riders 4272 raise funds for the Heroes on the Water program.

Local veterans groups team up for dice run

Special to the Chronicle

On Saturday, May 22, VFW Riders from Post 8189, VFW Riders District 7, American Legion Riders 166, Eagle Riders 4272 and others came together for a dice run. The run raised money for the VFW Department of Florida commander

and the Auxiliary Department of Florida president's special project, Heroes on the Water (HOTW).

The run included stops at several VFW's, Eagles 4272 and American Legion Post 166. The funds raised for HOTW totaled \$1,500.

HOTW is an organization that is dedicated to the physical and

emotional rehabilitation of active duty military service personnel, veterans and first responders. Their kayak and fishing experiences reduce the symptoms of post traumatic stress and traumatic brain injury. Participants do not need any experience with kayaking or fishing, and adaptive equipment is available.

To learn more, visit heroesonthewater.org.

Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 MOPH awards scholarships to local students

Citrus High School graduating senior Kailee Nadler was presented with the Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 Military of the Purple Heart College of Central Florida Endowed Scholarship during the Chapter's annual Armed Forces Day picnic by Chapter 776 Commander Richard Hunt. Ms. Nadler has a weighted 4.65 GPA, is a National Honor Society inductee, as well as a 3-year varsity letter member and captain of the Citrus High School Volleyball Team. Ms. Nadler will pursue a nursing degree with the goal of becoming a nurse practitioner.

Special to the Chronicle



Seven Rivers Christian School graduating senior Leighton Stack was presented the Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 Military of the Purple Heart Sergeant Dennis J. Flanagan Memorial Scholarship during the Chapter's annual Armed Forces Day picnic. Participating in the presentation with Chapter 776 Commander Richard Hunt were Pat and Dennis Flanagan, parents of fallen hero Sergeant Flanagan. Ms. Stack has a weighted 4.21 GPA, is a National Honor Society inductee, and a 5-year varsity letter member and Senior Team Captain of the Seven Rivers Christian School Volleyball Team. Ms. Stack will pursue her studies and career goals at Florida Atlantic University.

VETERANS GROUPS

American Legion

■ American Legion Post 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River, FL 34429. Monthly meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month starting at 7 p.m. Call 352-795-6526 for further information.

● American Legion Auxiliary Unit 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake

Highway, Crystal River, FL 34429. Monthly meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month starting at 7 p.m. Call 352-795-6526 for further information.

● American Legion Riders, Chapter 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River, FL 34429. Monthly meetings are held on the second Wednesday

of the month starting at 6:30 p.m. Call 352-795-6526 for further information.

■ American Legion Wall-Rives Post 58 and Auxiliary, 10730 U.S. 41, Dunnellon. Call 352-489-4453, or email wallrives58@gmail.com.

■ American Legion, Beverly Hills Memorial Post 237, 6726 N. See **GROUPS/Page A17**

This listing contains only basic information regarding each group. For more information about scheduled activities, meetings, meals and more for a specific post or group, call or email the contact listed.

Posts and groups may email changes or corrections to community@chronicleonline.com.

- 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 or email to community@chronicleonline.com.

NOTES

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CCVC cancels monthly yard sales

The Citrus County Veterans Coalition (CCVC) has canceled monthly yard sales, effective immediately, until further notice.

We also are not accepting any donated items at this time.

However, it is our intention to continue offering our food services to veteran clients. We ask that any veteran coming to collect food on Tuesdays and the first and third Thursdays of the month, to please wait in their cars, until the food is delivered to them. We ask that you wear a mask and that any new applicants, please have proof of residency and proof of honorable discharge from military service. All active-duty members of the Armed Forces are also invited to apply for services. All CDC guidelines will be strictly adhered to. We will continue to accept any food donations to help replenish our supplies. These donations can be dropped off during our usual opening hours, of 9 a.m. until noon. Canned goods and non-perishable food items, as well as paper goods are in short supply. For information, call 352-400-8952 or visit www.veterans-coalition.com.

Transit available for VA appointments

Citrus County Transit provides service to veterans on a weekly basis, excluding holidays. Transportation to VA appointments for both wheel chair and ambulatory patients are available:

- Tuesday to Tampa
- Wednesday to Gainesville
- Thursday to the Villages VA

Other appointments may be available if capacity is available. For reservations and information, call Janet Gramann at 352-527-7630.

Donate sweats for veterans in recovery

DAV Auxiliary Unit 70 in Inverness is coordinating a "Sweats for Vets" drive, collecting new nylon sweatshirts and pants. These will be donated to VA hospitals and nursing homes for recovering veterans and those in rehabilitation. When you go shopping, remember a vet and put a new sweatshirt in your cart — any size or color. Please, do not drop off used clothing.

Donations can be dropped off from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays at the DAV chapter hall at the corner of Independence Highway and North Paul Drive, Inverness near the pink elephant on U.S. 41; or call Sunny Hayes, auxiliary commander, at 352-527-3395; or Ann Fair, senior vice commander, at 352-249-7827 to make other arrangements.

VFW to host Vittles for Vets

VFW Post 10087 Harry F. Nesbitt will be hosting Vittles for Vets on noon every Tuesday at the post, 2170 W. Vet Lane in Beverly Hills.

For additional information, call the post at 352-746-0440.

Fish fry benefits local charities

Members of the VFW Post 10087 host a fish fry every Friday to benefit local charities and veterans relief.

The fish fry events are open to the public and begin at 5 p.m., at 2170 W. Vet Lane, Beverly Hills. Get a plate of lightly battered haddock, scalloped potatoes, coleslaw and a roll for \$8.

For information, call the post at 352-746-0440.

Attend a meal for a good cause

The Crystal River American Legion Post 155 hosts a breakfast from 8:30 to 11 a.m. every Sunday, at American Legion Post 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River, for an \$8 donation. The proceeds from these meals support the Legion programs, veterans and community. All

are welcome. Information: 352-795-6526.

Make appointment at Veterans Service Office

Scheduled appointments and walk-in clients at the Citrus County Veterans Service Office will be seen from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday.

Anyone wishing to meet with a service officer between 4 and 5 p.m. Monday to Friday should call to make an appointment, as walk-ins will not be accepted during these hours.

For information, call the Veterans Service Office directly at 352-527-5915.

Dog tag sales benefits veterans programs

Veterans dog tags now being made at the Beverly Hills American Legion Post 237 located at 6726 N. Le-canto Highway. These are the genuine notched and un-notched type tags as were issued. Chains and silencers also in stock. Custom-made tags for any purpose, veterans, pets, luggage, etc. Call the post at 352-897-4776 to make an appointment. Proceeds go to Post 237 veterans programs.

VFW Auxiliary 8189 welcomes new officers



Special to the Chronicle

At their May 10 meeting, VFW Auxiliary 8189 officers were sworn in for the 2021-2022 year by District 7 President Nancy Hetherington. First row, from left, are: Audrey Morris, secretary; Mariann Cornwell, patriotic instructor; JoAnne Peters, senior vice president; Grace Moshier, three-year trustee; and Renee Tennant, junior vice president. Second row, from left, are: Bill Peters, guard; Joel Steele, conductor; Nancy Hetherington, district president; Roger Ingall, president; Tammy Shannon, chaplain; Juliene George Crowe, treasurer; and Mary Burnett, two-year trustee.

■ Readers are welcome to submit news tips to community@chronicleonline.com.

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	C	S	D/I	F	H	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(2) (WESH) NBC	19		19			Women's Golf	Gymnastics U.S. Championships. (N)	America's Got Talent "Auditions 1" PG									
(3) (WEDU) PBS	3	3		14	6	"Ella Fitzgerald: Just One of Those Things" (2019, Biography) NR		Great Performances Tenor Andrea Bocelli performs. 'G' 30				"Agatha and the Truth of Murder" (2018, Drama) Ruth Bradley, Pippa Haywood. NR				NewsChannel 8	Eat Your Medicine
(5) (WUFT) PBS	5		5			"Agatha Truth of Murder"		Great Performances 'G' 30				Classical Rewind (My Music) 'G'				Melissa Etheridge: This is M.E.	
(8) (WFLA) NBC	8	8	8	8	8	U.S. Women's Open Golf Championship		Gymnastics U.S. Championships. From Dickies Arena in Fort Worth, Texas. (N)				America's Got Talent "Auditions 1" Variety acts audition. (In Stereo) PG 30				NewsChannel 8	Super Sports
(9) (WFTV) ABC	20	7	20			News	World News	America's Funniest Home Videos PG		Celebrity Family Feud (In Stereo) '14		The Chase "We're Back!" PG			To Tell the Truth 'PG' (DVS)	News Sunday	Spo Night on 9
(10) (WTPS) CBS	10	10	10	10	10	Weekend News	10 Tampa Bay	60 Minutes (N) (In Stereo) 30		The 43rd Annual Kennedy Center Honors		Entertainers receive recognition. (N) 30			NCIS: New Orleans "Stashed" '14	10 Tampa Bay	In Touch Bay
(13) (WTVT) FOX	13	13		13	13	TMZ (N) PG	News	Duncanville '14	Bless the Harts '14	The Simpsons	The Great North '14	The Moodys (N) (In Stereo) '14 30			FOX13 10:00 News (N) (In Stereo) 30	FOX13 11:00 News (N) (In Stereo) 30	
(20) (WCJB) ABC			11			WCJB T	ABC	Funny Home Videos		Celebrity Fam		The Chase PG			To Tell the Truth	WCJB T	Gone With
(22) (WCLF) IND	2	2	2	22	22	Lift Up Jesus	Empowered Life	Real Life Home	Great Awakening, Rodney, Browne	Love a Child 'G'		Billy Graham	Jewish Jesus 'G'		Mark T. Barclay	Jesse Duplantis	The Great Awake
(24) (WYKE) FAM	16	16	16		15	Bible Say?	Nature Coast	YTA Movie of the Week				YTA Movie of the Week				Vegas Unveiled	
(28) (WFTS) ABC	11	11		11	11	ABC Action News	World News	America's Funniest Home Videos PG		Celebrity Family Feud (In Stereo) '14		The Chase "We're Back!" PG			To Tell the Truth 'PG' (DVS)	ABC Action News	Joel Osteen PG
(32) (WMOR) IND	12	12		5		Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Nightwatch: "EMT's Bare All (Part 2)" '14			Surviving the Season: WMOR	Soledad O'Brien	Greta Van Susten
(33) (WTTA) MNT	6	6	6	9	9	Funny	Funny	FamFeud	FamFeud	NewsChannel 8	Seinfeld	Seinfeld			Murdoch Mysteries	Born Ride	Paid Prer
(40) (WACX) TBN	21		21			In Touch		Rejoice in the Lord	Two and Half Men	Divine	Bill W.	Barclay	Chris		Jentezen	Jim Raley	Paula
(43) (WTOG) CW	4	4	4	12	12	Mike & Molly '14	Mike & Molly '14	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	DC's Legends of Tomorrow (N) PG		Batwoman "Armed and Dangerous" '14			NCIS: New Orleans '14 (DVS)	NCIS: New Orleans '14 (DVS)	
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(51) (WOGX) FOX				13	7	Extra (N) PG 30	Duncan	Bless		Simpsons	The-North	The Moodys (N) '14			FOX 51 News	TMZ (N) PG 30	
(55) (WXPX) ION		17				Criminal Minds '14	Criminal Minds '14	Criminal Minds '14		Criminal Minds '14		Criminal Minds '14			Criminal Minds '14	Criminal Minds '14	
(A&E)	54	48	54	25	27	Biography: Shawn Michaels Wrestler Shawn Michaels' wild life. '14 30				Biography: Bret Hitman Hart Five-time WWE title holder Bret Hart. (N) '14 30					WWE's Most Wanted Treasures (N) PG	WWE's Most Wanted Treasures PG 30	
(ACCN)			99			Softball College Basketball Teams TBA.				Women's College Soccer					All ACC	All ACC	All ACC
(AMC)	55	64	55			"Witch Hunter" (2011) Alex Pettyfer. An alien teenager must evade those sent to kill him. PG-13				Fear the Walking Dead (N) 'MA' 30					Fear the Walking Dead (N) 'MA' 30	Gangs of London (N) 'MA, L.S.V.' 30	
(AND)	52	35	52	19	31	Lone Star Law "Saving the Herd" '14	Louisiana Law "Mr. Bad Guy" '14	Louisiana Law "Spy in the Sky" '14		Louisiana Law "Blind Rage" (N) '14					Lone Star Law (In Stereo) '14	Lone Star Law (In Stereo) '14	
(BET)	96	71	96			"Law Abiding Citizen" (2009, Suspense) Jamie Foxx, Gerard Butler. NR 30				"I, Robot" (2004, Science Fiction) Will Smith. A homicide detective tracks a dangerous robot in 2035. PG-13 30					Science Fiction	The Parkers PG	The Parkers PG
(BIGTEN)	742	809				Big Ten Elite 'G' 30	Ohio State Football Classic 30	The B1G Moment	Nebraska Football Classic 30			Nebraska Football Classic 30				Iowa Football Classic 30	Minnesota
(BRAVO)	254	51	254			Shahs of Sunset '14	Shahs of Sunset '14	Shahs of Sunset '14	Shahs of Sunset '14	Married to Medicine (N) '14					Shahs of Sunset '14	Family	
(BSFL)	35	39	35			Strongman	World Poker	World Poker	Kickboxing			World Poker				World Poker	World Poker
(CC)	27	61	27		33	"Mr. Deeds" (2002) Adam Sandler. PG-13 30	"50 First Dates" (2004, Romance-Comedy) Adam Sandler. PG-13 30	"50 First Dates" (2004, Romance-Comedy) Adam Sandler. PG-13 30	"50 First Dates" (2004, Romance-Comedy) Adam Sandler. PG-13 30			"50 First Dates" (2004, Romance-Comedy) Adam Sandler. PG-13 30				South Park 'MA' 30	South Park 'MA' 30
(CMT)	98	45	98	28	37	"Legally Blonde" (2001) 30	"Easy A" (2010) Emma Stone. A high-school student uses the rumor mill to her advantage. PG-13 30	"Easy A" (2010) Emma Stone. A high-school student uses the rumor mill to her advantage. PG-13 30	"Easy A" (2010) Emma Stone. A high-school student uses the rumor mill to her advantage. PG-13 30			"Coyote Ugly" (2000) Piper Perabo. A struggling songwriter cuts loose in a rowdy New York bar. PG-13 30					
(CNN)	40	29	40	41	46	CNN Newsroom	CNN Newsroom	Story of Late Night	Story of Late Night			United Shades				State-Union	State-Union
(ESPN)	33	27	33	21	17	Baseball Tonight	MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at New York Yankees. (N) (Live)	Update	Update			SportsCenter (N)				SportsCenter (N)	SportsCenter (N)
(ESPN2)	37	28	34	43	49	Track & Field	2021 Women's College World Series	Update	Update			2021 Women's College World Series				F1 Racing	F1 Racing
(FBN)	106	149	106	99	41	Maria Bartiromo	Return: Apollo 13	Kennedy 30	History of Socialism			Return: Apollo 13				Maria Bartiromo	Maria Bartiromo
(FLIX)		118	170			"Citizen Ruth" (1996, Comedy) Laura Dern. Premiere. (In Stereo) R 30				"Mystic Pizza" (1988) Julia Roberts. R 30					"America's Sweethearts" (2001) Julia Roberts. PG-13 30	"Blue Velvet" (2015) R 30	
(FNC)	44	37	44		32	Fox Report	Justice With Jeanine	Life, Liberty & Levin	The Next Revolution			Sunday Show				Life, Liberty & Levin	Life, Liberty & Levin
(FOOD)	26	56	26			Guy's Games	Guy's Games	Guy's Games	Food Truck Race			Beat Play				Beat Play	Beat Play
(FREEFORM)	29	52	29	20	28	"National Treasure" (2004, Adventure) Nicolas Cage. (In Stereo) PG 30	"National Treasure" (2004, Adventure) Nicolas Cage. (In Stereo) PG 30	"National Treasure" (2004, Adventure) Nicolas Cage. (In Stereo) PG 30	"National Treasure" (2004, Adventure) Nicolas Cage. (In Stereo) PG 30			"National Treasure" (2004, Adventure) Nicolas Cage. (In Stereo) PG 30				"Cast Away" (2000, Drama) Tom Hanks. PG-13 30	"Cast Away" (2000, Drama) Tom Hanks. PG-13 30
(FS1)	732	112	732			NASCAR Cup Series	Renegades	NASCAR Cup Series Toyota / Save Mart 350. 30	NASCAR Cup Series Toyota / Save Mart 350. 30			Pose "Series Finale" (Series Finale) Blanca joins ACTUP. (N) (In Stereo) MA 30				Blanca joins ACTUP. (N) (In Stereo) MA 30	Blanca joins ACTUP. (N) (In Stereo) MA 30
(FX)	30	60	30		51	"Thor" (2011, Action) Chris Hemsworth. PG-13 30	"Thor: The Dark World" (2013, Action) Chris Hemsworth. PG-13 30	"Thor: The Dark World" (2013, Action) Chris Hemsworth. PG-13 30	"Thor: The Dark World" (2013, Action) Chris Hemsworth. PG-13 30			Pose "Series Finale" (Series Finale) Blanca joins ACTUP. (N) (In Stereo) MA 30				Blanca joins ACTUP. (N) (In Stereo) MA 30	Blanca joins ACTUP. (N) (In Stereo) MA 30
(GOLF)	727	67	727			Feherty '14 30	U.S. Women's Open	PGA Tour Golf The Memorial Tournament, Final Round. 30	PGA Tour Golf The Memorial Tournament, Final Round. 30			Golden Girls				Golden Girls	Golden Girls
(HALL)	59	68	39	45	54	"Love and Sunshine" (2019) NR	"You Had Me at Aloha" (2021, Romance) Pascale Hutton, Kavan Smith. NR 30	"You Had Me at Aloha" (2021, Romance) Pascale Hutton, Kavan Smith. NR 30	"You Had Me at Aloha" (2021, Romance) Pascale Hutton, Kavan Smith. NR 30			Golden Girls				Golden Girls	Golden Girls
(HBO)	302	201	302	2	2	Axios (N) '14	Pause, Sam Jay	"How to Be Single" (2016) Dakota Johnson, Rebel Wilson. (In Stereo) R 30	"How to Be Single" (2016) Dakota Johnson, Rebel Wilson. (In Stereo) R 30			In Treatment	In Treatment			In Treatment	Last Week To
(HBO2)	303	202	303			Lovecraft Country "Rewind 1921" 'MA'	Lovecraft Country "Full Circle" 'MA'	In Treatment	In Treatment			"The Witches of Eastwick" (1987) Jack Nicholson, Cher. (In Stereo) R 30				"Our Brand Is Crisis" (2015) R 30	"Our Brand Is Crisis" (2015) R 30
(HGTV)	23	57	23	42	52	Home Town Takeover 'G' 30	Home Town Takeover 'G' 30	Home Town Takeover 'G' 30	Home Town Takeover 'G' 30	Home Town Takeover Breaking ground on a farmers market. 'G' 30		Home Town "A Musician's Retreat" 'G'				Home Town 'G' 30	Happily Wherever
(HIST)	51	54	51	32	42	The Food That Built America PG 30	The Food That Built America PG 30	The Food That Built America PG 30	The Food That Built America PG 30			Snack-Sized				Snack-Sized	The Food That Built America PG 30
(LIFE)	24	38	24		21	"Gone Mom: The Disappearance of Jennifer Dulos" (2021) Annabeth Gish. NR 30	"Gone Mom: The Disappearance of Jennifer Dulos" (2021) Annabeth Gish. NR 30	"Gone Mom: The Disappearance of Jennifer Dulos" (2021) Annabeth Gish. NR 30	"Gone Mom: The Disappearance of Jennifer Dulos" (2021) Annabeth Gish. NR 30			"The Secrets She Keeps" (2021, Suspense) Zoe Lister-Jones, Emily Meade. NR 30				"Stalked by My Husband's Ex" (2020, Suspense) Alex McKenna. NR 30	"Stalked by My Husband's Ex" (2020, Suspense) Alex McKenna. NR 30
(LMN)	119	50	119			"My Husband's Deadly Past" (2020, Suspense) Sarah Butler. NR 30	"My Husband's Deadly Past" (2020, Suspense) Sarah Butler. NR 30	"My Husband's Deadly Past" (2020, Suspense) Sarah Butler. NR 30	"My Husband's Deadly Past" (2020, Suspense) Sarah Butler. NR 30			"Betrayed by My Husband" (2017, Suspense) Emmanuelle Vauger. NR 30				"Betrayed by My Husband" (2017, Suspense) Emmanuelle Vauger. NR 30	"Betrayed by My Husband" (2017, Suspense) Emmanuelle Vauger. NR 30
(MSNBC)	42	41	42			American Voices	American Voices	Mehdi Hasan	Week-Johnson			American Voices				Mehdi Hasan	Mehdi Hasan

SUNDAY EVENING JUNE 6, 2021										C: Comcast, Citrus S: Spectrum D/I: Comcast, Dunnellon & Inglis F: Oak Forest H: Holiday Heights							
	C	S	D/I	F	H	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(NBCSN)	448	26	730			NHL Live (In Stereo)		NHL Hockey Conference Semifinal: Teams TBA.					NHL Hockey Conference Semifinal: Teams TBA.				
(NGEO)	109	65	109			Wicked Tuna '14' 30		Wicked Tuna "Real Heroes" (N) '14'		Wicked Tuna "Rogue One" (N) '14'		Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted (N) '14'		Breaking	Breaking	Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted '14' 30	
(NICK)	28	36	28	35	25	Loud	Loud	Loud	Dylan	** "Alvin and the Chipmunks" (2007)		Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
(NWSN1N)	18	18	18	18	20	Last Man	Last Man	NewsNation Prime	NewsNation Prime	NewsNation Prime		Barfield 30		NewsNation Prime			
(OWN)	125	24	103			Iyanla, Fix My Life	20/20 on OWN '14'	20/20: Homicide	20/20: Homicide	20/20: Homicide		20/20: Homicide		20/20: Homicide		20/20: Homicide	20/20: Homicide
(OXY)	123	44	123			Snapped (N) PG	Mastermind	Accident, Suicide	Killer Couples PG	Snapped PG 30		Snapped PG 30		Snapped PG 30		Snapped PG 30	Snapped PG 30
(PARMT)	37	43	37	27	36	Bar Rescue "Corking the Hole" PG 30	Bar Rescue (In Stereo) PG 30	Bar Rescue "Saving G1 Jodi" PG 30	Bar Rescue "Saving G1 Jodi" PG 30	Bar Rescue (In Stereo) PG 30		Bar Rescue (In Stereo) PG 30		Bar Rescue (N) (In Stereo) PG 30		Bar Rescue "Boss Lady Blues" PG	
(SEC)	745	72				College Baseball NCAA Regional/Super Regional. (N) (Live)				SEC Now (N) (Live)	SEC Now (N) (Live)	SEC Now	SEC Now	SEC Now	SEC Now	SEC Now	SEC Now
(SHOW)	340	241	340			Ziwe 'MA' 30	Black Monday	The Chi "Cooley High" (N) 'MA' 30	The Kings (Series Premiere) (N) 'MA' 30	The Chi "Native Son" (N) 'MA' 30		Black Monday	Flatbush Mis	Ziwe (N) 'MA' 30	The Chi 'MA' 30		
(SUN)	36	31	36			Inside the HEAT	Inside the HEAT	Ship Shape TV	Sport Fishing	Sportsman	Sportsman	Addictive Fishing	Flats Class 'G'	Sport Fishing	Silver Kings 'G'	Reel Animals 'G'	Into the Blue 'G'
(SYFY)	31	59	31	26	29	** "The Lost World: Jurassic Park" (1997) Jeff Goldblum. PG-13 30 (DVS)	** "The Lost World: Jurassic Park" (1997) Jeff Goldblum. PG-13 30 (DVS)	** "Jurassic Park III" (2001, Adventure) Sam Neill. PG-13 30 (DVS)	** "Jurassic Park III" (2001, Adventure) Sam Neill. PG-13 30 (DVS)	** "47 Meters Down" (2017, Suspense) Claire Holt. PG-13 30 (DVS)		** "47 Meters Down" (2017, Suspense) Claire Holt. PG-13 30 (DVS)		** "Avengers: War" (2019, Action) Robert Downey Jr. PG-13 30 (DVS)		** "Avengers: War" (2019, Action) Robert Downey Jr. PG-13 30 (DVS)	
(TBS)	49	23	49	16	19	** "The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter" (1968, Drama) Alan Arkin. 'G' 30	** "The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter" (1968, Drama) Alan Arkin. 'G' 30	** "The Long, Hot Summer" (1958, Drama) Paul Newman. NR 30	** "The Long, Hot Summer" (1958, Drama) Paul Newman. NR 30	** "Paris Blues" (1961, Romance) Paul Newman, Joanne Woodward. NR 30		** "Paris Blues" (1961, Romance) Paul Newman, Joanne Woodward. NR 30		** "Ant-Man and The Wasp" (2018, Action) Paul Rudd.		** "Ant-Man and The Wasp" (2018, Action) Paul Rudd.	
(TCM)	169	53	169	30	35	Naked and Afraid XL: Uncensored	Naked and Afraid XL: Uncensored	Naked and Afraid XL: Uncensored	Naked and Afraid XL: Uncensored	Naked and Afraid XL: Uncensored		Naked and Afraid (In Stereo) '14' 30		Naked and Afraid (In Stereo) '14' 30		Naked and Afraid (In Stereo) '14' 30	Naked and Afraid (In Stereo) '14' 30
(TDC)	53	34	53	24	26	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? '14'	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? '14'	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? '14'	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? '14'	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? '14'		Extreme Sisters '14'		90 Day Fiancé		90 Day Fiancé	90 Day Fiancé
(TLC)	50	46	50	29	30	"Burden" (2018, Drama) Garrett Hedlund, Forest Whitaker. (In Stereo) R' 30	"Burden" (2018, Drama) Garrett Hedlund, Forest Whitaker. (In Stereo) R' 30	"True History of the Kelly Gang" (2019) George Mackay. (In Stereo) R' 30	"True History of the Kelly Gang" (2019) George Mackay. (In Stereo) R' 30	** "The Gentlemen" (2020) Matthew McConaughey. (In Stereo) R' 30		** "The Gentlemen" (2020) Matthew McConaughey. (In Stereo) R' 30		** "Ant-Man and The Wasp" (2018, Action) Paul Rudd.		** "Ant-Man and The Wasp" (2018, Action) Paul Rudd.	
(TMC)	350	261	350			Gumball	Gumball	Gumball	Gumball	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Rick	Rick
(TNT)	48	33	48	31	34	Terror in the Woods	Expedition Bigfoot	Expedition Bigfoot	Expedition Bigfoot	Expedition Bigfoot		Monsters and Mysteries in America PG		Monsters and Mysteries in America PG		Monsters and Mysteries in America PG	Monsters and Mysteries in America PG
(TOON)	38	58	38	33		Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokes	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers
(TRAV)	9	106	9		44	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two and a Half Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men
(truTV)	25	55	25	98	55	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14
(TVL)	32	49	32	34	24	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14
(USA)	47	32	47	17	18	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14
(WE)	117	69	117			Law & Order "Blood Libel" PG 30	Law & Order "Blood Libel" PG 30	Law & Order "Remand" '14 30	Law & Order "Remand" '14 30	Law & Order "Corpus Delicti" PG		Law & Order "Trophy" PG 30		Law & Order "Charm City" '14 30		Law & Order "Custody" '14 30	Law & Order "Custody" '14 30

VeteransNOTES

Businesses: List discounts for vets

Business offering a discount to female veterans for services or goods can now be listed on the website of the Female Veterans Network. Send your business information, what you are willing to offer as a discount, and a contact name to cynthia@femaleveteransnetwork.org, and list the subject as: offering discount. Want to be a member and support Female Veterans Network? Go to femaleveteransnetwork.org for membership information or to make a donation to support the group's projects.

Enrollment open at VA clinic

The Lecanto Veterans Affairs (VA) Community Based Out-patient Clinic is accepting enrollment applications for eligible veterans. Primary Care and Mental Health access is available. Call 352-746-8004 or visit in person at 2804 W. Marc Knighton Court, Lecanto, to apply.

FVN attends military appreciation ceremony



May was national Military Appreciation Month and several members of the Female Veterans Network attended the awards ceremony sponsored by Star Spangled Heroes and Crumps Landing on Saturday, May 15. First row, from left, are: Joe Monty; Cynthia Henderson, founder and president of FVN; Teresa Cancel, Connie Quinton, Nancy Sigmon and Jane Mundis. Second row, from left, are: Jackie Mills, president of Star Spangled Heroes; and Charlie Mills.

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Local groups clean Stage Stand Cemetery

The VFW Auxiliary 8189 organized a cleanup at the Stage Stand Cemetery in Homosassa on Saturday, May 15. Members of the auxiliary and post, the Homosassa River Garden Club, Amvets Post 89, the Female Veterans Network and the Nature Coast Young Marines showed up in full force. The combined group of 25 were able to clean up twelve bags of garbage and debris. Debris and weeds were also cleared from more than 100 veterans' headstones and seen stones were raised that were sinking below ground level.

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GROUPS

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Lecanto Highway, Beverly Hills. Visit www.Post237.org or call 352-897-4776.

■ Allen-Rawls American Legion Post 77 and Auxiliary Unit 77, 4375 Little Al Point, off Arbor Street in Inverness.

● Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 155, 6585 W. Gulf to Lake Highway, Crystal River, FL 34429. Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month starting at 7 p.m. Call 352-795-6526.

● Auxiliary meets at 5:30 p.m. the first Tuesday monthly. Call president Laura Beetow at 352-637-7232 about weekly events.

● Riders Post 77 meet at 8 p.m. the first Tuesday monthly, or immediately following Legion meeting.

■ Arnold Vern Allen American Legion Post 166 meets monthly. Call 352-765-3949 or email americanpost166@gmail.com. American Legion Post 166 is at 4520 S. Suncoast Blvd., Homosassa.

● The Sons of the Legion meets the second Saturday at 11 a.m.

● Post 166 meets the second Saturday at 10 a.m.

● The Auxiliary meets the second Monday at 10:30 a.m.

● The Legion Riders meet the first Saturday at 10 a.m.

■ Herbert Surber American Legion Post 225, 6535 S. Withlapopka Drive, Floral City. Call 352-860-1629.

■ Beverly Hills Memorial American Legion Post 237, 6726 N. Lecanto Highway, Beverly Hills. Call 352-897-4776, visit www.post237.org or email postamericanlegion237@gmail.com.

● Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 237 meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday monthly. Cmdr. John Roby.

● American Legion Riders, Chapter 237 meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday monthly. Director John Roby.

● American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 237 meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday monthly. President Elva Erb.

● American Legion Post regular meeting is at 7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday monthly. Cmdr. Ray Roby.

Veterans of Foreign Wars

■ H.F. Nesbitt VFW

Post 10087, County Road 491, directly behind Cadence Bank, Beverly Hills. Call 352-746-0440.

■ Edward W. Penno VFW Post 4864, 10199 N. Citrus Springs Blvd., Citrus Springs, 352-465-4864.

■ Leroy Rooks Jr. VFW Post 4252 and Auxiliary, 3190 N. Carl G. Rose Highway, State Road 200, Hernando. Call 352-726-3339, email vfw4252@yahoo.com and Google VFW 4252, Hernando.

■ Dumas-Hartson VFW Post 8189, 8856 W. Veterans Drive, west of U.S. 19 between Crystal River and Homosassa. Call 352-795-5012.

■ Joe Nic Barco Memorial VFW Post 7122, 8191 S. Florida Ave., Floral City. Call 352-637-0100.

■ Eugene Quinn VFW Post 4337 and Auxiliaries, 906 State Road 44 E., Inverness. Call Commander Joe Acosta at 352-344-3495, or visit www.vfw4337.org.

■ VFW Citrus Springs Post 4864 opens at noon each day. For information about menus, activities or membership, call 352-465-4864.

■ VFW Post 7122 is at 8191 S. Florida Ave., Floral City, phone 352-637-0100 for daily activities and menus.

■ VFW Post 10137 in Bushnell is 2 miles north of Florida National Cemetery on Sumter County Road 476-B, 352-793-8511. Post and auxiliary meetings are the third Thursday monthly: house committee 4 p.m., joint meeting 4:30, general meeting 5. Stop by and pick up a calendar with a complete list of all of our activities.

Other groups

■ Citrus County Veterans Coalition meets at 10 a.m. the second Thursday monthly at the DAV building at 1039 N. Paul Drive, Inverness, at the intersection of Independence and U.S. 41 north. Information regarding veterans assistance, the veterans food pantry and membership, call 352-400-8952. Visit www.cccv.vet. Volunteers needed.

■ Citrus County Female Veterans meet at 1:30 p.m. the second Thursday monthly at the Citrus County Resource Center in Lecanto, 2804 W. Marc Knighton Court, 352-527-5900. Contact Cynthia at 352-628-6481 or Cynthia@femaleveteransnetwork.org,

or Jo Monty at 352-527-6575. Visit www.FemaleVeterans-Network.org.

■ The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Citrus County Chapter is an independent, nonprofit and politically nonpartisan organization representing legislative solutions to issues affecting veterans of all ranks, providing speaker events of interests to veterans and the public. The Citrus County chapter is open to membership for active, retired or former commissioned officers of the uniformed services, the USPH and NOAA, as well as their surviving spouses. For information about our chapter and events, visit www.moaafl.org/Chapters/Citruscounty or contact the membership director at 352-513-4197.

■ Military Order of the Cootie and MOC Auxiliary members meet at 1:01 p.m. the first Sunday monthly at Leroy Rooks Jr. VFW Post 4252 in Hernando (3190 N. Carl G. Rose Highway/State Road 200), where the helicopter is.

■ AMVETS William Crow Post 447, 405 E. State Road 40, Inglis, FL 34449. Call 352-447-1816; email Amvet447@comcast.net.

■ AMVETS Harry M. Bailey Post 89 meets at 6:30 p.m. the third Monday monthly at 1 Civic Circle, Beverly Hills. AMVETS (American Veterans) was established by act of congress and signed into Public Law by President Truman in July 1947. Membership is open to any veteran with an honorable discharge, as well as active military personnel. Call Floyd Blodgett at 352-220-3339 or email 2retiredbees@gmail.com.

■ Disabled American Veterans Gerald A. Shonk Chapter No. 70, 1039 N. Paul Drive, Inverness, at the intersection

of Independence Highway and U.S. 41. Call 352-419-0207.

● Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary Unit No. 70 meets at 2 p.m. the second Tuesday. Call Commander Sunny Hayes at 352-527-3395 or Adjutant Lynn Armitage at 352-341-5334.

■ Disabled American Veterans Chapter No. 158 meets at 4:30 p.m. the second Tuesday at the DAV building at 501 SE Seventh Ave. Crystal River (except July, August and December). Call 352-795-7129.

● Disabled American Veterans No. 158 Auxiliary meets at 4:30 p.m. the second Tuesday (except for the months of July, August and December) at the DAV building at 501 SE Seventh Ave., Crystal River. Contact Adjutant Lucy Godfrey at 352-794-3104 or mamawgodfrey@gmail.com.

■ The Korean War Veterans Association, Citrus Chapter 192 meets at 1 p.m. the first Tuesday monthly at Harry F. Nesbitt VFW Post 10087, 2170 W. Vet Lane, Beverly Hills. Call Commander Hank Butler at 352-634-1604 or Secretary John Seaman at 352-860-0123.

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■ U.S. Submarine Veterans (USSVI)-Sturgeon Base meets at American Legion Post 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway, Crystal River, at 11 a.m. the first Saturday monthly. Visitors welcome. Call Base Cmdr. Jack Townsend at 352-637-5376.



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The Hoffmanns

Rich and Meg Hoffmann, formerly of Michigan, were married in Las Vegas, Nevada, on June 9, 1991. They became full-time

residents of Citrus County in 1992. Rich is a retired pharmacist/medical writer and currently serves on FDA Advisory Committees for new drugs and devices. Meg retired as a business teacher from Citrus High School. Together they

volunteer as Patient Research Advocates for the Parkinson's Foundation.

The Hoffmanns have been blessed with a wonderful 30 years of marriage and look forward to many more.



Birth ANNOUNCEMENT

Anakin James Lemieux

Anakin James Lemieux was born in Inverness on May 28, 2021, to parents Kaitlyn Anne Venero and Jacob Isaac Lemieux. He weighed 5 pounds, 12 ounces at birth. Anakin has four grandparents, Anthony and Stacy Venero and Alan and Christina Jernigan. He has three great-grandparents, Anthony and Delores Venero and "Ganny."

TOGETHER PAGE SUBMISSIONS

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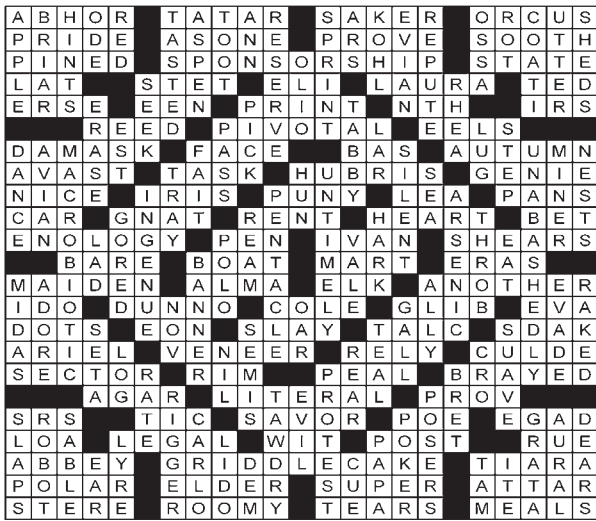
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Sunday PUZZLER ANSWERS

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From left are: Shawn Howard, three-year trustee; Ron Mills, quartermaster; Dan Denicker, one-year trustee; Rob Stere, two-year trustee; Glen Tilley, VFW Department of Florida commander; Bill Merriman, district commander; Pat Lanahan, senior vice commander; John Hanlen, junior vice commander; and Jerry Pate, chaplain.

VFW District 7 elects new officers

Special to the Chronicle

On Sunday, May 16, VFW District 7 elected their new officers for 2021 and 2022.

Department of Florida VFW commander, Glen Tilley, swore in

the new officers and handed over the gavel to incoming district commander, Bill Merriman. Merriman is taking over from outgoing commander, Shawn Howard.

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Stroke lead for Jon Rahm at the Memorial, but he was forced to withdraw after Saturday's round for a COVID-19 positive test.



Jon Rahm

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Essential Quality wins Belmont

Trainer Cox gets his first Triple Crown triumph

STEPHEN WHYNO
AP sports writer

NEW YORK — Brad Cox insisted he wasn't sitting around waiting or worrying about whether a disqualification of Bob Baffert's Kentucky Derby winner would give him his first victory in a Triple Crown race.

Essential Quality won the Belmont Stakes on Saturday to make sure Cox wouldn't have to wait a second longer to be a Triple Crown-winning trainer.

The striking gray who was bet down to the 6-5 favorite passed early leader Hot Rod Charlie around the final turn and charged ahead to the wire to win the 1 1/2-mile \$1 million race.

Cox could be a Derby champion with Mandaloun if Baffert-trained Medina Spirit is disqualified for failing a post-race drug test. Two samples have confirmed the presence of the steroid betamethasone, though Kentucky officials have not yet announced the horse's disqualification, which would elevate Mandaloun to the top spot.

But Cox was able to enjoy this one with Essential Quality beating Hot Rod Charlie by 1 1/4 lengths. He did so in 2:27.11, taking advantage of an unexpected hot pace set by Hot Rod Charlie.

"I thought it benefitted our horse," Cox said. "Hot Rod Charlie ran a tremendous race and I thought (with) the hot pace we were in a good spot where they would come back."

Essential Quality, who opened as the 2-1 favorite, paid \$4.60 to win, \$3 to place and \$2.60 to

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Associated Press

Essential Quality (2), with jockey Luis Saez up, crosses the finish line ahead of Hot Rod Charlie (4), with jockey Flavien Prat up, to win the 153rd running of the Belmont Stakes horse race, Saturday, at Belmont Park in Elmont, N.Y.

Bolts take charge

Kucherov, Stamkos shine, lift Lightning over Hurricanes 6-4

FRED GOODALL
AP sports writer

TAMPA — Just when it seemed the game might be slipping away, Nikita Kucherov asserted himself for the Tampa Bay Lightning.

Two goals and an assist later Saturday, the resilient, defending Stanley Cup champions had a 6-4 victory and a 3-1 lead in their second-round playoff series against the Carolina Hurricanes.

"To be honest, he might have taken the game over," Lightning coach Jon Cooper said. "Clearly we lost control a little bit in the second period, and he'd been hit in a tough manner by one of their guys, and he just channeled his energy the right way."

"It was a 5-on-5 shift and he was just a beast out there. Then we had our power-play opportunities, and he was just making plays all over the place. He might have been the best player on the ice tonight. When Kuch is doing some of the stuff he did, he's borderline unstoppable."

Kucherov and Steven Stamkos each had a pair of goals and an assist, and the Lightning improved to 10-0 in games following a playoff loss over the past two postseasons. Game 5 is Tuesday night at Carolina.

Each team scored four goals in the second, with the Lightning turning a 4-2 deficit into a 5-4 lead. Stamkos and Kucherov scored on the power play and Tyler Johnson also beat Petr Mrazek in the final 5:22 of the period.

Teuvo Teravainen, Jesper Fast, Dougie Hamilton and Jacob Slavin scored in the second for the Hurricanes. They hurt themselves by taking bad penalty after bad penalty while giving the Lightning six power-play opportunities.

"If you give that caliber of power play that many chances, it's not a recipe for



Associated Press

Tampa Bay Lightning right wing Nikita Kucherov celebrates his goal against the Carolina Hurricanes during the third period in Game 4 of a Stanley Cup second-round playoff series Saturday, in Tampa.

success," Slavin said. "We've just got to stay more disciplined and play hard, but play smart as well and not give them chances that they don't need."

Tampa Bay finished 3 of 6 on the power play, and it has scored five times with the man advantage in the last

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Return to routine

Teams take spring lessons into summer

CHRIS BERNHARDT JR.
Staff writer

Getting back to normal has become a familiar theme in all walks of life over the past few months.

Last year, Citrus County's high school football squads missed out on spring football, experienced a restricted summer and then a truncated regular season. That made the last several weeks of a more routine spring unusually special.

"I think this spring was unique in the fact we didn't have one the previous spring," Crystal River head coach Cliff Lohrey said. "It was a good opportunity to get guys back together. It doesn't solidify anything going into the fall. We had a few guys out with injuries, out for personal reasons. It forces guys to step up."

Now the players and coaches can benefit from a summer where they can train in a more typical fashion and prepare for a full season that, barring the unexpected, should start on time.

"We just know we have to hit the floor running," Citrus head coach McKinley Franklin said. "Knowing that first game is August 20th, we're not pushing the season away, not moving it, and we're going to have a season. Knowing that we're not going to deal with that aspect this year, it's a big stress relief."

"It's going to be huge," Le-canto head coach Wyndell

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
Tampa Bay	37	23	.617	—	—	7-3	W-1	15-13	22-10	
Boston	35	23	.603	1	—	6-4	W-3	16-13	19-10	
Toronto	30	26	.536	5	1	7-3	W-1	13-12	17-14	
New York	31	28	.525	5½	1½	3-7	L-3	17-15	14-13	
Baltimore	20	38	.345	16	12	3-7	L-1	9-20	11-18	
Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
Chicago	35	23	.603	—	—	7-3	L-1	22-10	13-13	
Cleveland	31	25	.554	3	—	5-5	W-1	14-12	17-13	
Kansas City	29	27	.518	5	2	6-4	L-1	16-14	13-13	
Detroit	24	34	.414	11	8	6-4	W-1	13-15	11-19	
Minnesota	23	35	.397	12	9	4-6	W-1	12-17	11-18	
West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
Oakland	34	25	.576	—	—	6-4	W-3	17-17	17-8	
Houston	32	26	.552	1½	—	6-4	L-1	20-13	12-13	
Seattle	29	30	.492	5	3½	6-4	L-1	17-14	12-16	
Los Angeles	26	31	.456	7	5½	6-4	W-1	14-15	12-16	
Texas	23	37	.383	11½	10	1-9	L-1	14-14	9-23	

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
New York	27	23	.540	—	—	6-4	L-2	15-5	12-18	
Philadelphia	27	30	.474	3½	7	4-6	W-1	16-11	11-19	
Atlanta	26	29	.473	3½	7	5-5	L-1	15-17	11-12	
Washington	24	31	.436	5½	9	3-7	L-1	13-15	11-16	
Miami	24	33	.421	6½	10	1-9	L-8	12-12	12-21	
Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
Chicago	32	26	.552	—	—	6-4	L-3	21-10	11-16	
Milwaukee	32	26	.552	—	2½	8-2	W-3	16-15	16-11	
St. Louis	31	28	.525	1½	4	4-6	L-4	15-13	16-15	
Cincinnati	27	29	.482	4	6½	6-4	W-3	12-14	15-15	
Pittsburgh	23	34	.404	8½	11	5-5	W-3	13-15	10-19	
West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
San Francisco	37	21	.638	—	—	8-2	W-3	18-8	19-13	
San Diego	36	23	.610	1½	—	5-5	W-2	20-10	16-13	
Los Angeles	34	23	.596	2½	—	5-5	W-2	19-10	15-13	
Colorado	23	35	.397	14	11½	4-6	L-1	19-13	9-22	
Arizona	20	40	.333	18	15½	2-8	L-4	11-16	9-24	

ROUNDUP/MATCHUPS

Blue Jays 6, Astros 2: Vladimir Guerrero Jr. and Joe Panik homered. **Indians 10, Orioles 4:** Cesar Hernandez and Harold Ramirez homered off Baltimore ace John Means, who exited in the first inning with shoulder fatigue. **Phillies 5, Nationals 2:** Bryce Harper hit a run-scoring single that stopped an 0-for-18 skid in his return from the injured list. **Pirates 8, Marlins 7:** Jacob Stallings hit a game-ending single in the 12th inning. **Cardinals 5, Reds 2:** Jonathan India and Eugenio Suárez homered for the Reds to back Tyler Mahle. **Tigers 4, White Sox 3:** Tarik Skubal struck out a career-high 11 to win consecutive starts for the first time in his major league career, Eric Haase homered twice. **Twins 5, Royals 4:** Ryan Jeffers, Kyle Garlick and Miguel Sanó homered,

and Minnesota turned a game-ending double play with the potential tying run at third base. **Brewers 7, Diamondbacks 5:** Christian Yelich and Omar Narváez hit back-to-back homers in the eighth inning. **Red Sox 5, Yankees 3:** Kiké Hernández snapped an 0-for-27 skid with a tiebreaking double in the eighth inning. **LATE** Oakland at Colorado Seattle at L.A. Angels L.A. Dodgers at Atlanta N.Y. Mets at San Diego **TODAY'S GAMES** **AMERICAN LEAGUE** Cleveland (Quattrill 0-1) at Baltimore (López 1-6), 1:05 p.m. Houston (Garcia 4-3) at Toronto (Matz 6-2), 1:07 p.m. Detroit (Ureña 2-4) at Chicago White Sox (Cease 3-2), 2:10 p.m. Minnesota (Ober 0-0) at Kansas City (Singer 3-4), 2:10 p.m.

BOX SCORES

Tampa Bay 3, Texas 0

Tampa Bay					Texas				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Margot rf	3	2	1	1	Kiner-Falefa ss	4	0	1	0
Diaz 1b	4	1	1	0	Garcia cf	3	0	1	0
Meadows dh4	0	1	2	0	Davis dh	3	0	0	0
Arozarena lf 4	0	0	0	0	Gallo rf	3	0	0	0
Phillips lf	0	0	0	0	Solak 2b	3	0	0	0
B.Lowe 2b	4	0	0	0	N.Lowe 1b	3	0	0	0
Brosseau 3b4	0	0	0	0	Culberson 3b2	1	0	0	0
Walls ss	3	0	1	0	Holt ph-3b	1	0	0	0
Zunino c	3	0	0	0	Calhoun lf	3	0	1	0
Kiermaier cf 3	0	0	0	0	Heim c	0	0	0	0
					Trevino c	2	0	0	0
					J.Martin ph-1f	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	3	5	3	Totals	28	0	4	0
Tampa Bay					200 000 010 —3				
Texas					000 000 000 —0				
DP—Tampa Bay 1, Texas 0. LOB—Tampa Bay 3, Texas 2. 2B—Arozarena (10). 3B—Culberson (1). HR—Margot (5).									
IP									
H R ER BB SO									
Tampa Bay									
Hill W,5-2	5	2	0	0	1	3			
Thompson H,8	1 1/3	1	0	0	0	1			
Springs H,7	2/3	0	0	0	0	1			
Fairbanks H,7	1	1	0	0	0	2			
Castillo S,9-11	1	0	0	0	0	3			
Texas									
Allard L,1-2	5	3	2	2	1	6			
Evans	2	1	0	0	0	3			
Rodriguez	1	1	1	1	0	1			
B.Martin	1	0	0	0	0	1			
Umpires—Home, Roberto Ortiz; First, Tim Timmons; Second, Lance Barrett; Third, Alfonso Marquez.									
T—2:43. A—27,237 (40,300).									

Toronto 6, Houston 2

Houston	Toronto									
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi	
Altuve 2b	4	0	2	0	Semien 2b	4	0	2	0	
Correa ss	4	0	3	0	Bichette ss	4	1	1	0	
Bregman 3b	4	0	0	0	Guerrero Jr. 1b	4	23	2	3	
Alvarez dh	4	0	0	0	Hernández rf	3	11	0	0	
Gurriel 1b	3	2	1	0	Grichuk dh	4	0	0	0	
Tucker rf	4	0	2	0	Gurriel Jr. lf	3	11	1	1	
Diaz lf	1	0	0	0	Panik 3b	4	12	3	0	
McCormick lf	2	0	0	0	Espinal 3b	0	0	0	0	
Straw cf	3	0	1	2	Davis cf	3	0	0	0	
Maldonado c	4	0	0	0	McGuire c	4	0	1	0	
Totals	33	2	9	2	Totals	33	611	6	0	
Houston	Toronto									
DP—Houston 1, Toronto 1.	LOB—Houston 7, Toronto 6.									
2B—Semien (13).	HR—Panik (2), Guerrero Jr. (18).									
SB—Straw (7), Altuve (2).	IP					H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston	Toronto									
Urquidy L,4-3	4 1/3	9	6	6	0	5				
Paredes	12/3	1	0	0	2	2				
Smith	1	1	0	0	0	1				
Taylor	1	0	0	0	1	2				
Toronto	Houston									
Stripling W,2-3	5	7	1	1	1	4				
Mayza	1	0	0	0	0	1				
Thornton	2	1	0	0	0	3				
Dolis	1	1	1	1	1	1				
HBP—Stripling (Diaz).										
Umpires—Home, Ben May; First, Chris Conroy; Second, Lance Barksdale; Third, Pat Hoberg.										
T—2:50. A—5,327 (21,050).										

Cleveland 10, Baltimore 4

Cleveland	Baltimore									
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi	
Hernandez dh5	1	2	2		Mullins cf	5	35	2		
A.Rosario ss5	1	1	1		Mancini 1b	5	0	1	0	
Ramirez 3b	5	1	1	0	Santander rf	5	0	1	0	
Ramirez rf	5	3	3	2	Galvis ss	4	0	2	1	
E.Rosario lf	5	1	3	1	Mountcastle dh	3	12	1		
Miller 2b	4	0	0	0	Stewart lf	4	0	0	0	
Chang 1b	3	1	1	3	Franco 3b	4	0	0	0	
Bradley 1b	1	1	1	0	Wilkinson 2b4	0	0	0	0	
Hedges c	4	1	1	0	Severino c	4	0	0	0	
Zimmer cf	4	0	0	0						
Totals	41	10	13	9	Totals	38	41	1	4	
Cleveland	205 011 010—10									
Baltimore	101 011 000 —4									
E—Wilkinson (1). LOB—Cleveland 4, Baltimore 8. 2B—E.Rosario (8), Hedges (1), Bradley (1), Mountcastle (11). HR—Hernandez (9), Ramirez (3), Chang (1), Mullins 2 (8), Mountcastle (8).										
Cleveland	IP					H R ER BB SO				
Civale W,8-2	6	7	4	4	0	4				
Shaw	1	1	0	0	0	2				
Parker	2/3	2	0	0	0	1				
Karinchak	1/3	0	0	0	0	0				
Clase	1	1	0	0	0	1				
Baltimore										
Means L,4-2	2/3	3	2	2	0	1				
Plutko	2	4	5	1	0	3				
Lakins Sr.	2	2	1	0	0	3				
Valdez	2 1/3	2	1	1	0	2				
Tate	2	2	1	1	0	2				
Plutko pitched to 7 batters in the 3rd, Lakins Sr. pitched to 4 batters in the 5th.										
HBP—Parker (Mountcastle).										
Umpires—Home, Mark Ripberger; First, Phil Cuzzi; Second, Adam Beck; Third, Tom Hallion.										
T—3:28. A—9,969 (45,971).										

Philadelphia 5, Washington 2

Washington	Philadelphia
ab r h bi	ab r h bi
Turner ss 5 1 1 0	Herrera cf 3 11 0
Harrison 2b 2 0 0 0	Segura 2b 3 11 0
Soto rf 4 0 0 0	Harper rf 3 11 1
Bell 1b 4 1 1 1	Hoskins 1b 4 11 1
Schwarber lf3 0 0 0	Realuto c 4 01 0
Castro 3b 4 0 1 0	McCutchen lf3 11 3
Avila c 2 0 0 0	Alvarado p 0 00 0
Robles cf 4 0 0 0	Miller ph 1 00 0
Ross p 2 0 1 0	Brogdon p 0 00 0
Hernandez ph1 0 0 0	Bohm 3b 3 00 0
McGowin p 0 0 0 0	Maton ss 3 00 0
Zimmerman ph1 0 0 0	Howard p 0 00 0
Clay p 0 0 0 0	Suárez p 2 00 0
Finnegan p 0 0 0 0	Bradley p 0 00 0

Coonrod p 0 00 0					
Jankowski lf 1 00 0					
Totals 32 2 4 1	Totals 30 56 5				
Washington	001 000 010 —2				
Philadelphia	000 400 01x —5				
E—Bell (1), Segura (5), Maton 2 (4). DP—Washington 1, Philadelphia 1. LOB—Washington 10, Philadelphia 4. 2B—Turner (11). HR—Bell (8), McCutchen (10). SB—Harper (5).					
IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Washington					
Ross L,2-6	6	3	4	0	2 4
McGowin	1	0	0	0	0 1
Clay	0	3	1	1	0 0
Finnegan	1	0	0	0	0 2
Philadelphia					
Howard	2 1/3	1	1	0	2 2
Suárez W,1-0	3	0	0	0	0 3
Bradley H,1	2/3	0	0	0	1 1
Coonrod H,7	1/3	1	0	0	1 0
Alvarado H,7	12/3	2	1	1	1 1
Brogdon S,1-3	1	0	0	0	0 2
Clay pitched to 3 batters in the 8th, Suárez pitched to 1 batter in the 6th.					
HBP—Howard (Harrison), Ross (Harper), Suárez (Harrison).					
Umpires—Home, Ryan Blakney; First, Brian O’Nora; Second, Fieldin Cubreth; Third, D.J. Reyburn.					
T—3:11. A—16,118 (42,792).					

Pittsburgh 8, Miami 7

Miami	Pittsburgh									
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi	
Devers 2b	6	0	0	0	Frazier 2b	6	11	2		
Aguilar 1b	6	2	4	2	Hayes 3b	6	11	0		
Dickerson lf	5	1	1	0	Reynolds cf	4	11	0		
Floro p	0	0	0	0	Stallings c	5	12	1		
García p	0	0	0	0	González 1b3	0	0	0		
Curtiss p	0	0	0	0	Gamel ph-1b2	0	0	0		
Berti ph	1	0	0	0	Polanco rf	4	11	1		
Cimber p	0	0	0	0	Newman ss	3	20			
Alfaro c	6	2	1	2	Tom lf	4	11	1		
Chisholm Jr.ss	5	1	2	2	De Jong p	0	0	0		
Díaz 3b	4	0	1	1	Tucker ph	1	0	0		
Brinson rf	5	0	1	0	Howard p	0	0	0		
Sierra cf-1f	3	1	1	0	Difo ph	1	0	0		
Rogers p	2	0	0	0	Bednar p	0	0	0		
Duval ph	1	0	0	0	Perez ph	1	0	0		
Bleier p	0	0	0	0	Rodríguez p	0	0	0		
Bass p	0	0	0	0	Crick p	0	0	0		
Bender p	0	0	0	0	Brubaker ph	1	0	0		
Marte ph-cf	1	0	0	0	Holmes p	0	0	0		
Totals	45	7	11	7	Totals	41	87	6		
Miami	000 320 001 100 —7					020 000 040 101 —8				
E—Díaz (3), Bender (1). DP—Miami 0, Pittsburgh 1. LOB—Miami 9, Pittsburgh 10. 2B—Díaz (1), Dickerson (10), Brinson (3), Chisholm Jr. (5), Hayes (1). HR—Aguilar (11), Chisholm Jr. (7), Alfaro (2), Brinson (2). SF—Díaz (2), Polanco (5). S—De Jong (2).										
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Rogers	6	4	2	2	2	5				
Bleier H,7	1	0	0	0	0	1				
Bass H,8	2/3	2	3	2	1	1				
Bender BS,0-1	1/3	0	1	0	1	0				
Floro	1	0	0	0	0	2				
García BS,9-12	1	0	1	0	0	0				
Curtiss	1	0	0	0	0	1				
Cimber L,1-2	1/3	1	1	0	1	0				
P										
De Jong	5	7	5	5	1	5				
Howard	2	1	0	0	0	2				
Bednar	1	1	0	0	0	2				
Rodríguez BS,7-9	1	2	1	1	1	2				
Crick	2	0	1	0	1	1				
Holmes W,2-0	1	0	0	0	0	0				
HBP—Bender (Tom), WP—Curtiss.										
Umpires—Home, James Hoye; First, Cory Blaser; Second, Brian Gorman; Third, Sean Barber.										
T—4-20. A—8,714 (38,747).										

NASCAR

Xfinity B&L
Transport 170 at
Mid-Ohio

Saturday
At Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course
Lexington, Ohio.
Lap length: 2.26 miles
(Start position in parentheses)
1. (12) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 78 laps, 50 points.
2. (10) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 78, 53.
3. (2) Ty Gibbs, Toyota, 78, 34.
4. (7) Brandon Jones, Toyota, 78, 47.
5. (27) Andy Lally, Chevrolet, 78, 32.
6. (6) Brandon Brown, Chevrolet, 78, 34.
7. (15) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 78, 24.
8. (31) Josh Berry, Chevrolet, 78, 29.
9. (23) Ryan Sieg, Ford, 78, 28.
10. (24) Josh Williams, Chevrolet, 78, 27.
11. (16) Alex Labbe, Chevrolet, 78, 34.
12. (11) Daniel Hemric, Toyota, 78, 25.
13. (19) Jase Buford, Chevrolet, 78, 24.
14. (1) Austin Cindric, Ford, 78, 38.
15. (21) Cody Ware, Ford, 78, 22.
16. (4) Jeb Burton, Chevrolet, 78, 36.
17. (40) Gray Gaulding, Chevrolet, 78, 20.
18. (17) Ryan Vargas, Chevrolet, 78, 19.
19. (34) Matt Jaskol, Toyota, 78, 18.
20. (20) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 78, 17.
21. (9) Coley Herbst, Ford, 78, 27.
22. (30) Riley Howard, Chevrolet, 78, 15.
23. (32) Matt Mills, Chevrolet, 78, 14.
24. (22) Jesse Little, Toyota, 78, 13.
25. (39) Preston Pardus, Ford, 78, 12.
26. (35) Kyle Weatherman, Chevrolet, 78, 11.
27. (29) Miguel Paludo, Chevrolet, 78, 10.
28. (28) Ryan Ellis, Ford, 78, 10.
29. (14) Myatt Snider, Chevrolet, 78, 12.
30. (37) Joe Graf Jr, Chevrolet, 77, 7.
31. (18) Brett Moffitt, Chevrolet, fuelpump, 75, 6.
32. (33) Kris Wright, Toyota, accident, 71, 0.
33. (8) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 68, 5.
34. (26) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Chevrolet, 68, 3.
35. (5) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 67, 8.
36. (36) David Starr, Toyota, 66, 1.
37. (38) Bayley Currey, Chevrolet, electrical, 30, 0.
38. (3) Harrison Burton, Toyota, accident, 19, 1.
39. (25) Tommy Joe Martins, Chevrolet, engine, 7, 1.
40. (13) Noah Gragson, Chevrolet, accident, 0, 1.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 66.217 mph.
Time of Race: 2 hours, 39 minutes, 36 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.809 seconds.
Caution Flags: 7 for 23 laps.
Lead Changes: 7 among 5 drivers.
Lap Leaders: A.Cindric 0-14; A.Allmendinger 15-27; T.Gibbs 28-43; A.Allmendinger 44-46; J.Haley 47-53; R.Sieg 54-55; A.Cindric 56-71; A.Allmendinger 72-78.
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): A.Cindric, 2 times for 30 laps; A.Allmendinger, 3 times for 23 laps; T.Gibbs, 1 time for 16 laps; J.Haley, 1 time for 7 laps; R.Sieg, 1 time for 2 laps.
Wins: A.Cindric, 3; A.Allmendinger, 2; J.Allgaier, 2; T.Gibbs, 2; J.Burton, 1; M.Snider, 1; J.Berry, 1.
Top 16 in Points: 1. A.Cindric, 558; 2. A.Allmendinger, 462; 3. D.Hemric, 437; 4. H.Burton, 437; 5. J.Burton, 419; 6. J.Haley, 401; 7. J.Allgaier, 395; 8. B.Jones, 345; 9. J.Clements, 334; 10. M.Annett, 326; 11. N.Gragson, 324; 12. M.Snider, 321; 13. B.Brown, 309; 14. R.Herbst, 279; 15. T.Gibbs, 272; 16. J.Berry, 256.

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.

Cup Series Toyota/
Save Mart 350 Lineup

After Saturday qualifying; race Sunday
At Sonoma Raceway
Sonoma, Calif.
Lap length: 1.99 miles
(Car number in parentheses)
1. (5) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, .000 mph.
2. (9) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, .000.
3. (24) William Byron, Chevrolet, .000.
4. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, .000.
5. (18) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet, .000.
6. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, .000.
7. (48) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, .000.
8. (4) Kevin Harvick, Ford, .000.
9. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, .000.
10. (8) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet, .000.
11. (12) Ryan Blaney, Ford, .000.
12. (17) Chris Buescher, Ford, .000.
13. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, .000.
14. (47) Ricky Stenhouse Jr, Chevrolet, .000.
15. (23) Bubba Wallace, Toyota, .000.
16. (99) Daniel Suarez, Chevrolet, .000.
17. (21) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford, .000.
18. (43) Erik Jones, Chevrolet, .000.
19. (19) Martin Truex Jr, Toyota, .000.
20. (20) Christopher Bell, Toyota, .000.
21. (34) Michael McDowell, Ford, .000.
22. (7) Corey Lajoie, Chevrolet, .000.
23. (41) Cole Custer, Ford, .000.
24. (6) Ryan Newman, Ford, .000.
25. (14) Chase Briscoe, Ford, .000.
26. (10) Aric Almirola, Ford, .000.
27. (37) Ryan Preece, Chevrolet, .000.
28. (38) Anthony Alfredo, Ford, .000.
29. (42) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, .000.
30. (1) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, .000.
31. (77) Ben Rhodes, Chevrolet, .000.
32. (15) James Davison, Chevrolet, .000.
33. (00) Quin Houff, Chevrolet, .000.
34. (53) Garrett Smithley, Ford, .000.
35. (78) Scott Heckert, Ford, .000.
36. (52) Josh Bilicki, Ford, .000.
37. (51) Cody Ware, Chevrolet, .000.

TENNIS

French Open

At Stade Roland Garros, Paris
Purse: 16,404,509
Surface: Red clay
(seedings in parentheses):
Men's Singles
Third Round
Diego Schwartzman (10), Argentina, def. Philipp Kohlschreiber, Germany, 6-4, 6-2, 6-1.
Lorenzo Musetti, Italy, def. Marco Cecchinato, Italy, 3-6, 6-4, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.
Jan-Lennard Struff, Germany, def. Carlos Alcaraz, Spain, 6-4, 7-6 (3), 6-2.
Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Ricardas Berankis, Lithuania, 6-1, 6-4, 6-1.
Jannik Sinner (18), Italy, def. Mikael Ymer, Sweden, 6-1, 7-5, 6-3.
Rafael Nadal (3), Spain, def. Cameron Norrie, Britain, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.
Matteo Berrettini (9), Italy, def. Kwon Soon Woo, South Korea, 7-6 (6), 6-3, 6-4.
Roger Federer (8), Switzerland, def. Dominik Koepfer, Germany, 7-6 (5), 6-7 (3), 7-6 (4), 7-5.
Women's Singles
Third Round
Sloane Stephens, United States, def. Karolina Muchova (18), Czech Republic, 6-3, 7-5.
Barbora Krejickova, Czech Republic, def. Elina Svitolina (5), Ukraine, 6-3, 6-2.
Marta Kostyuk, Ukraine, def. Varvara Gracheva, Russia, 6-1, 6-2.
Sofia Kenin (4), United States, def. Jessica Pegula (28), United States, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.
Iga Swiatek (8), Poland, def. Anett Kontaveit (30), Estonia, 7-6 (4), 6-0.
Ons Jabeur (25), Tunisia, def. Magda Linette, Poland, 3-6, 6-0, 6-1.
Coco Gauff (24), United States, def. Jennifer Brady (13), United States, 6-1, ret.
Maria Sakkari (17), Greece, def. Elise Mertens (14), Belgium, 7-5, 6-7 (2), 6-2.

Florida LOTTERY

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

PICK 2 (early) 2 - 7	PICK 5 (late) 1 - 7 - 2 - 4 - 8
PICK 2 (late) 2 - 7	FANTASY 5 Unavailable
PICK 3 (early) 1 - 4 - 2	LOTTO Unavailable
PICK 3 (late) 3 - 3 - 1	POWERBALL Unavailable
PICK 4 (early) 4 - 6 - 5 - 1	POWER BALL Unavailable
PICK 4 (late) 5 - 6 - 4 - 8	CASH 4 LIFE 1 - 4 - 26 - 31 - 36
PICK 5 (early) 6 - 3 - 6 - 6 - 2	CASH BALL 4

Friday's winning numbers and payouts:

Jackpot Triple Play: 3 – 9 – 18 – 41 – 43 – 46	4-of-5 MB No winner
6-of-6 No winner	4-of-5 9 winners \$500
5-of-6 19 winners \$521.50	3-of-5 MB 43 \$200
4-of-6 1,035 \$23	3-of-5 850 \$10
3-of-6 17,804 \$1	2-of-5 MB 891 \$10
Combo 10+ No winner	Fantasy 5: 2 – 6 – 9 – 13 – 24
Combo9 10 \$500	5-of-5 3 winners \$70,282.89
Combo8 63 \$50	4-of-5 398 \$85
Combo7 511 \$20	3-of-5 10,668 \$8.50
Combo6 2,514 \$10	Cash 4 Life: 6 – 30 – 33 – 49 – 52
Combo5 9,396 \$5	Cash Ball: 4
Mega Millions: 4 – 30 – 34 – 41 – 64	5-of-5 CB No winner
Mega Ball: 8	5-of-5 No winner
5-of-5 MB No winner	
5-of-5 No winner	

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

On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S SPORTS
AUTO RACING

7:55 a.m. (ESPN) Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix
4 p.m. (FS1) NASCAR Cup Series Toyota/Save Mart 350
11:30 p.m. (ESPN2) Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix (Same-day Tape)

MLB

7:30 a.m. (FS1) Boston Red Sox at New York Yankees (Taped)
9:30 a.m. (FS1) Chicago Cubs at San Francisco Giants (Taped)
1 p.m. (BSFL) Miami Marlins at Pittsburgh
1 p.m. (MLB) Los Angeles Dodgers at Atlanta Braves or Washington Nationals at Philadelphia Phillies
2:30 p.m. (SUN) Tampa Bay Rays at Texas Rangers
7 p.m. (ESPN) Boston Red Sox at New York Yankees
4 a.m. (ESPN2) Boston Red Sox at New York Yankees (Same-day Tape)

COLLEGE BASEBALL

12 p.m. (ESPNU) NCAA Regional/Super Regional
12 p.m. (SEC) NCAA Regional/Super Regional
3 p.m. (SEC) NCAA Regional/Super Regional
4 p.m. (ESPNU) NCAA Regional/Super Regional (Same-day Tape)
6 p.m. (SEC) NCAA Regional/Super Regional
7 p.m. (ESPNU) NCAA Regional/Super Regional (Same-day Tape)
10 p.m. (ESPNU) NCAA Regional/Super Regional
1 a.m. (ESPNU) NCAA Regional/Super Regional: Teams TBA (Taped)

NBA PLAYOFFS

11 p.m. (28 ABC) Atlanta Hawks at Philadelphia 76ers, Game 1
3:30 p.m. (28 ABC) Dallas Mavericks at Los Angeles Clippers, Game 7

BICYCLING

2 a.m. (NBCSPT) Criterium Du Dauphine: Stage 8 (Same-day Tape)

GOLF

6 a.m. (GOLF) European PGA Tour Porsche European Open, Second Round
12 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour The Memorial Tournament, Final Round
2:30 p.m. (10 CBS) PGA Tour The Memorial Tournament, Final Round
2:30 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Champions Principal Charity Classic, Final Round
3 p.m. (8 NBC) U.S. Women's Open Golf Championship Final Round
10:30 p.m. (GOLF) U.S. Women's Open Golf Championship Final Round (Same-day Tape)
3:30 a.m. (GOLF) European PGA Tour Porsche European Open, Final Round

GYMNASTICS

2 p.m. (8 NBC) U.S. Championships
7 p.m. (8 NBC) U.S. Championships

HOCKEY

8 a.m. (NHL) IIHF World Championship Teams TBA
1 p.m. (NHL) IIHF World Championship Teams TBA

NHL STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

6 p.m. (NBCSPT) Winnipeg Jets at Montreal Canadiens, Game 3
8:30 p.m. (NBCSPT) Colorado Avalanche at Vegas Golden Knights, Game 4.
2 a.m. (NHL) Colorado Avalanche at Vegas Golden Knights, Game 4 (Same-day Tape)

LACROSSE

1 p.m. (NBCSPT) Premier League Waterdogs LC vs Cannons LC

MOTORCYCLE RACING

5 p.m. (NBCSPT) American Flat Track (Taped)
11:30 p.m. (NBCSPT) MotoGP Grand Prix of Catalunya (Same-day Tape)

RUGBY

3 p.m. (NBCSPT) Premiership Sale Sharks vs Harlequins (Taped)

SOCCER

2:50 p.m. (ESPN2) UEFA U-21 Euro Championship Final: Teams Germany vs Portugal

COLLEGE SOFTBALL WORLD SERIES

5:30 a.m. (ESPNU) Arizona vs Florida State (Taped)
7:30 a.m. (ESPNU) Teams TBA (Taped)
1 p.m. (ESPN) Teams TBA
3:30 p.m. (ESPN) Teams TBA
7 p.m. (ESPN2) Teams TBA
9:30 p.m. (ESPN2) Teams TBA
4 a.m. (ESPNU) Teams TBA (Taped)

TENNIS

5 a.m. (TENNIS) French Open Round of 16
6 a.m. (TENNIS) French Open Round of 16
8 a.m. (SUN) French Open Round of 16
12 p.m. (8 NBC) French Open Round of 16

TRACK AND FIELD

5 p.m. (ESPN2) American Track League

SPORTS BRIEFS

Citrus Springs
Horseshoe Club

May 29 results
Won 3 Games: Betty DeLong, Dan Lizakowski
High Series: Betty DeLong 240, Dan Lizakowski 240
High Game: Ken Stroh 92, Betty DeLong 89, Steve Christensen 84, Dan Lizakowski 82 & 81
The club pitches on Saturday mornings at 9 a.m., at the old Citrus Springs Community Center at the intersection of N. Citrus Springs Blvd and W. Withlacoochee Trail (Route 39). We are always looking for new members. For more information or if you have questions, call Joe Warburton 352-489-7537.

Lecanto High's Panther
Basketball Camp returns

The Lecanto Panther Basketball Camp returns this summer. The camp will be held June 7-10 at the Lecanto High gym, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.
Panther Basketball Camp offers quality basketball instruction at a cost of \$75 per week to area youth for students entering 1st-9th grades (ages 6-14). They will be limiting the camp to the first 100 registered campers.
Every camper receives a free T-shirt.
All players should either bring a bag

lunch to camp or they will be able to purchase a lunch (pizza, chips and drink) at camp for \$3 per day. A concession will also be open during the day.

Families with multiple siblings will receive a discount for two or more children, \$120 for two siblings and \$160 for three.
Contact Frank Vilardi at 352-270-2246 or Ron Allan at 352-746-2334 for more information.

Florida State rallies to
eliminate Arizona

OKLAHOMA CITY — Florida State rallied to beat Arizona 4-3 in a Women's College World Series elimination game Saturday.
The Seminoles advanced to play No. 5 seed Oklahoma State in an elimination game Saturday night.

Durant, Irving carry Nets
in opener after Harden hurt

NEW YORK — Kevin Durant scored 29 points, Kyrie Irving had 25 and the two superstars carried the Brooklyn Nets after James Harden's early injury in a 115-107 victory over the Milwaukee Bucks on Saturday night in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference semifinals.
Harden didn't even make it through a minute before leaving with a right hamstring injury, an injury that forced him to miss two losses to the Bucks in May.

— From staff and wire reports

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two games.

Carolina had its highest scoring game of the series, too. But the Hurricanes were 0 for 2 on the power play and struggled after going up 4-2 on Slavin's goal at 12:41 of the second.
“It's weird. There were 11 goals in the series and to see eight go in in the second period, that was chaotic, it was a circus out there,” Cooper said.
“But definitely no refunds after that one. Take your coach's hat off. That

BELMONT

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show. Preakness winner Rombauer was third and Known Agenda fourth.
“That was a long way around there a mile a half, but it was exciting,” Cox said. “It looked like the horse on the inside, he still had run left. I knew it was going to be a battle down the lane.”
Essential Quality finished fourth as

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“Chop” Alexander said. “Last year we had so many restrictions. This year there won't be as much. We're ready to get a bigger group out there and I'll be able to monitor all of them at one time.”

Here's a look back at how each team performed in their spring exhibitions and a look forward to the areas they'll need to address by the time the season arrives.

Citrus

The Hurricanes took part in a three-team jamboree at Weeki Wachee on May 27, playing two quarters apiece against Braden River (3-0 loss) and the host Hornets (14-0 win).
“We learned that they'll work hard,” Franklin said. “These kids were determined to come back and put in the work to get better.”
Franklin was in his first year as headman in 2020 and the Hurricanes went 1-7 while trying to overcome numerous personnel losses from the prior playoff season.
“The biggest question that I had was for myself. Can I and my staff change the culture of the program to what it needs to be?” Franklin said. “I'm not saying we're there yet, but I feel like the culture of the program has changed. The kids want to be here, they want to work hard and they want to play for their school.”
“The next step is getting bigger, stronger and faster. We need to continue to work on the fundamentals of the game. If you put the fundamentals all the together you'll get good results.”

Crystal River

The Pirates traveled down to Anclote for a spring classic on May 21 and looked impressive in a 21-0 victory.
“Being young and inexperienced, we don't believe in that at Crystal River. You've got to be ready when your name is called,” said Lohrey, whose team went 3-4 last season. “We got a chance to see what we have for the fall, knowing guys have got to battle all season long.”
Triston West, who will be a senior, started at quarterback and had a 30-yard touchdown run, then later completed a 37-yard pass to set up another score.
“I think Triston West did a really good job at quarterback,” Lohrey said. “That does not mean the position is his to lose, but I thought he did a lot of good things in the game. Even the mistakes I thought were a result of

being too aggressive. I'm really pleased with the way he played in the spring game.

“Defensively we've got to solidify the linebacker corp. We've got to find four guys who can go downhill and hit you if you're 200 pounds or 230 pounds. We've got a bunch of guys battling for those four spots and may the best four guys win.”

Lecanto

The Panthers traveled to Union County on May 20 and absorbed a 54-6 loss.
“I learned that I've got kids who can play various positions,” Alexander said. “A lot of them played certain position in the fall and we challenged them and made them play other positions, and they were able to step up and fill different shoes.”
Lecanto is coming off one of the better season ever, finishing 4-3 in Alexander's first year at the helm.
However, Alexander admitted the Panthers were thin numbers-wise, struggling to get guys out for the spring.
They're also in the midst of installing a new offense under new offensive coordinator Bobby Rast, a veteran coach who has worked with a variety of schools around the state.
“We're going to try to get better, polish up the defense and try to get better in the offseason,” Alexander said.

Seven Rivers Christian

Due to injuries and other issues, the Warriors (4-5 in 2020) had just 11 players available for a jamboree they hosted on May 15. Playing a quarter apiece, they lost 14-6 to Ocala Christian, 22-12 to Mount Ocala Christian and 14-8 to Indian Rocks Christian.
One player missing was All-Chronicle quarterback Nehemiah Vann, who broke his leg at the end of soccer season. Vann, who will be a junior, threw for 1,585 yards and 13 touchdowns last year.
“I learned that the quarterback position is very important and that our guys are really tough,” Seven Rivers head coach Monty Vann said. “We have a great culture with our team and a lot of our older guys were helping out the younger guys get better. Some concerns I have is always our depth and who we will have. Even though it is better than what it was it is always going to be a concern.”
“Nehemiah is doing great even with a broken leg and the kids are still throwing a lot. Nehemiah spent spring working on our next quarterbacks and coaching them up. He did a great job with (backup QB) J.T. Tipton and getting him ready for the spring game.”

Florida knocked out in shocker

ERIC OLSON
AP sports writer

Florida started the season as the consensus No. 1 college baseball team. The Gators ended it on their home field with an embarrassingly fast exit from the NCAA Tournament.

South Alabama beat the Gators 19-1 in the Gainesville Regional on Saturday, the most runs scored against Florida in 15 years. The Jaguars of the Sun Belt Conference had 21 hits, with 10 coming in succession.

The Gators, who lost 5-3 to South Florida on Friday, went two games and out for the first time since 2014, when they also went 0-2 in Gainesville.

“It’s just one of those days,” coach Kevin O’Sullivan said. “Unfortunately, it’s the last game of the year for us. That’s something we got to live with.”

It won’t be easy. Expectations always are high for O’Sullivan’s program, but they were especially so coming into this season.

Florida won 16 of 17 games before the COVID-19 pandemic ended the 2020 season. The Gators returned seven of eight position players from that team and 16 of 18 pitchers — including all three weekend starters — and also brought in a top-10 recruiting class.

The Gators were up and down all season, losing their opening series to Miami at home and finishing third in the SEC East behind Tennessee and Vanderbilt. They were the No. 15 national seed in the NCAA Tournament.

The game against the Jaguars got off to a rough start, with Jacob Young thrown out at the plate in the first inning and starter Hunter Barco recording only one out before being pulled.

South Alabama led 4-1 before stringing together 10 straight hits in a 10-run sixth inning, which prompted volunteer assistant Lars Davis to put pencil to paper while the Gators were waiting out a long rain delay in the seventh.

LSU put off Paul Mainieri’s retirement at least one more day. Giovanni DiGiacomo’s bases-loaded single up the middle in the bottom of the 10th inning gave the Tigers a 6-5 win over Central Connecticut State in an elimination game. Mainieri, the active career wins leader and seventh all-time, announced last week this would be his final season.

The performance of the tournament so far belongs to Duke’s RJ Schreck.

Schreck homered three times, doubled and made a spectacular play in left field to lead the Blue Devils past Wright State 14-6 in an elimination game.

BIG BATS

■ Christopher Sargent hit three of South-ern Mississippi’s six home runs and Gabe Montenegro and Reed Trimble had five hits apiece in a 21-0 win over Southeast Missouri State.

■ Bobby Zmarzlk hit two of Maryland’s season-high seven homers in a 16-0 win over Norfolk State.

■ Kyle Darnedde, batting ninth, tied the Oregon State postseason record with six RBIs on two bases-loaded doubles in a 10-5 win over McNeese State.

Hendrick train rolls into Sonoma

Team seeking its 4th straight win

Associated Press

The Hendrick Motorsports train rolls into Sonoma Raceway on a three-race winning streak that pushed it past Petty Enterprises as NASCAR’s winningest organization.

Think the juggernaut will be stopped Sunday at NASCAR’s first visit to California in nearly two years?

It’s going to be tough.

Sure, Martin Truex Jr. is the two-time defending race winner dating to 2019, the final time before the pandemic that NASCAR stopped at the picturesque rolling road course in wine country. In the time since, though, reigning Cup champion Chase Elliott has become king of the road and the four Hendrick cars have hit a different dimension.

“I think we all look at them as being a really strong team and having really strong race cars consistently,” Truex said. “I think across the board they’ve been strong, all their teams, all their drivers at different tracks have been strong and winning races.”

Truex is the last non-Hendrick driver to win a race, nearly a month ago at Darlington Raceway. Since then it has been all Hendrick Motorsports, starting with an Alex Bowman 1-2-3-4 sweep at Dover. Elliott then got the win at Circuit of the Americas in Texas over teammate Kyle Larson when the race was called for rain, and Larson last Sunday beat Elliott at Charlotte to give Rick Hendrick his 269th Cup win — one more than Richard Petty-owned cars.

Out in wine country, Elliott will be seeking his first career victory at Sonoma. But six of his 12 career wins are on road courses, including five of the last six stops. Those six wins tie him for third on NASCAR’s all-time road course win list with Bobby Allison, Richard Petty, Ricky Rudd and Rusty Wallace.

Sonoma was not good to him in four previous visits, with a fourth-place finish in 2018 Elliott’s best result. He led the first three laps of his career at Sonoma in 2019 but dropped out of the race 30 laps short of the finish with an engine issue.

“Sonoma is a place that I haven’t done a very good job in the past,” Elliott said. “It’s been a pretty big challenge for me. It’s been a couple of years since we’ve been there, so it’s been a while. When we were there in 2019, I felt like we were doing a great job and in a good position before we had



Associated Press

Car owner Rick Hendrick, right, congratulates Kyle Larson in victory lane after Larson won the NASCAR Cup Series race at Charlotte Motor Speedway, on May 30 in Concord, N.C.

our mechanical issue, so I’m looking forward to getting back and having another shot at it.”

AROUND THE CAROUSEL

NASCAR has raced at Sonoma 31 times since its inaugural 1989 event on two different configurations of the track.

The famous Carousel was eliminated in 1998 in favor of a chute that shortened the track to 1.949 miles, but Speedway Motorsports scrapped that after the 2018 race. Now the Carousel is back and the multi-elevational layout is 12 turns over 2.52 miles with several high-speed sections.

NASCAR used a higher downforce package when it raced Sonoma last in 2019, and it returns with lower downforce and no practice or qualifying because of pandemic precautions. The Carousel goes down from Turn 4 through Turns 5 and 6 before leading into the course’s longest straightaway and the Turn 7 hairpin.

Truex went to the Toyota simulator earlier this week “just to kind of reacclimate myself to the track,” but drivers aren’t sure what to expect with this downforce package and the Carousel.

“I think it’s just a really awkward corner, and it doesn’t feel like a corner a race car should be going through,” said Cole Custer, who has only run a K&N Pro

Series West race on the configuration.

“It’s really tight, really downhill, off camber. It’s just a really tough corner, and it’s something that you never go through there and feel like you did it right. It never feels natural, so it’s one of those things you just kind of have to hit your marks and make sure you don’t overdo it through there.”

ODDS AND ENDS

Elliott is the 11-5 favorite to win Sunday, according to FanDuel Sportsbook. ... Truck Series regular Ben Rhodes will make his Cup Series debut driving for Spire Motorsports in the No. 77 Chevrolet. He won the truck race on the Daytona Road Course earlier this year and is the fifth different driver to pilot the No. 77 for Spire this season. ... There are five California natives in the field, including Cole Custer from Ladera Ranch and Tyler Reddick from Corning, both making their Sonoma debuts.

Allmendinger leads 1-2 finish for Kaulig

LEXINGTON, Ohio — A.J. Allmendinger rallied from a penalty, benefitted from a late caution and used a sweeping three-wide pass for the lead to win the Xfinity Series race at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course.

Saturday’s victory was

Allmendinger’s second of the season and came on what Kaulig Racing considers its home track. Team owner Matt Kaulig is from Akron, roughly 90 minutes away, and he jumped off the pit wall to hug Allmendinger after the win.

Kaulig then sought out Justin Haley and kissed him on the cheek in appreciation of the 1-2 finish for the race team.

“This is Matt Kaulig’s Super Bowl,” a breathless Allmendinger said.

Allmendinger had to rally after a pit-road penalty dropped him to 19th near the end of the second stage. He had worked his way up to third but still trailed reigning Xfinity Series champion Austin Cindric by 13.2 seconds when he got a lucky break with seven laps remaining.

Jeb Burton spun and got his car stuck in gravel to bring out a caution and bunch the field back up. Cindric chose to restart on the outside with Ty Gibbs on his inside, and Allmendinger lined up in third one row back.

Allmendinger dove inside on the restart with four laps remaining and easily cleared both Cindric and Gibbs in a three-wide pass.

“I was going to fight until the checkered flag flew. I knew I had the best car,” Allmendinger said. “I was shocked that Cindric took the outside. I barreled it in there when I saw a gap and I came out on the other side clean.”

Clifford leaves Magic after 3 seasons

Team, coach mutually part

TIM REYNOLDS
AP basketball writer

Steve Clifford and the Orlando Magic took some time after the season to rest, recover and contemplate the future.

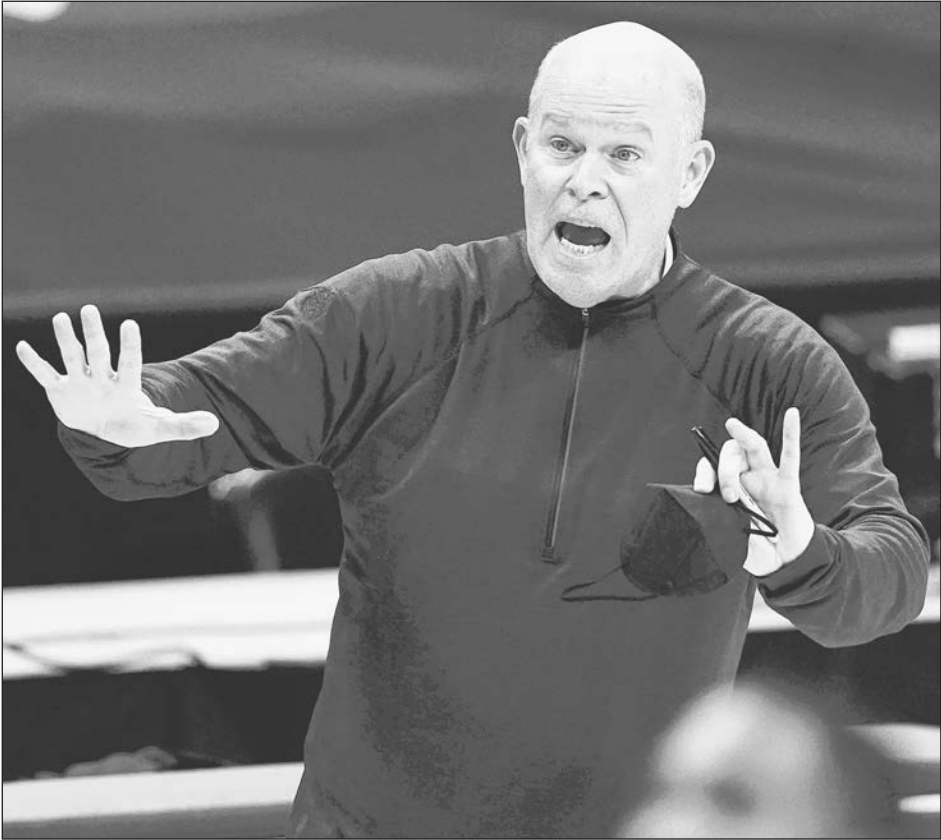
And after a couple weeks, they decided the fit wasn’t right anymore.

Orlando’s rebuilding project will no longer include Clifford, after he and the Magic completed an agreement Saturday to end his three-year run with the club. Magic President Jeff Weltman stressed that it was a mutual decision and he respected Clifford for being able to “assess where he is in his career.”

“Obviously, we’ve repositioned our team,” Weltman said. “And so, there has to be alignment. There has to be alignment in everything you do in this league. And if there’s not alignment, it’ll undermine everything.”

That alignment clearly didn’t seem to be there. Weltman indicated that Clifford — who will turn 60 before next season starts — decided he wasn’t the right coach to lead the Magic through what may be serious growing pains with a young group.

“The ‘why’ is quite simple here: alignment,” Weltman said. “And if Cliff is questioning whether the positioning of our team kind of aligns with his own



Associated Press

Orlando Magic head coach Steve Clifford directs his team in the second half of an April 4 game against the Denver Nuggets in Denver.

career positioning, then he’s probably not the right guy at that point. I appreciate the fact that Cliff can look himself in the mirror and have those conversations with himself because I don’t think a whole lot of people can do that.”

Orlando becomes the third current coaching opening in the NBA, following Brad Stevens being promoted to president of the Boston Celtics and Portland’s move Friday to seek a new coach after Terry Stotts held that role for nine seasons.

Jobs coming open didn’t

affect the Magic timetable, Weltman said. He also didn’t say if the team has a target date for a hire. For now, the assistant coaches — a group that includes Ty Corbin, Steve Hetzel and Pat Delany — remain in place, and it wouldn’t be surprising if some got at least a meeting with the Magic during the interview process.

Clifford was 96-131 in those three seasons, though that record is a bit misleading given how many injuries the team dealt with this season. Orlando went to the playoffs

in 2019 and 2020 under Clifford, its first postseason trips since a run of six straight ended in 2012.

“Both sides wanted to do this the right way for one another, and I think that we moved as expeditiously as possible to this conclusion,” Weltman said.

But this season was trying in no shortage of ways. Injuries gutted the Magic, and then the team’s core — All-Star forward Nikola Vucevic, guard Evan Fournier and forward Aaron Gordon — were all moved at the trade

deadline as Orlando went younger and stockpiled draft picks for the rebuild.

“It’s the toughest season I’ve ever been through,” Clifford said as the season ended.

Orlando was 21-51 this season, and Clifford missed some games near the end of the season after testing positive for COVID-19. He had been vaccinated just as the positive test results came back, was asymptomatic and returned for the season’s final few days.

Clifford dealt with health issues in the past. He missed 21 games during the 2017-18 season when he coached in Charlotte after problems caused by sleep deprivation presented themselves, and he left a game at Minnesota in March 2020 after experiencing dizziness caused by dehydration.

“It’s been an honor and privilege to coach this team in this community,” Clifford said.

After the trades, the Magic went with young and different lineups over the season’s final six weeks and will likely have two lottery picks in this year’s draft. But the task of forming a winner from that group will fall to a different coach.

The next coach will be Orlando’s sixth since February 2015, following Jacques Vaughn, James Borrego, Scott Skiles, Frank Vogel and Clifford.

“We won’t leave any stone unturned, I can tell you that,” Weltman said.

COVID-19 knocks Rahm out of Memorial

Associated Press

DUBLIN, Ohio — Jon Rahm walked off the 18th green after tying the 54-hole record and building a six-shot lead, leaving him on the cusp of joining Tiger Woods as the only repeat winners of the Memorial.

Moments later, he doubled over behind the green and said in anguish, “Not again!”

Rahm was notified he tested positive for the coronavirus, knocking him out of the tournament.

A command performance, that included a hole-in-one Saturday morning to complete his second round followed by an 8-under 64 to tie two tournament records, went to waste.

The PGA Tour said the Spaniard had come in close contact with a person who was COVID-19 positive, meaning Rahm could play provided he was tested daily. Every test since he arrived Monday came back negative except the one after his second round, which was completed Saturday morning.

The positive test was confirmed as Rahm was playing the 18th hole, knowing nothing except no one was close to him on the leaderboard.

“This is one of those things that happens in life, one of those moments where how we respond to a setback defines us as people,” Rahm said in a statement he posted to Twitter.

His immediate response was to put on a mask and head to the scoring room to sign his card, knowing he would not be playing the final round.

The tour said Rahm remained asymptomatic. Andy Levinson, the tour’s senior vice president who has overseen its COVID-19 protocols, could not say whether Rahm had been vaccinated, and Rahm didn’t mention that in his statement.

Players who are fully vaccinated — 14 days past the full vaccination cycle — are not subject to testing as a result of close

contact. Levinson said “north of 50%” of players have been fully vaccinated.

By tour policy, Rahm was withdrawn from the Memorial. That left Patrick Cantlay and Collin Morikawa tied for the lead at 12-under 204.

“It’s kind of the worst situation for something like that to happen and he played awesome today and it’s just, it’s really a shame,” Cantlay said.

Cantlay and Scottie Scheffler, who played with Rahm in the third round, both said they already have tested positive for the coronavirus, though it was more than 90 days ago. They were interviewed Saturday night to determine if they would be subject to contact tracing protocols.

Based on the interview, Levinson said none of Rahm’s playing partners Saturday were cleared.

It was a shocking turn of events given the timing. Rahm was close to perfect on the back nine, running off six birdies in an eight-hole stretch to turn a one-shot lead into a six-shot cushion, tying the Memorial record for largest 54-hole lead set by Woods in 2000.

His 18-under 198 tied the record set by Scott Hoch in 1987.

Now he can’t go any further, and the ramifications go beyond the Memorial.

The No. 3 player in the world is required to go into self-isolation for 10 days. That ends on June 15, the Tuesday of the U.S. Open at Torrey Pines, where Rahm captured his first PGA Tour victory four years ago. That would leave him time for only one practice round on the U.S. Open-conditioned course.

Not even the chance of a false positive test could spare Rahm. Under the tour’s CDC-guided protocols, players would have to return two negative tests 24 hours apart to end the 10-day isolation. That rules out Rahm playing Sunday.

“I feel very bad for Jon Rahm. He’s played absolutely brilliant



Associated Press

Jon Rahm hits to the 13th green during the third round of the Memorial golf tournament, Saturday in Dublin, Ohio.

golf this week,” tournament founder Jack Nicklaus said on social media. “On behalf of the Memorial Tournament, our hearts go out to Jon and his family, as well as all the patrons who witnessed a spectacular round by Jon — only to be negated by this horrible pandemic our world continues to endure.”

The second round did not finish until Saturday morning because of rain delays earlier in the week. Rahm returned to make a hole-in-one on the 16th hole to take the lead, and he finished off a 65 to build a two-shot lead.

The tour said his test came back positive at 4:20 p.m., about the time Rahm began to pull away. The tour’s medical advisor asked for a confirmation test on the original sample, and that was returned shortly after 6 p.m.

Two officials were waiting for him as he walked off the green, and Rahm’s reaction left thousands of fans around the green wondering what was going on.

Scheffler didn’t see Rahm behind the green and wasn’t sure what was going on when he walked into the scoring room to sign his card. He said Rahm looked frustrated.

“He just goes, ‘Good luck tomorrow,’ and I’m like, ‘Thanks, man. You play good, too.’ I was just really confused,” Scheffler said. “He’s like, ‘No, man, I just tested positive.’ My heart just sank. It’s terrible that happened. I think it’s terrible they told him in front of the cameras. It just stinks for him.”

Rahm was the fourth player to test positive during a tournament since the tour returned to competition one year ago in Texas.

He was the first positive asymptomatic case as part of the tour’s contact-tracing protocols.

It was not clear with whom Rahm had contact that led to the tracing. Levinson said only the tour found out about the contact through someone else who had tested through its program.

Rahm lives in Scottsdale, Arizona, where his wife in April gave birth to their first child. Rahm has not played since the PGA Championship two weeks ago.

While playing in the pro-am on Wednesday, Rahm was walking toward the 16th tee when a

spectator asked for an autograph. “I’m sorry, I can’t,” he said. “I’m in contact tracing.”

He did not mention it the rest of the week while building his six-shot lead.

With a victory, Rahm could have moved closer to recapturing No. 1 in the world, along with earning over \$1.67 million.

Thompson uses flawless round to lead

SAN FRANCISCO — Lexi Thompson shot a bogey-free 5-under 66 to take the lead into the final round of the U.S. Women’s Open for the first time in her career with a one-shot edge over teenager Yuka Saso.

Thompson played a nearly flawless round in search of her first U.S. Women’s Open title in her 15th try after first competing as a 12-year-old amateur in 2007. She made three birdies on the front nine and two more on the back nine to overcome a four-shot deficit heading into the day and take the lead at 7 under.

She was the first player all week to make par or better on every hole in the round.

Saso made back-to-back bogeys on the back nine to fall out of the lead before recovering with a birdie at the par-5 17th to get back to 7 under. She missed a 12-foot par putt on 18 and ended the day a stroke back.

New Jersey high school amateur Megha Ganne shot a 72 and was tied for third at 3 under with 2019 champion Jeongueun Lee6 of South Korea.

China’s Shanshan Feng was fifth at 2 under, with Japan’s Nasa Hataoka and American Megan Khang the only other players under par at 1 under.

The 26-year-old Thompson hasn’t won an LPGA Tour tournament in nearly two years and won her only major was at the ANA Inspiration in 2014. She has four-top 10 finishes at the U.S. Women’s Open, including a runner-up to Lee6 two years ago in Charleston.

Thompson has been lurking around the leaderboard all week, shooting 69 on Thursday and 71 in the second round before shooting the low round of her career at this tournament on Saturday.

She started to make a run with three birdies, including one on

No. 9 after hitting her tee shot into the second cut of rough. She still managed to get on the green and made a 20-foot putt to get to 5 under.

Thompson added another long birdie putt on No. 14 and reached the green at the par-5 17th in two shots before two-putting for birdie and the lead. She saved par with a 3-foot putt at 18 after hitting her tee shot into the rough and her approach behind the green.

Detry in front as fans return at European Open

HAMBURG, Germany — Thomas Detry shot a 4-under 68 to take a one-stroke lead in the opening round as spectators returned to the fairways at the European Open.

A declining rate of coronavirus infections allowed fans to attend a European Tour event for the first time since 2019. Up to 2,000 were permitted at the Green Eagle Golf Courses.

It had been scheduled to begin Thursday, but the tournament was postponed by two days and shortened to 54 holes to allow players and tour staff from the United Kingdom extra time to get around Germany’s recently introduced travel restrictions.

Detry started on the 10th hole and played his back nine in 29 with seven birdies and a double bogey. The Belgian golfer, looking for his first tour win in his 114th event, is one ahead of Sweden’s Alexander Björk, England’s Ashley Chesters, Scotland’s David Law and China’s Wu Ashun.

Herron shoots 9-under 63 to take 4-shot lead

DES MOINES, Iowa — Tim Herron shot a 9-under 63 to take a four-stroke lead in the PGA Tour Champions’ Principal Charity Classic.

Trying to win for the first time on the 50-and-over tour, Herron birdied the par-4 18th for a back-nine 30 and 14-under 130 total at Wakonda Club.

“I haven’t been in this situation for probably a decade,” Herron said. “Just go out and play each hole at a time. These guys are good. Someone else can shoot 9 under, so I’ve got to still kind of put the pedal down in the right spots. If I hit the fairway, I’ve got to go at the pin.”

The Memorial Tournament	
Saturday At Muirfield Village Golf Club Dublin, Ohio Yardage: 7,543; Par: 72 Purse: \$9.3 Million	
Third Round	
Collin Morikawa	66-72-66—204 -12
Patrick Cantlay	69-67-68—204 -12
Branden Grace	68-72-67—207 -9
Scottie Scheffler	67-71-69—207 -9
Max Homa	69-69-72—210 -6
Patrick Reed	71-71-69—211 -5
Si Woo Kim	73-70-68—211 -5
Lucas Herbert	71-69-71—211 -5
Carlos Ortiz	71-68-72—211 -5
Aaron Wise	72-70-70—212 -4
Shane Lowry	69-71-72—212 -4
Vaughn Taylor	69-72-71—212 -4
Jim Herman	72-68-72—212 -4
Xander Schauffele	68-70-74—212 -4
USGA Women’s Open Championship	
Saturday At Olympic Club San Francisco Lake Course Yardage: 6,362; Par: 71 Purse: \$5.5 million	
Third Round	
Lexi Thompson	69-71-66—206 -7
Yuka Saso	69-67-71—207 -6
Megha Ganne (a)	67-71-72—210 -3
Jeongueun Lee6	70-67-73—210 -3
Shanshan Feng	69-70-72—211 -2
Nasa Hataoka	72-69-71—212 -1
Megan Khang	68-70-74—212 -1
Inbee Park	71-69-73—213 E
Angel Yin	68-79-67—214 +1
Hyojoo Kim	72-70-72—214 +1

Maja Stark (a)	71-70-73—214 +1
Porsche Open 2021	
Saturday At Green Eagle Golf Courses Hamburg, Germany Purse: \$1.46 million	
North Course	
Yardage: 7,717; Par: 73	
a-amateur First Round	
Thomas Detry, Belgium	29-39—68 -4
Ashun Wu, China	32-37—69 -3
Alexander Bjork, Sweden	30-39—69 -3
David Law, Scotland	33-36—69 -3
Ashley Chesters, England	32-37—69 -3
Marcel Schneider, Germany	32-37—70 -2
Matthew Southgate, Britain	32-38—70 -2
Scott Jamieson, Scotland	34-36—70 -2
Rikard Karlberg, Sweden	35-35—70 -2
Benjamin Poke, Denmark	33-37—70 -2
Benjamin Hebert, France	33-37—70 -2
Principal Charity Classic	
Saturday At Wakonda Club Des Moines, Iowa Purse: \$1.85 million	
Yardage: 6,851; Par: 72	
Second Round	
Tim Herron	67-63—130 -14
Shane Bertsch	67-67—134 -10
Rod Pampling	67-67—134 -10
Doug Barron	66-69—135 -9
Mike Weir	70-66—136 -8
Tom Gillis	67-69—136 -8
Thongchai Jaidee	65-71—136 -8
Dicky Pride	66-70—136 -8
Jarmo Sandelin	71-66—137 -7
Kenny Perry	68-69—137 -7
Stephen Ames	68-69—137 -7
Jerry Kelly	67-70—137 -7

Bowling SCORES

Parkview Lanes

CONGRATULATIONS: Sam Bass rolled his fifth honor score at Parkview Lanes



Sam Bass

during the Wednesday Night Scratch league on May 26, a 300 in the first game. He continued with games of 227 and 243 for a 770 series.

LEAGUE SCORES FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 30:

MONDAY NIGHT SPECIAL
Handicap: Eric Glowacki 287,814; Tony Hyatt 285,745; Marla Carr 271,745; Melissa Kusnierz 269; Suzanne Beal 712. Scratch: Randy Moak 247,655; Tony Hyatt 246; Eric Glowacki 634; Anne Fish 200,542; Wendy Smith 196,557.

PARKVIEW 7-9-8 NOTAP
Handicap: Don Demers 345,912; Jim Schlegel 340; Bill Johnston 893; Mary Ann Soloway 373; Carol McHale 371; Marilyn Seymour 920; Jette Hansen 913. Scratch: Tony Hyatt 300,844; Bill

Johnston 300,800; (men: six 300’s); Marilyn Seymour 300,794; Glenda Johnston 300,775; Linda Madison 794 (women: five 300’s).

YOUNG & RESTLESS

Handicap (adult): John Saltmarsh 285,737; Steven Saltmarsh 271,734; Jordan Kusnierz 287,740; Laura Welzel 247; Bridget Foley 676. Scratch (adult): John Saltmarsh 229; Steven Saltmarsh 228,605; Wes Foley 587; Jordan Kusnierz 218,533; Bridget Foley 162; Cathy Roof 468. Handicap (youth): Cody Underwood 323,777; Justin Rose 276; Shane Blydenburg 729; Megan Allen 243,676; Emily Mills 237,667. Scratch (youth): Cody Underwood 279,645p; Justin Rose 251,601; Hannah 226,546; Megan Allen 175,472.

MILITARY CHALLENGE

Handicap: Gary Strausbaugh 291,784; John Marcucci 277,756; Laurie Anderson 249,700; Diana Steurterman 235; Mae Johns 680. Scratch: Sam Bass 257,710; Gary Strausbaugh 244; Will Bemis 666; Glenda Johnston 171,498; Rosemarie Marcucci 171,484; Marilyn Seymour 1264.

WEDNESDAY SCRATCH TRIO

Sam Bass 300,770; Lucas Rabb 275,708; P J Ireland 726; Rick Koller 725; Matt O’Brien 723; Tim Lawrence 711; Chris Carr 711; Dorine Fugere 214,592; Kristina Koller 214,585.

PARKVIEW NOTAP

Handicap: Roy Fuller 339; Bill Johnson 337,935; John Casdia 337; Joe Dennison 893; Glenda Johnston 323,835; Susan Fabbre 322,824. Scratch: Roy Fuller 295,339; John Casdia 288; Larry McGarvey 732; Kathie Weaverling 266,710; Pam Palmer 250; Terri Cherry 647.

HOLDER HOTSHOTS

Handicap: Jeff Richitt 282,734; Robert Yoakam 270,718; Kaylee Honeggar 267; Dawn Rivera 259,742; Taylor Mitchell 730. Scratch: Robert Yoakam 235,613; Bill Levert 225,617; Taylor Mitchell 204,583; Vicki Jeffers 181,444.

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Handicap: Bo Smith 321; Paul Mast 315,881; Doug Schaem 796; Linda Diglio 274,740; Kem Hammontree 254,722. Scratch: Paul Mast 257,707; Jerry Ness 226;

Wes Foley 618; Melissa Wideman 193,528; Carol Anderson 169,4496.

BOWLERS OF THE WEEK

Adults: Paul Mast, 221 pins over his average, and Glenda Johnston, 85 pins over her average. Youth: Cody Underwood, 102 pins over his average, and Emily Mills, 13 pins over her average.

Manatee Lanes

Come in out of the heat and join summer leagues, be cool and have lots of fun!

TUESDAY YOUTH LEAGUE

Boy’s High Game Scratch, 198, Skyler Beville
Boy’s High Series Scratch, 592, Payton Beville
Girl’s High Game Hdcp, 196, Suzanne Rohn
Girl’s High Series Hdcp, 616, Kylee Carey
Girl’s High Game Scratch, 98, Alyssa Kline
Girl’s High Series Hdcp, 381, Alayna Lee

TUESDAY ODD BALLS

Men’s High Game Scratch, 279, Cody Mullis
Men’s High Series Scratch, 723, Rich Koller
Women’s High Game Scratch, 201, Amber Mullis
Women’s High Series

Scratch, 544, Krissy Koller

FRIDAY FUN BUNCH
Men’s High Game Scratch, 246, Rich Koller
Men’s High Series Scratch, 706, Tyler Beatty
Women’s High Game Scratch, 180, Jodi Thum
Women’s High Series Scratch, 532, Vicky Post

Sportsmen’s Bowl

Tuesday Night Trios

Men Scratch: Mark Ash 232-609, Rob Cummins 221-552, Alan Rice 211-544
Men Handicap: Mark Ash 281-756, Art Beardsley 262-732, Alan Rice 252, Joseph Trillo 684
Women Scratch: Annia Vargoshe 193-503, Carmen Carrero 176, Edith Regan 486, Darlene Arndt 174-472
Women Handicap: Dorene Tigchelaar 261-684, Annia Vargoshe 254-686, Twilla Sponholz 253-691
Senior Fun Bowl, Thursdays 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. Also money is put aside each week for the Split-Pot which is held three times

each year. To win the Split-Pot a bowler must first convert a split in any of the three games bowled. After completion of the three games each bowler who has converted a split must roll three balls. The winner is the one who scores exactly 21 pins. If there are ties the money is split between winners. Refreshments and fun for all each week. Entry Fee \$10. High Scratch Game: Bill Spreen 243, Jennifer Williams 182. High Scratch Series: Bill Spreen 659, Jennifer Williams 511.

Youth Summer Dynamic Duos

Boys Scratch: Evan Posey 232-538, John Egan 231, Jake Welzel 228-635, Cody Underwood 623
Girls Scratch: Kaitlyn Perrine 186-471, Sarah Welzel 142-357, Destiny Snyder 139-398
Mixed Singles Match, Fridays 1 p.m. Pay 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 Game: Wilson Torres 662, Paul Vargoshe and Joann Frost 660.

Things change as generations pass



Gerry Mulligan
OUT THE WINDOW

Time marches forward and things change. It was announced last week that our parent company had sold the Chronicle to Paxton Media Group, a newspaper company based in Paducah, Kentucky. The announcement produced much angst with employees and those in the community concerned about the future of Chronicle and its role in the community. Change makes people uncomfortable. Landmark Community

Newspapers LLC had owned the Chronicle for just under 40 years and took us through the highly competitive times when the St. Pete Times, Tampa Tribune and Ocala Star Banner all wanted to be the daily newspaper for Citrus County. Landmark helped us become a daily newspaper in 1986 and fight hard to win circulation domination over the competitors. More than a decade ago, the founder of Landmark — Frank Batten Sr. — died. The company then

decided to get out of the newspaper business. The good news is that Paxton Media is a newspaper company that has plenty of experience producing papers just like the Chronicle. They have about 32 daily newspapers in small towns across Kentucky, Indiana, North Carolina, Michigan, and a few other states. Just like Landmark, they are a privately owned family business. They are led by Jamie Paxton, the fifth generation of the family to be in

charge. The group is dedicated to producing strong local newspapers just like the Chronicle. ■ It is ironic that Crystal Motor Car Company also announced the same week that they were selling their car dealerships in Citrus County. Steve Lamb, who owns the company with his wife Jewel, said they will retain ownership of their tractor dealerships and the Harley motorcycle stores, but will sell the See **WINDOW/Page C4**



Courtney Stewart
SEEING BEYOND

Dogs need a place to play

I have a little beagle. She'll be 5 in August. If you don't know much about beagles, just meeting mine would give you a full-on understanding of everything that epitomizes the breed. She's the friendliest dog I've ever interacted with. She can see a person from a hundred yards away and begin to whine with anticipation, tail wagging rapidly. She takes it as a personal offense if a passerby does not stop to pet her. She has quite the characteristic bay. It has the startling quality of a fog horn and it only has one volume — loud. When she unleashes this cacophony, her greatest desire is to draw every person and every dog within earshot to come be greeted with her ferocious love. Of course, what she doesn't understand is that her discordant racket just sounds pretty awful to anyone who doesn't understand the beagle bay, and usually scares away anyone who would have come to pat her charming little head. She eats unapologetically. See **BEYOND/Page C3**

Cities grow strong with citizen input

Opinions sought during Crystal River's public charrette



Brian Herrmann
GUEST COLUMN

From 2017 to 2019 while my wife and I were dating, she was residing in Citrus County and I was living in Thomasville, Georgia, a community of 18,000 that is located 35 miles north of Tallahassee. I was the Director of Planning and Design for Thomasville. Because our relationship was long-distance at the time, I would travel to downtown Crystal River nearly every other weekend of the month to visit her. It did not take long for me to realize what a fantastic, yet somewhat hidden gem the city of Crystal River is. On Friday night, we would often eat dinner along the city's "working waterfront," a truly unique area of our state comprised of family-owned fishing boats, wholesalers, retailers and seafood restaurants. I could not help but remember when I lived in coastal Port Royal, South Carolina, and the city purchased two shrimp boats and placed them next to the waterfront restaurants so that tourists would think that shrimping was still local to the area. How cool is it that these are still unique, yet thriving activities here in Crystal River? On Saturday, we would walk the landward portion of the Riverwalk and through the city's waterfront parks before making our way onto Citrus Avenue, where we would stop to shop at the local businesses and grab a bite to eat. In the



Chronicle file

Crystal River's water tower landmark is featured in a photo of the 34th annual Florida Manatee Festival in downtown Crystal River. evening, prior to returning home, we would sometimes make our way over to Crystal Street to take in one of the more magnificent tree canopies in our state. See **GROW/Page C4**

A fine farewell for Citrus' 24-year Supervisor of Elections



Mark Yerman
COUNTY JUDGE

Editor's note: The following is a speech given by Citrus County Judge Mark Yerman during the official retirement celebration held for longtime Supervisor of Election's Susan Gill. Ms. Gill served as the county's top election official for 24 years.

I was pleased to be asked to say a few words by Mo Baird, the succeeding Supervisor of Elections for


Citrus County, at Susan's retirement. Mo specifically asked that I limit my remarks to five to 10 minutes. I suppose that she fears that because I've been here a long time, have a fair memory, and have some training as a lawyer, that I might talk too much. Thank you, Mo, for giving me quadruple the time it took Lincoln to deliver the Gettysburg Address. Some here might

remember that Susan was elected in 1996 and took office in January of 1997. She has served 24 years, nearly a quarter of a century. Some might even remember that before Susan, the Supervisor was Wilma Anderson. She was elected in 1978. Do the math to fathom times three that Supervisors often hold their positions in excess of a score of years. When Wilma announced

her retirement, Wilma's righthand person, Sybil Barco, announced her candidacy. So did Susan Gill. Barco is an old family name in Citrus County, with roots that run deep. After decades of working closely together under Wilma and Sybil, some workers at the election's office wondered just who this Gill woman was: Perhaps she was the Creature from the Black Lagoon's mate? For the

younger people still listening, the Creature from the Black Lagoon was called the Gill-man. The election took place and Susan won. Soon after the election she went to meet the election staff and quell the natural fear they had of the unknown new leader. From before day one, she demonstrated the concern for the perception

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PRESERVING HISTORY

County needs to finish old Hernando School renovation

Citrus County should not back away from its commitment to restore the old Hernando School. Doing so would break the covenant the county created with the Hernando Heritage Council, the volunteer group dedicated to restoring the school.

The Hernando School was the cornerstone of community life in this part of the county since it was constructed in 1941. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and the county assumed ownership in 1999 when the school board transferred title.

Since that time, the restoration of the school has been a project of the Citrus County Historical Society and the Hernando Heritage Council. More than \$1.1 million in grants, county funds and community support has been spent on slowing rebuilding the school.

The project was back before the county commission because the nonprofit groups had qualified a grant to conclude the project. The commission needed to kick in \$103,000 to match a grant of an equal amount to finish this admittedly slowing moving rehabilitation of the building.

But along comes County Commissioner Ron Kitchen to throw water on the efforts of the community.

“It’s \$100,000 thrown away,” Kitchen complained saying he was “gobsmacked” by the request.

We hate to think of Commissioner Kitchen being “gobsmacked,” but once again, he is not in touch with the people he was elected to serve. The veteran commissioner threw enough doubt on the project that new board members backed away from supporting the final grant request — thus missing the deadline for the

state support.

The community came together to save this important historical building because there was a proposal before the school board to knock it down and build another convenience store.

Do we really want to sacrifice buildings on the National Register of Historic

Places for another gas station?

“I don’t look at this and see a historical building,” Commissioner Kitchen complained during the board meeting.

The community of Hernando does see an historical building and it is important to them. Instead of joining with the official commission obstructionist, we urge the other members of the board to readdress the issue and conclude this project.

The county administration has on the priority list a project to tear down a dilapidated side structure that was not part of the original historic redbrick schoolhouse. While some leasing nonprofits were evicted two years ago in anticipation of the tear down, that project has not yet been done.

It is a shame the potential grant dollars were lost by this commission delay. We urge the board majority to revisit the Hernando School and conclude the work.

To quote preservationist author Donovan Rypkema, “Rehabilitating historic properties conserves taxpayers’ dollars, conserves our local heritage, and conserves the national environment. Rehabilitating historic buildings and using the infrastructure that is already in place to serve them is the height of fiscal and environmental responsibility.”

On the other hand, we could just build another gas station.

Make a difference at the Key

Open Volunteer Day helpers wanted

The Key Training Center relies on a wide variety of volunteer contributions throughout the organization.

Earlier this year, to recruit more volunteers, Melissa Walker, Executive Director of the Key Center, came up with the idea for “Open Volunteer Days,” where we open one of our locations to walk-in volunteers to attract volunteers curious about the Key Center and our mission. No volunteer application is needed to participate. After working with us for a few hours, volunteers will better understand what our organization does for our clients with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and have the opportunity to see if they would like to become a volunteer.

We are currently hosting Open Volunteer Days at rotating locations on the second Wednesday of each month.

Like many organizations across the country, the Key Center is experiencing a staff shortage in some of our most vital

service areas. Currently, our retail locations could use the most help. When things get behind in the stores, it can be hard to catch up. There is no shortage of projects to complete, including sorting through donated items like clothes and linens, getting products onto the shelves for sale, or testing electronics. These tasks are not especially difficult, but they take a good deal of time. A few helping hands would play a huge role in processing the backlog and help support our mission. The Key Thrift Stores are our year-round fundraiser that generates 30% of our annual operating budget.

Our next Open Volunteer Day will be on Wednesday, June 9, at the Inverness Thrift Store at 1625 W. Main St., Inverness. Participants are welcome to come in and help out any time between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Volunteers are encouraged to stay for whatever duration fits their schedule; every little bit helps. We hope to tackle several projects around the store.



Ben Kampschroer

GUEST COLUMN

LETTERS to the Editor



Legion Riders extend a ‘thank you’

American Legion Riders Chapter 237 held a huge fundraiser for Wreaths for Fallen Heroes on May 29 and would like to thank the following: Citrus County Chronicle for your dedication and unwavering support; for all of the monetary donations from Crystal River Eagle Riders, American Legion Post 166, Crystal River Eagle Aeries 4272, Iron Horse Performance, Kathleen Martone, John D’Frain, Kenny and Michelle Cavalieri, Robyn and Dave Fredricks, Mike Skiba, and to all others who donated to this event. To all who donated food and for their time spent to help feed over 175 people. To Gypsy Sparrow for doing a great job entertaining us throughout the day. Monetary donation given from Vets 4 a Cause. To our Post 237 bartenders who did an awesome job serving adult drinks all day. To our volunteers who helped serve, setup, and cleanup. To Riders Chapter 237 for your continued dedication to our mission serving our veterans. To all who donated silent auction items and a huge thank you to our business community.

This event was a huge success raising over \$5,300 to help us place wreaths on our fallen heroes graves at Christmas time and honor their families. A huge thank to all! For God and country,

Director John Roby, American Legion Riders Chapter 237
Inverness

Never forget fallen comrades

Today is Memorial Day (Monday, May 31), a day for memories and tears. From my heart to the old Smith Corona keyboard, to the paper they go. Earlier, my radio played “Put Another Nickel In The Nickelodeon,” by tiny Teresa Brewer ... a flood of memories! In 1952 Korea, in the quiet between battles, a few

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G.I.’s had the powerful Philco Transoceanic radios and Armed Forces Radio often played it. Another play was, “Til’ I waltz again with you.” This often brought memories and tears rolled down the cheeks of battle-scarred veteran G.I.’s.

A few years ago came a sad, sad memory, radio news told that our Little Tessie had left us at age 80. ... For some 68 years I had been in contact with my unit’s survivors, and about two years ago, it ended when I learned that the last, a squad leader in my platoon now awaited me in that land of everlasting truce above. At age 91, I am certain that before too long there is going to be one hell of a reunion!

Well done, old comrades. ...

Fred J. Miller
Hernando

Food insecurity a complex problem

I write to comment on the article, “Board OKs \$150K for kitchen truck,” in the May 26 Chronicle. Citrus County

While we are currently focusing on our retail locations during our Open Volunteer Days, there are other areas in our organization where volunteers are vital. We are always looking for individuals who are willing to help the foundation with fundraisers and events, work with the administration to organize files and answer telephones, or work directly with our clients to help them achieve their personal goals. These volunteer positions require more coordination with our staff and may involve some training. If you or someone you know is interested in helping in one of these areas, please call Ben Kampschroer at 352-795-5541 ext. 238 or email marketing@keytrainingcenter.org.

You can download a copy of our volunteer application at keytrainingcenter.org/volunteer or stop by any Key Thrift Store location or our business office to pick up a copy. We hope to see you on June 9, so we can make a difference for our clients.

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Hospital Board Trustee Rick Harper is quoted as saying “Maybe a little hunger is what it takes to get (people of need) off their butts.”

I am frankly appalled that a person serving on a hospital board has such an uninformed view of the food insecurity problem in America. According to data from the Department of Agriculture, even before the pandemic hit and millions lost their jobs, close to 11% of all U.S. households experienced food insecurity at some point in the year. That translates to more than 35 million Americans. The sad reality is that 1 in 4 children in this country are among those going to bed at night hungry. According to a 2017 Feeding America report, a lack of consistent access to food for children in Citrus County is among the highest in the state.

Lower-income households are often food insecure because after rent, utilities, gas and other basics, money to buy food is limited. Others at risk for food insecurity include those with chronic diseases and disabilities. Lack of transportation options is also problematic; limited access to public transportation or a personal vehicle obviously impacts access to healthy, fresh food. My point is food insecurity has many causes; saying it is the result of people “sitting on their butts” shows an alarming unfamiliarity with this very real and complex problem.

Any hospital board should care about food insecurity because it is a health issue in the community. Food-insecure adults and especially children are at increased risk for a variety of negative health outcomes and disparities. Despite the harsh comments by Trustee Harper, kudos to the Board for approving the proposal to fund the Salvation Army’s mobile canteen vehicle.

J. Marie Witte
Inverness

I scream, you scream, we need more ice cream

I think there ought to be more ice cream shops in Citrus County, especially Crystal River. This Dairy Queen is packed.

Thanks for the Lightning coverage

I want to thank the Chronicle profusely for the article on the Tampa Bay Lightning winning over Panthers (Thursday,

May 27’s front-page Sports Section B story, “On to the second round,” “Vasilevski, Lightning beat in-state foe Panthers 4-0 to advance with 4-2 series win”). Actually it was a shut-out. I woke up early this morning. On TV, I tried to get the coverage and nothing. I thought, oh my gosh, hockey isn’t big here in this part of Florida. Will the Chronicle have an article? And,

lo and behold, you did — a great article with a big picture, too. Playoffs are a big thing for us minority who love hockey. Thank you very much.

Olive Garden birthday lunch a real treat

OK, I was at Olive Garden on my birthday, May 17, and I was sitting by myself. I’m 85. The waitress

came over after these two ladies left and said that they paid for my lunch or dinner — it was a lunch/dinner — and I appreciate that. I just want to thank them for doing that. I was all by myself and they paid for my meal and I really appreciate it. Thank you very much.

Time to think about priorities

We Care needs our help, the Salvation Army is in trouble, but, no, we need a new dog pound.



From the Lens of the League

A Florida 2021 Legislative Session voting review

This is part of a series by the League of Women Voters of Citrus County (LWVCC) about Florida's 2021 legislative session in review. The purpose is to increase citizen understanding and engagement.

Florida's 2021 Legislative Session began on March 2 and ended on April 30. This year, over 3,000 new bills were proposed, but only 275 (less than 9%) successfully passed the Senate and House and were signed into law.

The League of Women Voters of Citrus County (LWVCC) published a series of columns explaining Florida's legislative process and highlighting several proposed bills. League of Women Voters of Florida (LWVFL) positions were explained. This column will review the high-profile bill on voting and offer the League's position on its impact.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF CITRUS COUNTY

along party lines and was signed into law by Governor DeSantis on May 6. With the League's core mission focused on voters and voting rights, LWVFL opposed this bill from its inception because it makes it harder to vote by mail. Yet Gov. DeSantis touted the 2020 election as "the most successful ever in the state of Florida." Opponents described this legislation as "a solution in search of a problem."

Mail-in ballots, popular with Florida voters, must now be requested more frequently. The new law also adds new identification requirements for requesting a vote-by-mail ballot.

Using ballot drop boxes will be less convenient for voters, even though about 1.5 million Floridians used drop boxes in the 2020 election. The new law cuts access by limiting the number of drop-boxes and limiting their use to early voting hours at early voting sites. Each box must be staffed by an elections worker while in use. The law also

restricts who can return a completed mail-in ballot, and bans anyone but poll workers from giving food or drink, including water, to voters waiting in line.

Supervisors of Elections (SOE) in all 67 counties opposed SB 90, because along with making voting more cumbersome for voters, it adds costs and may increase staffing needs. With more partisan observers now permitted during tabulation periods, many counties may face logistical problems. Fines of \$25,000 may be imposed on SOEs who do not adhere to the drop box rules.

Third Party Voter Registration Organizations (3PVR0), including the League of Women Voters, face new restrictions on how they can assist voters with registration. All such organizations must notify and inform the applicant at the time the application is collected that the organization "might not deliver the application to the division or the supervisor of elections in the county in which the applicant resides in less than 14 days or before registration closes for

the next ensuing election."

Third party voter registration organizations must also advise the applicant that he or she may deliver the application in person or by mail; inform them how to register online; and inform them how to determine whether the application has been delivered.

For LWVFL, which has been diligently registering voters for decades, the requirement of stating that our volunteers may not fulfill their obligations in a timely manner undermines our core mission and credibility. Further, registrants may find it discouraging. In the unlikely event that a delay or other error with a registration would happen, LWVFL would be held responsible and fined.

The 2020 election saw the greatest voter participation in American history. In Florida, both registration numbers and voter participation increased, especially among Black and other communities of color.

Florida's new law follows a wave of bills introduced in 47 states this spring to limit access

to voting. LWVFL has joined with other organizations in a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of this new measure, noting that it will disproportionately impact elderly voters, voters with disabilities, students, and communities of color.

In the meantime, LWVCC remains committed to working with our local Supervisor of Elections to educate voters about the new rules.

In the spirit of the leaders of the women's suffrage movement who founded the League over 100 years ago, we are dedicated to ensuring that every eligible citizen who wishes to vote can have his or her voice heard.

League of Women Voters of Florida (LWVFL) develops positions on issues only after careful study and consensus. LWV remains nonpartisan, never endorsing or opposing political parties or candidates. Contact us at www.lwvcitrus.org or www.lwvfl.org.

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of others that would mark her tenure as Supervisor. In elections, this concern manifested in advancing fair, impartial, public elections in which people would confidently embrace the results reported as true. People would embrace the results, but sometimes candidates who invested their hearts in a campaign and heard mostly from admiring supporters took a bit longer. That's part of the reason the Supervisor's prayer includes, "I don't care who wins but let them win big."

Others here today may recount her outreach to educate children in the schools and adults in the community. Others may recount her professional contributions as president of the State Association of Supervisors, and member of the Board of Directors of the National Election Center. Others may recount how she affected the development of election law. Still, others may recount the professionalism she instilled in those with whom she worked. But I want to relate a few personal experiences — of scandal.

The first scandal, of course, was Bush vs. Gore. The three members of the Canvassing Board for that election were, Susan as Supervisor; Jim Fowler as County Commissioner; and me as County Judge. The Canvassing Board, by majority vote, is the final arbiter of disputed facts involving ballots and votes, usually received by mail or drop-off. While the vast majority of ballots and votes are accepted routinely without the Board's involvement, the few troublesome ones are ours. Bush vs. Gore found us addressing two different issues. The first was that election attorneys for the Democrats and Republicans were



Now-retired Supervisor of Elections Susan Gill stands in the Supervisor of Elections warehouse facility in 2019 in the West Citrus Center at Meadowcrest. Gill was lauded at a retirement party in her honor recently at the Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club.

out in force. Amazingly, the lawyers for the Democrats thought almost every ballot received from a location they thought would result in a vote for Bush was fatally flawed. On the other side, the lawyers for the Republicans thought almost every ballot received from a location they thought would result in a vote for Gore was fatally flawed. Each routinely vigorously disputed the other's conclusion. While we listened patiently and considered what was said, it was seldom of much help to us because the attorneys were demonstrating a lot of polemic partisanship and not much application of facts to law. The three of us were there to make the decisions and we did. We were generally unanimous. The very few matters on which we disagreed were civilly discussed among ourselves, publicly, and then carried by majority rule without dissent. We all recognized that the standard of proof to be applied has room for reasonable minds to fairly differ.

In Bush vs. Gore, the second issue we had to address was the recount. The Florida Supreme

Court ordered a recount in accord with state law. The 537-vote difference between the two candidates required it. We didn't have to contend with the issue of hanging chads on punch cards here because Susan had the foresight to purchase optical scanners to read the new timing mark coded ballots. Nevertheless, to conduct the recount in the tiny election office of the old Coke building on Apopka Avenue, Susan brought everybody that could reasonably be accommodated to manually feed around 55,000 ballots through as many tabulators as the room could house. The logistics of unboxing, moving, re-boxing, tracking, initiating and ending tabulations per various ballot groupings was expertly performed but still a nightmare. We were under stringent time constraints. The frenetic activity reminded me of bees in a hive reacting to a raging forest fire at the base of their tree. About 70% of the way through our dash to completion, word came from national media sources that the U.S. Supreme Court had ordered the recount stopped for something to

do with "Equal Protection" and the previously reported results would stand. So, we stood down. Later reading of the case revealed a footnote indi-

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Mark Yerman
Citrus County Judge.

cating the case would have no precedential value for future elections. How weird.

Then there was the second scandal: The 2020 Presidential election. In Bush vs. Gore, there were relatively few absentee ballots. They were generally only available to out-of-state or overseas residents, military, and people with health problems. By 2020, the state law had changed from requiring mostly vote-in person to allowing mail-in ballots upon request. The legislature

can imagine that if the results in Florida were a little different, Susan's fastidious devotion to ideal and detail would have been the saving grace for those who looked to see fraud endemic in our local results.

The scandal of 2020 is even now being overwritten by new memories. Hopefully it will fade from collective memory almost entirely. This is as it should be if our tradition of peaceful transfer of governmental power is to continue. For we all know the biblical maxim:

A house divided against itself cannot stand. This comes from the Gospels of Mark and Mathew. It was repeated by Lincoln in his acceptance speech for the Republican nomination for Senator from Illinois on June 16, 1858. Lincoln won the popular vote in that election. He nevertheless lost the race to Stephen Douglas whose Democratic party secured more seats in the Illinois legislature at a time when the legislature chose its Senators per the Constitution of the Founding Fathers, that is, before the 17th Amendment. But consider too: A house absolutely united is a tyranny of all. Not being divided means granting a fair measure of respect to each other. For most, we will eventually proceed as if nothing extraordinary occurred in the election of 2020 so that we may together confidently meet the challenges that are before our great nation. Having Susan captain the ship of this election over its stormy seas has made the transition to the new shore easier for us.

In my years of working with Susan and her staff, I have always been proud to be part of a team that was not concerned with who won or who lost. The polestar was always to count every legal vote as accurately as people and machines allow. At the end of the day, the chips fall where they may. A successful election is one where the voice of the people is truthfully and correctly reported out. Susan's leadership over two decades has guaranteed that bias and prejudice have no place in elections in Citrus County. She is leaving a legacy of honor, transparency, and fairness that is imprinted on us all.

Thank you, Susan, for being here for us.

Mark Yerman has been a County Judge in Citrus County since November 1993.

BEYOND

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There is no quantity too much for this dog. She also has no palate whatsoever, as she is just as likely to consume used cigarette butts found on the ground as she is to indulge in a filet mignon (assuming she could ever get her little teeth on one of those.)

She's also one of the most empathetic creatures to roam the earth. Shed a tear and she's glued to your side.

In short, she's awesome.

And apparently I'm not the only person in the country who feels that way about their dog. Americans love the canine — man's best friend and all that. We love dogs so much

that even a pandemic couldn't stop us. In fact, it made our love even more profound. The pandemic increased the demand for puppies and rescue dogs to such a high level that we literally ran into a nation-wide dog shortage.

More than 3 million new pets were bought or adopted from Petco during the pandemic. The rescue dog search site Petfinder saw a 79% increase in traffic across its platform and other similar sites saw a 23% uptick. According to the Animal Care Centers of New York City, only about one in 10 dog foster parents turn into adoptive dog owners. That number changed to one in four this time last year. Dog adoptions nationwide are up almost twice the rate they were pre-pandemic.

The industry, including

all the materials and supplies that come with the purchase of new pets, has spiked 12% in annual sales. By the height of the pandemic, a dog was a pretty hot commodity. Puppies were even more difficult to track down. Even now, a canine addition to the family can be pretty hard to find — regardless of the dog's age.

We simply love dogs.

That's why the proposal for a new dog park in the county comes at a perfect time. Currently, Homosassa houses the only public dog park. And while many of Citrus County's parks have trails and dog waste facilities, they don't have dedicated spaces for dogs to run and play and most importantly, to socialize with other dogs and dog owners.

This proposal suggests

that one be built in Citrus Springs. It would essentially place the only two dog parks in the county on completely opposite ends — not really central to anyone. A \$64,000, 2.5-acre dog park in Citrus Springs may not be the solution. But it is safe to say that proposal exposes a need within our community — more places for the thousands of dog people out there to allow their dogs to freely roam, play, and socialize with other dogs. The more a dog is socialized the less likely they are to be aggressive or have behavioral problems and the less likely they are to become shelter dogs.

Dogs are an increasingly important part of our society. Citrus County parks should consider how to better incorporate pets into the facilities they offer. If a large dog park

placed at one end of the county isn't a viable solution, then perhaps a plan to add smaller dog areas to more parks across the county could be accommodated. This would allow more people to use dog park facilities and potentially just reallocate current land within already established parks. Even if those spaces, at the beginning, were simply fenced in areas with a few benches, it would allow for dogs to run freely off leash and for their humans to meet more of their neighbors who share a common interest. It's a win-win for everyone.

Kudos to the citizen who brought the proposal up to the Board of County Commissioners. Even if that original plan doesn't fly, it gives space and motivation for others to brainstorm

and create solutions to meet the needs and desires of our citizens.

Either way, it seems that dogs are here to stay as an even more important part of our social fabric than ever before. We should have more spaces for them to be a part of our community.

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Fires happen a lot in Citrus

I'm calling in reference to the (Wednesday, May 19, front-page) article, "Blaze from fire pit destroys Inverness home." Well, this isn't the first time. I was just in touch with a friend a couple days ago and this just happened a few days ago where her neighbors were trying to smoke a mole out of a hole and lost control of the fire and the fire came within 10 to 12 feet



of her horse stable and her home. Now I understand these people lost their home. ... The fire department came out to my friend's place, OK, and they talked to the neighbor and told them about fire safety. Well, telling them about fire safety — what does that amount to? This happens a lot here in Citrus County...

Hope they are put on sewer

I have a concern about the Wyld Palms

development seeking approval in Inverness and changing their original plat idea to 178 single-family homes with 62 condominiums. With everyone trying to get onto sewer, my concern is will this development be forced to be on sewer or are they going to put everybody on septic tanks to continue polluting the lakes and our aquifer? That is my main concern.

Less density, planning needed

(Re the May 20, Page A7 editorial, "Development Dilemma," "Proposed RV park leaves

question marks"): Hundreds of trailers instead of a golf course on a busy intersection? I mean, I understand that our representatives do not care about infrastructure. They'll build anything anywhere just so they can increase some taxes. A prime example is the new Wawa at (U.S.) 19 and (State Road) 44. Absurd, totally dangerous — no way it should have been approved. The comprehensive plan calls for no multifamily west of (U.S.) 19. We know it floods, so why would they even consider these giant, temporary aluminum structures

that are going to come and go and just destroy our resources further? We need real leadership, less density and smart planning.

Prices are rising sky high

Wanted you to know I was in (a grocery store) this morning and I don't know how people are going to live. Everything doubled in price and some of the things were tripled in price. This is a shame. They're really taking advantage of the public. I hope you print this, because this is a shame. What are people going to

do that are on fixed incomes and Social Security? What are they going to do, starve? It's a shame.

Hospice workers are lifesavers

My husband just died after a very brief but terrible illness. Friends encouraged me to call Hospice. Vitas Hospice services came the same day I called and set up equipment and continuous nursing care until he died. These people saved my life. They were wonderful. I cannot ever express my appreciation enough, Vitas Hospice Healthcare Services, thank you.

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Chevy, Ford-Lincoln and Jeep dealerships to the Jenkins group from Ocala. I joined the Chronicle in 1978 and Steve started up the Crystal Chevy store in the early 1980s, so we have spent many decades working together. It was in the mid-1980s, at the urging of Sugarmill Woods resident Wilson Burns, that we helped get the United Way of Citrus County up and going. Steve was the salesman and I was the promoter; and together

we launched the first fundraising campaign. We will both admit that we stumbled and bumbled along as we tried to figure out how to make the campaign succeed. It did, and 35 years later the United Way is still going strong. I hope readers understand the community strength that local businesses bring to the table. Over the years, you have seen the Crystal logo as a sponsor of almost every public event in our community. You have seen that same logo on the shirts of little league baseball teams, soccer teams and cheerleading squads.

I have never seen Amazon.com listed as a sponsor of a local event or team. Apple has never supported the county fair or the football team. Amazon did not help create the Citrus County United Way, build the new Citrus County YMCA or lead the Community Food Bank of Citrus County. But Steve and Jewel Lamb helped make all those things happen. Running one of the largest business enterprises in our community is impressive enough. But leading our community as volunteers and benefactors is what will still be making a difference

for generations to come. ■ And speaking of making a difference, the Chronicle had the sad and joyous role of announcing last week that Joanna Castle is stepping down as the leader of the Citrus County YMCA. Joanna is just finishing a decade as the leader of the YMCA and she was the top dog as we raised the funds and constructed the facility on County Road 486 in Lecanto. Joanna is not leaving the YMCA; she has been promoted. She will become the head of philanthropy for the Suncoast YMCA and will be responsible for raising funds for eight

different branches from Clearwater to Citrus County. It is a much bigger job and her fundraising success in Citrus County has given her the experience needed. Nevertheless, her exit is a loss for our community because her leadership style has made the YMCA the friendliest place in town. One of my fondest memories of Joanna's leadership style was evident in May of 2016 when we had the grand opening for the Citrus County YMCA. Hundreds of people showed up for the event and Joanna was dressed

appropriately. Just as things were going to get started, I believe some child threw up on the floor of the foyer and created a mess. Instead of flipping out, Joanna grabbed a mop and bucket and cleaned up the mess herself. No job was beneath her and everyone who worked for her knew that. She has made our community a better place to live by her leadership. Gerry Mulligan is the publisher of the Chronicle. Email him at gmulligan@chronicleonline.com.

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would frequently tell my wife that the Crystal River was a "hidden gem" waiting to be discovered — but certainly in need of some polishing. Of course, this was before Town Square was built. It preceded many of the downtown businesses and even our beautiful murals. Much of this has taken place since 2019. Looking back, our city has been discovered and is now thriving. Personally, the city's unique characteristics and potential was so

inspirational that I decided to take the city's planning position. I want to be a part of the future as this great little town continues to grow up. When folks name the cities throughout Florida that we all love and cherish, the ones that we visit to walk around the downtown or waterfront, we find that nearly all of them have gone through a community planning process known as a charrette. The city of Crystal River is hosting its Civic Master Plan Community Design Charrette from June 21-25. A charrette is a fancy French word that planners use to describe a

weeklong, collaborative process of public workshops, open houses, and working sessions in which the citizens quite literally help to design the future of the city. It is a creative and sometimes intense process that is open to everyone. This means working adults, parents, older teenagers, those who are retired, those who own or rent their home, as well as anyone who frequents the city — for example a cyclist who rides through downtown and wishes to provide input. You can sign up or garner information about the week's events at https://crystalrivercivicmaster

plan.com/. The city's leaders have hired one of the very best planning firms in the country, Dover Kohl and Partners (DK&P) to harness the energy and input of our local citizens and establish a "blueprint" for development over the next 25 years. The "hands-on kick-off and design session" will open the event and take place Monday, June 21, at 6 pm. at Crystal River High School. Everyone is invited. I assure you, if you attend this event, you will be hooked and want to participate throughout the week. Crystal River has all of the assets and traits that comprise a great

BE A PARTICIPANT

■ Citrus citizens and frequent visitors of the area are invited to participate in a series of meetings to voice opinion on the future design of the city of Crystal River. Sign up to participate at https://crystalrivercivicmasterplan.com/.

waterfront city. However, unlike many other communities, Crystal River still has its authenticity, whether it is the number of family-owned restaurants, the fishermen who go out daily to haul in their "commercial" catch, or the unique "mom and pop" stores that line our streets and literally pay the family's bills. Our city is still authentic, but it has been

discovered. Therefore, we must put forth a plan that allows us to grow while not losing the components that make us unique. ... that make us, US. ...that make us great! Brian Herrmann is the Planning and Community Development Services Director for the City of Crystal River.

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We pledge those dollars will be used for the stated purpose. Let us show county leaders just how serious animal lovers are about supporting a new shelter.

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501(c)(3) organizations that operate in Citrus County with a focus on HEALTH will be eligible to apply this quarter.

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All applications will need to be submitted by Wednesday June 16th, 2021

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Credit score drops happen

When is it OK?

BEV O'SHEA
NerdWallet

If you've worked hard to achieve and maintain a good credit score, it can be upsetting to see it drop. But "life happens, and sometimes how you react is going to blow back and affect your credit score," says credit expert John Ulzheimer. People lose jobs, cars break down and pipes leak. Credit may be your safety net.

Painful as it may be, there are times when taking actions that hurt your score are prudent for your overall finances.

WHEN YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY EXPENSE

If you have a big, unexpected expense that exceeds your emergency savings, using your credit cards to cover it can be a decent option.

You may have some temporary score damage from having a high balance on your card for a while. It's generally best to keep balances below 30% of your credit limit, and of course, paying in full every month is ideal. But the damage from a high balance should fade as new, lower balances are reported to credit bureaus.

Don't beat yourself up for not having saved enough. Emergencies don't necessarily match up with when you've saved enough, nor do they come one at a time. Cary Siegel, the author of "Why Didn't They Teach Me This in School?", strongly recommends developing a budget and building an ample emergency fund so you're protected in the future.

WHEN YOU'RE STRUGGLING TO COVER ESSENTIAL EXPENSES

Sometimes a crisis, such as income loss, makes it impossible to cover living expenses. Then, sacrificing a credit score is the lesser of two evils, Ulzheimer says. If you have to choose between paying your credit card on time and keeping the utilities on, keeping your family safe is more important.

If possible, try to make the minimum payment on your credit card before it's 30 days overdue. Your credit card issuer won't be happy and you'll probably have to pay a late fee. But creditors can't report you to the credit bureaus until your payment is 30 days past the due date.

If you don't pay in that 30-day window, the creditor can report your account delinquent. That negative mark on your credit report will badly damage your score, and only time will undo the damage. It will stay on your credit report for up to seven years, although the effect fades over those years.

Siegel advises getting in touch with creditors and explaining what happened, when you will be back on your feet and how you plan to repay them. They may be willing to give you more

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MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle file

Logglyggers Sports Pub and Grill in Crystal River's bar manager and bartender Erica Rhodes pours red sangria Friday afternoon, May 14. Businesses like Logglyggers are struggling to fill open employment positions.

Economy is looking up

I cannot help but feel more optimistic about the economy going forward.

I admit, during those dark days when the pandemic was in full force, I started listening to the dire forecasts of doom and gloom.

And yes, several local businesses did not survive the lockdowns. Many were long-established restaurants and stores that will only live in our memories.

But when I looked at the unemployment statistics that came out recently, I was pleasantly surprised how the jobless numbers have not only increased since last year but are going up faster than I (or many) thought.

■ In April 2020, the county's unemployment rate was 15.5%. This past April, it was 6.2%.

■ Last year, 44,820 Citrus Countians were in the labor force. This April, there were 48,749 — an 8.8% jump.

■ Last April, 37,888 people were employed. This past April, 45,731 (20%) more people were working.



Michael D. Bates
MIKE'S MUSINGS

■ In April 2020, there were 6,932 people unemployed in Citrus County. This April, 3,018 are without a job, a 56% reduction.

There appears to be no shortage of jobs in Citrus County. Restaurants and stores are having a difficult time trying to attract employees due, in part, to the attractive bonuses doled out by the federal government for those preferring to stay at home.

But with those perks ending, look for many of these open jobs to be filled.

Citrus County is better-positioned than other areas because the tourism trade never really tanked.

Thanks to the county's abundant outdoor activities, many in-state residents flocked here to watch manatees, scallop or cycle on the beautiful trails — all socially distanced events that made people comfortable during the pandemic.

County commissioners recently approved a sign-on bonus program to

help entice workers.

The program is available to all local businesses with 75 or fewer full-time or part-time workers. Jobs to be filled must be full-time positions that pay \$15/hour or less. The newly hired workers must work for the employer for 90 days to qualify to receive the \$1,000 sign-on bonus.

This program has taken much heat from critics who question why people have to be paid to stimulate them to come back to work after being furloughed so long.

Rusty Skinner said there is nothing you can do about people who will intentionally scam the system.

But he is hopeful the majority of unemployed folks are honest and legitimately want a job and this is a good way to get them back in the workforce.

I agree with Rusaw.

There will always be bad apples but in Citrus County, I like to think there are more good eggs.

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

Business leaders discuss community growth



Special to the Chronicle

At an Inverness Business Leaders (IBL) meeting, May 25, Commissioner Jeff Kinnard updated local business leaders on current and future issues facing the county due to the current rapid growth. IBL meets monthly at Grand Living at Citrus Hills. For questions, call 352 697-2288.

BUSINESS DIGEST

Register for the next ServSafe class

The University of Florida/IFAS Extension Citrus County is hosting a ServSafe Food Protection manager's certification training at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, July 15, at the UF/IFAS Extension Office, 3650 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 1, in Lecanto. Participants must pre-register by July 1.

The eight-hour class will help managers and staff keep food served to Florida's consumers safer. It is a comprehensive training that provides up-to-date information and current regulations.

The two-hour ServSafe exam is given at the end of the training, which provides a national certification that is good for five years. There is no "test only" option.

Participants should bring valid picture identification and a sack lunch. The cost for the course and exam is \$110. Purchase of the ServSafe manual for \$55 is recommended and is available in English and Spanish. Studying the manual prior to attending the class is recommended.

Masks are required per CDC guidelines. To register online, visit tinyurl.com/z6dp7jt. For questions, call 352-527-5700.

Make an appointment for utility bill assistance

Citrus County Housing Services opened an automated appointment system for their Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LI-HEAP). The new phone number is 424-389-4290.

Citrus County LIHEAP helps low-income residents with their home heating and cooling costs. The LI-HEAP automated system helps residents schedule a home energy assistance appointment and obtain information regarding the program and required documents.

Appointments are scheduled up to two weeks in advance.

LIHEAP is funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and has been established to help qualifying low-income homeowners and renters by paying for a portion of their utility costs.

LIHEAP is not designed to pay a household's total energy costs, but to provide supplemental assistance. Applications for LIHEAP are accepted by appointment only.

For questions, call 352-527-7520 between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Chamber Connection

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Chamber Business Expo Back in September!

The Chamber of Commerce is THRILLED to announce the 2021 Business Expo is returning to the Citrus County Auditorium this SEPTEMBER!!! Over 50 local businesses will be on-site, Saturday, September 18th, 2021.

The premier business expo of Citrus County presents an opportunity for businesses to meet

new clients, create new working relationships, and make community connections. Open to the public, free to attend, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, September 18th, 2021.

And back by popular demand in 2021, the Money Machine!!! A goodie bag (LIMITED SUPPLY SO DON'T BE LATE) will be given to the guests as they enter

the auditorium on Saturday morning. Included in the goodie bag, a chance drawing ticket for the opportunity to be randomly selected to step up and cash grab. Also, chance drawing tickets will be drawn throughout the event day for give-away items donated by our sponsors, businesses, and community. A DJ, kids' activities, DIY demos, and

health talks are just a few of the FUN activities for ALL AGES!

The Chamber Business Expo is a great opportunity to show off what YOU, our local businesses, have to offer, make contacts within the business and Citrus County Community, and mingle with fellow business leaders, building important relationships within our very own

Citrus County!

Don't delay, REGISTER TODAY! Follow the link: <https://tinyurl.com/2021BusinessExpo> and don't miss out on the best business expo in Citrus County. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. Contact Janet Mayo at Janet@CitrusCountyChamber.com or call 352-795-3149 for more information.

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.

Charlie's Creamery and Sweets

352-247-6250



Welcome to the Chamber, Charlie's Creamery and Sweets! 202 Tompkins St, Inverness. Charlie's features hand mixed, super premium award-winning ice cream, paired with freshly made bakery treats from scratch and other treats!

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Chamber Luncheon to address the state of the County, Cities

We are excited to welcome County Administrator, Randy Oliver; Crystal River City Manager, Ken Frink; and Inverness City Manager, Eric Williams as our keynote June luncheon speakers to give an update on the state of our county and cities. Our guests will give individual, panel-style, updates with an open dialogue portion to allow for attendee questions. The luncheon will be held on June 11th from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Plantation on Crystal River.

Thank you to our June Luncheon sponsor, SCORE Nature Coast.

Call Janet to make your reservations at 352-795-3149. Walk-ins will not be available. \$20 for Chamber members; \$25 for non-members.



Randy Oliver



Ken Frink



Eric Williams

Citrus Sign-On Bonus Program

Citrus County small businesses have a new option that may boost their ability to attract workers to fill their open positions: The Citrus Sign-On Bonus Program

The program is available to all local businesses with 75 or fewer full-time or part-time workers. Jobs to be filled must be full-time positions that pay \$15/hour or less. The newly hired workers must work for the employer for 90 days to qualify to receive the \$1,000 sign-on bonus.

To participate, employers must post the jobs they

seek to fill through CareerSource. Likewise, employees must apply for the job through CareerSource. Following 90-day of successful employment, employers will invoice CareerSource for reimbursement of the bonus.

Funding for the bonus program comes from \$70,000 in CARES funds that were set aside by the County for economic development uses aimed at boosting the workforce affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. An additional \$30,000 has been allocated to the Citrus County YMCA to provide daycare

scholarships for parents in the same workforce category.

If you are a business that would like to participate in the program, go to the CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion website at <https://careersourceclm.com/> and click on the Citrus County Sign On Bonus link.

Workers who are interested in learning more about job opportunities under the program should reach out to CareerSource at the Citrus County location at 683 South Adolph Point, Lecanto, FL, 34461 or call (352)249-3278.

'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").



Steve Schurdell



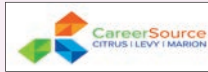
Lisa White, Robert Carte

This week, host Jade White, Chamber Public Relations & Communication Coordinator, talks with Steve Schurdell, Managing Partner of Citrus 95.3/The Fox 96.7/Naturecoast Country 103.3 and 104.3, about the history of our local stations, the changes they have seen over the years, and their upcoming Zoso concert in partnership with Just Amuse Me! Entertainment Center.

Jade also speaks with Lisa White, owner of Mamas Kuntry Kafe, and Robert Carte, manager of Mamas Kuntry Kafe, about their recent relocation and a spotlight of their menu and downhome southern atmosphere.

Chamber Report is your ticket to the many happenings in Citrus County!

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Hoffman Chiropractic celebrates ribbon cutting

Hoffman Chiropractic and Wellness of Inverness, recently celebrated their ribbon cutting. First row from left are: Linda Bega, councilmember; Sherri Hoffman, owner; Kevin Hoffman, owner; Debra Riggs; Jacquie Hepfer, councilmember; Robin Witley; and Susan Jackson, city clerk. Second row from left are: Dave Ryan, councilmember; Bob Plaisted, mayor; Eric Williams, city manager; Cabot McBride, councilmember; Victoria White, congressional staff; Kevin Hepfer; and Shelia Densmore, city staff.

Special to the Chronicle

CREDIT

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time, and you may be able to prevent damage from a potential late payment or negotiate a lower interest rate, he says. And asking can't hurt.

WHEN MONEY IS ON THE WAY

Siegel, the father of five young adults, cautions against an over-reliance on credit. But he's willing to make an exception for when income is imminent but bills are already here. A tax refund or payment for freelance work falls

into this category.

If you know money is coming, credit can be a bridge until it arrives. Be prepared for a score ding as long as you are running a high credit card balance, then look for a rebound as you get it back down.

WHEN STARTING OR INVESTING IN A BUSINESS

Investing in a business is another time you may choose to use your credit, but keep the risks in mind. Siegel says that there should be a clear, detailed business plan that's much more specific than a great idea.

A good or excellent credit score might mean you qualify for an introductory 0% rate on a credit

card. Or, you may have plenty of room on your existing credit cards to temporarily run a higher balance than you do normally.

"That could be a scenario that makes sense as long as you have a plan and the ability to know when it's time to stop this — this isn't working (as) I envisioned it," says Tom Quinn, vice president of FICO Scores, a credit scoring and data company. It can be tempting to go all-in, but don't let a business idea threaten your overall financial health.

This article was provided to The Associated Press by the personal finance website NerdWallet. Bev O'Shea is a writer at NerdWallet.

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Dissolution Of Marriage Notice

1483-0613 SUCRN
Brandon Christopher Johnson 2021-DR-254
Dissolution of Marriage
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO: 2021-DR-254

BRANDON CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON
Petitioner,
and
DONNA ELIZABETH CARSON,
Respondent,

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: **Donna Elizabeth Carson**
30079 W. Lake Mack Rd.
Deland, FL 32720

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to Brandon Christopher Johnson whose address is 2376 S. Nolen Terr., Inverness, FL 34452 on or before June 22, 2021, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mailing and E-mailing Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the address(es) on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Angela Vick, Clerk of Court and Comptroller
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

Dated: 3/5/2021
(COURT SEAL)

By: /s/ L. Pickett, Deputy Clerk

Published May 23 & 30 and June 6 & 13, 2021

Self Storage Notices

1486-0606 SUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Hernando Storage intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under the Hernando Storage, Storage Facility Act Statutes. The owner will sell at public sale on **June 15th, 2021 at 2 PM** at Hernando Storage, 1274 East Norvell Bryant Highway, Hernando, FL 34442. Website for auction is www.lockerfox.com. Property will be sold for cash only. Unit must be cleaned out within 48 hrs. of purchase.

Roland Bradford Unit 1012 Unit contents seem to be bags, boxes, totes, books, chairs, chest, clothes, dresser, grill, hamper, mirrors, pictures, tools, coffee table, pool table light, Native American decor, propane deep fryer burner stand, jewelry boxes among other various items.

Published May 30 & June 6, 2021

Misc. Notices

1497-0606 SUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Southwest Florida Water Management District has received Environmental Resource permit application number **824140** from **STONEBROOK COMMUNITY, L.L.C., 27777 Franklin Road Suite 200, Southfield, MI 48034** Application received: **April 28, 2021**. Proposed activity: **Manufactured Home Park**.

Project name: **Stonebrook – Phase 3**. Project size: **1.86 acres**. Location: Section(s) **15** Township **19 South**, Range **17 East**, in **Citrus** County. Outstanding Florida Water: **No**. Aquatic preserve: **No**. The application is available for public inspection Monday through Friday at 7601 U.S. Highway 301 North, Tampa, Florida 33637 or through the "Application & Permit Search Tools" function on the District's website at www.watmatters.org/permits/.

Interested persons may inspect a copy of the application and submit written comments concerning the application. Comments must include the permit application number and be received within 14 days from the date of this notice.

If you wish to be notified of intended agency action or an opportunity to request an administrative hearing regarding the application, you must send a written request referencing the permit application number to the Southwest Florida Water Management District, Regulation Bureau, 7601 U.S. Highway 301 North, Tampa, Florida 33637 or submit your request through the District's website at www.watmatters.org. The District does not discriminate based on disability. Anyone requiring accommodation under the ADA should contact the Regulation Bureau at (813)985-7481 or (1800)836-0797, TDD only 1(800)231-6103.

Published June 6, 2021

Lien Notices

1498-0606 SUCRN
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the vehicle(s) below under Florida Statutes 713.78. The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the premises where said vehicle(s) have been stored and which is located at Adam's Towing & Recovery, LLC, 4212 W Hwy 44 Lecanto, FL 34461, the following:

DOS:06.18.21@8AM
2000 NISS VIN#JN1CA31D2YT543554
2014 FIAT VIN#3C3CFFBR7ET250232
DOS:06.21.21@8AM
2000 CHEV VIN#1GCEC14WXYE113311
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DOS:06.27.21@8AM
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DOS:06.30.21@8AM
2004 FORD VIN#2FTRF17204CA48471
DOS:07.02.21@8AM
2016 RAM VIN#1C6RR6LMBGS243236
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DOS:07.06.21@8AM
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Published June 6, 2021

Meeting Notices

1495-0606 SUCRN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
HERNANDO/CITRUS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will conduct a public meeting on Thursday, June 17, 2021, beginning at 1:30 p.m., at the Lecanto Government Building, 3600 West Sovereign Path, Room 166, Lecanto, Florida.

- Social Distancing Required - Persons must maintain 6 feet from each other while waiting to enter the Lecanto Government Building and during their stay in the Building.
- Face Coverings — Are not required but suggested.

Items scheduled on the agenda include, but are not limited to:

- 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Amendment
- FDOT Presentation - US 301 from Pasco County Line to SR 50
- FY 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Adoption
- FY 2022/2023 List of Priority Projects (LOPP) for Adoption
- Kimley Horn and Associates - Phase II Authorization for the Congestion Management Program
- Meeting Summary and Issue List from May 13, 2021, MPO meeting
- Interlocal Funding Agreement

Approximately one week prior to the meeting the meeting agenda may be viewed online at: www.hernandocounty.us and/or www.hernandocounty.us/hernandocitrusmpo.

The public is encouraged to attend. Any questions concerning this public meeting should be directed to Mr. Steve Diez, MPO Executive Director, Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization, 1661 Blaise Drive, Brooksville, FL, 34601, telephone (352) 754-4082, extension 28013, or email mpo@hernandocounty.us.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) with regard to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, said person will need a record of the proceeding, and that, for such purpose, said person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based, Section 286.0105 F.S.

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 Mary Glancy, (352) 527-5363 no later than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the proceedings. If hearing impaired, please call 1-800-676-3777 for assistance at least 2 days prior to the meeting.

Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization
/s/ Steve Diez
MPO Executive Director

Published June 6, 2021 MPO 21-22

1496-0606 SUCRN PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Citrus County Code Compliance will conduct its monthly Special Master Hearing on **Wednesday, June 16, 2021 @ 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.

Si necesita un traductor de español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de dos días de la notificación de la publicación 352-527-5370.

English Translation: (If you need a Spanish Translator please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at 352-527-5370).

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.

CHRISTIAN W. WAUGH,
SPECIAL MASTER CITRUS COUNTY CODE COMPLIANCE

Published June 6, 2021

Fictitious Name Notices

1499-0606 SUCRN

Notice under Fictitious Name Law, pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

SARA'S MAGICKAL LIFE
located at **8717 E MAGNOLIA ST** in the County of **CITRUS**, in the City of **FLORAL CITY, FL 34436-3275** intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, FL.

Dated at **FLORAL CITY, Florida**, this **JUNE** day of **03, 2021**.
DENNY, SARA
Owner
Published June 6, 2021

1500-0606 SUCRN

Notice under Fictitious Name Law, pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

DREAM KITCHENS AND BATHS OF CITRUS COUNTY
located at **8010 W GULF TO LAKE HWY** in the County of **CITRUS**, in the City of **CRYSTAL RIVER, FL 34429-7928** intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, FL.

Dated at **CRYSTAL RIVER, Florida**, this **JUNE** day of **03, 2021**.
SOUTHERN PRIDE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC.
Published June 6, 2021

1501-0606 SUCRN

Notice under Fictitious Name Law, pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

TREE SOLUTIONS
located at **335 W GLENHAVEN DR** in the County of **CITRUS**, in the City of **CITRUS SPRINGS, FL 34434-8027** intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, FL.

Dated at **CITRUS SPRINGS, Florida**, this **JUNE** day of **03, 2021**.
TURF TREADERZ, LLC
Published June 6, 2021

1502-0606 SUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE
Fictitious Name

Notice under Fictitious Name Law. pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

TROY'S FLOORING SOLUTIONS
located at 2488 N. Todd Pt., Hernando, FL 34442 in the County of Citrus, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, FL.

Dated at Inverness, FL, this 3rd day of June, 2021.
/s/ Troy J. McKee
Owner
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JANE WEBER/Special to the Chronicle

Inside this week:

Jane's Garden

Jane looks at drought-tolerant plants./Page E6

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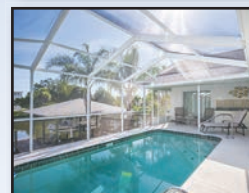
TEXT 130332 TO 35620 FOR ELECTRONIC BROCHURE

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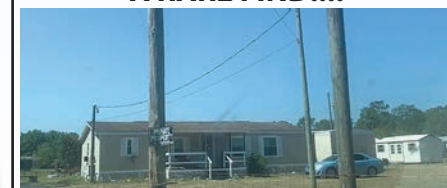
5.20 acres. Unknown condition of mobile. **Tenant occupied.**

Call to make an appointment.

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A RARE FIND!!!!



TEXT 195039 TO 35620 FOR ELECTRONIC BROCHURE

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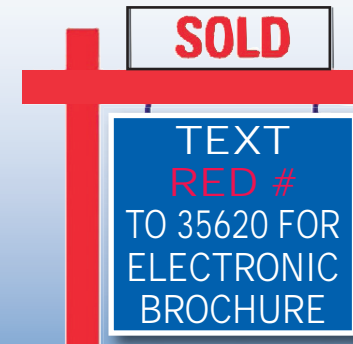
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HomeFront BRIEF

Construction spending posts modest 0.2% gain in April

WASHINGTON — U.S. construction spending rose a modest 0.2% in April as strength in housing offset further weakness in nonresidential construction.

The April increase followed a much stronger 1% gain in March which was revised up from an initial estimate of a slight 0.2% advance. The April increase pushed construction to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$1.52 trillion in April, 9.8% higher than a year ago, the Commerce Department reported Tuesday.

Through the first four months of this year, construction activity is 5.8% higher than the same period in 2020.

Home building, a standout performer over the past year, rose 1% in April and is now 29.7% higher than a year ago, underscoring how strong home construction has been in the past year. Construction of single-family homes was up 1.3% in April and apartment construction rose 1.9%.

Nonresidential construction fell 0.5% in April and is 4.8% below the level of a year ago. With the lockdowns over the past year, developers have struggled with cancellations of commercial projects as businesses had more employees work from home. That is a trend many see continuing, reducing the need for more office space.

Spending on government building projects fell 0.6% in April and is down 2.2% from a year ago, reflecting the construction cutbacks many states and localities have done as tax revenue fell during the pandemic-induced recession. In April, highway construction was up 0.6% from March but down 2.7% from a year ago.

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Power-wash do's and don'ts

KELLY ROBERSON
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A power washer is a versatile machine that can help restore sparkle and shine to a variety of surfaces in your home. If you don't want to invest in your own power washer, they are readily available for rent at home supply and hardware stores. However, before you enthusiastically hook up the hose and douse every surface in a powerful spray, there are some precautions you should take. Here is a helpful guide to power-wash cleaning do's and don'ts.

Be safe when power-wash cleaning.

Before you begin any power-wash job, it's important to protect yourself from the powerful blasts generated by the machine. That includes:

- Wearing the proper protective gear for your face, eyes and hands.
- Staying clear of the nozzle and following all manufacturer's instructions.
- Attaching any accessories before beginning your power-wash cleaning.
- Never leaving the machine unattended.

■ Never pointing the power wash nozzle at people, animals or any surface that's unable to withstand the force of the blast.

Try these tips when power-wash cleaning. A power washer is intended for outside surfaces only. There are some general tips and tricks that can help you use it more efficiently. In general:

- Work from the top to the bottom of a surface so that grime doesn't stain a clean section.
 - Direct water downward, versus straight on or upward, on surfaces. This includes siding, brick or masonry; doing otherwise might force water into cracks or seams.
 - Continue with the power-wash cleaning until the surfaces are free of dirt.
 - Use power wash-appropriate detergent or cleanser on applicable surfaces first, then rinse with a second round of water only from the power washer.
- These are the surfaces that are OK to power-wash clean.
- Brick: A power-wash clean is

good for removing accumulated dirt or stains on walkways and edging; be careful of any loose or chipped spots. For a brick home, repair any cracks in mortar and allow to dry thoroughly before power washing.

In general, surfaces that are not inherently fragile or that have not been treated after manufacturing might be safe for a power-wash clean. Those include:

- Concrete: Sidewalks, driveways and other concrete surfaces are perfect for a power-wash clean.
- Stamped concrete: Consider an application of a concrete sealer to any surfaces that might be subject to moisture damage.
- Concrete pavers: A power-wash clean is great to remove moss or get rid of dirt between joints.
- Cut stone (mortared or not)
- Exterior aluminum, wood and vinyl siding on a home: For painted surfaces, you might want to use a nozzle with less pressure for a power-wash clean.

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Reader's watch chain would be of interest to collectors

Dear John: My wife and I are interested in the value of this chain. It has been sitting in a jewelry box on my dresser for years. I am not sure what side of the family it came from. Before we moved here to Crystal River, an antiques dealer in Toledo, Ohio, where we lived, who purchased our antique table and chairs offered us \$100 for it. But we decided to keep it. Now it has resurfaced, and I would like to know about it and the value. Here are a few photographs of both sides of the chain. As you can see there are four separate oval sections each decorated on one side with a hunting scene and the other side with a fishing scene. The whole thing is

5 1/2 inches long and 1 1/4 inches wide. I look forward to what you can tell me about it. — C.D., internet

Dear C.D.: I appreciate the good clear photographs. What a wonderful pocket watch vest chain. The detail is fantastic. One side has panels with two men fishing in a boat, another has a man fishing at a lake. The top and bottom panels show fishing equipment. The other side has one panel depicting hunters with bird dogs and one panel depicting a hunter shooting at rabbits. The top panel has hunting rifles and the lower panel depicts a successful hunt.

The watch chain appears to be

made of a patinated brass and should never be polished. I think it was made in England circa 1850 to 1870. It is collectible in both the sporting memorabilia and watch fob collecting category. Potential dollar value is \$250 to \$500.

Dear John: I thoroughly enjoy your newspaper articles. I have a wooden box lined in purple satin cloth. Inside it is outfitted to hold a one piece crucifix with attached candle holders and holy water font with a stand to hold the whole thing. The stand says quadruple silver plated and the year '97 on it. There are some other symbols on it. There are also two small plates with linens and candles. Obviously, it is for religious purposes; I am not quite sure what it is called. Can you let me know if this is a collectible item and what value it may have? — T.R., internet

Dear T.R.: You have a sick call

crucifix box. They were often found in 19th century Catholic homes and were carried by priests when attending the needs of the sick at their home.

I suspect your box was manufactured in the United States. They were produced in large quantities during the late Victorian era. If you like, send good clear photographs of the symbols that are on the bottom. I might be able to identify the maker; this might have an effect on dollar value. Generally speaking, they sell at very low prices.

John Sikorski has been a professional in the antiques business for 30 years. Send questions to Sikorski's Attic, P.O. Box 2513, Ocala, FL 34478 or asksikorski@aol.com.

This pocket watch vest chain was likely made in England in the mid-19th century.

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LIVING

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■ **Stucco:** Before you power-wash clean a stucco surface, make sure you have repaired any cracks or chips first.

■ **Wood decks or patios:** If you are going to reseal or restain your deck, a power-wash clean is a good way to remove dirt and grime and prepare the surface. However, test an area with a lower-pressure nozzle to make sure you will not generate splinters or cracks.

■ **Gutters and soffits.**

■ **Wicker and metal outdoor furniture:** Use a low-pressure setting to power-wash clean.

Do not power-wash these surfaces.

■ **Wood outdoor furniture:** Some surfaces might be protected enough to endure a gentle power-wash cleaning, but if you are in doubt about whether a

power-wash clean might damage the surface, use a bucket of soapy warm water and soft rags instead. While a power-wash clean is useful for many outdoor surfaces, the pressure from the nozzle might damage other items.

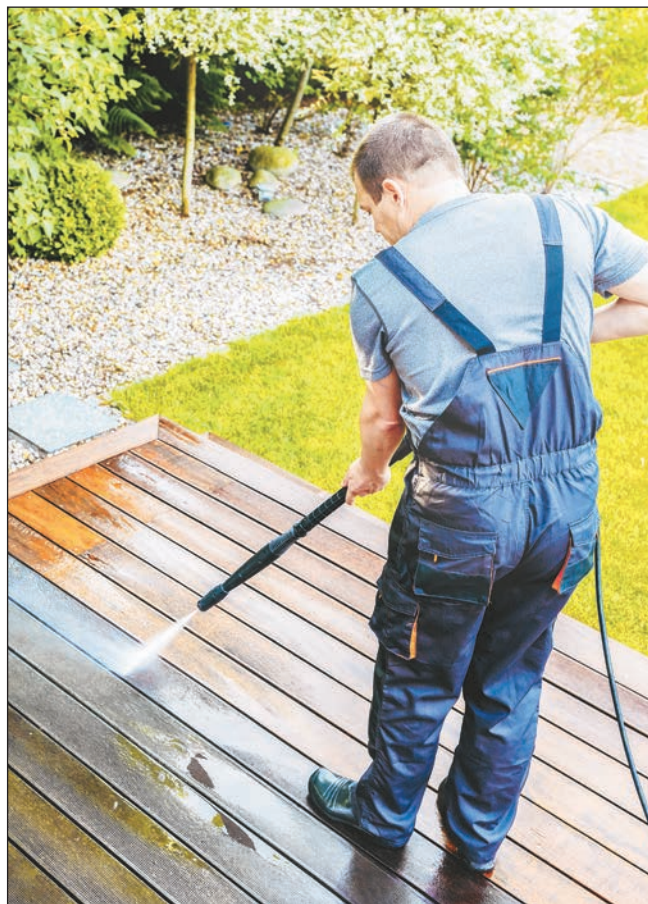
In general, do not power-wash clean:

■ **Any outdoor fabric or cushions:** Follow manufacturer's directions for proper cleaning.

■ **Outdoor umbrellas.**

■ **Resin or plastic furniture:** The construction of these pieces also determines whether a power-wash clean is appropriate. For some, the pressure from a power-wash clean might crack pieces that are less sturdy.

Better Homes and Gardens is a magazine and website devoted to ideas and improvement projects for your home and garden, plus recipes and entertaining ideas. Visit them online at www.bhg.com.



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Before you hook up the hose, there are some precautions you should take.

HomeFront BRIEF

30-year mortgage rate at 2.99%

WASHINGTON — Mortgage rates were flat to higher this week. The benchmark 30-year home loan remained below the 3% mark amid continued positive indications of the economy's recovery from the pandemic recession.

Mortgage buyer Freddie Mac reported Thursday that the average for the 30-year rate rose to 2.99% from 2.95% last week. At this time last year, the average long-term rate stood at 3.18%.

The rate for a 15-year loan, popular among those seeking to refinance, was

unchanged from last week at 2.27%.

In the latest economic news, the government reported that the number of Americans seeking unemployment benefits dropped last week for a fifth straight week, to 385,000, a new pandemic low and additional evidence that the job market is regaining its health as the economy further reopens.

With historically low mortgage rates prevailing, the U.S. housing market has grown so overheated as demand outpaces supply that prices keep hitting record highs.

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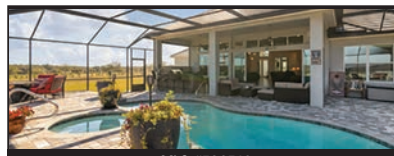
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Drought-tolerant plants in Florida

Homeowners ask, "what are the best drought-tolerant plants for Florida?" Some native and introduced palms, both arborescent tree form and low-growing cluster palms, are cold-hardy and xeric or drought-tolerant. Xeric, native woody trees include deep-rooted pines, 10 sturdy oak species, juniper (red cedar), cherry laurel, sugarberry, scrub hickory and some evergreen hollies, among others. Evergreen, xeric shrubs that evolved in



Jane Weber
JANE'S GARDEN

Florida include Walter's Viburnum, Simpson's Stopper, Ocala Yellow Anise, Conradina rosemary and Garberia. Firebush is a root-hardy xeric flowering shrub, but will die to the ground if frozen north of Central Florida.

Bunchgrasses that survive for months with no rain include Eastern Gamagrass, panicgrass, sea oats, wiregrass and muhlygrass. Wildlife feeds on the seeds of these grasses. Native Coonties and introduced sagos are drought-tolerant, cone-bearing cycads that produce one flush of leaves a year in Central Florida; however, leaves will die when frozen. Native wildflowers like Florida Paintbrush, Liatris, Dune or Beach sunflower, coreopsis, salvias and the nonnative Gillardia blanketflower grow well in sandy, dry, well-drained soils. Succulent cacti, aloe, agave and yuccas are reliable desert and sand dune plants. My

favorite native groundcovers include gopher apple, Phylla frogfruit, blue salvia and sunshine mimosa.

Historically, in peninsular Florida, April and May have virtually no appreciable rainfall. The normal four-month summer rainy season starts in

June. Subtropical Florida is basically a series of sand dunes atop ancient, compacted limestone that formed under shallow warm seas. Stored within this porous limestone, the Floridian aquifer de-

pends on rainfall to recharge freshwater supplies. On average, Florida receives about 54 inches of rainwater annually and has 233 sunny days.

Florida has more than 130 desalination facilities that treat brackish and sea water to make over 140 million gallons daily (MGD) of potable drinking water for its burgeoning population — 21,538,187, according to the 2020 census.

Summer rains refill surface water features like wetlands, lakes, streams and rivers that form in lowland depressions between Florida's dunes. Over time, the plants that evolved to cover the sand dunes developed deep taproots to anchor themselves against high winds and/or wide-spreading but deep surface roots to absorb rainwater. These native plants are drought-tolerant.

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JANE WEBER/Special to the Chronicle

The Asian crinum lilies called 'Stars and Stripes' planted around this rural mailbox bloom once a year from May through June. The dead brown tips of the long leaves are signs of drought. Hand watering weekly in the dry months of April and May would have prevented the drought stress. During Florida's four-month summer rainy season, the green crinum leaves will replenish stores in the underground bulbs for next year's growth and flowers. Divide crinums when dormant and after leaves die in the first frosts of early winter.



There is no irrigation in this corner of Jane's Garden. Existing Longleaf pine, Sand Live Oaks and Turkey Oak trees create high dappled shade and drop pine needles and leaves to naturally cover the sandy soil, add humus, and help retain soil moisture. Behind the pine trunk on the left, a native deciduous oakleaf Hydrangea thrives in the shade and blooms in May. The silver Saw Palmetto in front of the pine helps screen the road from view. In the center, an Eastern Gamagrass surrounds the trunk of a non-native, drought tolerant Laegerstroemia hybrid crapemyrtle that will flower from June through July when the summer rains come. The dense, naturally rounded shrub between the little white statues is the native Schellings Holly, a male plant that flowers in April and May to pollinate the female Weeping Yaupon behind the crapemyrtle.



Most palms are drought-tolerant, but not many are frost-tolerant in cold zones 8b and 9a. On the right, a 10 year old silver-blue South American Pindo Palm, *Butia capitata*, has gracefully curving pinnate fronds (leaves). It will eventually mature no higher than 25 feet tall and provide tasty edible fruit. The native sport Silver saw palmetto, *Serenoa repens*, to its right is a fast-growing, recumbent cluster palm but is not usually arborescent or tree-like. Further right are twined Sabal Palms, *Sabal palmetto*, Florida's state tree, underplanted with a dwarf Scrub Palmetto, *Sabal etonia* — an endemic native palm that never grows an aboveground trunk.



Gopher Apple fruits are called drupes. They are an important food source for birds, Gopher Turtles and other wildlife. Late spring flowers get pollinated by bees, wasps, butterflies, beetles and other insects. The resulting fruit grows plump and green during the rainy season then ripens in mid to late July locally. It is ripe to eat when fruit turns creamy white.



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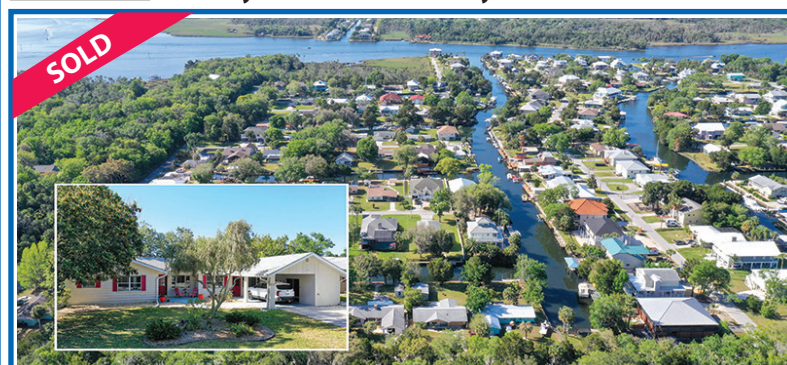
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Unfortunately, developers commonly, thoughtlessly and unnecessarily remove all existing vegetation when building homes, subdivisions, roads and commercial properties. Eliminating all naturally occurring plants and the creatures that depend on intact habitats creates biological deserts. People then plant ornamental, mostly non-native plants that need irrigation with our precious and limited freshwater supply. Americans (North, Central and South) all complain when the Amazonian and Yucatan forests are clear-cut to grow soybeans and palm oil. In Florida (and globally), the expanding human population needs to change its behavior and attitude, rethink and coexist with the natural environment.

Plant growers need to make a living, so they grow a limited selection of plants they can water daily and fertilize to grow quickly to marketable size. These plants must be lightweight, packaged, shipped and handled to get to wholesalers that supply professional landscapers. Transportation is expensive. Big box retail nurseries take plants on consignment. They do not own the plants, but are state-registered to trade in plants. The growers get paid only after

the plants are sold.

The Association of Florida Native Nurseries (FANN.org) has steep membership fees. Its PlantRealFlorida.org lists their member suppliers of native plants and services for residential and retail customers. The Florida Native Plant Society, fnps.org; Florida Wildflower Foundation, flwildflowers.org; Wildflower Seed and Plant Growers cooperative, floridawildflowers.com; and small private local nurseries like my Jane's Garden all are sources of native, drought-tolerant plants.

Big organizations do fine marketing. They are too expensive for the hundreds of state-registered and inspected local growers and nurseries that do not have the desire, volume, or money to market commercial.

Gardeners and plant growers take pleasure and satisfaction from plants, nature and functioning habitats. Homeowners and developers should preserve much of the existing habitats where they chose to live and work. We all can incorporate drought-tolerant and native plants in our landscapes. Everyone can help save and restore a part of our shared planet's ecosystems.

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Making a simple tile backsplash

TIM CARTER
Tribune Content Agency

Q: Tim, in a recent column you got me excited about creating something very unique with ceramic tile. The issue is I'm like you and have stick-people skills when it comes to artistic talent. Doing mosaic tile would be impossible for me. Is there some other way I can create a simple but one-of-a-kind tile look that you might only find in my house? What tips do you have for a beginner like me? — Xenia F., Port Arthur, Texas

A: I love to admire mosaic tile installations of all sizes, but to create one does require a second skill set.

The good news is you can create a one-of-a-kind tile backsplash for your bathroom or kitchen using store-bought tiles. The trick is to go to the right store. In my opinion, your best bet for success is a store that only sells tile and stone. In almost all cases, they'll have a wide variety of specialty tiles that can be combined to create a look similar to mosaic tile.

Many years ago, my wife and I did something similar even though all these wonderful tiles weren't available (or, at least, they weren't to be found in Cincinnati). We used standard 4x4 plain tile for a backsplash but hand-painted some simple flowers on the different blank tiles. We used oil-based paint because it was far more durable than the latex paint of the time. The paint needed to be able to withstand cleaning and not peel or flake off.

It was surprisingly easy to create these painted tiles by just copying some simple flower photos from books. The Internet didn't exist back then. Now, of course, you can pull

up photos of just about anything in seconds. Using fine artist brushes, even the beginner can do a respectable job of re-creating simple images.

An easier way to approach this project is to look for special tiles that have scenes already replicated

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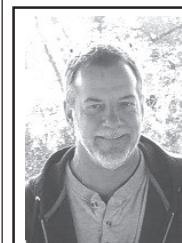


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Once you locate the decorative tile that you'll use, you need to mate it with the field tile that will produce the subtle background. Believe me when I say that you should talk with the manager or a seasoned salesperson at the tile store for inspiration and help. It's possible they'll not only have backsplashes on display, but they may have a gallery of photos provided by customers. Almost all these stores can get any specialty tile you need.

Be sure to talk with the salesperson about scale. Small tile installations — say, something 12 or 14 inches

tall by 30 inches long — scream for smaller tile. Architects are taught all about scale in school. You should take heed and look at displays in the tile store that mimic the area you plan to cover with tile.

Keep in mind that ceramic tile needs to be installed on a surface that's in the same plane. This means the surface is flat with no humps, dips or depressions. Check your wall surface using a straightedge to make sure the surface is flat. Fill in any depressions with joint compound. Prime and paint it before you'd install any tile.

Assuming you're a beginner, it's best for you to use tile that requires no cutting. Take photos of your situation with you to the tile store. Make a drawing with exact measurements of where the tile will go. The tile store employees will help you select something that hopefully will require no cutting.

You'll probably be able to use tile-setting mastic to put the tile on the wall for your backsplash. The tile store

folks will tell you what to use. It's possible you may have to use thinset, but let them guide you. Thinset is a dry powder mix of fine silica sand and Portland cement. You just mix it with water to the consistency of applesauce.

Be aware that thinset can be bought in either gray or white. If you plan to use a transparent glass tile, ask the tile store experts what is the best adhesive to use. Don't forget to get the correct trowel to apply the adhesive. The tile size determines the size of the trowel in almost all cases.

Grouting tile is not hard, but it requires some practice. I have a series of tile-grouting videos at AsktheBuilder.com. You really should watch them. You'd be very wise to create a sandbox test panel with some inexpensive tile and grout it before you chance ruining your one-of-a-kind installation.

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Prime development property in the heart of The Villages. This prime parcel offers 39.27 acres of A1-agricultural land and as per development agreement with Marion County. The subject property has been approved for the development of 256,590 SF of multi-use commercial space, and 78 residential units with endless opportunities await.

MLS #788436 \$3.5M
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FOUR FOR ONE

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- On "Ridge" High and Dry
- 3.6 Acres
- Excellent Schools

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Cell# 352-257-1582
Email: Salutejakob@gmail.com

WATERFRONT - LAKE

**1201 S. TELEPHONE POINT RD.
INVERNESS**

LAKE FRONTAGE! Check out this 4/3 detached garage & detached carport waterfront pool home nestled on a 1-acre lot located in Archwood Est. Subdivision. This home is WIDE OPEN to Big Lake Henderson with a beach waterfront which makes it convenient to swim right from your backyard. It is within minutes from the historic downtown Inverness and all the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.

MLS #801832 \$589,000
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WATERFRONT

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FLORAL CITY**

Check this adorable 3/1 with a 30x40 detached garage with a bonus room upstairs, a 2 car detached carport nestled on a .81-acre lot located in the Withlapooka Island Subdivision, and with amazing water views from your living room or covered boat dock.

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WATERFRONT

**9095 E. SILVER OAKS TR.
INVERNESS**

Look at this 3/3.5 with 3,142 sq. ft. living beautiful pool home with a detached large garage, pole barn and is nestled on 8.24 acres of privacy. This is MUST SEE HOME!

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Look at this 4/2 with 1,916 sq. ft. living of space home located in the Flying Dutchman Est. It has an enclosed lanai with sliding windows with tile flooring.

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Call Deanna Hance 352-502-2048 and schedule your showing appointment today!



W GRYBEK DR., HOMASSA

Build your dream home estate on 6.6 acres that borders the Homosassa Wildlife Management Area. On a natural, deep water canal that leads to Mason Creek and the Gulf of Mexico.

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THE SUNDAY CHRONICLE

June 6, 2021

COMICS

PEANUTS

featuring
"Good ol' Charlie Brown"

by SCHULZ

HERE'S THE WORLD FAMOUS BEAGLE SCOUT LEADING HIS TROOP ON A NATURE HIKE...

AT THIS POINT, WE WILL SEPARATE... EACH WILL GO HIS OWN WAY... WE WILL MEET BACK HERE IN FORTY-FIVE MINUTES

THIS WILL TEACH AND PROMOTE SELF-RELIANCE

6-6

THAT WAS A SHORT FORTY-FIVE MINUTES!

JUST FOR THAT, WE'RE GOING TO TRY IT AGAIN!!!

AND I DON'T WANT TO SEE ANYONE HANGING AROUND MY FEET!

DILBERT

by SCOTT ADAMS
dilbert.com

ANONYMOUS SOURCES TELL ME YOU HAVE BEEN STEALING FROM THE COMPANY.

WELL, FOR ONE THING, I HEAR YOU'RE A THIEF.

ANONYMOUS SOURCES HAVE NO CREDIBILITY.

YOU HEARD THAT FROM THE ANONYMOUS SOURCES THAT HAVE NO CREDIBILITY!

THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT THEY TOLD ME YOU'D SAY.

WHY WOULD THEY LIE TO ME?

WHY DO YOU TRUST THEM OVER ME?

SAME REASON YOU LIE TO ME.

OKAY, THAT MAKES SENSE.

MAAARRRWWNN!!

BY TOM ARMSTRONG

I LOVE BOOKS!

ME TOO

YOU HAVEN'T PICKED UP A BOOK IN AGES

THAT'S NOT TRUE

I PICKED ONE UP YESTERDAY

6-6

YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING

HE USED IT TO KILL A BUG CRAWLING ON THE WALL

Bob Weber Jr.'s SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS

About ten minutes ago, Sir Hound's gold chess set was stolen from his yacht while he was snoozing in his cabin. Shady Shrew insists he couldn't be the thief because he just returned from a twenty-mile cruise around the moonlit bay. What evidence did Slylock Fox uncover that suggests the shrew is lying?

Solution - Slylock noticed the shrew never left the dock. The completely full tank. The outboard motor shows a tank attached to Shady's boat. The fuel gauge on the tank is attached to Shady's boat.

HOW TO DRAW a very early bird

BOB WEBER JR. and SR. 6-6

YOUR DRAWING

Today's terrific artist is Fiona, age 7

Submit your drawing to www.slylockfox.com

Octopuses are about as smart as a ...

- Jellyfish
- Frog
- Lobster
- Gorilla
- Doorknob

Answer - (c)

Spot six differences between these panels.

Answer - Belt loop, fin, bubble, gill, eye and tongue.

For more Spot Six Differences, Slylock Fox and other puzzles and comics go to www.slylockfox.com

Sunday Puzzle Fun

JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

LORALD

LUNFEG

TNRAYO

MSAYUL

DSUBAR

SUCACE

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IT WAS EASY FOR THEM TO LEAVE ON TIME BECAUSE EVERYONE WAS ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mephram Group

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

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Level

1

2

3

4

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

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

GARFIELD

ANDY CAPP

by Smythe

Prince Valiant

BY SCHULTZ AND YEATES

JUMBLE

Answer:

DOLLAR

NOTARY

ABSURD

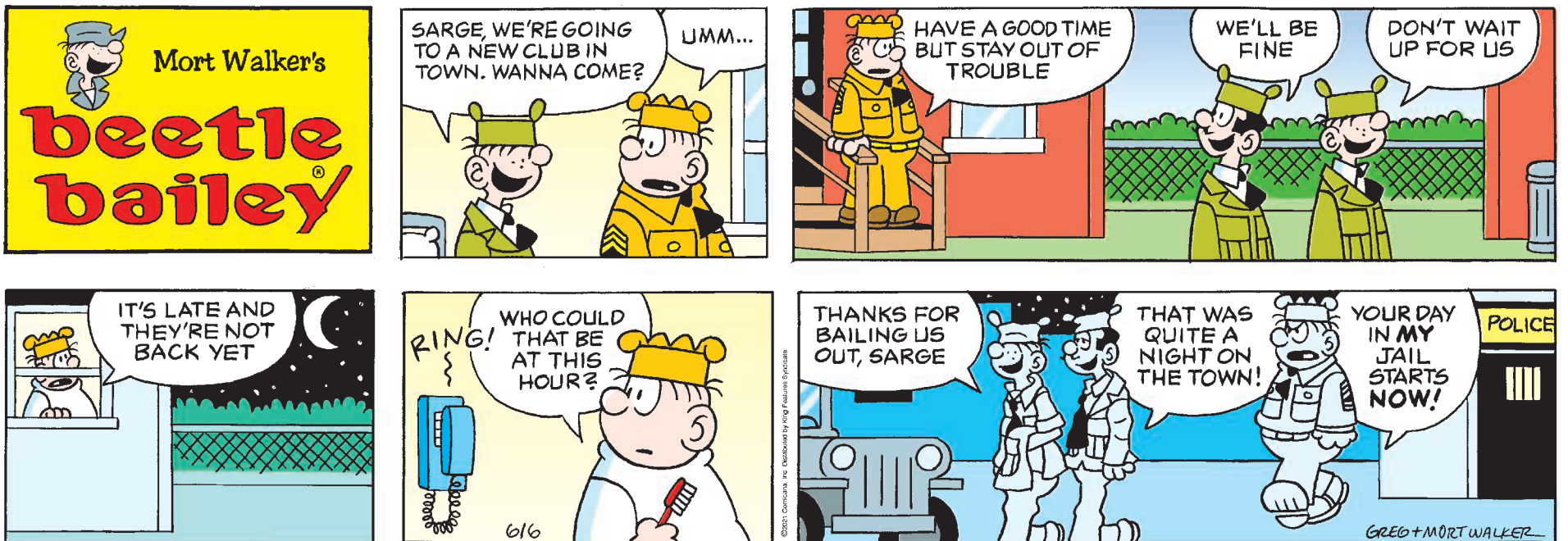
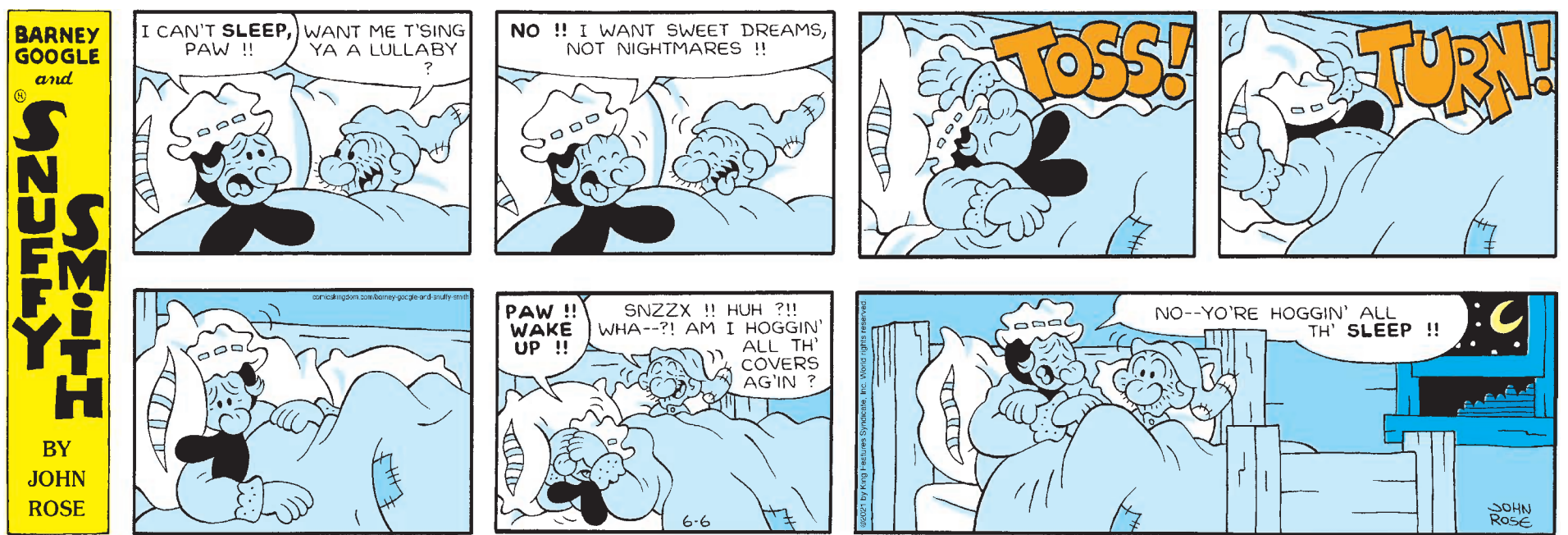
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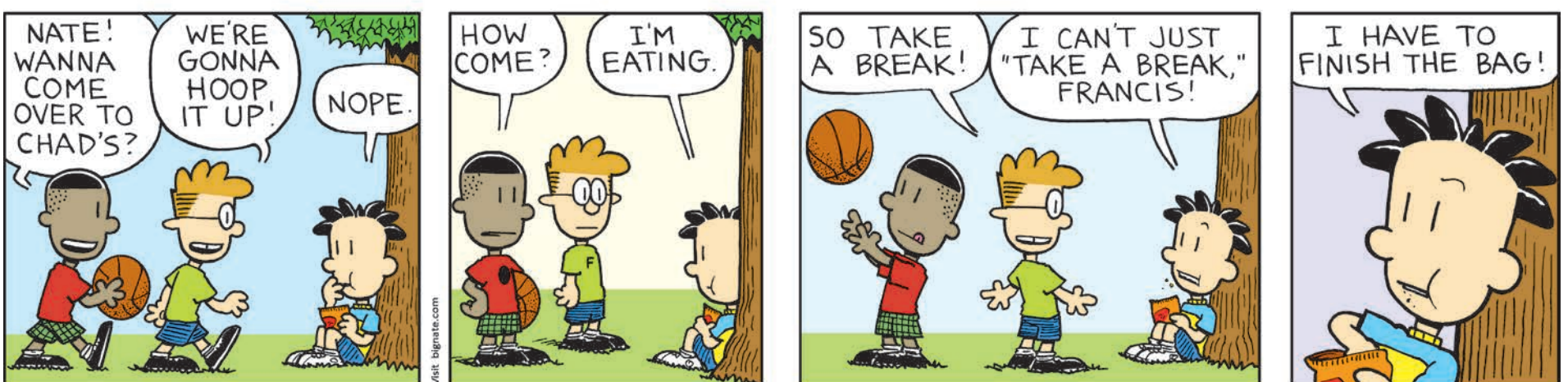
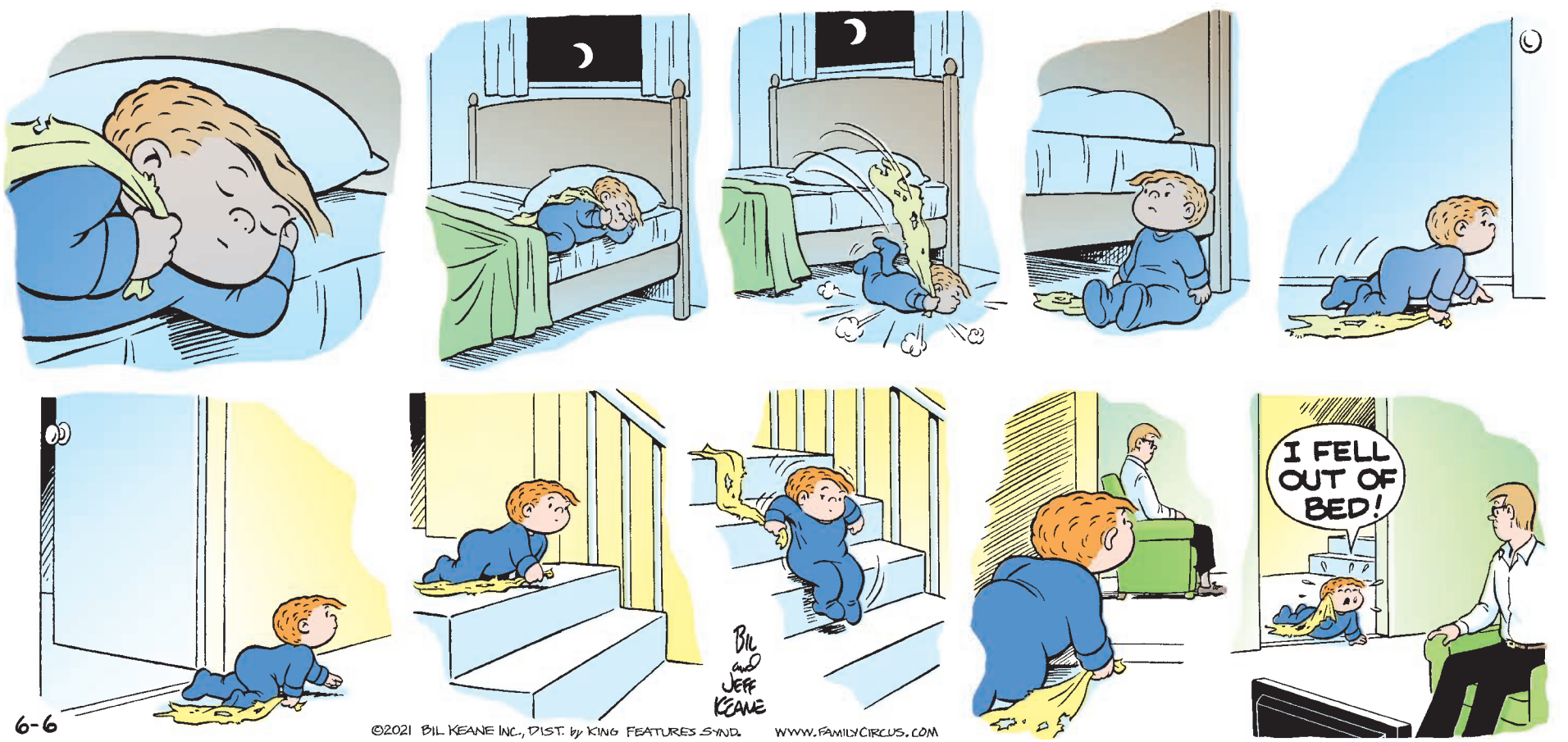
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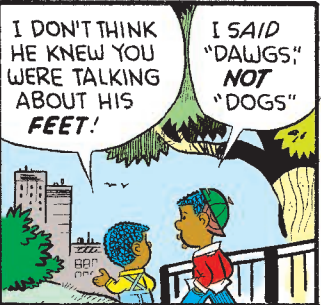
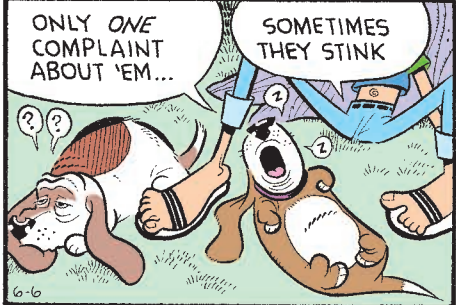
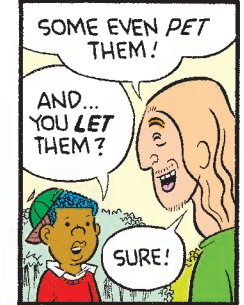
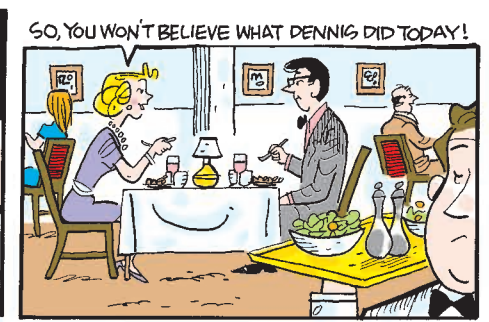
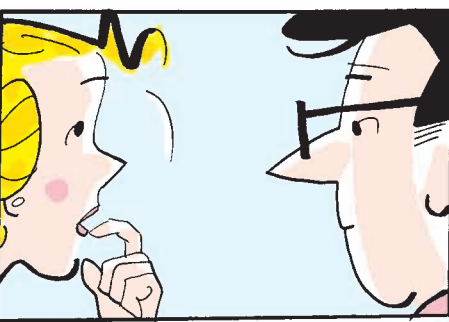
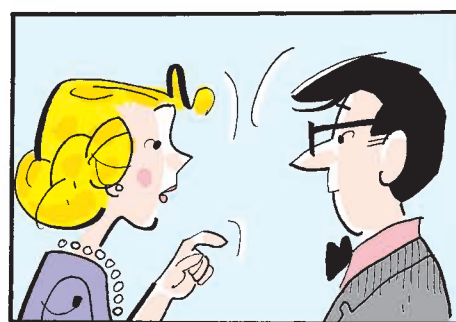
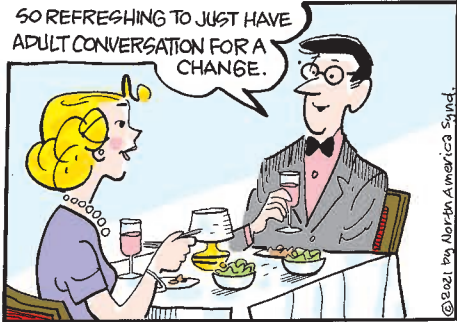
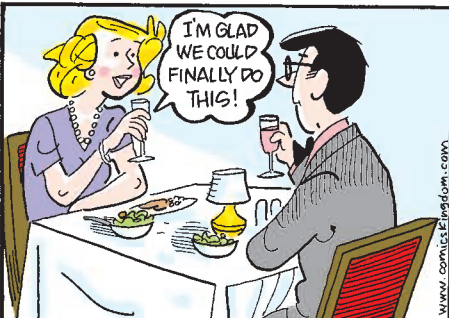
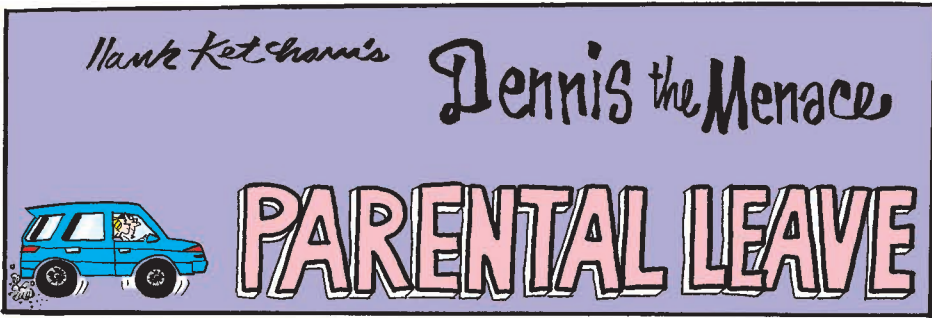
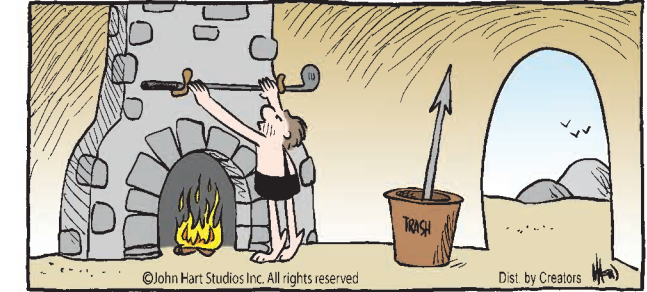
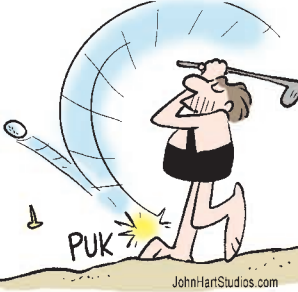
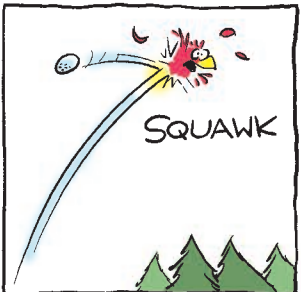
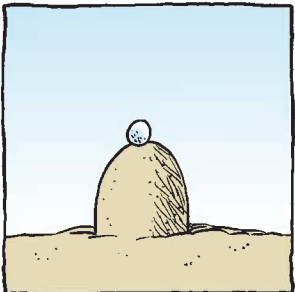
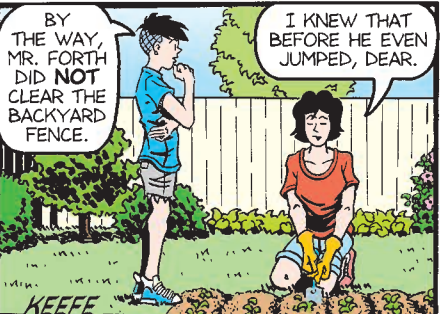
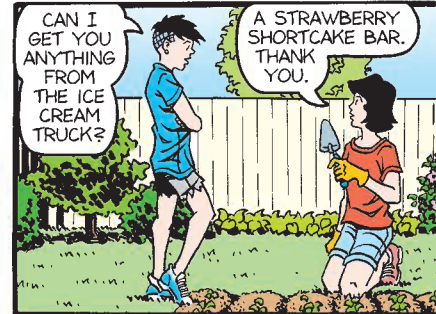
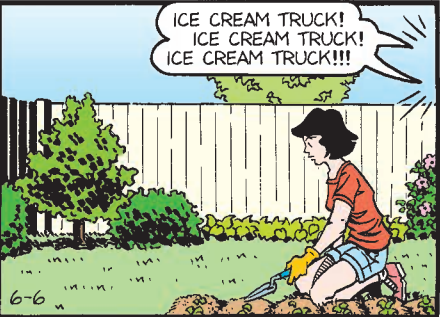
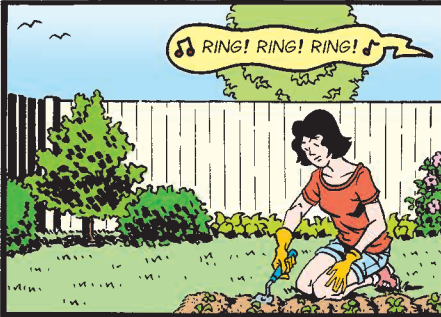
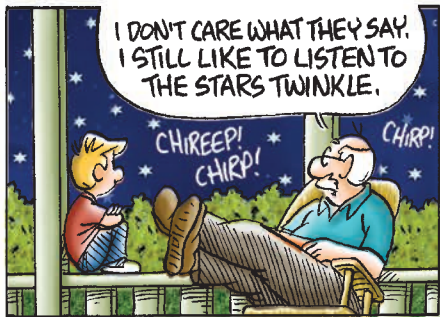
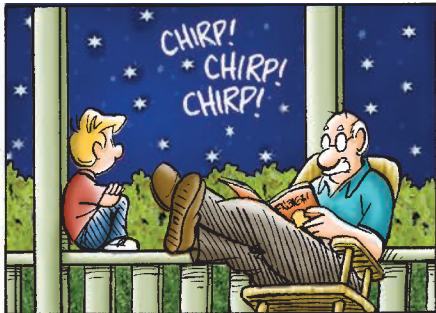
ALREADY
ALL READY



THE FAMILY CIRCUS®

By Bil Keane





Luann

by GREG EVANS

I THOUGHT COMPUTERS WERE GOING TO MAKE US PAPERLESS! SEEMS LIKE I HAVE MORE PAPERWORK THAN EVER! RECEIPTS, BILLS, INVOICES, FORMS, NOTICES! IT MAKES ME CRAZY!

I KNOW WHAT'LL HELP

SOME FRESH AIR! A NICE BREEZE WAVING THROUGH THIS STALE, QUARANTINED HOUSE WILL BLOW AWAY ALL YOUR STRESS

BETTER?

YUP

HAGAR

the horrible
by DIK BROWNE

YOU HAVE TO FEED DRAGONS VERY CAREFULLY. IF THEIR STOMACHS GET UPSET, THEY ...

BURRP

FLY AWAY.

DON'T YOU THINK THIS HIGH-FLYING PLAN IS TOO EXTREME?

NO, NOT FOR THIS IMPORTANT MISSION!

THE ELEMENT OF SURPRISE IS KEY!

WE'RE APPROACHING THE TARGET!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY HELGA

I LOVE YOU!

YES! HAGAR FOR THE WIN!

Wizard of ID

by Hart, Mastroianni and Parker

THEY FIGHT NOT FOR THE LUST OF CONQUEST. THEY FIGHT TO END CONQUEST. THEY FIGHT TO LIBERATE.

~FDR

BLONDIE

by DEAN KURTZ & JOHN MARSHALL

BUMSTEAD, I WANT TO...

IN A MINUTE, BOSS. I'VE GOT SOMETHING REAL IMPORTANT I'VE GOT TO DO

HONEY, MY FIRST CHOICE IS STILL POT ROAST. BUT SHRIMP CREOLE MIGHT BE A NICE CHANGE OF PACE!

Hi and Lois

by BRIAN and GREG WALKER

WHAT ARE YOU LISTENING TO?

MY STREAMING MUSIC SERVICE.

IT'S LIKE THE SOUNDTRACK OF MY LIFE.

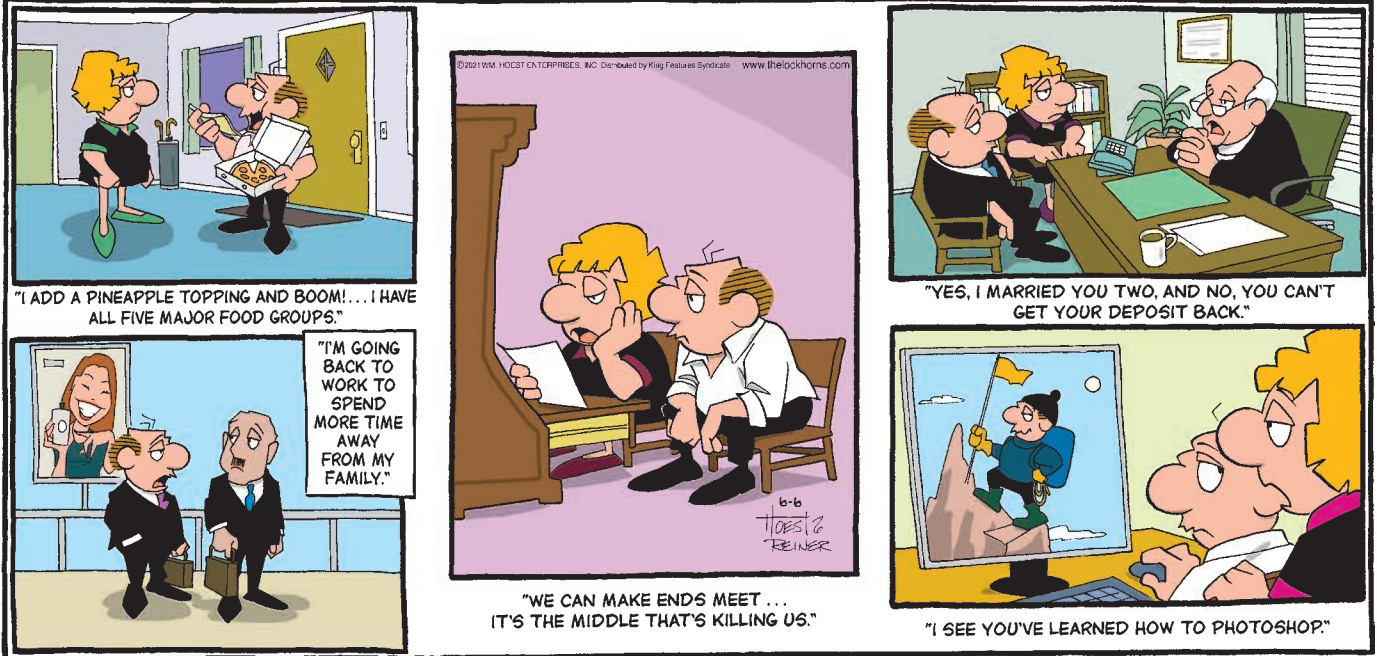
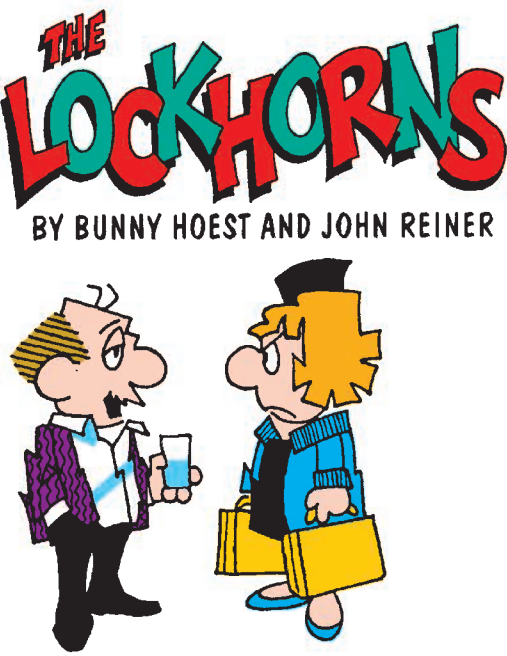
IT INTUITIVELY SENSES WHAT I WANT TO HEAR.

IT TRACKS MY EVERY MOVE...

AND ALWAYS MAKES THE RIGHT CHOICE.

WHAT IS IT PLAYING NOW?

EASY LISTENING. IT KNOWS I'M TALKING TO YOU.



Summer living

Tan lines and good times

Summer ice cream

If you need a distraction from the stress of living through a pandemic, visiting your local ice cream shop for a guilt-free treat may do the trick.

There are many kinds of cold sweets to sample including soft ice cream, hard ice cream, sorbet, parfaits, slushies, sundaes, banana splits, milkshakes, frozen yogurt, pop-

sicles and more. There's bound to be something for everyone.

What's your favourite cold treat?



How to choose the right swimsuit

Some people love shopping for swimsuits, while others loathe it. Either way, here are a few tips to help you make the right choice.

versely, if you like keeping up with the latest trends, buy a few swimsuits in different colours and cuts that you can interchange.

TYPE
Don't let anyone convince you that you can't wear a certain type of swimsuit because of your age or body type. All that matters is that you like it, that it's comfortable and that it meets your needs. If you want to find a flattering swimsuit that makes you feel confident in your body, ask a salesperson at your local swimwear shop for suggestions.

Finding the right swimsuit doesn't have to be daunting. From one-pieces to bikinis and trikinis to tankinis, there are many different styles, cuts and fits available.

USE
If you plan on swimming laps or want to spend hours paddle boarding, a sports swimsuit is probably the most practical option. However, if you'll be lounging by the pool or sipping cocktails on the beach, go ahead and play around with more daring styles.

MAINTENANCE
If you want to keep your swimsuit in good shape for years to come, machine wash it on the gentle cycle with a mild detergent after every use. Make sure to hang dry it indoors or outdoors in the shade. Clothes dryers can damage your swimsuit's elasticity and the sun can cause the fabric to fade.

QUALITY
If the thought of shopping for a new swimsuit makes you cringe, invest in one that's high-quality and won't go out of style. That way, you won't have to shop for a new one every few years. Con-



How to fly a kite

Kites come in a variety of shapes and colours as well as different price points. However, any model can provide hours of fun. Here's what you need to do.

For a beginner or young child, a single-line kite will be much easier to manoeuvre.

CHOOSE A KITE
When kite shopping at a specialized store, the salesperson can usually help you make an informed decision. They'll be able to tell you about any unique features and suggest models that suit your height, experience, preferences and budget.

FIND A GOOD SPOT
Once you've found the perfect kite, you'll probably want to get it up in the air as soon as possible. However, you must first find a spot that meets the following criteria:

- The ground is fairly flat
- There are no large obstacles, such as buildings, that block the wind
- There's plenty of open space, such as in a park or at the beach
- There are no trees or powerlines nearby

Once you've got a kite and found the perfect spot, all you have to do is wait for a windy day to try it out.



5 fun water activities



Summer is the perfect time to enjoy splashing in the water. Even if you don't live near a pool or lake, there are plenty of ways to have fun playing with it.

"it" gets a water balloon and tries to tag the other players.

- 1. Water gun fight.** Get the whole family involved in a friendly water gun fight. You'll quickly lose track of time as you try to avoid getting soaked.
- 2. Apple bobbing.** This classic game will leave you laughing as you try to pick apples out of a large basin of water using only your mouth.
- 3. Water balloon tag.** Tossing water balloons is a great way to have fun and cool down on a hot day. In this clever take on the classic water balloon fight, whoever is

- 4. Pass the water.** This game involves filling a cup with water and pouring it backward over your head as the person behind you tries to catch it in their own cup.
- 5. Making rainbows.** Create rainbows using the misting nozzle on your garden hose. Stand in a sunny spot, point the hose in the direction of your shadow, turn it on and let the magic happen.

In addition, you can set up a sprinkler or wading pool in your backyard. Just remember to be careful on hot days by wearing sunscreen, protective clothing and a hat.

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