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NEWS BRIEFS

COVID: SO YOU KNOW

Even though the Florida Department of Health has ceased providing daily COVID-19 reports, it still tracks cases and vaccinations on a weekly basis.

In Citrus County for the week of July 2-8, there were 80 positive cases and 282 county residents received at least one vaccine dose. The county's vaccination rate is 51%.

In all, Citrus has had 11,482 cases since March 2020.

For more, go to www.floridahealth.gov/covid19.

Veterans Appreciation Committee to meet

The Veterans Appreciation Week Ad Hoc Coordinating Committee will have their monthly coordination meeting for Citrus County's 29th annual Veterans Appreciation Week at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 21, in the conference room of the Citrus County Chronicle, 1624 N. Meadowcrest Blvd. in Crystal River.

All veteran service organizations and civic groups are encouraged to send representatives to participate in the planning process. All interested individuals are also welcome to attend.

Call Chris Gregoriou at 352-302-9777.

— From staff reports

LOTTERY



Due to earlier production deadlines for the Sunday Chronicle, final lottery numbers are not printed. Visit www.flalottery.com for final numbers.

Fighting for affordable housing

Realtors raise ante to put proposed amendment on ballot

MICHAEL D. BATES
STAFF WRITER

Realtors around the state are injecting another \$8 million in their efforts to put a proposed constitutional amendment on the 2022 ballot that would ensure money remains intact for

affordable housing.

The 200,000-member Florida Realtors trade association funneled \$5 million in June to the political committee Floridians for Housing, while the National Association of Realtors chipped in another \$3 million. Florida Realtors had earlier

contributed \$5 million, bringing the total amount raised by the committee to \$13 million.

To reach the ballot, backers of the proposed amendment will need to submit 222,898 signatures to trigger a Florida Supreme Court review of the proposed ballot wording. So far, 106 valid signatures

have been counted, according to the Division of Elections.

“Getting a constitutional amendment on the ballot and passed by voters is a heavy lift that will take considerable resources, time and the involvement of our entire

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Cheryl Lambert
president,
Florida
Realtors
Association.

Rowing for the USA



Special to the Chronicle

Inverness resident Ben Davison, third from the front in white hat, rows for the U.S. men's eight team at the 2019 World Rowing Championships in Ottensheim, Austria. He'll be competing for the U.S. team once again in the Summer Olympics starting July 23 in Tokyo.

Inverness man heads to Japan to compete in Olympics

CHRIS BERNHARDT JR.
STAFF WRITER

Ben Davison hasn't forgotten the agony of 2016.

He was 19, a student at the University of Washington, and he was trying to secure a trip to Rio de Janeiro. No, it wasn't for a social visit. This was all business, an opportunity to compete in the Summer Olympics held there later that year.

The Inverness resident and 2013 Citrus High graduate was part of a U.S. rowing team taking part in an Olympic qualifier in Lucerne, Switzerland, that fell heartbreakingly short of advancing to Rio.

Five years later, on June 4, Davison learned that he would be on the Team USA 8-man rowing team in the Summer Olympics in Tokyo.

“It's huge,” Davison said. “It was

You put in months and months of training.
Your life is on hold working for this.

Ben Davison

Inverness resident will compete with the USA men's eight team in Tokyo.

definitely a tough moment in 2016. I was young at the time, so I took my sophomore year off of college (to qualify for the Olympics). You train for months and months and you miss it by less than half a second.

“I'm a little bit older. I've learned a lot from that moment. By no means do I regret it. It spurred me on to this one.”

Davison, who moved to Citrus County from England when he

was 10 and still has traces of an accent, was in the boat at the 2019 World Rowing Championships when the USA men's eight team qualified for the Olympics by finishing fifth.

This is a different rowing discipline than what he attempted to reach the Olympics in back in 2016. That was a quadruple sculls — meaning four people in the boat,

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‘We need to move on’

Carnahan: County shouldn't seek fees in annexation dispute

MIKE WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The same day a judge ruled in its favor on a disputed annexation with the city of Inverness, the county filed a motion for attorney's fees.

It may have been premature.

Board Chairman Scott Carnahan said the county shouldn't seek attorney's fees from the city over the annexation case.

“We need this to stop,” Carnahan said. “We don't have to go after attorney fees. It's all taxpayers' money. The judge ruled on it and we need to move on.”

The county commission will discuss the matter at its regular meeting, starting at 1 p.m. Tuesday July 13 at the courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Ave., Inverness.

A judge last week threw out the city's 2019 voluntary annexation of New Horizon Funding Inc., 234 acres owned by attorney John Eden for an upscale RV resort called Preservation Point. The judge said the annexed property, sitting alongside Lake Spivey, and the city

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WEEK IN REVIEW

PHOTO OF THE WEEK TROPICAL STORM ELSA



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Homosassa resident Franck Maigne walks along side his English Cocker Spaniel named Lavie Wednesday morning, July 7, near Riverhaven. The area was inundated with heavy rainfall making large puddles where the animal splashed.

GOOD NEWS OF THE WEEK

The Citrus County Children's Advocacy Center in Lecanto, known as "Jessie's Place," was recently accredited by the National Children's Alliance, putting it in the U.S. premier league of its industry.

In a June 8 letter and attached news release, National Children's Alliance Executive Director Teresa Huizar said the facility is the epitome of

what the alliance wants CACs nationwide to strive toward.

"Jessie's Place is to be commended for its excellent work serving victims of child abuse," Huizar said. "As the national association and accrediting body for Children's Advocacy Centers across the country, our goal is to ensure that every victim of child abuse has access to high-quality services that result

from professional collaboration."

"It's a huge validation of what I've always known; my staff does great work here, and we help kids," Melissa Bowermaster, executive director of Jessie's Place, said. "It's recognition on a national level that what we're doing here is necessary, and evidence-based in the quality of service."

HOT TOPIC OF THE WEEK

The Chronicle story about local restaurants and their staffing problems drew several hundred comments on Facebook. Here's what some said:

■ **Nathan Sharp:** "There's not a worker shortage, there's a shortage of people willing to work for a wage that doesn't even begin to cover the cost of rent in this county."

■ **Spence Deb:** "Assumptions of why the problem exists are not facts. Stop going to the national chains and support locally owned ones. Bad to the Bones, Oysters, Breakfast Station, Moschellos, etc. The big chains are pulling your legs that they can't get the help. I've seen several posts from people who applied and weren't hired."

"The major growth in Crystal River has been in gas stations and hospitality jobs. Perhaps we have hit critical mass where there

aren't enough workers for all of the low paying jobs."

■ **JoAnn Vatele Alling:** "There's a big disconnect between the 'comfortable' retirees and the young families trying to get their start in Citrus County. Housing and child care is difficult to find and difficult to afford on the wages in the service industry that provides the majority of jobs available in Citrus County. Part-time jobs, no benefits, and no health care. These are the same workers who were deemed 'essential' so the rest of us could manage last year."

"Instead of insulting and criticizing those workers, we should be showing some appreciation for them, as they are a very necessary part of our economy. If the prices have to go up, so be it, some of us could do with a little less fast food anyway."

THE MOST POPULAR STORIES FROM THE WEEK THAT WAS

A week of Elsa storm news

Nearly every day this past week, the Chronicle ran stories about Tropical Storm Elsa, the first named storm of the 2021 hurricane season to affect Florida, including Citrus County, and the stories were the most-read stories of the week.

From "Citrus County officials keep eye on TS Elsa" to "the forecast has Tropical Storm Elsa making landfall somewhere in Citrus and Levy county as a Category 1 hurricane" to "Citrus County spared by Elsa; flooding concerns remain," readers paid attention to our local coverage of the weather.

Storm surge from Elsa's westerly winds had posed a risk for the county's coast into Wednesday afternoon, but tidal floods were manageable.

According to the National Weather Service, roughly 4.65 inches of rain fell in Crystal River.

Citrus County was forecast to get between 2-4 inches of rain through Saturday morning, according to the National Hurricane Center, causing a slight risk of flash flooding. Rains pooled in culverts, retention ponds and other low-lying areas, sometimes overflowing into nearby roadways.

Also, minor tidal flooding in Ozello and King's Bay, Crystal River, was reported.

Pine Ridge couple feel effects of short-staffed restaurants

All that Pine Ridge residents Juanita and Douglas Oxford wanted to do was go out to eat. However, like many people are discovering, even though the pandemic is easing and life is returning back to normal, eateries are having trouble with staffing shortages, which means closed dining rooms at fast food restaurants and long waits for service.

The Oxfords tried a number of places, but with no luck.

"Everywhere we went it just wasn't working out," Douglas Oxford said. "You can't seem to find anyone to do any work. I don't know what the answer is."

Restaurants, he said, are likely to continue to be short-staffed "as long as Washington is going to send out free money," speaking about stimulus money and unemployment payments.

Oxford said he is especially mystified how teenagers out of school are not out looking to take one of the many local jobs.

"How can they afford their cellphone bill?" he asked.

Judge tosses Inverness RV park annexation

A judge has sided with Citrus County in a two-year dispute with the city of Inverness over voluntary annexation of an RV development.

The ruling said the city violated state law by allowing the 2019 annexation of New Horizon Funding Inc., headed by Inverness private attorney John Eden, whose Preservation Point RV Resort is planned for the 234-acre property.

"Simply put, the city and the NH parcel do not touch or adjoin in any reasonably substantial sense and do not share a common boundary at all," the ruling states.

Even as the annexation was being litigated, the city council in October 2020 approved plans for Preservation Point. That approval is now moot with the judge's decision, and Eden's project will again come under county regulation.

While the city has 30 days to appeal, City Manager Eric Williams said he thinks the case is done.

New low-cost vet clinic opens in Inverness

Snippet Low-Cost Veterinary Clinic, headed by former animal shelter veterinarian Dr. Julie Rosenberger, recently opened in Inverness.

She said she needed a change, but still wanted to make an impact in the community.

"I wanted to get on the front end of things to prevent at least some of (animals) from coming to the shelter," she said. "There are many well-intentioned people that just don't have \$400 to get their cat spayed, which is the average cost at a full-service vet, and that limits a lot of people."

The clinic offers spay-neuter surgery, vaccinations, microchip implantation and basic wellness services at reduced prices.

Appointments for spay/neuter surgery, vaccination, microchip, heartworm and flea/tick prevention can be made online at www.snippetvet.com or by calling the clinic at 352-419-4439.

A complete list of services and costs are also available online. Walk-ins are welcome, except for surgeries.

Clinic hours are: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays; 7:30 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays; and, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. the first and third Saturdays monthly.



Sting operation nails alleged unlicensed contractors

A sting operation posing as a home renovation project led to the citations of several men on accusations they offered to take the contracting job without being licensed or certified to do so.

According to arrest and court reports, the Citrus County Sheriff's Office partnered with the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation to conduct a sting operation after hearing increasing complaints over the months about unlicensed construction work.

Authorities listed names of unlicensed suspects obtained from word-of-mouth, business cards, flyers and social media advertisements.

An undercover investigator with the state's business regulation department (DBPR) contacted the men to tell them about placing a bid on a remodel for a house.

Appointments were set for June 12, 2019, according to reports, and the men met with undercover sheriff's office and DBPR agents, discussed the project and provided a quote.



"One untied my shoes and another cut off a lock of Phil's hair."

— GEORGE GALFO, A MEMBER OF THE MYSTICS DOO-WOP GROUP WHO HAD A TOP HIT IN 1959 WITH "HUSHABYE," TALKING ABOUT CRAZY THINGS THEIR FEMALE FANS DID WHEN THEY WERE PERFORMING ON STAGE.

— compiled by Nancy Kennedy

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Abuse shelter seeks donations

The Citrus County Abuse Shelter Association (CASA) is in need of clear storage bins with lids, hair brushes, blow dryers, flat irons and curling irons. The next time you're out shopping, pick up some extra supplies and drop them off at the CASA Outreach office between 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, at 1100 E. Turner Camp Road, Inverness. Shelter needs can also be dropped off at their alternative drop off location, Carol's Interiors and Floors, 6410 S. Suncoast Blvd. in Homosassa.

For information, email Kimberly Martini at kimberly@casaff.org.

If interested in volunteering, call 352-344-8111 or download the Volunteer Application at casaff.org. Completed applications can be emailed to info@casaff.org.

Learn to manage garden pests

Citrus County Utilities Florida-Friendly Landscaping Program will have a free virtual gardening workshop from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 13.

Correctly identifying the cause of plant damage is always the first step to controlling an infestation. Inspection, scouting, identification, selecting the least harmful control and accurate application are important Integrated Pest Management (IPM) practices.

To register for the workshop, visit ccufflprogram.eventbrite.com.

Call Steven Davis at 352-527-5708.

Learn how to boat safely

The USCG Auxiliary of Crystal River will present their new Boat America safe boating class from 6:45 to 9:15 p.m. July 20 to 23 via Zoom. The cost is \$30 and includes a book, certified USCG Auxiliary instruction and more.

Information covered includes: knowing your boat and motor, what to do before getting underway, operating your boat safely, legal requirements of boating, boating emergencies, vessel operator responsibilities, knowing local waters and small boats and paddle craft.

Upon successful completion of the test, participants will receive the FWC Safe Boater Card.

To register for this class, email Linda at ljones1501@gmail.com. Payment must be received by July 13. Books and materials will be mailed.

Oakwood Village board to meet

Oakwood Village will have a special board meeting at 4:30 p.m. July 14 at 425 W. Roosevelt Blvd. in Beverly Hills.

The meeting will include amendment revisions on roofs, fences and antennae.

Email oakwoodvillageflorida@gmail.com or call 352-445-7469.

— From staff reports

Correction

Due to a reporter's error, a story on page A1 of the Saturday, July 10, 2021, edition, "Hallowell found guilty of murder," contained incorrect information. It was almost two years in between the murder and conviction. The Chronicle regrets the error.

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

Parked car leads to drug arrest

FRED HIERS
Staff writer

A suspiciously parked car at a nature park led to the arrest of a Homosassa woman and drug charges.

The arrest of Kimberly Ann Fisher, 45, began on July 6 when a Citrus County Sheriff's Office deputy saw what they took as a suspicious red, four-door Honda parked just after midnight in the Bluebird Springs park parking lot, according to the arrest report.

The deputy reported seeing only one person in the car and

they were sitting in the driver's seat.

The deputy reported approaching the car at West Bluebird Springs in Homosassa and that they could smell marijuana in the vehicle and saw several Natural Ice beer cans on the passenger side floor, according to records.

The deputy reported asking Fisher if there was anything illegal in the car and said that Fisher

replied there was nothing illegal in the vehicle.

According to records, the deputy asked if he could search the car and Fisher said he could.

As Fisher was getting out of the car, the deputy reported he asked Fisher what she was doing at the park and she replied, "I was smoking meth when you pulled up."

The arresting deputy reported that during the search, between the driver's seat and console, he found a glass pipe.

There was residue on the pipe which tested positive for methamphetamine, according to

records.

The deputy also reported finding a plastic bag that contained a green leafy material later testing positive for marijuana, according to records.

The deputy reported that when they placed the bag on the top of Fisher's car and Fisher saw it, she said, "I was trying to get rid of all that (expletive) when you pulled up," according to records.

The deputy arrested her, charging her with possession of marijuana, less than 20 grams, and drug paraphernalia. Her bond was \$2,000.



Kimberly Ann Fisher faces drug charges.

Camp makes an impact

Therapeutic summer day program attracts about 125 youngsters daily

NANCY KENNEDY
Staff writer

With one week of camp left to go, I.M.P.A.C.T. Therapeutic Day Camp has already made an impact in kids' lives, said Cynthia Critchfield, I.M.P.A.C.T. Counseling owner/case management director.

"I believe 'Camp Impact' has lived up to the name," she said. "I can't lie, going into this camp for the first time, I kept asking myself, 'How will we pull this off?' How are we doing this? Will all the qualified staff show up, will we have a location?" But I kept reminding myself to keep the faith because God will provide everything.

"Well, here we are ending week five of our six-week therapeutic summer camp, and all the questions were answered and the camp is going better than we could have ever imagined," she said.

An average of 125 campers between ages 4 and 14 came every day to camp at Solid Rock Christian Academy in Inverness; Just Horse'n' Around provided equine therapy to all the campers twice a week.

"We had a water day on Thursdays provided by Inverness Inflatables where the kids were able to let loose after days of groups and skills practice," Critchfield said, and local pastors from Calvary Church came and talked with the campers about making good choices.

Critchfield said donations for this first-time



Special to the Chronicle

Sometimes all it takes is a hug to calm a little one and set the tone for the rest of their day. Shown here is Camp Impact camper Brooklyn and high school camp helper JJ.

camp poured in from community agencies such as Citrus County Blessings, the Community Food Bank, Salvation Army, local businesses and individuals, to name a few.

Citrus County sheriff's deputies and county firefighters came and talked about safety and a representative from the Alcohol Literacy Challenge came to talk about the effects of alcohol.

The camp was designed to combine fun regular camp activities with therapeutic skills such as social skills, active listening,

communication, decision making, impulse control, anger management, life skills, etc.

"Not only did we as clinicians get to pour into 125 kids but they poured so much into us," Critchfield said. "It's bittersweet to think we are getting ready to enter our final week of camp."

"I can't express enough in words no matter how hard I try, how proud I am of all the kids who attended," she said. "They did the hardest work that even most adults avoid doing in therapy."



Special to the Chronicle

Cynthia Critchfield, of I.M.P.A.C.T. Counseling, said this photo symbolizes what a therapeutic camp is all about. "We all need a little pick me up from time to time. It's the small gestures that can make the rest of the day," she said.

Planning group sets priorities

Special to the Chronicle

The Hernando/Citrus Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) met Thursday, June 17.

The points of interest from the meeting are:

■ The MPO board adopted the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) fiscal years 2021/2022 - 2025/2026.

■ The List of Priority Projects (LOPP) for FY 2022/2023 was approved.

■ The MPO board approved an amendment to the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

■ The MPO board authorized their consultant, Kimley Horn and associates, to proceed with

phase two of the congestion management process.

■ The MPO board approved the appointment of Ivonne Perez as a regular member to the Citrus County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (LCB) and Victoria Anderson as her alternate. Both are with the Agency for Healthcare Administration.

■ The MPO board canceled the July 15 MPO meeting.

The next MPO meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, in the Lecanto Government Building, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Room 166 in Lecanto.

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Today's HOROSCOPES

Birthdays: Take your time when assessing situations. Preparation will help you take advantage of a big opportunity. Knowing what you want will help you prepare for what's to come.
Cancer (June 21-July 22): Someone will take an action out of context. Tone it down before someone puts the spotlight on you.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Stop worrying about what others do; focus on what's important to you. An idea you come up with will save you money and make you look like a genius.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Be secretive about any changes you want to make until you have everything in place.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Put some muscle behind whatever you are trying to accomplish. Aim to get in tiptop shape.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22): Handle others with care. Your actions can be just as disruptive as your words if you aren't sensitive to how others feel or what they want.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21): Take charge and finish what you start. If you let others intervene, you will end up questioning what you are trying to accomplish.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Plan your actions strategically, and refuse to let anyone hold you back. Rely on your insight and experience.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19): Give others the freedom to do as they please. Go about your business. Personal improvements will bring you far more satisfaction than trying to change someone.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20): Take a step back and rethink your future. Consider how you earn your living and the changes you want to make to improve your status or living arrangements.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Get involved in physical activity and plan to do something with a loved one. Expressing your thoughts and intentions will encourage progress.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Be respectful of others. Don't criticize someone who is trying their best. Concentrate on taking care of your responsibilities.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Take note of what a friend, relative or loved one is doing. Compliments will help you win favors and encourage others to be and do their best.

ENTERTAINMENT

Unopened Legend of Zelda game from 1987 sells for \$870,000

DALLAS — An unopened copy of Nintendo's The Legend of Zelda that was made in 1987 has sold at auction for \$870,000.

Heritage Auctions in Dallas said the video game sold Friday.

The auction house said it was a rare version that was created during a limited production run that took place during a few months in late 1987. The Legend of Zelda is a popular fantasy adventure game that was first released in 1986.

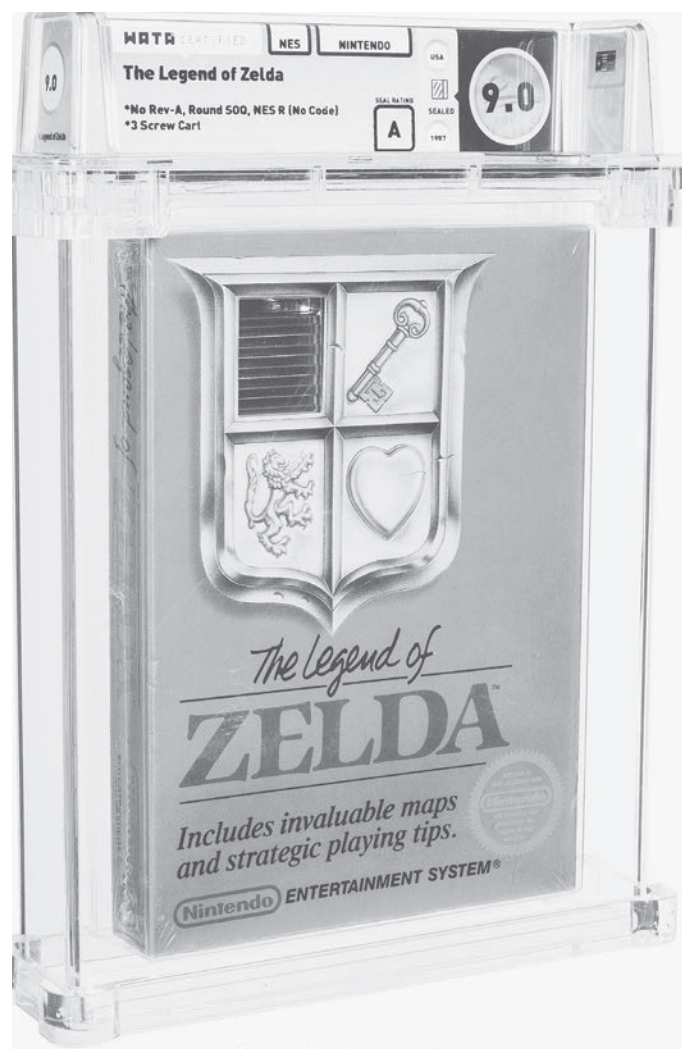
"The Legend of Zelda marks the beginning of one of the most important sagas in gaming; its historical significance can't be understated ... it is a true collector's piece," Valarie McLeckie, Heritage's video game specialist, said in a statement.

'Laredo' actor William Smith dies; played cowboys, brawlers

LOS ANGELES — Actor William Smith, who played bikers, brawlers, cowboys and no-nonsense tough guys in films and television shows including "Laredo," "Rich Man, Poor Man" and "Any Which Way You Can," has died at 88.

Smith's wife, Joanne Cervelli Smith, said he died Monday at the Motion Picture & Television Country House and Hospital in the Woodland Hills section of Los Angeles.

She declined to give the cause of death. With his chiseled, mustachioed face and bulging biceps, Smith was a constant, rugged



Associated Press

This photo provided by Heritage Auctions shows Nintendo's The Legend of Zelda. An unopened copy of Nintendo's The Legend of Zelda that was made in 1987 has sold at auction for \$870,000. Heritage Auctions in Dallas says the video game sold Friday, July 9.

presence on screen in the 1960s, 1970s and 1980s, amassing nearly 300 credits.

He played bareknuckle boxer Jack Wilson, who grappled with Clint Eastwood in an epic brawl in "Any Which Way You Can," one of the top-grossing movies of 1980.

"It has to be one of the longest

two-man fights ever done on film without doubles," Smith said in an interview for the 2014 book "Tales From the Cult Film Trenches."

Smith starred as Texas Ranger Joe Riley in both seasons of the NBC western series "Laredo" from 1965 to 1967.

—From wire reports

Today in HISTORY

Today is Sunday, July 11, the 192nd day of 2021. There are 173 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight: On July 11, 1995, the U.N.-designated "safe haven" of Srebrenica in Bosnia-Herzegovina fell to Bosnian Serb forces, who then carried out the killings of more than 8,000 Muslim men and boys.

On this date: In 1798, the U.S. Marine Corps was formally re-established by a congressional act that also created the U.S. Marine Band.

In 1955, the U.S. Air Force Academy swore in its first class of cadets at its temporary quarters at Lowry Air Force Base in Colorado.

In 1979, the abandoned U.S. space station Skylab made a spectacular return to Earth, burning up in the atmosphere and showering debris over the Indian Ocean and Australia.

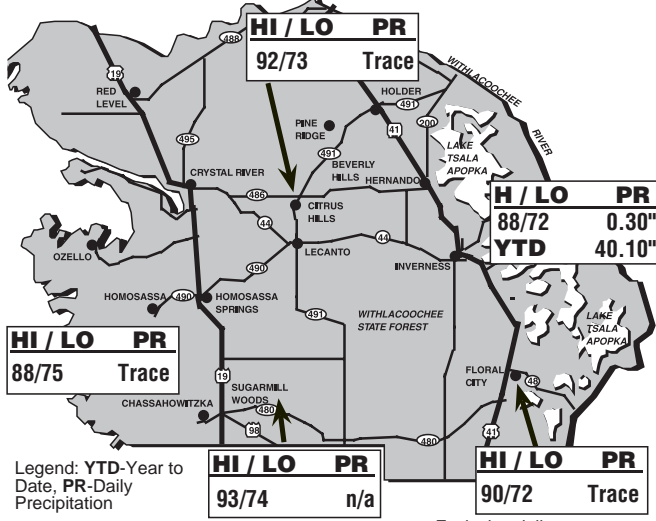
Ten years ago: Rupert Murdoch's media empire was besieged by accusations that two more of his British newspapers engaged in hacking, deception and privacy violations.

Five years ago: Defense Secretary Ash Carter announced that the United States would send 560 more troops to Iraq to transform a freshly retaken air base into a staging hub for a long-awaited battle to recapture Mosul from Islamic State militants.

One year ago: As virus cases surged in Florida, Walt Disney World's Magic Kingdom and Animal Kingdom reopened with new rules in place to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Susan Seaforth Hayes is 78. Singer Jeff Hanna (Nitty Gritty Dirt Band) is 74. Actor Sela Ward is 65. Actor Mark Lester is 63. Singer Suzanne Vega is 62. Rock guitarist Richie Sambora (Bon Jovi) is 62. Wildlife expert Jeff Corwin is 54. Rapper Lil' Kim is 47. U.S. Education Secretary Miguel Cardona is 46. R&B/pop singer Alessia Cara is 25.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



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

THREE DAY OUTLOOK

TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING
 High: 90° Low: 72°
 Scattered mainly afternoon to evening storms

MONDAY & TUESDAY MORNING
 High: 92° Low: 71°
 Scattered afternoon to evening storms

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY MORNING
 High: 91° Low: 72°
 Scattered afternoon to evening storms

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TEMPERATURE
 Yesterday 90/72
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 Normal 92/71
 Mean temp. 82
 Departure from mean -1

PRECIPITATION
 Yesterday 0.06"
 Total for the month 3.39"
 Total for the year 18.24"
 Normal for the year 26.08"

UV INDEX: 11
 0-2 minimal, 3-4 low, 5-6 moderate, 7-9 high, 10+ very high

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DEW POINT
 Yesterday at 3 p.m. 72°

HUMIDITY
 Yesterday at 3 p.m. 78%

POLLEN COUNT**
 Today's active pollen: ragweed, grasses, chenopods

Today's count: 1.4/12
Monday's count: 3.4
Tuesday's count: 2.6

AIR QUALITY
 Yesterday observed Good
 Pollutant PM2.5

SOLAR TABLES

DATE DAY **MINOR MAJOR (MORNING)** **MINOR MAJOR (AFTERNOON)**

07/11 SUNDAY 6:39 2:38 8:30 3:04

07/12 MONDAY 6:39 3:29 8:30 3:54

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK

SUNSET TONIGHT 8:30 pm
SUNRISE TOMORROW 6:39 am
MOONRISE TODAY 7:56 am
MOONSET TODAY 10:07 pm

BURN CONDITIONS

Today's Fire Danger Index is: NONE. There is no burn ban.

For more information call Florida Division of Forestry at (352) 797-4140. For more information on wildfire conditions, please visit the Division of Forestry's Web site: www.freshfromflorida.com/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire

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- Common Areas Friday

4 - 5 Wednesday

*From mouths of rivers **At King's Bay ***At Mason's Creek

TIDES

SUNDAY
High **Low**

Chassahowitzka** 7:52 a.m. 0.2 ft 8:09 p.m. 0.7 ft 3:43 a.m. 0.0 ft 12:19 p.m. 0.1 ft

Crystal River** 6:33 a.m. 1.6 ft 6:06 p.m. 2.5 ft 12:53 a.m. -0.1 ft 12:20 p.m. 0.8 ft

Withlacoochee* 4:32 a.m. 3.0 ft 3:04 p.m. 3.8 ft 10:21 a.m. 1.8 ft 11:14 p.m. -0.1 ft

Homosassa*** 8:43 a.m. 0.5 ft 6:45 p.m. 1.5 ft 3:34 a.m. -0.2 ft 12:56 p.m. 0.3 ft

FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

City	H	L	F'cast	City	H	L	F'cast
Daytona Bch.	86	75	t	Miami	87	78	t
Fort Lauderdale	89	78	t	Ocala	87	72	t
Fort Myers	90	73	sh	Orlando	88	73	sh
Gainesville	87	72	t	Pensacola	86	77	t
Homestead	89	76	t	Sarasota	89	73	sh
Jacksonville	88	74	t	Tallahassee	91	73	t
Key West	88	79	t	Tampa	89	74	sh
Lakeland	89	73	sh	Vero Beach	87	77	t
Melbourne	87	77	t	W. Palm Bch.	87	81	t

MARINE OUTLOOK

Today: South winds around 10 knots. Seas 2 feet or less. Bay and inland waters a light chop. Isolated thunderstorms early in the afternoon. Scattered thunderstorms late in the afternoon.

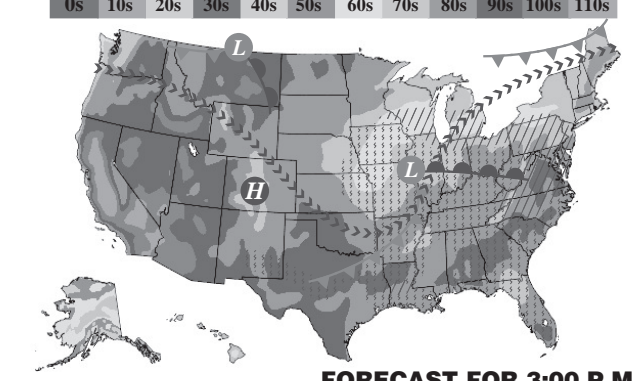
Gulf water temperature
86°
 Taken at Crystal River

LAKE LEVELS

Location	SAT	FRI	Full
Withlacoochee at Holder	30.51	30.51	34.64
Tsala Apopka-Hernando	37.88	37.88	38.66
Tsala Apopka-Inverness	39.31	39.31	39.73
Tsala Apopka-Floral City	40.07	40.07	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	H	L	Pcp.	H	L	Fest	City	H	L	Pcp.	SUN	H	L	Fest
Albany	77	61	0.21	78	65	ra	New Orleans	88	78	0.91	87	77	sh	
Albuquerque	100	68	0.06	94	63	t	New York City	81	68	0.27	80	71	sh	
Asheville	84	63	0.45	85	67	sh	Norfolk	84	75	0.00	92	74	mc	
Atlanta	86	70	1.65	87	71	sh	Oklahoma City	90	72	0.00	85	65	pc	
Atlantic City	85	70	0.67	80	72	mc	Omaha	81	63	1.31	81	61	sh	
Austin	91	75	0.52	95	75	pc	Palm Springs	12090	0.00	11590	sh			
Baltimore	85	68	0.00	88	74	sh	Philadelphia	84	71	Trace	86	73	mc	
Billings	90	55	Trace	102	66	sh	Phoenix	11290	0.00	11290	sh			
Birmingham	90	72	0.02	89	72	t	Pittsburgh	75	55	0.00	85	71	sh	
Boise	103	69	0.00	102	65	sm	Portland, ME	75	60	0.00	75	63	pc	
Boston	73	68	0.14	81	66	mc	Portland, OR	86	60	0.00	86	58	sh	
Buffalo	76	62	0.02	76	70	t	Providence, RI	79	68	0.28	82	66	mc	
Burlington, VT	79	55	0.00	81	67	pc	Raleigh	92	68	0.00	89	72	t	
Charleston, SC	94	69	Trace	87	75	t	Rapid City	83	60	0.02	88	65	s	
Charleston, WV	84	62	0.24	92	70	t	Reno	10572	Trace	10570	sh			
Charlotte	90	68	0.00	90	71	t	Rochester, NY	75	62	0.19	79	70	t	
Chicago	76	64	0.02	67	63	sh	Sacramento	10866	0.00	10766	sh			
Cincinnati	79	58	0.35	85	71	sh	Salt Lake City	97	68	0.00	10476	sm		
Cleveland	76	60	0.00	76	72	t	San Antonio	90	74	0.40	91	75	pc	
Columbia, SC	91	71	0.00	93	72	t	San Diego	81	69	0.00	74	66	pc	
Columbia, OH	75	61	0.00	85	71	sh	San Francisco	72	55	0.00	75	56	s	
Concord, NH	79	62	Trace	80	63	pc	Savannah	90	72	0.54	88	75	t	
Dallas	93	75	0.00	91	73	sh	Seattle	79	59	0.00	78	57	sh	
Denver	82	61	0.00	89	61	s	Spokane	97	57	0.00	86	62	s	
Des Moines	81	66	1.18	78	61	t	St. Louis	82	66	1.43	78	65	t	
Detroit	77	59	0.00	74	68	sh	St. Ste Marie	82	48	0.00	81	62	s	
El Paso	100	73	0.00	97	73	t	Syracuse	81	64	0.00	79	66	sh	
Evansville, IN	85	69	1.15	84	70	sh	Topoka	86	69	0.41	77	62	t	
Harrisburg	84	64	0.00	83	72	t	Washington	84	70	0.04	91	74	sh	
Hartford	81	66	0.20	83	66	sh								
Houston	93	75	0.00	91	76	mc								
Indianapolis	73	64	Trace	80	69	t								
Kansas City	84	69	0.39	77	63	t								
Las Vegas	117	94	0.00	116	92	pc								
Little Rock	93	73	0.00	85	70	t								
Los Angeles	84	69	0.00	85	67	s								
Louisville	88	69	0.23	83	71	t								
Memphis	88	73	Trace	84	71	sh								
Milwaukee	72	59	0.00	68	64	sh								
Minneapolis	81	64	0.00	86	64	hz								
Mobile	88	75	0.10											

Worth NOTING

Animal adoption fees waived until further notice

As of July 2, the Citrus County Animal Shelter, 4030 S. Airport Road in Inverness, is operating over capacity. Because of this, adoption fees have been waived until further notice. Citrus residents will still be required to pay a license fee of \$10 while adoption fees are waived. Adoptions are available to Citrus residents and residents of other counties. Those who cannot adopt are encouraged to consider fostering. Fostering allows dogs to get a break from the shelter environment, opens space for other animals and helps staff learn more about their personalities, which can be helpful in efforts to place them in "forever homes."

To view the CCAS animals available for adoption, visit tinyurl.com/274rhtxf. This site is updated in real time and has the most up-to-date listings of animals available for adoption. For information about fostering or adoption, visit the shelter or contact CCAS at 352-746-8400.

Buy a bag to support the Key Training Center

The Key Training Center will participate in the Giving Tag Program, which is designed to make it easy for customers of Winn-Dixie stores to contribute to their local community while supporting the environment. This ongoing opportunity can be taken advantage of at any Winn-Dixie store. Purchase a \$2.50 reusable community bag, follow the instructions on the attached Giving Tag and the Key Training Center will receive a \$1 donation.

To learn more about this program, visit seg.bags4mycause.com. Visit the Key Training Center's Facebook page for posts to share on social media.

Citrus joins electronic program for registration

The Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC) was formed in 2012 with assistance from the Pew Charitable Trusts as a nonprofit organization that is run by states who choose to join. Their only mission is to help states improve the accuracy of voter rolls and to increase access to voter registration for all eligible citizens.

Thirty-one states are currently participating in the ERIC program.

Member states agree to follow policies and technical protocols to improve operations and security of data. Each member state receives reports that show voters who have moved within their state, voters who have moved out of state, voters who have died, duplicate registrations in the same state and individuals who are potentially eligible to vote but are not yet registered.

For information, visit tinyurl.com/bntjvjc.

Summer Feeding Program open until July 29

The Summer Feeding Program is in full swing and all students under 18 years of age eat free. Drive thru meal service is available from 11 a.m. to noon Mondays and Thursdays until July 29.

The sites distributing meals are:
 Pleasant Grove Elementary School, 630 Pleasant Grove Road in Inverness
 Rock Crusher Elementary School, 814 S. Rock Crusher Road in Homosassa
 Citrus Springs Elementary School, 3570 W. Century Blvd.
 Citrus Springs Middle School, 150 W. Citrus Springs Blvd.
 Crystal River Middle School, 344 NE Crystal St.

All sites will be closed on July 5 and curbside meal pick-up will be July 6 instead. For information, call 352-726-1931 extension 2429.

Take Stock in Childre taking mentor applications

Take Stock in Children is a school-based mentoring program that assists in creating a brighter future for deserving youths by providing college and vocational scholarships, volunteer mentors, tutoring and long-term support.

They currently monitor 43 active students enrolled in Citrus County's middle and high schools. The program will begin accepting new students once school starts.

For new student scholars, they are looking for caring adults who will help make a difference by mentoring once a week for 30 minutes in schools.

Take Stock is not a tutoring program, rather it is a program that provides support, guidance and encouragement for students as they work their way through middle and high school and prepare for college or vocational school.

For more information or an application, call Pat Lancaster, student services coordinator, at 352-344-0855.

Weekly grief support available with Friends

Friends of Citrus and the Nature Coast offers ongoing grief support for anyone who has experienced a loss.

A weekly grief support group meets Thursday afternoons at the Wings Grief Center, 8471 W. Periwinkle Lane in Homosassa.

Participants share their stories, listen to and learn from the stories of others and form a support network with group members.

For information or to pre-register, call 352-249-1470.

For details about other programs, visit friendsofcitrus.org or Friends of Citrus on Facebook.

— From staff reports

Inverness honors Dr. Dale Havre



Special to the Chronicle

On July 8, the City of Inverness unveiled a new sign in memory of Dr. Dale Havre and his dog Tiny, who advocated safety and sidewalks. The sign is near the entrance of Pleasant Grove Elementary. Pictured are: Cabot McBride, councilmember; Susan Jackson, city clerk; Jacquie Hepfer, councilmember; Eric Williams, city manager; Dave Ryan, councilmember; Cory Dilmore, public works director; and Kevin Hepfer.

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Associated Press

In this Sunday, Jan. 24, 2010, file photo Esther Bejarano, who survived former Nazi concentration camp Auschwitz, performs a hip-hop song during an Auschwitz-Committee event to commemorate the liberation of Auschwitz by the Soviet Army on January 27, 1945, in Hamburg, Germany.

Survivor who fought racism with music dies at 96

Associated Press

BERLIN — Esther Bejarano, a survivor of the Auschwitz death camp who used the power of music to fight antisemitism and racism in Germany, has died. She was 96.

Bejarano died peacefully in the early hours of Saturday at the Jewish Hospital in Hamburg, German news agency dpa quoted Helga Obens, a board member of the Auschwitz Committee in Germany, as saying. A cause of death was not given.

German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas paid tribute to Bejarano, calling her “an important voice in the fight against racism and antisemitism.”

Born in 1924 as the daughter of Jewish cantor Rudolf Loewy in what was then French-occupied Saar-louis, the family later moved to Saarbruecken, where Bejarano enjoyed a musical and sheltered upbringing until the Nazis came to power and the city was returned to Germany in 1935.

Her parents and sister Ruth eventually were deported and killed, while Bejarano had to perform forced labor before being sent to Auschwitz-Birkenau in 1943. There, she volunteered to become a member of the girls' orchestra, playing the accordion every time trains full of Jews from across Europe arrived.

Bejarano would say later that music helped keep her alive in the notorious German Nazi death camp in occupied Poland and during the years after the Holocaust.

“We played with tears in our eyes,” she recalled in a 2010 interview with The Associated Press. “The new arrivals came in waving and applauding us, but we knew they would be taken directly to the gas chambers.”

Because her grandmother had been a Christian, Bejarano was later transferred to Ravensbrueck concentration camp and survived a death march at the end of the war.

In a memoir, Bejarano recalled her rescue by U.S. troops who gave her an accordion, which she played the day American soldiers and concentration camp survivors danced around a burning portrait of Adolf Hitler to celebrate the Allied victory over the Nazis.

Richard Flibotte Jr., 68 INVERNESS

Richard F. Flibotte Jr., 68, born in Winchester MA., passed away on June 24, 2021, at his home in Inverness Florida after a long courageous fight with Leukemia.

He is survived by his wife and soulmate of 49 years Kathleen Flibotte, Son Jason Flibotte & his wonderful wife Wendy of Danville NH, he was also blessed with 4 grandchildren: Maddie Flibotte, Sam Flibotte, Kayla Miles, and Hailey Hajjar, all who he loved dearly and was so proud of their accomplishments. His father Richard Sr., brother George and his wife Laura, who he loved like a sister, His brothers; Bobby, Bill and Steve Flibotte and sister Mary Lyons. Brother in laws and sister in laws; Ed and Inge Snow, Joyce Lasman and Joe and Pattie Ann Slater. A niece Jenifer Cross and many other nieces, nephews, and family members.

Richard was a man that worked with his hands and learned different trades over the years, and he could fix and build anything. Beginning as a flooring and tile installer, to co-owning a body shop, then finally into construction. He took great pride in his work; he was a perfectionist.

He was the happiest prior to retiring remodeling and building homes for families to make memories in. One of his finest achievements was in 2006 he built an elegant home for himself and his wife in Raymond, NH.

Retirement eventually led him and his wife to Inverness Florida where he enjoyed their pool, walks at Cooter Pond and Wallace Brook Park and yes, remodeling their retirement home and working in the yard.

His favorite times were always those that were spent with his family and friends. Richard will be missed by so many people whose life he has touched.

When family and friends were asked if they only had one word to describe him, their responses were: loving, strong, amazing, resilient, talented, devoted, and supercalifragilistic-expialidocious.

His celebration of life will be held for family and friends and will take place at a date to be announced later, in New Hampshire where he spent most of his life.

In lieu of sending flowers or plants, donations in his name can be made to: Florida Cancer Specialists, 521 N. Lecanto Hwy, Lecanto, FL 34461.

Cremation Service provided by: McGan Cremation Service LLC, 65 N Florida Ave, Inverness, Florida 34453.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

Lois Novinger, 91

Lois Benton Novinger, 91, was born February 22, 1930 in Tabor City, North Carolina and entered into the arms of her loving Savior, Jesus Christ on July 3, 2021 in Lecanto, Florida.

Lois is survived by her loving husband of 44 years, Hubert Novinger; three sons and one daughter, LeGran (Rhonda) Hewitt, Alachua, FL; Lynette (Ken) Colley, Ocala, FL; Ted (Carrie) Novinger, Anthony, FL; Troy (Tina) Novinger, Anthony, FL; 14 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, seven brothers and sister and two daughters, Teresa Novinger (1997) and Carole Enscoe (2008).

A Celebration of Life Service will be held 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 17, 2021 at First Baptist Church, 700 N Citrus Ave., Crystal River, FL 34428.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

James Gillespie, 81 FLORAL CITY

James A. Gillespie, 81, of Floral City, FL passed away on July 1, 2021 at his home with his loving wife by his side.

He was born to the late Alfred and Delia Beauchane Gillespie on January 29, 1940 in Jacksonville, FL and he made his home Citrus County 23 years ago with his wife, Billie, when moving from Pasco County, Florida.

He was a Code Enforcer for the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Department for many years.

Those left to cherish James' memory are his wife of 23 years, Billie; his son, James Gallagher and his wife, Jennifer of Houston, TX; his “adopted” daughter, Stacy Davis of Floral City, FL; and his four grandchildren, Christopher, Amber, Trevor Gallagher, and Miranda Scott.

He was loved deeply and will be missed by many.

Arrangements for James are private. Cremation with Care is under the direction of the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home, Inverness, FL.

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Kenneth Spoon, 73 HERNANDO

Kenneth J. Spoon, 73, was born in Oneida, NY on May 1, 1948 to the late Lyle and Shirley Spoon. He went home to be with the Lord on June 30, 2021 after a long courageous fight with cancer.

Kenny is survived by his beloved wife, Anita Spoon, four children (two by birth, two by choice) Jason (Margaret) Spoon, and Brandy Wheeler (Ed Banach) both of Williamstown, NY, James Champion of Mexico, NY and Jenna Champion of Cohoes, NY; one grandchild, Logan Spoon; two brothers, Robert (Alex) Spoon of Camden, NY and Gary (Kristen) Spoon of Williamstown, NY. He is also survived by multiple extended family and friends.

Kenny proudly served as a Military Police Officer in the United States Army from 1968 until 1975, doing two tours in Viet-Nam. He retired from the Syracuse VA as a Police Officer.

He was a longtime member of the Amboy and New Haven Fire Departments.

Kenny also loved many outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, camping, and boating around Panther Lake. He passed this love on to all his children.

He also enjoyed sitting on his front deck watching the world around him with his beloved dogs.

Kenny attended the First Baptist Church of Hernando, FL, and the Amboy Center United Methodist Church in Amboy, NY.

A Celebration of Kenneth's Life will be held on July 24, 2021 at the First Baptist Church of Hernando, 3790 E. Parsons Point Road. The family will be receiving friends

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from 10:30 AM to 11:00 AM with the service beginning at 11:00. Following the service lunch will be served.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to your local SPCA, or the American Cancer Society.

Private cremation arrangements by Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL.

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Irene Herrin, 95 INVERNESS

Irene A. Herrin, Inverness, FL, passed away on March 22, 2021 at Citrus Memorial Hospital, Inverness, at the age of 95 years old.

She was born to the late Amadee and Nelida (Herbert) Pelletier on December 11, 1924 in Nashua, NH. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband,

Quinton Sr., who she met in 1941 at age 16 and married in 1945. Quinton Sr. passed away on

December 5, 2017.

Irene worked as a secretary for Sanders Associates Electronics, (now BAE Systems) in Nashua, N.H. for many years. She relocated to the Inverness area in 2001 after moving from Kissimmee, FL, where she worked and retired as a crossing guard for Osceola Co. Sheriff's office.

In Irene's younger years, she enjoyed sewing, jogging, and especially fishing with her husband Quinton Sr. In Irene's later years she enjoyed attending the ladies morning bible group at her church, First Christian Church in Inverness, FL, where she was a member. Irene also enjoyed reading and playing dominoes with her daughter who she lived with for the past three years.

Irene loved giving words of wisdom, hugs and kisses to her grandchildren. She loved her family and church family. Above all, Irene loved her Lord and Savior.

Irene is survived by her five children: Quinton R. (Gilda) Herrin Jr., Inverness, FL, Curtis T. (Carolyn) Herrin, Merritt Island, FL, her daughter, Marlene (John) Moran, Inverness, FL, Douglas A. (Cherie) Herrin, Orlando, FL, and Richard T. (Peggy) Herrin, Cocoa Beach, FL; her sister, Muriel Briand, Melbourne, FL; 11 grandchildren (Donnie, Jennifer, Wendi, Hollie, Coleen, Jonathan, Travis, Austin, Sean, Sarah, Christopher); and 13 great-grandchildren (Calvin, Hannah, Keira, Ella, Jaiden, Meghan, Alexander (Alex), Amelia, Quinn, Julia, Jonah, Catherine (Cate)).

Irene: AKA, Mom, Mommie, Memere, Mum, Ma, Frenchie, Aunt Irene, ol'girl, Ma Tante Irene was loved and is dearly missed.

A Celebration of Life Service for Irene, will be conducted on Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 11:00 AM from the First Christian Church at 218 Colonade Street, Inverness, with Pastors Tom Thomas and Ray Kelly officiating.

Interment will be at a later date in Arlington National Cemetery.

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James Merenda, 89 LECANTO

James Merenda, 89, of Lecanto, FL passed to be with his Lord and Savior July 3, 2021. He served our country in the U.S. Navy.

Private cremation arrangements by Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL.

Barry Buchanan, 53 HERNANDO

Barry Lee Buchanan, 53 of Hernando passed away on July 2, 2021. He was born in St. Charles, Missouri on November 20, 1967, to the late William and Sandra Buchanan. Barry moved to Citrus County with his family in 1976 after they relocated from St. Charles.

He was the owner and operator of H.E. Smith HVAC Electrical Company.

Barry was a big and loud “Gator” fan! He enjoyed watching TV and his favorite movies were 300, Tombstone and The Punisher.

Barry always wore caps, obviously his favorite ones were his Gator caps. He was a calm and peaceful person who really cared for his family and tried to take care of everyone around him. He would cook steak and nuggets for his little love, his dachshund, Toby, who passed away earlier this year on February 15th.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife Sharon; his son and dear friend, Christopher Lee Buchanan and his wife, Heather, of Hernando, FL; his daughter, Tabitha Carson and her wife, Shelby; his step daughter, Tacarra Washington of Tallahassee, FL; his brother Danny Buchanan, his wife Debbie and their sons: Derrick and Dawson Buchanan, of Holder, FL; his two grandchildren: Christopher Buchanan, Jr. and Aliyah Washington; his uncle, Robert Buchanan of Sikeston, MO; and an abundance of friends.

A Service of Remembrance for Barry will be conducted on Saturday July 17th, 2021, at 11:00 AM, at the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home, with Crematory, Inverness, with Bishop Douglas Alexander, of the New Church Without Walls Church, officiating.

Friends are invited to join the family in visitation beginning at 10:00 AM until the hour of service. In lieu of flowers please consider bringing balloons to the service. Chas E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness.

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Woldemar Horn, 87

CRYSTAL RIVER

Woldemar Horn, 87 of Crystal River, FL passed away Monday July 5, 2021 at home under the care of his family and Hospice.

He was born May 16, 1934 to Johan and Pascha Horn in Ukraine and came to Crystal River 46 years ago from Kansas.

Mr. Horn was a retired Jeweler and Watchmaker of Horn's Jewellery in Crystal River. He was a member of St Benedict Catholic

Church, the West Citrus Lodge, Local Good Sam's Club and the Crystal River

Rotary Club.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sons Gary Horn and Dr. Roy Horn and his sister Lydia Balfour.

He is survived by his loving wife of 66 years Joan Horn, his son Roger Horn, his daughters-in-law Jennifer and Laura Horn, brothers Viktor, Henry, Wilhelm and John Horn, sisters Waldamira Litwinoff, Nadia Dirksen and Ljuba DeSmith, numerous nieces, nephews and other extended family.

Visitation will be from 6PM to 8PM on Wednesday July 14th at the Strickland Funeral Home Chapel in Crystal River, FL where a vigil prayer service will begin at 7PM. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10AM on Thursday July 15th at St Benedict Catholic Church of Crystal River, FL with interment to follow at Crystal River Memorial Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Strickland Funeral Home and Crematory, Crystal River, FL.

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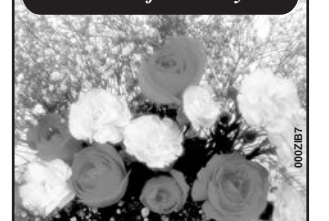
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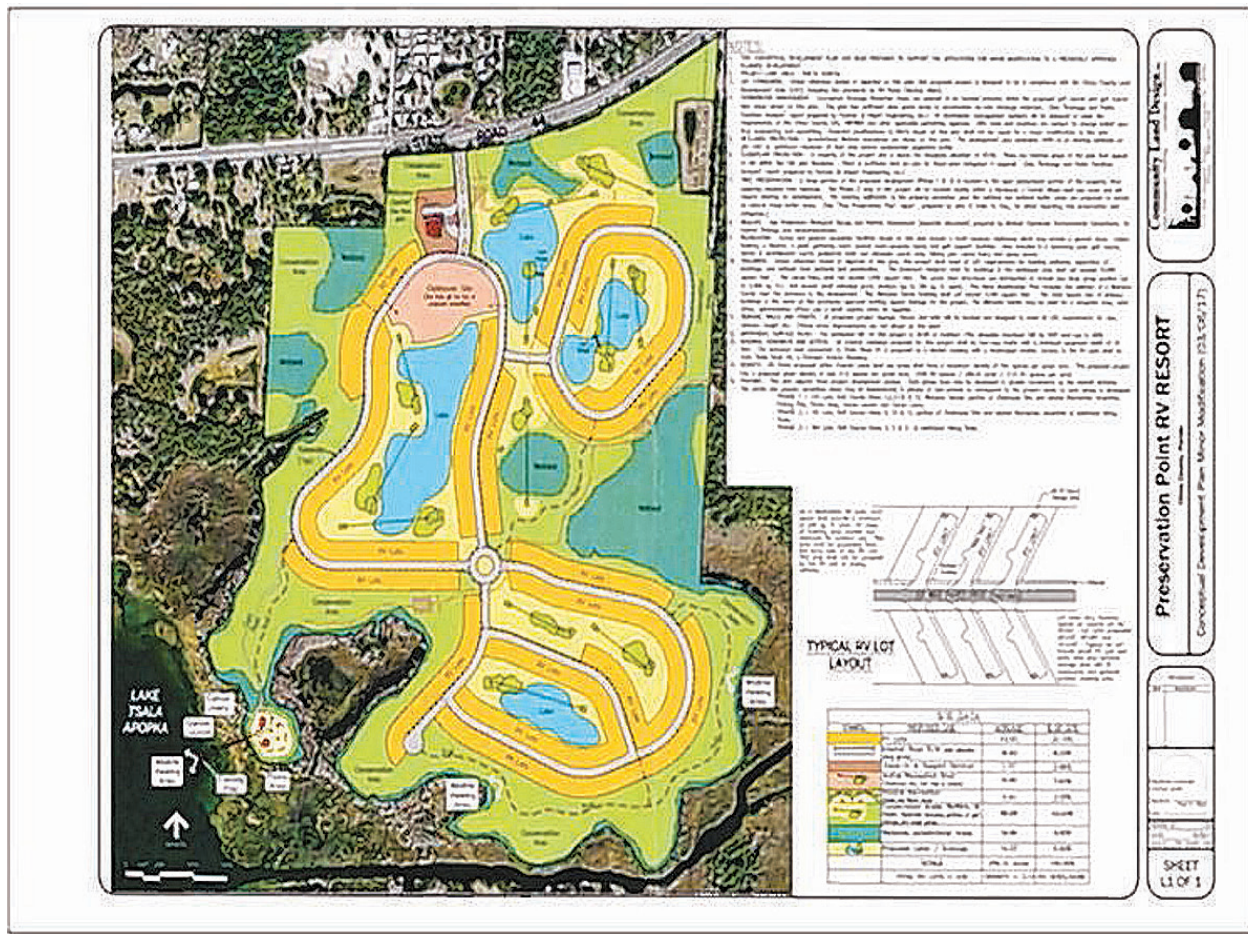
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Courtesy of the City of Inverness

The Preservation Point RV Resort development plan as presented to the Inverness Council.

MOVE

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limits “do not touch or adjoin in any reasonable sense and do not share a common boundary at all.”



Scott Carnahan
chairman,
Citrus BOCC.

Eliminating the annexation may have no effect on the development. Work has already begun under city land-development regulations, which city officials said mirrored those of the county’s, in case the lawsuit ended in the county’s favor.

The city council on Tuesday decided not to appeal.

Although the county filed a motion for attorney’s fees, it didn’t say how much it would be seeking from the city.

County Attorney Denise Dymond Lyn said Friday she had not yet totaled the amount that outside attorney Dale Scott charged the county on the annexation case.

Lyn said in an email to the Chronicle that the motion was filed “in an abundance of caution to protect the county’s legal interest,” but that it would ultimately be the board’s decision whether to pursue the motion.

Carnahan, who has the matter Tuesday under his agenda, said he wants to make sure the county doesn’t slow down Eden’s progress.

“I’m here for Mr. Eden and his project and his investors,” Carnahan said. “It’s a good project.”

ONLINE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Local groups are welcome to add their upcoming events to the Chronicle’s online calendar.
- Visit www.chronicleonline.com/local-events.

REALTORS

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membership — but we have the resources and we have the passion,” said Florida Realtors President Cheryl Lambert, who is also broker-owner with Only Way Realty Citrus in Inverness.

Government and community leaders have said the lack of affordable housing in Citrus County is a top issue.

This all stems from real estate industry frustration with lawmakers to use money from a state affordable housing trust, called the Sadowski trust fund, for other purposes.

If approved by 60% of voters, the proposed ballot measure would establish in the Florida Constitution the State Housing and the Local Government Housing Trust Fund.

It would require that the trust funds receive at least 25% of the revenue from documentary-stamp taxes — which are collected on real-estate transactions — and would detail how the money could be used to address affordable housing.

Senate President Wilton Simpson, R-Trilby, and Florida House of Representatives Speaker Chris Sprowls in March announced a funding change impacting

This effort stems from frustration with lawmakers to use money from a state affordable housing trust fund for other purposes.

the state’s affordable housing trust funds, commonly called the Sadowski Trust Funds.

Sprowls and Simpson proposed that two-thirds of the Sadowski money go to efforts to address effects of sea-level rise and to upgrade sewage treatment.

Under the initial Senate plan, that would have provided \$141.7 million to affordable housing, sea-level rise and sewage treatment.

But after an outcry about a need for affordable housing, the Senate approved an amendment to provide \$200 million for affordable housing, \$111.7 million for sea-level rise and \$111.7 million for sewage treatment.

Simpson said recently the money would go toward the septic-to-sewer campaign to clean up local waterways and springs. Sea-level rise, he said, also represents a danger to folks who live along the coast.

The News Service of Florida contributed to this report

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ROWING

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each with two oars. Men's eight is a sweep, so each of the eight team members has just one oar.

Coming out of college rowing, where there are only sweep races, competing in that discipline simply made the most sense for the now 24-year-old Davison, who graduated from Washington in 2019.

Since qualifying their boat for the Olympics, the Team USA members have been training in Oakland, California, and battling for a spot on the Olympic squad.

Then there was the uncertainty of the pandemic, which postponed the Tokyo Olympics by a year and threatened to cancel them all together.

"It's been very stressful for all the guys here. We're all one team, but at the same time we're also racing each other. It's stressful just managing that," Davison said.

"Each week you're racing 2-3 times a week and too many bad days, that's basically it for you.

"You put in months and months of training. Your life is on hold working for this," he said.

Though vaccinated, the USA rowers face regular testing and will have an app on their phones to help in contact tracing. They'll first head to Hawaii, which Davison likened to a quarantine.

"We're going to race. That's our priority," Davison said. "It'll be a little bit weird racing an

Olympic final with just a couple spectators, but rowing is not a sport with a lot of fans anyway. We've been doing this for years so it's not different for us."

Yet the COVID protocols will prevent Davison's family from attending the Olympics. That includes his mother Sarah, a nurse at Citrus Memorial Hospital, as well as his father Terry, who was his coach growing up.

"They've always been my supporters," Davison said of his family, including his brother Joe. "I wasn't always good at this. I'd argue I was pretty bad. But I've always had support from my mom, and brother."

From believing he was pretty bad to being the Pac-12 Conference Men's Rowing Athlete of the Year in 2019 and now an Olympian is an impressive ascension. The next step is to see if he and his teammates can earn an Olympic medal, something the USA hasn't done in men's eight since 2008. The last of 12 gold medals in that particular event came in 2004.

In Rio, Team USA just missed the medal stand by placing fourth. But only one person, Austin Hack, returns from 2016. The remaining eight members of the team, including Davison, Justin Best, Liam Corrigan, Conor Harrity, Nick Mead, Alex Miklasevich, Alexander Richards and Julian Venonsky are all first-time Olympians.

"I'm confident. It's a great group of guys," Davison said. "We're a young group. We have

just one returning Olympian, which is uncommon. Usually a boat has a lot of solid guys returning. We've got a little bit of experience, but we have youthful energy."

Predicting where each boat might finish is difficult, Davison noted, because each race tends to be decided by mere seconds. It will become clear, though, when men's eight heats take place on July 25. The final will be July 30.

However it works out for Team USA, Davison doesn't know how it will impact his future and whether he'll take another shot at the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris.

"Everyone is different. A small part of me thinks if I win an Olympic medal, that'll be it for me," Davison said. "But I might try a different boat class or if we don't win a medal that might be the inspiration to go for one in Paris."

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2015	Dodge	Durango	8788A	\$24,993
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2018	Nissan	Rogue	J21312A	\$25,993
2015	Ram	1500	8632C	\$25,993
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2019	Chevrolet	Impala	121251B	\$26,993
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2014	Ram	1500	B21469B	\$29,993
2016	Ford	Explorer	21275B	\$29,993
2019	Dodge	Challenger	J21308A	\$29,993
2019	Honda	Accord	8715P	\$29,993
2021	Ford	Ranger	B21493A	\$30,735
2019	Dodge	Challenger	8791P	\$30,993
2019	Jeep	Cherokee	8864P	\$31,993
2020	Chevrolet	Colorado	B21196A	\$31,993
2019	Toyota	Sienna	J21240A	\$33,993
2016	Chevrolet	Colorado	J21239A	\$33,993
2019	Honda	CR-V	J21328A	\$34,993
2019	Kia	Sorento	J21216B	\$34,993
2020	Ford	Ranger	8664B	\$35,993
2018	Ram	1500	B21408B	\$35,993
2016	Ram	1500	J21045B	\$37,993
2019	Ford	F-150	J21298A	\$37,993
2015	Jeep	Wrangler	J21256A	\$38,993
2016	Jeep	Wrangler	J21325A	\$39,993
2019	Dodge	Challenger	J21312F	\$39,993
2017	Jeep	Wrangler	8609A	\$39,993
2018	Chevrolet	Camaro	J21305C	\$41,993
2019	Ram	1500	J21274A	\$42,993
2017	Jeep	Wrangler	8776P	\$42,993
2016	Toyota	Sequoia	B21436A	\$43,993
2019	Toyota	Tacoma	J21315A	\$45,993
2020	Ram	1500	J21338A	\$49,993
2018	GMC	Sierra 1500	J21313A	\$49,993
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida, will hold a public hearing in the Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Room, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450, at 2:15 pm on July 27, 2021, for the purpose of hearing public comment on the adoption of a Resolution of the Board adopting the method of determining the amount of the Annual Disposal Assessment for the Citrus County Solid Waste Municipal Service Benefit Unit and determining the annual rates, fees, charges, assessments, or service charges to be imposed upon the owners of Improved Real Property and the Disposal Service Unit Rate (commercial solid waste disposal fee) as described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof. Also, to be considered is the Fee Schedule for the Citrus County Landfill for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 as described in Exhibit "B" attached hereto and the Emergency Fee Schedule as described in Exhibit "C" attached hereto. Anyone not attending the hearing but who wishes to make comments shall do so in writing and address same to the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida 34450. Said comments must be received prior to 12:00 Noon on Monday, July 26, 2021.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at this public hearing he 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.

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. If you need a Spanish Translator, please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at 352-527-5370. Si necesita un traductor de español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado, dentro de dos días de la notificación de la publicación a 352-527-5370.

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CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

EXHIBIT "A"
RESIDENTIAL DISPOSAL ASSESSMENT
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

Solid Waste Municipal Service Benefit Unit

\$27.00 per residential dwelling unit

Each single-family residence, condominium unit, apartment, mobile home, or mobile home within a mobile home park shall constitute a residential dwelling unit but shall not apply to commercial as defined in Section 90-731, Citrus County Code.

COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL FEE

\$1.25 per cubic yard (Disposal Service Unit Rate).

Nonresidential or commercial as defined in Sections 90-731 and 90-763, Citrus County Code.

EXHIBIT "B"
ASSESSED RESIDENTIAL FEE SCHEDULE
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

TRANSACTION FEE: **\$4.00** per visit for all paid items
(Certified Haulers & Municipalities exempt)

**** LATE CUSTOMER CHARGE:**
(Starts at 4:40pm Mon-Fri and Starts at 2:40pm Sat) **\$1.50** per minute

**** ALL LOADS PAID BY BUSINESS CHECKS / BUSINESS CREDIT CARDS ARE CHARGED AT BUSINESS RATES**

BAGGED OR CANNED SOLID WASTE / YARD WASTE

Residential Solid Waste / Trash
..... **Up to 5** – 30-gallon bags or cans included under transaction fee
..... from 6 to 9 – 30-gallon bags or cans additional \$1.00 per bag/can
..... 10 and over will be at per ton rate

Residential Yard Waste
..... **Up to 8** – 30-gallon bags or cans included under transaction fee
..... 9 and over will be at per ton rate

NON-BAGGED WASTE:

Residential Solid Waste / Trash \$30.00 /ton
Uncovered or uncontained waste or yard waste / addl. surcharge \$10.00 /ton
Residential Yard Waste \$22.50 /ton
(Logs or Stumps in excess of 4 ft. in diameter or in excess of 10 ft. in length will not be accepted)
Residential Christmas Trees - Dec 26th-Jan 31st No Charge

BULKY WASTE NON-RESIDENTIAL SELF-HAUL:

Consisting of furniture / carpet & padding / mattress & box springs..... No Charge
Amounts exceeding 1000 lbs. per year \$30.00 /ton

ANNUAL RESIDENTIAL SELF-HAUL ADVANCE DISPOSAL PAYMENT PROGRAM:
SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS IN PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Bagged Household Garbage / Bagged Yard Waste
Eight 30 Gallon Containers per Week

Purchase Date:	New Passholder	Senior
Oct. 1–Dec. 31	\$ 104 per Vehicle	\$72 per Vehicle
Jan. 1–Mar. 31	\$ 78 per Vehicle	\$54 per Vehicle
Apr.1–June 30	\$ 52 per Vehicle	\$36 per Vehicle
July 1–Sept. 30	\$ 26 per Vehicle	\$18 per Vehicle

The County has an established renewal by mail process for all existing pass holders for the rate schedule October 1 through December 31. In order to qualify for the senior rate, a copy of the applicant's driver's license must be attached to the application for verification. Applications delivered to the Landfill Administrative Office will be processed in a timely manner and returned by mail.

Loads may be combined with "No Charge" items up to per-visit limits and still use bypass lane.
Loads that contain items for which there is a charge must use the scale lane.

CERTIFIED WEIGHT: \$5.00 each

CLEAN CONCRETE FOR RECYCLING: No longer Accepted

CLEAN RECYCLABLES: No Charge

ADDITIONAL RECYCLABLES.... (at the Landfill Only)

Used Oil, Used Oil Filters and Anti-Freeze.....Limit 10 gallons per visit..... No Charge
Cooking Oil.....Limit 10 gallons per visit.....No Charge

CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION DEBRIS, CONCRETE, BOATS OR TRAILERS:..... \$60.00 /ton

ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT:

Televisions, Monitors, and all other equipment \$30.00 /ton
Computers, Laptops, and Tablets.....No Charge

HAZARDOUS WASTE, PAINT & RELATED MATERIALS:

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday
First 10 gallons or 60 lbs No Charge
Over 10 gallons or 60 lbs \$0.35 /lb.
Latex Paint 10 gallons or 60 lbs. limited per disposal No Charge

LEAD ACID & RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES:..... No Charge

MERCURY-CONTAINING DEVICES:

Fluorescent Lamps - straight, circular, U-shaped & compact fluorescent
bulbs (First 10 free, thereafter).....\$0.80 per lamp
MCD/HIDs - first 10 free, thereafter..... \$2.00 each

METAL APPLIANCES:

Refrigerators, Freezers, A/C units.....(First unit, No charge, thereafter)
\$30.00 /ton
Propane Tanks \$30.00 /ton
Other Metal Appliances(Stoves, Washers, etc.)
No Charge

SCRAP METAL: No Charge

SPECIAL WASTE:

Asbestos, Sludge, Oil-Contaminated materials (by Staff Approval Only), Items
Requiring Verified Burial, and Animal carcass..... \$90.00 /ton

TIRES:

Residential Passenger Car Tires up to 5..... \$2.00 each
Residential Car or Small Truck Tires over 5..... \$100.00 /ton
Residential Oversize tires any number..... \$250.00 /ton

WASTE RELOCATION CHARGE:

(1 Hour Minimum Charge).....\$90.00 per Man-Hour

EXHIBIT "B"
COMMERCIAL & NON-ASSESSED RESIDENTIAL FEE SCHEDULE
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

TRANSACTION FEE: **\$4.00** per visit for all paid items
(Certified Haulers & Municipalities exempt)

**** LATE CUSTOMER CHARGE:**

(Starts at 4:40pm Mon-Fri & Starts at 2:40pm Sat)..... \$1.50 per minute

**** WASTE RELOCATION CHARGE:**

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**** ALL LOADS PAID BY BUSINESS CHECKS / BUSINESS CREDIT CARDS ARE CHARGED AT BUSINESS RATES**

SOLID WASTE TIPPING FEES:

Uncovered or uncontained waste surcharge..... \$10.00 /ton
Non-Certified / Non-Assessed Haulers & Commercial Self-Haul..... \$60.00 /ton
Non-Assessed residential self-haul \$60.00 /ton
Certified Haulers..... \$30.00 /ton
City Trucks / City Contract Haulers & Roll-offs with Solid Waste Disposal
Interlocal Agreement \$33.23 /ton
Roll-off containerized waste from unincorporated areas \$60.00 /ton
Non-Assessment Roll-off containerized waste \$60.00 /ton
Mixed-City / County Routes..... Per Agreement with BOCC Only
Out of County Waste Per Agreement with BOCC Only
Registered Non-Profit Organizations with Thrift Shop
..... First 1000lbs/month free, \$30.00/ton thereafter

BULKY WASTE BY NON-RESIDENTIAL SELF-HAULERS:

Consisting of furniture / carpet & padding / mattress & box springs..... \$60.00 /ton

CERTIFIED WEIGHT: \$ 5.00 each

CLEAN CONCRETE FOR RECYCLING: Not Accepted

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Computers, Laptops, and Tablets..... No Charge

HAZARDOUS WASTE, PAINT & RELATED MATERIALS:

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday
By Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators \$1.00 /lb.
Non-Assessed Residents \$0.35 /lb.

**** HAZARDOUS WASTE from SMALL QUANTITY and LARGER GENERATORS, WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED ****

LEAD ACID & RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES:..... No Charge

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Fluorescent Lamps -- straight, circular, U-shaped & compact fluorescent
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YARD WASTE \$22.50 /ton
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WASTE RELOCATION CHARGE:

(1 Hour Minimum Charge)..... \$90.00 per Man-Hour

EXHIBIT "C"
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT EMERGENCY FEE SCHEDULE
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021

This fee schedule may be implemented under the following conditions:

Locally declared state of emergency, or
Failure of the landfill's normal and backup power supply, scales, scale house building
and/or computers for scale house management system.

This fee schedule will be terminated, and the regular fee schedule will be reinstated under the following conditions:

Return of function for power, scales, scale house building and/or computers for the
scale house management system or
Termination of state of emergency or
Direction of BOCC.

Charge customers – certified waste collectors

Front load and rear load route trucks. Weight is equal to the average load weight for that collection vehicle, for the same waste type, within the past 30 days. Rate is the normal per ton rate. If the truck has no visits during the period of record, use the most similar truck (type, capacity) from the same collection company for the maximum load.

Roll-off truck with open-top box. Weight is equal to the density calculated for landfill CSA waste boxes times the capacity of the open-top box. Rate is the normal per ton rate. Compactor roll-off boxes. Weight is equal to the average weight for that container within the past 30 days. Rate is normal per ton rate. If the container has no visits during the period of record, use the most similar container from the same collection company for the maximum load.

Receipts will be manual tickets indicating date, time, truck number and material and if applicable, roll-off container capacity.

Charge customers - all others - See below.

Residential and commercial cash customers – prices include transaction fee

Car or van	\$ 5.00
Single axle pickup truck	\$ 9.00
Dual axle pickup truck	\$18.00
Car or van with trailer	\$ 6.00
Pickup truck with trailer <12 feet long	\$18.00
Pickup truck with trailer > 12 feet long	\$27.00
Dual axle with trailer <12 feet long	\$36.00
Dual axle with trailer > 12 feet long	\$60.00

Dump trucks - Weight is equal to the density calculated for landfill CSA waste boxes times the capacity of the dump bed. Rate is the normal per ton rate.

Items that are normally free for residents will be charged. Material separation for disposal location remains in effect. Receipts for all transactions (if requested) will be manual tickets indicating date, and cash amount paid.

No vegetative debris will be accepted during the first three days following a natural disaster.

Weekly Roundup: Lacking punch but landing a warning

The News Service of Florida

IN SEARCH OF ANSWERS

TALLAHASSEE — It was a dreary week for weather in the Sunshine State, but avoiding the brunt of a full-force hurricane brought a silver lining to the dark clouds that blew in with Elsa.

In comparison to storms that rocked Florida in recent years, Tropical Storm Elsa looked feeble and disorganized as it approached the state's Big Bend region prior to making landfall in the wee hours Wednesday morning.

But that didn't stop Elsa from churning over the state and soaking much of North Florida, prompting flood warnings and closures of schools and state courts.

And, of course, it wouldn't have been a Florida storm without power outages. Elsa knocked out power for tens of thousands of Floridians, while the state had on standby about 10,000 workers ready to respond to areas that went dark.

After the storm blew through the Sunshine State and was on its way up the Eastern Seaboard, restoration efforts got underway.

Florida Public Service Commission Chairman Gary Clark said Thursday that he expected all electricity to be restored by the end of the week.

"I realize a lot of people probably had some damage and some losses and understand we had quite a few outages. We still had, I believe, around 5,500 outages this morning across the state of Florida. But I realize those are all being worked on and anticipated to be all cleared up within the next 24 hours," Clark said.

Elsa twice strengthened to a hurricane before making landfall as a tropical storm. But even though Florida got off the hook with a relatively mild storm this time, Gov. Ron DeSantis warned people not to let their guard down during hurricane season.

"This was something I think that we've been able to handle fine. But there is going to be more activity," DeSantis said.

"I mean, we don't have anything on the horizon. But people just need to be prepared."

As search-and-rescue workers fended off rain and wind from Elsa to continue scouring the rubble for missing persons after the partial collapse of the Champlain Towers South condominium building in Surfside, the confirmation of deaths rapidly increased.

Miami-Dade County Mayor Daniella Levine Cava, in a somber announcement on Wednesday, said that search efforts had shifted from search and rescue to search and recovery. As of Friday, the death count in the disaster reached 78, Cava told reporters.

Sixty people remain unaccounted for, while 200 people have been accounted for so far.

A question still looming for the governor is whether there are "implications broader than Champlain Towers" that would warrant state oversight of aging high-rise condominium buildings across Florida.

DeSantis said it remains unknown if the disaster will require extensive changes on issues such as building inspections or construction.

"Is this something that was unique to this building? Is it something that was unique to the person that maybe developed it, because obviously there are sister properties? Is it something that buildings of that age, that would have implications beyond that, whether (in) southern Florida or the entire state of Florida?"

"I think we need to get those definitive answers," he told reporters Wednesday while at the state Emergency Operations Center discussing the impacts of Tropical Storm Elsa.

In the absence of anything definitive, DeSantis advised not to "jump to conclusions about it."

DOWN PAYMENT

Boosting an effort to put a proposed constitutional amendment on the 2022 ballot that would ensure money for affordable-housing programs, two major realtor groups pumped \$8 million into the political committee Floridians For Housing,

according to a newly filed finance report.

The group Florida Realtors funneled \$5 million in June to the political committee, while the National Association of Realtors chipped in another \$3 million. Florida Realtors had earlier contributed \$5 million, bringing the total amount raised by the committee to \$13 million.

The proposed constitutional amendment comes after years of frustration in the real-estate industry and among other groups about decisions by lawmakers to use money from a state affordable-housing trust fund, known as the Sadowski trust fund, for

other purposes.

If approved by 60% of voters, the proposed ballot measure would establish in the Florida Constitution the State Housing Trust Fund and the Local Government Housing Trust Fund. It would require that the two trust funds receive at least 25% of the revenue from documentary-stamp taxes — which are collected on real-estate transactions — and would detail how the money could be used to address affordable housing.

Most of the money raised by the committee this year likely will go toward collecting the

requisite number of petition signatures to make it onto the ballot.

To reach the ballot, backers of the proposed amendment will need to submit 891,589 valid petition signatures by a Feb. 1 deadline. As a preliminary step, the committee needs to submit 222,898 signatures to trigger a crucial Florida Supreme Court review of the proposed ballot wording.

The housing proposal likely would be one of the highest-profile initiatives on the November 2022 ballot and comes after Republican lawmakers have taken a series of steps to try to make it harder to pass constitutional amendments.

Those steps included

passing a law this year that would place a \$3,000 limit on contributions to political committees as they collect petition signatures for ballot initiatives. Critics say the limit would make it impossible to collect the required petition signatures.

The law (SB 1890) was slated to take effect July 1, which was after the multi-million-dollar contributions to the affordable-housing initiative. But U.S. District Judge Allen Winsor last week blocked the law, saying it runs afoul of the First Amendment.

(For more local information about this issue, see Mike Wright's story starting on Page A1 of today's Chronicle.)

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Rubble and debris of the Champlain Towers South condo can be seen in Surfside, Florida on Tuesday, July 6. The rubble shown here is from the front portion of the condo towers, which was demolished 11 days after the back part of the tower collapsed with people inside.

Review prompted by building collapse closes Miami courthouse

DAVID FISCHER
Associated Press

MIAMI — The Miami-Dade County Courthouse will begin undergoing repairs immediately because of safety concerns found during a review prompted by the deadly collapse of a nearby condominium building, officials said.

An engineering firm that examined the 28-story courthouse recommended that it undergo immediate structural repairs and that floors 16 and above be closed. All courthouse employees, including those who work on lower floors, will return to working from home, Miami-Dade Mayor Daniella Levine Cava and other leaders said in a joint statement late Friday.

In its report, engineering firm U.S. Structures Inc. said that during its June 30 inspection, it found structural distress in various structural members such as support beams and joists, including steel columns that are in “poor condition” and concrete columns that have numerous cracks.

“In general, we observed numerous members with visible signs of structural deterioration that have been documented and reported by this and other firms for quite some time now. Many of these members are in an advance state of deterioration,” inspector Jose Toledo wrote in the firm’s Tuesday letter to Miami-Dade County officials.

The announcement about the courthouse, which is in Miami, came during the third week of the search for victims of the collapse of the Champlain Towers South

building in nearby Surfside. On Saturday, authorities raised the confirmed death toll to 86, with 43 people still missing.

The courthouse, which was completed in 1928 and placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1989, is where most civil cases are heard and contains some administrative offices. Separate courthouses for criminal, children’s and family cases are not affected.

Workers only recently returned to the building after working remotely because of the coronavirus pandemic. Court operations will go back to a remote format until the safety concerns are addressed. The court planned to notify people with upcoming court proceedings of the changes.

“They had only been back in that building about a week,” Levine Cava said at a Saturday news conference. “So they have everything they need to continue to operate remotely and also at other locations, so it should not disrupt substantially.”

Authorities didn’t disclose details about the specific types of repairs that are needed, and they still plan to inspect its basement to determine if additional ones are required.

In its report, the engineering firm warned that one column on the 25th floor needed “immediate attention” and urged that it be repaired within 30 days. It also found overhead beams and slabs that had cracks and spalling, which is when pieces of concrete break off and potentially allow water in. In addition, it advised officials to remove heavy items such as books, office supplies and sandbags that were stored on upper floors.



It is with great pleasure to announce that Discount Garage Doors (DGD) has acquired KC Garage Doors & Openers of Inverness. Both companies have provided Citrus County with outstanding service for decades and DGD will continue to provide the same level of excellence to which KC Garage Door customers have received over the past 35 years.

KC Garage Doors was started in 1985 by Bob McCollam, who at the time worked at Lowe’s Home Improvement store when they were in what is now the Key Training Center building. Bob was selling garage door openers to customers, and with no garage door companies in the area to install them, Bob began doing so after work. Bob quickly saw a need and took the leap of faith and began KC, which he named after his daughter Kristy and wife Claudia. Bob ran KC for 17 years until his retirement in 2002, at which time he passed the torch down to his son-in-law George Kapiton. George had been working for Bob for 7 years and transitioned into his new role as President seamlessly. Sadly, Bob passed away last year on October 11th with his family by his side.

Shortly after Bob’s passing, George decided it was time for him to pursue his passion of airboat tours, which you can experience at All American Airboat Tours, and launches out of the boat ramp at the Cove Restaurant on Hwy 44. George caters to customers looking for high-speed thrill rides for up to 6 passengers rather than the “tour bus” sightseeing airboat rides most are accustomed to. DGD is looking forward to working with George during his transition and wish him the best of luck and are eager to experience one of his famous rides!

DGD was founded in 2002 by long-time Citrus County resident Jack Dickerson. George and Jack graduated Citrus High School together in 1994, often spending their weekends hunting and fishing together. Jack had been working in the industry for several years and decided to give it a go at his own business. DGD quickly grew due to their excellent customer service, extremely high quality parts, longest warranties and 7 day a week emergency service at no additional charge. DGD has now grown into a company of 52 hard working employees, servicing 21 counties from Gainesville to Naples, as well as Charleston, South Carolina. Even with the large footprint the company now services, Citrus County is still considered home to Jack and DGD.

DGD was voted Best of the Best Gold Winner yet again for 2021 for Citrus County, as well as Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas and Hillsborough. DGD will continue providing the same level of service that the residents of Citrus County, Central Florida and Charleston have come to expect over the past two decades. DGD specializes in replacing broken springs, quieting noisy doors, all repairs and new installations for garage doors and automatic openers, as well as installations of sliding and automatic screens for garage doors and lanais. Look for their yellow and blue trucks and cars and give their happy employees a wave when you see them. DGD can be reached at 637-5800, www.DGDoors.com or you can visit their main office & showroom at 7293 Sunshine Grove Rd in Brooksville.



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National NEWS

'An incredible day' as Lee statue removed in Charlottesville

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Cheers erupted Saturday as a Confederate statue that towered for nearly a century over downtown Charlottesville was carted away by truck from the Virginia city where it had become a flashpoint for racist protests and deadly violence.

It was a day of palpable joy and immense relief for scores of residents and visitors who lined neighboring streets to watch the larger-than-life figure of Gen. Robert E. Lee as it was hoisted from its pedestal and taken — at least for now — to storage.

The statue's removal came more than five years after racial justice activists had renewed a push to take down the monument, an initiative that drew the attention of white supremacists and other racist groups, culminating in the violent "Unite the Right" rally in 2017.

"I'm ecstatic that we're here now. It's sad that it's taken so much to get us to this point. But this is an incredible day," said Don Gathers, a local Black activist who long advocated for the statue's removal.

Work to remove Lee's statue, and one of Confederate Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson shortly after, proceeded peacefully and without interruption.

It was a project held up for years by a long, winding legal fight coupled with changes in a state law that protected war memorials.

California wildfire advances as heat wave blankets US West

BECKWORTH, Calif. — Firefighters struggled to contain an exploding Northern California wildfire under blazing temperatures as another heat wave hits the U.S. West this weekend, prompting an excessive heat warning for inland and desert areas.

On Friday, Death Valley National Park in California recorded a staggering high of 130 degrees and could reach the same high on Saturday.

If verified, the 130-degree reading would be the hottest high recorded there since July 1913, when the same Furnace Creek desert area hit 134, considered the highest reliably measured temperature on Earth.

The Beckworth Complex — a merging of two lightning-caused fires — headed into Saturday showing no sign of slowing its rush northeast from the Sierra Nevada forest region after doubling in size only a few days earlier.

California's northern mountain areas already have seen several large fires that have destroyed more than a dozen homes.

Although there are no confirmed reports of building damage, the fire prompted evacuation orders or warnings for roughly 2,800 people in California along with the closure of nearly 200 square miles of Plumas National Forest.

On Friday, ridgetop winds up to 20 mph combined with ferocious heat as the fire raged through dry pine, fir and chaparral. As the fire's northeastern flank raged near the California-Nevada state line, the Washoe County Sheriff's Office asked people to evacuate some areas in the rural communities of Ranch Haven and Flanagan Flats, north of Reno.

— From wire reports

Democrats craft voting rights bill

Eye remains on Supreme Court fight

BRIAN SLODYSKO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As congressional Democrats gear up for another bruising legislative push to expand voting rights, much of their attention has quietly focused on a small yet crucial voting bloc with the power to scuttle their plans: the nine Supreme Court justices.

Democrats face dim prospects for passing voting legislation through a narrowly divided Congress, where an issue that once drew compromise has become an increasingly partisan flashpoint. But as they look to reinstate key parts of the Voting Rights Act of

1965, a landmark civil rights-era law diminished over the past decade by Supreme Court rulings, they have accepted the reality that any bill they pass probably will wind up in litigation — and ultimately back before the high court.

The task of building a more durable Voting Rights Act got harder when the high court's conservative majority on July 1 issued its second major ruling in eight years narrowing the law's once robust power.

"What it feels like is a shifting of the goal posts," said Damon Hewitt, the president and executive director of the left-leaning Lawyers' Committee for Civil

Rights Under Law.

Sparring in Congress for months has focused on a different Democratic bill overhauling elections, known as the For the People Act, which Republican senators blocked from debate on the chamber's floor last month.

Separately, however, Democrats have held a marathon series of low-key "field hearings" to prepare for votes on a second measure, the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act, which could come to the House floor for a vote in September. The bill would allow courts and the Department of Justice to once again police changes to voting rules in places with a history of electoral discrimination against minorities, a practice the Supreme Court put on hold in 2013.

Democrats hope the hearings they have conducted with little fanfare will help build a legislative record that could withstand a court challenge. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., said Friday that the process will document what he called "the disgraceful tactics that Republican-led state legislatures are using across the country to keep people from voting."

That's criticism that Republicans reject, arguing that the courts and Democratic administrations have selectively enforced the law in the past.

"It's not a coincidence that a decade of court cases were only focused on Republican states," said Rep. Rodney Davis, an Illinois Republican who sits on a committee that conducted the field hearings.

Flexing muscles in Black Sea



Associated Press

A view of the Britain's Royal Navy patrol ship OPV "Trent" in the Black Sea, Thursday late, July 8, during Sea Breeze 2021 maneuvers. Ukraine and NATO have conducted Black Sea drills involving dozens of warships in a two-week show of their strong defense ties and capability following a confrontation between Russia's military forces and a British destroyer off Crimea last month.

Warship drills showcase strong NATO-Ukraine defense ties

DMYTRO VLASOV
Associated Press

ABOARD USS ROSS — Ukraine and NATO have conducted Black Sea drills involving dozens of warships in a two-week show of their strong defense ties and capability following a confrontation between Russia's military forces and a British destroyer off Crimea last month.

The Sea Breeze 2021 maneuvers that ended Saturday involved about 30 warships and 40 aircraft from NATO members and Ukraine. The captain of the USS Ross, a U.S. Navy destroyer that took part in the drills, said the exercise was designed

to improve how the equipment and personnel of the participating nations operate together.

"We'd like to demonstrate to everybody, the international community, that no one nation can claim the Black Sea or any international body of water," Cmdr. John D. John said aboard the guided missile destroyer previously deployed to the area for drills. "Those bodies of water belong to the international community, and we're committed to ensure that all nations have access to international waterways."

The Russian Defense Ministry said it was closely monitoring Sea Breeze. The Russian

military also conducted a series of parallel drills in the Black Sea and southwestern Russia, with warplanes practicing bombing runs and long-range air defense missiles' deploying to protect the coast.

Last month, Russia said one of its warships in the Black Sea fired warning shots and a warplane dropped bombs in the path of the HMS Defender, a British Royal Navy destroyer, to chase it away from an area near Crimea that Moscow claims as its territorial waters.

Russia denounced the Defender's maneuver as a provocation and warned that next time it might fire to hit intruding warships. Britain, which like most

other nations didn't recognize Russia's 2014 annexation of Crimea from Ukraine, insisted the Defender wasn't fired upon on June 23 and said it was sailing in Ukrainian waters when Russia sent its planes into the air and shots were heard during the showdown.

The incident added to the tensions between Russia and the NATO allies. Relations between Russia and the West have sunk to post-Cold War lows over Moscow's annexation of Crimea, its support for a separatist insurgency in eastern Ukraine, accusations of Russian hacking attacks, election interference and other irritants.

Russian President Vladimir Putin said last week that the incident with the Defender wouldn't have triggered a global conflict even if Russia had sunk the British vessel because the West knows it can't win such a war. The statement appeared to indicate Putin's resolve to raise the stakes should a similar incident happen again.

Aboard the Ross, John said the Sea Breeze participants were exercising their right to operate in international waters. He described the drills as "a tangible demonstration of our commitment to each other for a safe and stable Black Sea region."

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COMING UP

VFW Post 4864 invites all to spaghetti and meatball dinner

VFW Post 4864 of Citrus Springs will have a special spaghetti and meatball dinner meal from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 13, at 10199 N. Citrus Springs Blvd.

The cost is \$9 per person. Groups larger than four people are requested to call to reserve a table at 352-465-4864.

Veterans Appreciation Committee to meet

The Veterans Appreciation Week Ad Hoc Coordinating Committee will have their monthly coordination meeting for Citrus County's 29th annual Veterans Appreciation Week at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 21, in the conference room of the Citrus County Chronicle, 1624 N. Meadowcrest Blvd. in Crystal River.

All veteran service organizations and civic groups are encouraged to send representatives to participate in the planning process. All interested individuals are also welcome to attend.

For additional information, call Chris Gregoriou at 352-302-9777.

Elks to host Purple Heart breakfast

The West Citrus Elks Lodge 2693, will host a breakfast and program at 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at 7890 W. Grover Cleveland Blvd. in Homosassa. The program will honor all Purple Heart recipients and commemorate the 239th anniversary of the Purple Heart.

The families of those who fell in combat, Purple Heart recipients and their guests are invited to the free breakfast served by the lodge's veterans committee.

Established by George Washington on Aug. 7, 1782, and originally known as the Badge of Military Merit, the Purple Heart is a badge of honor that recognizes patriots who have made the supreme sacrifice or shed their blood on the field of battle in defense of our nation's freedoms.

Attendees are requested to register. Contact Curt at 352-382-3847 or curt247@tampabay.rr.com and indicate the number in your party and their names.

For information about Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 Military Order of the Purple Heart, visit citruspurpleheart.org or their Facebook page.

MOPH Chapter 776 to meet at CCBA building in Lecanto

Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 Military Order of the Purple Heart will have their bimonthly meeting at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 20, at the Citrus County Building Alliance, 1196 S. Lecanto Highway.

All combat wounded veterans, as well as parents, lineal descendants, spouses and siblings of living or deceased Purple Heart recipients are invited to attend the meeting and to become a member.

To learn more about the chapter, visit citruspurpleheart.org or call 352-382-3847.

GOOD TO KNOW

Sponsor a gravesite wreath

Aaron A. Weaver Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 776 will be supporting Wreaths Across America during the holiday season.

The chapter is looking for community donations toward their goal of 500 wreaths, which they will place on graves at the Bushnell National Cemetery on Dec. 21, 2021.

To donate, visit wreathsassamerica.org/FL0227P and click on "Sponsor a Wreath." To sponsor a wreath at Bushnell National Cemetery, go to "Specific Site" to enter the location.

The group ID number is FL0227P and the cemetery number is FLNCBU.

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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.

Cybersecurity in the veteran community



Everyone must exercise caution when going online with info

As a retired network engineer, computers have become part of my family's daily life. Being a military veteran, I am particularly computer-impacted and need internet access for everything ranging from accessing my military records, to obtaining health care needs.

In fact, in my home is a satellite-connected "box" allowing someone in the world over the internet to monitor status of my heart. Probably working from home with an adult beverage in hand while watching "American Idol."

It is the new world and one that is very scary, especially from a security aspect when we send and receive so much information over the internet.

In 2015, 66% of veterans used the internet at home. Just one year later it was reported that 79.9% of veterans now had internet access.

According to the Department of Commerce another factor causing increases is that the military has been downsizing since 1970 and the veteran population is disproportionately older and internet adoption is likely to increase. Plus, veterans tend to reside in rural areas and are more than twice as likely to be disabled compared to the rest of the population.

In addition, about 52% are retired or not in the labor force. All factors leading to more use of the internet and today's usage percentages are surely much larger.

Undoubtedly, the ongoing coronavirus pandemic situation has impacted veteran usage of the internet when private and government agencies were forced to work from home. Whether it is accessing benefits online, receiving medical support, or filing for benefits after being physically or mentally injured from military service, veterans are forced to use the internet more and more.

Before the coronavirus crisis began in mid-March last year, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) supported up to 50,000 remote workers on any given day, or more than 10% of the agency's 400,000-person workforce. Within those numbers are many thousands of

health care workers. A few weeks into the crisis, VA increased telework threefold with 135,000 employees working remotely with the largest growth being in telehealth services.

James Gfrerer, VA's Chief Information Officer, said in pre-COVID he had about 60,000 remote users on any given day; however, in August 2020, there were about 135,000 working remotely with the largest expansion for clinicians delivering telehealth services.

Another factor causing increased usage of the internet by veterans was this year's merging of all VA benefits and services to their main website at VA.gov. In the past, VA's Ebenefits website and many other government websites, had to be utilized by veterans and it was confusing.

Now, veterans and their families began accessing all VA benefits and services on the revised VA.gov website. This includes health care access direct to a team, scheduling appointments, prescription refills, filing and checking disability claims, accessing military records, obtaining GI Bill benefits and much more.

Unfortunately, "much more" comes with a problem; that being, security.

The threat to our personal computers has become a complete nightmare. Ransomware has risen to a level that's impossible to ignore, with hardly a day going by without news of a private business or government agency being victimized. In a ransomware attack the target (hopefully not you) downloads ransomware, either from a website or from within an email attachment, and the victim's system is held hostage until they agree to pay a ransom to the attacker.

Cyberattacks have become common as they target a computer or any element of a computerized information system to change, destroy, or steal data, as well as exploit or harm a network. And there are other issues, like Trojan horse attacks, using a malicious program hidden inside a

seemingly legitimate one. When the user executes the presumably innocent program, the malware inside the Trojan is used to open a backdoor into the system through which hackers can penetrate the computer or network.

VA has an annual IT budget of over of over \$4 billion but it is difficult to stop all attacks on their system. For example, since 2010, foreign actors have repeatedly compromised an unencrypted database maintained by the VA containing personally identifiable information on roughly 20 million veterans.

Rep. Robert Roe, R-Tenn., citing an internal VA report, said department networks had been penetrated by eight countries. Roe said the report showed that "well-funded cyber espionage teams" have targeted VA. A prime example was the September 2020 VA cyber-attack impacting 46,000 veterans. Among those impacted may also be 17,000 community care providers.

Hospitals have been in the news lately concerning cyberattacks but their problems may seem insignificant when you look at past numbers in the VA which operates some 1,700 hospitals and health care facilities. They reported more than 235 million blocked intrusion attempts just for the month of August 2015 and nearly 588 million malware blocked or contained attempts at hacking.

VA has been taking immediate steps to protect their security and was one of the first federal agencies to employ a continuous monitoring capability across their systems. This capability takes the process of monitoring and evaluating the security of VA's systems, once a manual process, and allows it to be constant and automated. With this capability, VA is able to detect vulnerabilities early and rapidly respond to threats in near real-time.

The civilian community has also been seriously impacted by cyberattacks, ransomware, stolen data, and phishing. As example, a 2020 data breach security

report reported numerous companies to be victims. Such as Chase bank, Baltimore County public schools, Booking.com, Expedia, Hotels.com, Fort Bragg's Twitter account, Barnes & Noble, Amazon, Instagram, YouTube, Experian, Garmin, and Morgan Stanley.

Shocking isn't it? What about you? Are you fighting against cyberattacks and helping protect the VA when you access their information? Thereby protecting all veterans, especially me?

You should always know what you're downloading or uploading, do research before you buy apps or devices, don't share Wi-Fi passwords, and avoid public Wi-Fi. Don't get phished. Your friend sends an email telling you he just saw the funniest thing and tells you to click on the link so you can watch it too.

Yeah, don't do that. Clicking attachments is the simplest way to get viruses downloaded on to a device.

You should make sure your security software is up-to-date, install antivirus and antimalware software and disable connections when you aren't using them. If your computer uses Wi-Fi or Bluetooth to connect to the VA and other devices, you should turn these features off when you aren't using them.

Create a strong PIN or passcode. If your device is lost or stolen, a strong passcode may prevent a thief from accessing all the information stored on your phone or computer. Only install trusted applications, keep your software up-to-date and review your network and device names to make sure your cell phone or home network is not using your last name or other personally identifying information.

Create unique passwords for all devices. Many people set up unique passwords for their computer or phone, but neglect to do so for their internet router or other smart device. To reduce the chances of your online accounts being hacked, change your passwords frequently.

Many websites now store personal banking or credit card information to make it easier for you to buy a product or to pay a future bill. Be cautious with "Save my

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John Stewart
VETERANS VOICES

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Annie gives advice

Dear Annie: You published a letter from "Customer Etiquette" about a client who made a three-hour hairdressing appointment and then didn't show. Her excuse was that she "forgot."

Dear Annoyed: You make many good points, and I especially like your Brad Pitt example.

Read on to see some solutions from another salon.

Dear Annie: If we don't hear from a client by their appointment time, we proceed without them.



DEAR ANNIE

My father, a psychoanalyst, always said, "You only forget what is forgettable." If Brad Pitt invited her for supper, I doubt she'd forget it, but the hairdresser's time is expendable.

Sometimes, it's a good idea to ask people to define what they mean by "forget." Usually, people cannot answer for the simple reason that "I forgot" has become a one-size-fits-all excuse.

Respect for other people's time is something I learned in junior high. The class was to go somewhere at a fixed time.

When we got up to leave, one student wasn't ready. While he got his act together, the teacher looked at his watch and then said, "Smith, you will have a 50-minute detention."

When asked why, the teacher explained that there were 25 students and he had kept them waiting for two minutes. Simple arithmetic.

Obviously, the client had never accepted that other people's time is just as important as hers. I believe the word is "narcissism." — Annoyed by Inconsiderate People

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Today's MOVIES

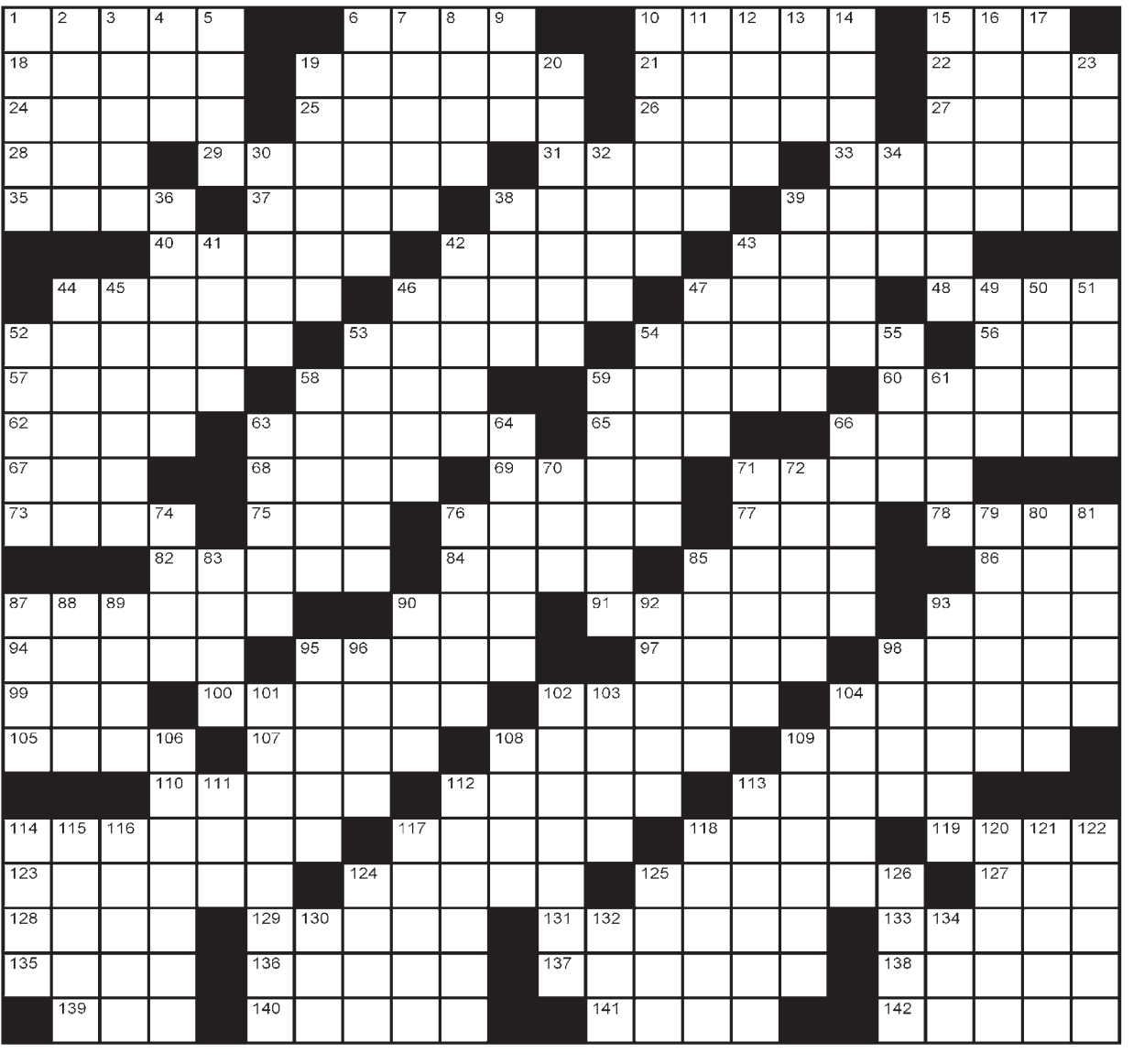
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6 "The Gift of the —"
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49 Seed cover
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51 River in Austria
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53 Decisive defeat
54 Light brown
55 Hungry Hungry Hippos quorum
58 Cowell or Templar
59 Bike for two
61 Wine region in California
63 "—, Jose!"
64 Exit
66 Tremor
70 It rests in 76-Across
71 Flatten
72 Midday break
74 Sported
76 Rowboat pin
79 Accent or wing-tip shoe
80 Ones with promise
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83 Torn
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87 Bone (Prefix)
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90 Window part
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101 Postscript
102 Relating to heat
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109 Laughed out loud
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114 Attractive
115 Cordial flavoring
116 Showed again
117 Kitchen utensil
118 Play part
120 King of Judea
121 "— came a spider ..."
122 Spree
124 Ridicule
125 Short drive
126 Cry
130 Once — while
132 Bovine sound
134 Exist

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CAUTION

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information for next time.” and make sure you sign up for account alerts.

There are some other situations you should be wary of to protect your security.

If someone calls you offering technical computer support or claiming your computer has been infected with a virus or hacked, hang up. If you receive a pop-up message directing you to call a telephone number for assistance with your computer, don't do it. Be wary if a person asks for payment in an unusual

form such as through gift cards, wire transfers, or a check to be picked up by a courier.

If your device has been infected by a computer virus or does not work, take it to a reputable local company for repair. If you accidentally provided a credit card or bank account information to the scammer, contact your financial institution right away to notify it of the incident and dispute any inappropriate charges.

If your personal information was compromised, consider taking steps to protect yourself from identity theft such as placing a fraud alert on your credit report, freezing your credit report, and monitoring your

credit report and financial accounts for unauthorized activity.

“Phishing” is probably the most common scam we veterans at home face. Thieves attempt to steal personal or financial account information by sending deceptive electronic messages that trick unsuspecting consumers into disclosing personal information. The “bait” may be an email, instant message, or pop-up window in which the sender impersonates a bank or other financial institution, government agency, internet service provider, or other company.

In the past, phishing scams typically directed consumers to

a website address linked in the message to verify personal information such as name, bank account number, password, credit card number, ATM PIN number, Social Security number, or home address.

A spam message may infect your computer when you click a link or picture in the spam message, or when you open an attachment to a spam message. Phishing messages are usually provocative.

They may attempt to make you irritated, curious, or amused. Anything to get you to open the email, click the link, and silently infect your computer!

Spyware is software that

installs itself and sends information from your computer to others without your knowledge or consent. Studies have found that up to 90% of U.S. home computers have been infected with spyware at some time. You should install pop-up blocking software, use anti-spyware programs and don't download free software unless you know and trust the source of the software.

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Produce in Kentucky and have lived in Citrus Hills for 32 years. The Owens have three children: Darlene Pyles, of Elizabethtown, Kentucky; Chuck Owen of Citrus Hills; and Harry Owen, of Elizabethtown and Citrus Hills. They have seven grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

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Birth ANNOUNCEMENT

Ayla Renae Lynn Powell

Scott Powell and Dakota Holt of Homosassa celebrate the birth of their daughter, Ayla Renae Lynn Powell, on July 1, 2021. Ayla is 8 pounds, 9 ounces and 21 inches long. She is welcomed by four grandparents: Susan Heron, James Powell Sr., Sarah Breher and Randall Holt. Ayla also has four great-grandparents: Judith Yarger, Thomas Heron and Norma and Theodore Breher.

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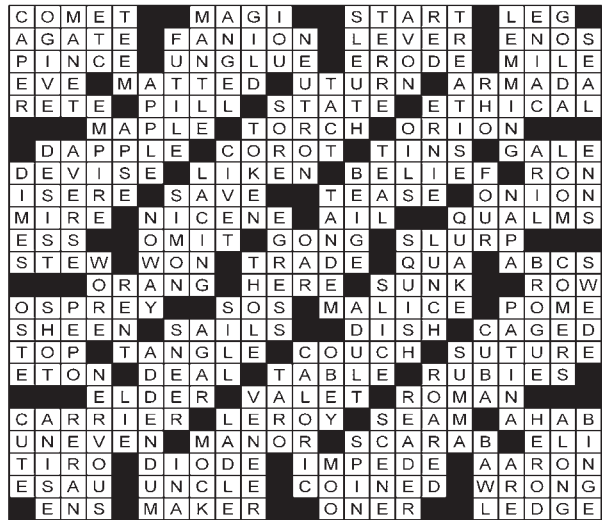
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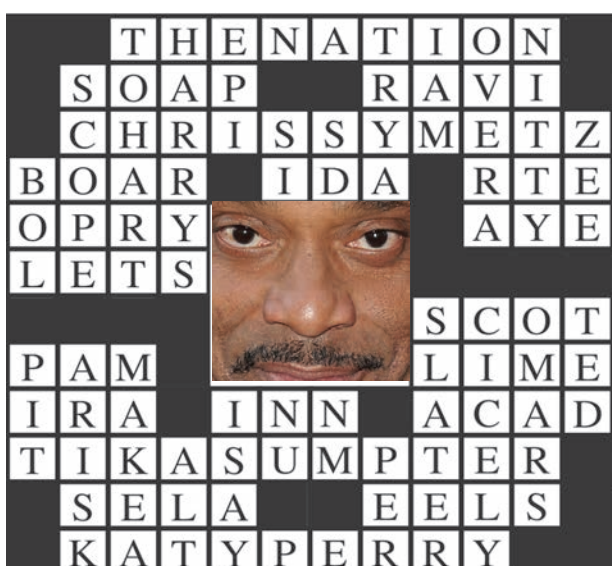
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from the knowledgeable care professionals is just one of Miracle-Ear's priorities. The company provides highly experienced state-licensed hearing aid specialists. Miracle-Ear staff members will thoughtfully listen and suggest hearing aids, technology and accessories to fit unique needs and lifestyles.

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First-time selections to the MLB All-Star Game, including Rays 2B Joey Wendle, breaking the record of 39 set in 2013.

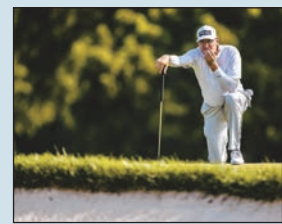


Joey Wendle

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Lowe helps Rays beat Blue Jays 5-2

Tampa Bay earns 6th straight win

MARK DIDTLER
Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG — Brandon Lowe is finding his form heading into the All-Star break.

Lowe homered twice and Mike Zunino also connected, helping the Tampa Bay Rays beat the Toronto Blue Jays 5-2 on Saturday for their sixth consecutive win.

Ryan Yarbrough (6-3) pitched five innings of two-run ball, improving to 5-0 in his last 12 appearances. The left-hander is 8-1 in 16 appearances against Toronto.

Matt Wisler (one hit in 1 2/3 innings) and Pete Fairbanks (1 1/3 innings) combined for three innings before Diego Castillo finished the six-hitter for his 13th save. Rays relievers have given up two hits over 16 scoreless innings in the past three games.

Lowe has four career multihome games, including May 21 against the Blue Jays.

"B-Lowe is really turning his season around," Rays manager Kevin Cash said.

After hitting under .200 for a large part of the season, Lowe went 2 for 3 and raised his average to .208.

Marcus Semien hit his 22nd homer for the Blue Jays, who have lost four of five.

"Anytime he is at the plate he's got a chance to hit one out,"

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Associated Press

Tampa Bay Rays outfielder Brett Phillips celebrates with Brandon Lowe, left, after Lowe's solo home run off Toronto Blue Jays starter Ross Stripling during the first inning of a game Saturday, in St. Petersburg.

Aussie earns title



Associated Press

Australia's Ashleigh Barty poses with the winners trophy for the media after winning the women's singles final after defeating the Czech Republic's Karolina Pliskova on day twelve of the Wimbledon Tennis Championships on Saturday, in London.

No. 1 Ash Barty wins Wimbledon women's final for her 2nd major

HOWARD FENDRICH
AP tennis writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Everything came so easily for Ash Barty at the start of the Wimbledon final. Hard to believe one player would grab the first 14 points of a major championship match.

Surely, it couldn't stay that one-sided, right? Of course not.

Still, Barty used that perfect start and a strong-enough finish to get the job done, holding off Karolina Pliskova's comeback bid to win 6-3, 6-7 (4), 6-3 at the All England Club on Saturday for her second Grand Slam title.

"It took me a long time to verbalize the fact that I wanted to dare to dream it

and say I wanted to win this incredible tournament. ... I didn't sleep a lot last night. I was thinking of all the 'What-ifs,'" the No. 1-ranked Barty said. "But I think when I was coming out on this court, I felt at home, in a way."

She adds this trophy to the one she won at the French Open in 2019.

Barty is the first Australian woman to win Wimbledon since Evonne Goolagong Cawley in 1980. Barty was a teenager when they first met and she considers Goolagong Cawley an inspiration and a mentor.

"Evonne is a very special person in my life," said Barty, whose outfit was a tribute to the dress Goolagong Cawley wore when she won the tournament for the first time, 50 years ago. "I think she

has been iconic in paving a way for young indigenous youth to believe in their dreams and to chase their dreams. She's done exactly that for me as well."

Barty, 25, was the Wimbledon junior champion a decade ago, then left the tennis tour for nearly two years in 2014 because of burnout. She played professional cricket back home, then eventually returned to her other sport.

Good call. She was at her best at the beginning of each set against the eighth-seeded Pliskova, a 29-year-old from the Czech Republic with a big serve.

Pliskova dropped to 0-2 in major finals; she also was runner-up at the 2016 U.S. Open.

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Larson, Elliott eye redemption

Hendrick drivers want some better results in Atlanta

CHARLES ODUM
AP sports writer

HAMPTON, Ga. — Kyle Larson and Chase Elliott have extra motivation to extend Hendrick Motorsports' hot streak to Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Larson's four wins this season lead NASCAR's top series. Elliott is the defending Cup champion and carries momentum from last week's victory at Road America, the seventh win in eight races for the powerful four-car team that also includes William Byron and Alex Bowman.

But chasing a victory at Atlanta has proved elusive.

Larson led 269 of 325 laps and won the first two stages in Atlanta in March before fading late on old tires as Ryan Blaney took an improbable win.

Larson watched video of that race this week, hoping to avoid another heartbreaking letdown.

"I learned a lot in the moment," Larson said. "I think there's even more I can learn re-watching it. ... You learn from everything, the good races, and you definitely learn from the races you feel like you gave away. So there's definitely a lot to be learned."

Elliott, from Dawsonville, Georgia, has never won in six tries on his home track. The spring race was especially frustrating as engine problems left him 38th.

Elliott clinched a playoff berth with his second win of the season last week. A first win in Atlanta, where his father,

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table with columns for East Division, Central Division, and West Division, listing teams like Boston, Tampa Bay, Toronto, Baltimore, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Minnesota, Kansas City, Houston, Oakland, Seattle, Los Angeles, and Texas with their respective records.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table with columns for East Division, Central Division, and West Division, listing teams like New York, Atlanta, Philadelphia, Washington, Miami, Milwaukee, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego, Colorado, and Arizona with their respective records.

ROUNDUP/MATCHUPS

Braves 5, Marlins 4: Braves star Ronald Acuña Jr. was carted off the field in tears with an apparent right leg injury. Freddie Freeman had a two-run homer and an RBI single. Phillies 11, Red Sox 2: Jean Segura and Alec Bohm homered. Giants 10, Nationals 4: Brandon Crawford had three hits, including his 18th home run. Athletics 8, Rangers 4: Jed Lowrie hit a tiebreaking RBI single in the 11th inning after an earlier home run. Pirates 6, Mets 2, Game 1; Mets 4, Pirates 2, Game 2: Tyler Anderson pitched five innings and hit a tiebreaking homer, leading Pittsburgh past New York in the first game of a doubleheader. Pete Alonso homered, Jeff McNeil drove in two runs for a split. Twins 9, Tigers 4: Jorge Polanco hit a go-ahead three-run homer in the seventh inning and Minnesota rallied from a four-run deficit to beat Detroit. White Sox 8, Orioles 3: Brian Goodwin had four hits, a solo homer, and three RBI. Indians 14, Royals 6: César Hernández and Óscar Mercado each hit a three-run homer. Yankees 1, Astros 0: Gerrit Cole struck out Yordan Alvarez with a 99 mph fastball on his 129th pitch to end the game. LATE L.A. Angels at Seattle Cincinnati at Milwaukee St. Louis at Chicago Cubs Arizona at L.A. Dodgers Colorado at San Diego TODAY'S GAMES AMERICAN LEAGUE Chicago White Sox (Cease 7-4) at Baltimore (Watkins 1-0), 1:05 p.m. Kansas City (Bubic 2-4) at Cleveland (Morgan 1-3), 1:10 p.m. Toronto (Ray 6-4) at Tampa Bay (Hill 6-3), 1:10 p.m. Detroit (Peralta 2-1) at Minnesota (Berrios 7-3), 2:10 p.m. N.Y. Yankees (Taillon 4-4) at Houston (Valdez 5-1), 2:10 p.m. Oakland (Bassitt 9-2) at Texas (Allard 2-5), 2:35 p.m. L.A. Angels (Suarez 3-2) at Seattle (TBD), 4:10 p.m. NATIONAL LEAGUE Atlanta (Anderson 5-4) at Miami (López 4-5), 1:10 p.m. Pittsburgh (De Jong 1-3) at N.Y. Mets (TBD), 1:10 p.m. Cincinnati (Castillo 3-10) at Milwaukee (Woodruff 7-4), 2:10 p.m. St. Louis (Wainwright 7-5) at Chicago Cubs (Williams 3-2), 2:20 p.m. Washington (Fedde 4-5) at San Francisco (Gausman 8-3), 4:05 p.m. Arizona (Kelly 5-7) at L.A. Dodgers (Gonsolin 1-0), 4:10 p.m. Colorado (Gray 5-6) at San Diego (Weathers 4-2), 4:10 p.m. INTERLEAGUE Philadelphia (Nola 6-5) at Boston (Pivetta 7-3), 1:10 p.m.

BOX SCORES

Tampa Bay 5, Toronto 2

Box score for Tampa Bay vs Toronto, listing player names, positions, and statistics.

Oakland 8, Texas 4

Box score for Oakland vs Texas, listing player names, positions, and statistics.

Atlanta 5, Miami 4

Box score for Atlanta vs Miami, listing player names, positions, and statistics.

Pittsburgh 6, N.Y. Mets 2

Box score for Pittsburgh vs N.Y. Mets, listing player names, positions, and statistics.

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Box score for San Francisco vs Washington, listing player names, positions, and statistics.

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Box score for Minnesota vs Detroit, listing player names, positions, and statistics.

Summary statistics for Tampa Bay vs Toronto game.

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Wendle added to all-stars

Associated Press

DENVER — Philadelphia's J.T. Realmuto will take over for injured San Francisco catcher Buster Posey as the National League's starter in Tuesday's All-Star Game at Coors Field.

St. Louis catcher Yadier Molina earned his 10th All-Star selection, among the replacements announced Saturday by Major League Baseball.

Molina was elected on the players' ballot and filled the spot vacated when Posey was put on the injured list Friday, five days after his left thumb was bruised by a foul tip. Molina said last Saturday that he will also skip the All-Star Game to rest. He was replaced by Milwaukee catcher Omar Narváez.

Major League Baseball also said Dodgers outfielder Mookie Betts was injured and won't participate, though Betts played an entire nine innings Friday night.

MLB also added Dodgers third baseman Justin Turner to the NL roster, and Oakland pitcher Chris Bassitt and Tampa Bay second baseman Joey Wendle to the AL roster.

Wendle found out after a 7-1 win over Toronto on Friday night that he was being added to the AL All-Star team.

Rays manager Kevin Cash surprisingly called a postgame meeting. "Got everybody together after the game and just told the guys, he said 'Hey, Mike Trout was selected for the All-Star Game but he can't come so they wanted the next best player in the league, Joey Wendle,'" Wendle said. "It was pretty fun."

It is Wendle's first All-Star selection.

THIS DATE IN BASEBALL

1914 — Babe Ruth made his major league debut for the Boston Red Sox and received credit for a 4-3 victory over Cleveland. He was removed for a pinch hitter in the seventh, and Duffy Lewis' single led to the winning run.

1944 — Phil Cavaretta set an All-Star game record by reaching base safely five straight times — triple, single, three walks — to lead the NL to a 7-1 victory over the AL at Forbes Field in Pittsburgh.

1950 — The All-Star game returned to Comiskey Park, the site of the first game, and was won by the NL 4-3 on Red Schoendienst's 14th-inning home run off Ted Gray. It was the first extra-inning All-Star game, the first time the NL won at an AL park and the first All-Star game shown on network television.

1961 — Despite a record seven errors and pitcher Stu Miller getting blown off by the Candlestick Park mound by a gale wind, the NL edged the AL 5-4 in the first of two All-Star games played that year.

1967 — Tony Perez's home run off Catfish Hunter in the 15th inning gave the NL a 2-1 win in the longest game in All-Star history. The game was played in California's Anaheim Stadium.

1973 — Jim Northrup of Detroit hit two grand slams, batting in the leadoff spot, to lead the Tigers to a 14-3 romp over the Texas Rangers. Northrup became the sixth major leaguer to hit two bases-loaded home runs in a game.

1978 — Steve Garvey keyed the NL's 7-3 All-Star victory at San Diego's Jack Murphy Stadium with a game-tying, two-run single and a triple that sparked a four-run eighth inning.

1985 — Nolan Ryan of the Houston Astros became the first pitcher in major league history to reach the 4,000-strikeout mark when he fanned New York's Danny Heep leading off the sixth inning. The Astros beat the Mets 4-3 in 12 innings on Bill Doran's fifth hit of the game.

1995 — Jeff Conine's solo shot in the eighth inning gave the NL a 3-2 victory in the All-Star game. Craig Biggio and Mike Piazza also homered for the NL.

2000 — Derek Jeter of the New York Yankees went 3-for-3 with two RBIs and a run scored as the AL defeated the NL 6-3 in the All-Star game. Jeter became the first Yankee to win the All-Star game MVP.



New York Yankees starting pitcher Gerrit Cole reacts after striking out Houston Astros DH Yordan Alvarez to end the game Saturday, in Houston.

NASCAR**Xfinity Credit Karma Money 250**

Saturday
At Atlanta Motor Speedway
Hampton, Ga.
Lap length: 1.54 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

- (1) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 164 laps, 0 points.
- (11) Jeb Burton, Chevrolet, 164, 35.
- (9) Noah Gragson, Chevrolet, 164, 48.
- (7) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 164, 38.
- (30) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 164, 35.
- (20) Brett Moffitt, Chevrolet, 164, 40.
- (8) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 164, 37.
- (19) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 164, 29.
- (22) Sam Mayer, Chevrolet, 164, 28.
- (4) Austin Cindric, Ford, 164, 27.
- (6) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 164, 0.
- (16) Ryan Sieg, Ford, 164, 25.
- (3) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 164, 42.
- (32) Ryan Vargas, Chevrolet, 164, 23.
- (17) Alex Labbe, Chevrolet, 164, 26.
- (14) Tommy Joe Martins, Chevrolet, 164, 21.
- (27) Jade Buford, Chevrolet, 164, 20.
- (18) Josh Williams, Chevrolet, 164, 19.
- (10) Riley Herbst, Ford, 164, 18.
- (36) Colby Howard, Chevrolet, 164, 17.
- (15) Myatt Snider, Chevrolet, 164, 16.
- (37) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Chevrolet, 164, 15.
- (28) Josh Berry, Chevrolet, 164, 14.
- (4) Harrison Burton, Toyota, 164, 26.
- (33) Joe Graf Jr., Chevrolet, 164, 12.
- (24) Matt Mills, Chevrolet, 164, 11.
- (29) Ronnie Bassett Jr., Chevrolet, 164, 10.
- (31) Jesse Little, Toyota, 164, 9.
- (29) Mason Massey, Ford, 164, 8.
- (2) Daniel Hemric, Toyota, 164, 20.
- (12) Brandon Brown, Chevrolet, accident, 163, 6.
- (38) Kyle Weatherman, Chevrolet, accident, 162, 5.
- (25) Santino Ferrucci, Toyota, 162, 4.
- (39) Bayley Currey, Chevrolet, 162, 0.
- (40) Gray Gaulding, Chevrolet, 160, 2.
- (26) Carson Ware, Chevrolet, accident, 139, 1.
- (34) Cj McLaughlin, Toyota, 139, 0.
- (21) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 128, 1.
- (13) Brandon Jones, Toyota, accident, 118, 3.
- (35) David Starr, Toyota, accident, 50, 1.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 109.034 mph.
Time of Race: 2 hours, 18 minutes, 59 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.550 seconds.
Caution Flags: 10 for 43 laps.
Lead Changes: 16 among 9 drivers.
Lap Leaders: K.Busch 0-43; H.Burton 44-46; N.Gragson 47-48; K.Busch 49-65; A.Allmendinger 66; K.Busch 67-97; N.Gragson 98-100; J.Allgaier 101-104; D.Hemric 105-120; T.Dillon 121-124; D.Hemric 125-148; K.Weatherman 149-151; D.Hemric 152-156; A.Allmendinger 157; K.Busch 158-161; J.Burton 162; K.Busch 163-164

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): K.Busch, 5 times for 97 laps; D.Hemric, 3 times for 45 laps; N.Gragson, 2 times for 5 laps; T.Dillon, 1 time for 4 laps; J.Allgaier, 1 time for 4 laps; H.Burton, 1 time for 3 laps; K.Weatherman, 1 time for 3 laps; A.Allmendinger, 2 times for 2 laps; J.Burton, 1 time for 1 lap.
Wins: A.Cindric, 4; 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, 748; 2. A.Allmendinger, 674; 3. D.Hemric, 636; 4. J.Allgaier, 607; 5. H.Burton, 572; 6. J.Burton, 559; 7. J.Haley, 537; 8. N.Gragson, 519; 9. B.Jones, 488; 10. M.Annett, 450; 11. J.Clements, 445; 12. M.Snider, 396; 13. R.Herbst, 391; 14. B.Brown, 389; 15. J.Berry, 362; 16. R.Sieg, 351.

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.

TENNIS**Wimbledon**

Saturday
At All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club
London
Surface: Grass
(seedings in parentheses)

Women's Singles Championship
Ashleigh Barty (1), Australia, def. Karolina Pliskova (8), Czech Republic, 6-3, 6-7 (4), 6-3.

Men's Doubles Championship
Nikola Mekic and Mate Pavic (1), Croatia, def. Marcel Granollers, Spain, and Horacio Zeballos (4), Argentina, 6-4, 7-6 (5), 2-6, 7-5.

Women's Doubles Championship
Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan, and Elise Mertens (3), Belgium, def. Elena Vesnina and Veronika Kudermetova, Russia, 3-6, 7-5, 9-7.

Mixed Doubles Semifinals
Neal Skupski, Britain, and Desirae Krawczyk (7), United States, def. Zhang Shuai, China, and John Peers (17), Australia, 3-6, 7-6 (4), 7-5.

BASKETBALL**NBA Finals**

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Tuesday, July 6
Phoenix 118, Milwaukee 105

Thursday, July 8
Phoenix 118, Milwaukee 108, Phoenix leads the series 2-0

Tuesday
Phoenix at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, July 14
Phoenix at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.

Saturday, July 17
x-Milwaukee at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

Tuesday, July 20
x-Phoenix at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.

Thursday, July 22
x-Milwaukee at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

RAYS

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Toronto manager Charlie Montoyo said. "He's got power to all fields so that's been fun for me to watch."

Toronto led 2-1 before Tampa Bay scored three times in the third. Zunino led off the inning with his 19th homer. Kevin Kiermaier then doubled and Lowe made it 4-2 with a two-run shot off Ross Stripling (3-5).

Lowe opened the scoring with his 19th homer, connecting on the first pitch leading off the first. He has gone deep six times over his last eight games.

"I feel normal," Lowe said. "I don't think that I'm

Florida LOTTERY

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

PICK 2 (early)	PICK 5 (late)
6 - 0	8 - 2 - 7 - 0 - 5
PICK 2 (late)	FANTASY 5
0 - 2	Unavailable
PICK 3 (early)	LOTTO
7 - 0 - 7	Unavailable
PICK 3 (late)	POWERBALL
5 - 0 - 1	Unavailable
PICK 4 (early)	POWER BALL
2 - 7 - 9 - 4	Unavailable
PICK 4 (late)	CASH 4 LIFE
9 - 4 - 9 - 2	7 - 8 - 18 - 33 - 52
PICK 5 (early)	CASH BALL
1 - 1 - 9 - 9 - 2	1

Friday's winning numbers and payouts:

Jackpot Triple Play: 10 - 12 - 18 - 20 - 27 - 41	4-of-5 MB 1 winner \$10,000
6-of-6 No winner	4-of-5 11 winners \$500
5-of-6 23 winners \$401.50	3-of-5 MB 32 \$200
4-of-6 983 \$22.50	3-of-5 935 \$10
3-of-6 16,897 \$1	2-of-5 MB 857 \$10
Combo 10+ 1 \$10,000	Fantasy 5: 9 - 17 - 21 - 25 - 34
Combo9 10 \$500	5-of-5 2 winners \$101,563.90
Combo8 66 \$50	4-of-5 342 \$95.50
Combo7 511 \$20	3-of-5 9,103 \$10
Combo6 2,390 \$10	Cash 4 Life: 18 - 29 - 40 - 42 - 56
Combo5 8,921 \$5	Cash Ball: 2
Mega Millions: 6 - 37 - 39 - 41 - 46	5-of-5 CB No winner
Mega Ball: 17	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**

1 p.m. (10 CBS) Formula E Racing New York City E-Prix
3:30 p.m. (NBCSPT) NASCAR Cup Series Quaker State 400

MLB

1 p.m. (BSFL) Atlanta Braves at Miami Marlins
1 p.m. (SUN) Toronto Blue Jays at Tampa Bay Rays
1 p.m. (TBS) New York Yankees at Houston Astros
3 p.m. (MLB) MLB All-Star Futures Game American League Team vs National League Team
7 p.m. (ESPN) MLB Draft

WNBA

1 p.m. (28 ABC) Las Vegas Aces at Dallas Wings
NBA FINALS
8 p.m. (28 ABC) Phoenix Suns at Milwaukee Bucks, Game 3
4 a.m. (ESPN) Phoenix Suns at Milwaukee Bucks, Game 3 (Taped)

BICYCLING

6:30 a.m. (NBCSPT) Tour de France Stage 15

BOWLING

2 p.m. (FS1) PBA Strike Derby (Taped)

EQUESTRIAN

4 p.m. (FS1) America's Day at the Races

GOLF

7 a.m. (GOLF) European PGA Tour abrdn Scottish Open, Final Round

1 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Golf John Deere Classic, Final Round

2:30 p.m. (8 NBC) American Century Championship, Final Round

3 p.m. (10 CBS) PGA Tour John Deere Classic, Final Round

3 p.m. (GOLF) LPGA Tour Marathon LPGA Classic, Final Round

4 p.m. (GOLF) U.S. Senior Open Championship Final Round

LACROSSE

7:30 p.m. (NBCSPT) Premier Lacrosse League Cannons LC vs Archers LC

MOTORCYCLE RACING

1 p.m. (NBCSPT) Lucas Oil Motocross: Southwick (Taped)
5 p.m. (FS1) MotoAmerica Superbike: WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca, Day 2

OUTDOORS

8 a.m. (FS1) Bassmaster Elite Series Tournament

SOCCER

2:30 p.m. (ESPN) UEFA European Championship Italy vs England

6:30 p.m. (FS1) CONCACAF Gold Cup Canada vs Martinica, Group B

8 p.m. (ESPN2) UEFA European Championship Italy vs England (Same-day Tape)

9 p.m. (FS1) ONCACAF Gold Cup United States vs Haiti, Group B.

TENNIS

6 a.m. (TENNIS) WTA Hamburg European Open, Singles & Doubles Final

9 a.m. (ESPN) Wimbledon Championships Men's Final & Mixed Doubles Final

3 p.m. (28 ABC) Wimbledon Championships Men's Final (Same-day Tape)

6 p.m. (TENNIS) Wimbledon Championships Men's Final (Taped)

4 a.m. (TENNIS) Newport-ATP, Hamburg-ATP, Bastad-ATP, Prague-WTA, Budapest-WTA, Lausanne-WTA, Early Rounds

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

SPORTS BRIEFS**Kyle Busch completes Xfinity sweep with victory**

HAMPTON, Ga. — Kyle Busch's Xfinity Series sweep wasn't as sweet as he hoped.

Busch completed a 5-for-5 sweep of what he says will be his final season in the Xfinity Series with a late recovery at Atlanta Motor Speedway on Saturday.

Busch knocked teammate Daniel Hemric from the lead with a late push. That cast a pall on what otherwise would have been an ideal way for Busch to say goodbye to NASCAR's second-tier series.

"It's not quite the win we were hoping for," Busch said. "A little bit of a somber win I guess, not just for it being the last one but for the way it kind of happened."

Busch finished 0.550 seconds ahead of Jeb Burton for his 102nd Xfinity victory and 222nd overall in NASCAR's three national series.

Busch took the lead after pushing Hemric on a restart with six laps remaining. Busch appeared to be trying to give Hemric, his Joe Gibbs Racing teammate, a helpful push on the restart. Instead, Hemric lost control and hit the wall.

"I just wanted to hit him forward and

straight but turned him sideways a little bit," Busch said.

Mollema wins hilly 14th stage, Pogacar keeps lead

QUILLAN, France — Bauke Mollema won a hilly 14th stage of the Tour de France on Saturday, while Tadej Pogacar protected his commanding lead before the race heads into the Pyrenees.

The 34-year-old Dutch rider for Trek claimed his second career stage victory at the Tour when he broke away on the way down from the fourth of the day's five climbs. Mollema's other Tour stage win was in 2017.

Mollema set off on the windy descent through sheer gorges from the Cote de Galinagues. He quickly powered away to build an insurmountable lead and rode the final 42 kilometers up and down the category-two Col de Saint-Louis all alone.

With no opponent in sight when he crossed the line in just over 4 hours, 16 minutes, Mollema had time to raise his arms and soak up the applause. Patrick Konrad edged Sergio Higuita to finish second, over a minute behind.

— From wire reports

ATLANTA

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NASCAR Hall of Famer Bill Elliott, was a five-time champion, would be special.

"I don't know that I feel more pressure, but I certainly want to do good," Chase Elliott said. "I feel that everybody who has a home track or a place that's close to them, you always want to do good there, and it's just been a place I haven't done all that great at."

Elliott will start on the pole, beside Kyle Busch. The starting lineup was set based on last week's finish. Larson will start sixth.

AIMING FOR AN ATLANTA SWEEP

Blaney is still looking for a second 2021 win. He believes his return to Atlanta provides a good measuring stick for his Penske team.

"I think this weekend will be a really good idea to see where we stack up, going back to a place where we won," Blaney said, adding "I think we'll be good."

REPAVING PROJECT ON DECK

For one final Sunday, NASCAR drivers can enjoy the old, battered Atlanta Motor Speedway track after years of lobbying to delay the inevitable resurfacing project.

This will be the last race before the track surface, which is 24 years old, is repaved and remodeled. The changes will bring higher banks and a more narrow racing surface.

Drivers who weren't consulted on plans announced this week say change isn't good. Some drivers say the tighter turns give more cause for concern than higher banks.

Track officials say the resurfacing

BARTY

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"Horrible start," said Pliskova, a former No. 1. "That's why I'm more, like, proud about the way (I found) a way back in that match."

She trailed by a set and a break in the second, and Barty served for the victory at 6-5.

But Barty sailed consecutive forehands long to get broken, then ceded the tiebreaker with a double-fault.

"She dug deep," Barty said, "and found a way to claw herself back into the match."

In the first Wimbledon women's final to go three sets since 2012, Barty went up 3-0 in the decider and never relented. It also was the first since 1977 between two participants who never had been that far at the All England Club.

With an audience that included Prince William and his wife, Kate, and actor Tom Cruise, the match was played under a cloud-filled sky at Centre Court. Because of the threat of showers, Barty and Pliskova shared a warmup session under the closed roof at No. 1 Court earlier in the day.

They smiled and chatted during the coin toss before the final, but once things got serious, Barty didn't mess around.

Right from the get-go, there was not a hint of uneasiness or uncertainty. Her strokes were confident. Her demeanor, too. During the match-opening run that put her up 3-0, love-30 and, after Pliskova finally won a couple of points, 4-0 after 11 minutes, Barty showed off her varied skills.

She returned Pliskova's speedy serves — the ones that produced a tournament-high 54 aces entering Saturday — without any trouble. She lobbed Pliskova, who at 6-foot-1 is 8 inches taller than the 5-foot-5 Barty. She hit winners with heavy topspin forehands and set up others with sliced backhands. She threw in an ace of her own, and even compiled more than Pliskova, 7-6.

"She didn't really miss much. She played everything super deep," Pliskova said. "I think it was tough for me to really play my game in that moment."

The key stat probably was this: Barty won 22 of 31 points that lasted nine strokes or more.

As balls flew past Pliskova, and the murmuring in the full-capacity stands reached a crescendo, she watched with little more than a blank stare. She fiddled with her racket strings as if she'd rather be anywhere else and, indeed, said afterward: "I didn't feel like I (wanted) to be there."

Pliskova's coach, Sascha Bajin, who previously worked with Naomi Osaka and was Serena Williams' hitting partner, observed the scene with arms crossed.

Pliskova finally got the measure of her strokes in the second set. That could have shaken Barty. Except here's the thing: She speaks clearly about never letting anything get her too down, including the hip injury that knocked her out of the French Open last month and prevented her from her usual preparation for Wimbledon.

Actually, it wasn't until after Saturday's win that Barty's team told her that hip was much worse than she knew and should have required two months for a full recovery.

And so, with her typical grit, Barty managed to get back to the steadier version of herself down the stretch. When she got a second chance to serve it out, Barty didn't flinch, even when she had to stare down a break point.

When one last backhand miss from Pliskova ended it, Barty crouched at the baseline and covered her face with her arm.

"Being able to reset at the start of the third was really important, just for me to continue to turn up each and every point," said Barty, who climbed into the stands to hug her coach, Craig Tytzer, and others. "That's all I was really focusing on, just trying to do the best I could every given point, regardless of what the scoreline was."

Furyk up 4 heading into final round

Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Jim Furyk overcame a mid-round lull following the second of two weather delays Saturday and moved closer to winning his first senior major title.

The 51-year-old took a four-shot lead into the final round of the U.S. Senior Open after shooting a 4-under 66 on Saturday to get to 8-under 202 at Omaha Country Club.

"I started off real well this morning, felt I was striking the ball well and hit some good shots and good putts," Furyk said. "When I came out from the delay, I kind of lost my rhythm. I kind of settled down and made a long putt and for the rest of the way played pretty well."

First-round co-leader Stephen Ames birdied three of the last five holes for a 68, bouncing back from a 73 on Friday, and will be paired with Furyk on Sunday.

Retief Goosen closed with two birdies, shot 66 and was alone at 3 under.

The biggest mover was Steve Flesch. The part-time television analyst shot the best round of the day with a 64 and was at 2 under. Past Masters champions Fred Couples (69) and Mike Weir (68) were in a group with Wes Short Jr. (68) and Kevin Sutherland (69) at 1 under.

Tee times were pushed back three hours after an overnight storm with straight-line wind of 90 mph knocked over camera towers and downed trees.

Furyk birdied the par-4 fourth and par-3 fifth and, as thunder rumbled, tapped in for par on the par-5 sixth before the horn sounded to signal the stoppage of play.

About an inch of rain fell during the three-hour delay, and workers who cleared brush off the course in the morning used squeegees and blowers to get standing water off fairways and greens.

Furyk, who won the U.S. Open in 2003, hit the first six greens in regulation and then went into grinding mode. He hit only two greens while playing the first six holes following the delay in 1-over par.

He closed with birdies on three of the last six holes, hitting his approach to 4 feet on the par-4 18th and making the putt to extend his lead.

Ames bogeyed two of the last three holes on the front nine and then got a hot putter and shot 4-under 32 on the back to put himself in contention again.

All he did to start making putts was stand a bit closer to the ball.

"All of a sudden my eyes felt better, my stroke felt easier and more free, and I started hitting



Peter Fowler plots his strategy on the third green during the second round of the U.S. Senior Open Championship at Omaha Country Club on Friday, in Omaha, Neb.

the pace right, which is what I was struggling with," Ames said. "I hit some real quality putts coming down the end there, so that right there alone is going to make my dinner taste a lot better tonight."

Goosen, who won U.S. Opens in 2001 and 2004, had five birdies against one bogey. His

biggest disappointment was a three-putt for par on the 313-yard 13th after he drove the green.

Munoz takes 1-shot lead in wide-open John Deere Classic

SILVIS, Ill. — Sebastian Munoz tried to imagine what Saturday at the John Deere Classic would have felt like without electronic scoreboards around the golf course.

It have created a lot less stress. In rain-softened conditions at the TPC Deere Run, everyone knew that making birdies was the only way to stay in the game.

Once the rain cleared and Munoz no longer had to deal with keeping clubs dry and umbrella open, the Colombian ran off three birdies that gave him a 4-under 67 and a one-shot lead going into the final round.

"It's huge," said Munoz, who was at 16-under 197. "Every shot counts, and having every extra one for tomorrow might help me out a lot."

Even so, there's reason to feel as though the 50th edition of this tournament is just getting started with 10 players separated by three shots.

Brandon Hagy, still looking for his first PGA Tour victory in his 93rd career start, also had a 67 and was one shot behind.

Detry, Fitzpatrick share 3rd-round advantage at Scottish Open

NORTH BERWICK, Scotland — Thomas Detry and Matt Fitzpatrick took alternative routes to a tie for the

third-round lead at the Scottish Open.

Surrounded by vacated and scattered bar benches beside a grandstand at the back of the 17th green, Detry somehow got up and down for one of eight straight pars coming home in a 3-under 68 at The Renaissance Club.

"It was nice to hear the crowds and to see some beer flying around after that shot," said Detry, who is seeking his first European Tour title.

Joining the Belgian on 14 under overall for the tournament was Fitzpatrick, whose own lucky break came at the par-3 14th when he overhit his tee shot — only to see the ball ricochet off a stone wall and back onto the green. He missed the short birdie putt but picked up two shots in his final three holes for a 67.

Nasa Hataoka opens 6-stroke edge in Marathon LPGA Classic

SYLVANIA, Ohio — Nasa Hataoka opened a six-stroke lead in the Marathon LPGA Classic, birdieing four of the last five holes for a 7-under 64.

A month after losing a playoff to Yuka Saso in the U.S. Women's Open at Olympic Club, Hataoka has led wire-to-wire at Highland Meadows to put herself in position for her fourth LPGA Tour victory.

"I think the original thinking of this course was that it was a very narrow course so it might be difficult for me," Hataoka said. "Then it came out to be that the narrow makes it easier to get to the target, so I think this is what was good."

U.S. Senior Open Championship

Saturday
At Omaha Country Club
Omaha, Neb.
Purse: \$4 million
Yardage: 6,798; Par: 70

Third Round	
Jim Furyk	72-64-66—202 -8
Stephen Ames	65-73-68—206 -4
Retief Goosen	72-69-66—207 -3
Steve Flesch	73-71-64—208 -2
Wes Short, Jr.	66-75-68—209 -1
Mike Weir	70-71-68—209 -1
Kevin Sutherland	72-68-69—209 -1
Fred Couples	69-71-69—209 -1
Fran Quinn	68-73-69—210 E
Gene Sauers	71-70-69—210 E
Peter Fowler	71-70-69—210 E
Jeff Maggert	71-70-69—210 E
Rod Pampling	69-72-69—210 E
Greg Kraft	75-65-70—210 E

John Deere Classic

Saturday
At TPC Deere Run
Silvis, Ill.
Yardage: 7,268; Par: 71
Purse: \$6.2 Million

Third Round	
Sebastian Munoz	63-67-67—197 -16
Brandon Hagy	67-64-67—198 -15
Scott Brown	69-67-63—199 -14
Adam Long	70-65-64—199 -14
Cameron Champ	66-68-65—199 -14
Kevin Na	67-66-66—199 -14
Ryan Moore	65-66-68—199 -14
Maverick McNealy	71-64-65—200 -13
Jhonattan Vegas	67-66-67—200 -13
Chez Reavie	64-67-69—200 -13
Luke List	66-63-71—200 -13

abrdn Scottish Open

Saturday
At The Renaissance Club
North Berwick, Scotland
Purse: \$8 million; Yardage: 7,293; Par: 71

Third Round	
Matthew Fitzpatrick, England	66-66-67—199 -14
Thomas Detry, Belgium	66-65-68—199 -14
Jon Rahm, Spain	66-65-69—200 -13
Lucas Herbert, Australia	69-68-64—201 -12
Min Woo Lee, Australia	68-69-65—202 -11
Wade Ormsby, Australia	67-69-66—202 -11
Scottie Scheffler, United States	72-63-67—202 -11
Alexander Bjork, Sweden	72-68-63—203 -10
Adrian Otaegui, Spain	68-70-65—203 -10
Richie Ramsay, Scotland	67-71-65—203 -10
Xander Schauffele, United States	67-70-66—203 -10
Victor Perez, France	69-68-66—203 -10
Ryan Palmer, United States	66-70-67—203 -10
Padraig Harrington, Ireland	67-68-68—203 -10
David Law, Scotland	67-67-69—203 -10
Lee Westwood, England	65-67-71—203 -10

LPGA Marathon Classic

Saturday
At Highland Meadows Golf Club, Sylvania, Ohio
Purse: \$2 million; Yardage: 6,578; Par: 71

Third Round	
Nasa Hataoka	61-69-64—194 -19
Elizabeth Szokol	67-66-67—200 -13
Mina Harigae	66-66-68—200 -13
Esther Henseleit	70-64-67—201 -12
Yuka Saso	71-67-64—202 -11
Amy Yang	67-70-65—202 -11
Austin Ernst	69-67-66—202 -11
Caroline Masson	68-68-66—202 -11
Stacy Lewis	68-70-65—203 -10
Brittany Lincicome	67-69-67—203 -10
Danielle Kang	70-65-68—203 -10
Jasmine Suwannapura	68-67-68—203 -10
Jennifer Kupcho	69-65-69—203 -10
Genina Piller	69-65-69—203 -10

MLB draft returns, makes its All-Star debut

First round
takes place
Sunday night

JAKE SEINER
AP baseball writer

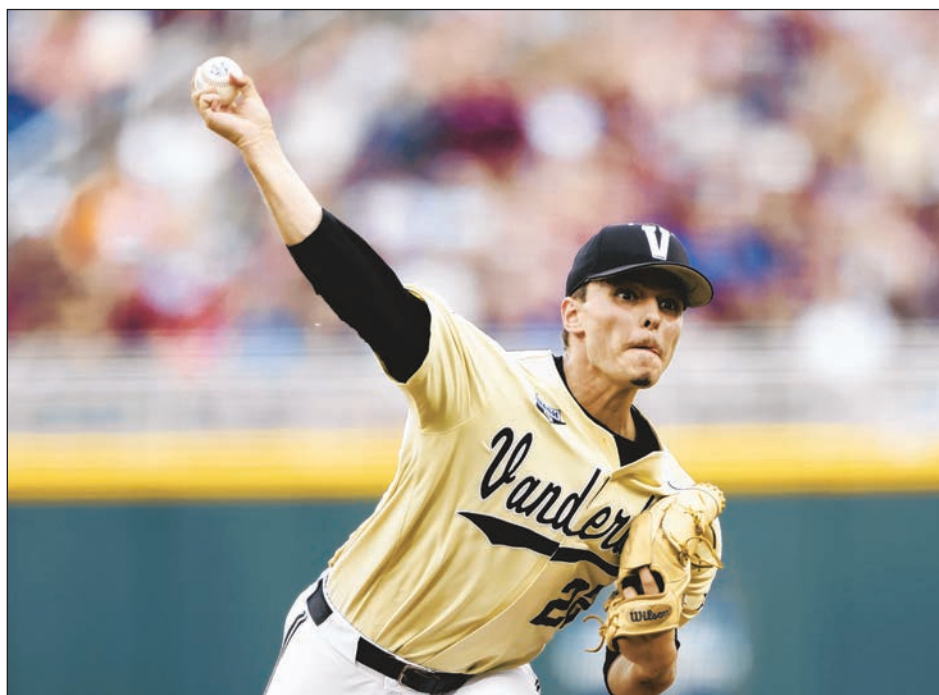
NEW YORK — Ben Cherington's first amateur draft as general manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates was brief and remote, held amid the coronavirus pandemic that grounded scouts and wiped out nearly all of 2020's amateur baseball calendar.

With the Bucs facing the pressure of the No. 1 overall pick this year, he's grateful to have his scouts back in the draft room, battling contentiously over their big board like old times.

"The room has been great as far as getting past the niceties and let's get into the arguments and debates," Cherington said. "So that's been good."

A year after Major League Baseball limited its draft amid the chaos of COVID-19, it's set to host a revamped event as part of All-Star festivities in Denver. The 20-round draft will span three days.

MLB moved the draft to July's All-Star weekend, putting the opening round on its network on Sunday night after the All-Star Futures Game, a showcase for the top players in the minors. The draft had been televised from MLB Network's studios in Secaucus, New Jersey,



Vanderbilt pitcher Jack Leiter throws during the first inning against Mississippi State in Game 1 of the NCAA College World Series baseball finals, June 28 in Omaha, Neb.

since 2009. A look at what else to watch for during the selection process:

BACK TO A NEW NORMAL

In response to the pandemic, MLB shrunk last year's draft from 40 rounds to five and made the entire selection process remote.

This year's draft will be in person but consist of 20 rounds, which may become the new standard after MLB took over control of the minors and removed a quarter of its affiliates last offseason. Notably, it eliminated the short-season leagues that used to be stocked with players drafted in later rounds.

Those lost late rounds were hardly packed with future big leaguers, of course, but several stars turned selections in the 20s, 30s or later into stand-out careers, including John Smoltz (22nd round), Mark Smoltz (38th), Keith Hernandez (42nd) and Mike Piazza (62nd).

COVID-19 shut down college and high school seasons throughout the country in 2020, and several MLB teams fur-loughed their scouts last summer. That hindered teams' abilities to evaluate players for this year's class, although amateur baseball largely came back this spring.

Scouts have mostly returned to big league front

offices this weekend, where they'll hunker down in front of oversized magnetic boards to decide who is worth a selection — a favorite time of year for front office personnel.

"We have to debate, debate, debate, disagree, disagree, disagree," Cherington said. "Dive deep as we can, then commit."

WHO'S ON THE CLOCK

The Pirates hold the No. 1 overall pick for the first time since taking Gerrit Cole in 2011, by far the most successful of their four previous top selections. Pittsburgh is likely to pick high again in 2021 amid a rebuild that may be

defined by the success of its draftees.

"It's pressure, yes," Cherington said. "But it's exciting pressure and it's an opportunity. It doesn't feel like a burden at all."

First-year Rangers general manager Chris Young — a third-round pick by the Pirates in 2000 — is set to oversee a draft room for the first time as Texas picks second. The Detroit Tigers have the third pick a year after taking Arizona State slugger Spencer Torkelson at No. 1. They'll be followed by the AL East-leading Boston Red Sox at No. 4 and the Baltimore Orioles at No. 5.

The Astros won't pick until the third round for the second straight year as punishment for their infamous sign-stealing scandal.

NAMES AT THE TOP

Vanderbilt pitchers Jack Leiter and Kumar Rocker have garnered the most attention in this class after pitching the Commodores into the finals of the College World Series.

Leiter is the son of two-time All-Star Al Leiter, who is now an analyst at MLB Network and will be part of the broadcast Sunday. Jack Leiter struck out 179 over 110 innings this season, posting a 2.13 ERA and throwing a no-hitter against South Carolina.

Rocker also has pro bloodlines — his father is former NFL defensive lineman Tracy Rocker — and looks it at 6-foot-5, 245 pounds. An inconsistent spring likely took him out of the running for the

Pirates, though.

Several high school shortstops are also in the running for the first pick. Marcelo Mayer from Eastlake High School in California is from the same school as 2000 No. 1 pick Adrian Gonzalez. No school has ever had two No. 1 picks, and Mayer is a slight favorite to make that history happen.

If Pittsburgh doesn't take Mayer, follow shortstops Jordan Lawlar (Texas) or Kahlil Watson (North Carolina) could be in the running, along with Louisville catcher Henry Davis. The Pirates also could sign a surprise pick to an under-slot deal, freeing up cash to spend on players further down the board.

OTHERS TO KNOW

Someone could land a player who already has World Series experience. Darren Baker is the son of Houston Astros manager Dusty Baker and was famously swooped away from home plate by Giants player J.T. Snow during the 2002 World Series, when the 3-year-old Baker was a bat boy. Darren Baker is a second baseman at the University of California with quick feet and feel to hit.

Others that might look familiar — California high school shortstop Max Muncy and Vanderbilt outfielder Isaiah Thomas — have no relation to star athletes with the same names. Muncy, from Greater Los Angeles, even shares a birthday with the Dodgers star.

The original source is a good place to start



Gerry Mulligan
OUT THE WINDOW

This week, I read the Declaration of Independence. Not just the famous parts, but the whole darn thing. OK, it was raining all week and there was not much else to do, but how many of us have ever read the amazing document that first demanded our independence? It was my first time. In that document our Founding Fathers laid out the reasons they were going to put everything on the line and demand independence

from England. It is so important to keep in mind that the men who signed this famous explanation of why independence was necessary were not a bunch of rag-tag revolutionaries. The men who gathered in Philadelphia to create the document were the elite of society. Most were wealthy and well-educated. They were large landowners and business people. They had everything to lose if their bid for independence failed.

Many of their fellow elite remained loyal to England and King George and were aghast at the behavior of those who signed the Declaration. These first patriots risked everything because they believed in the basic right of self-determination. Many of them did lose everything. In fact, nine of the 56 who signed the Declaration of Independence died during the Revolutionary War. Five more were imprisoned.

Twelve had their homes burned to the ground by the British. Seventeen others lost all of their property. These men and their families suffered greatly in their effort to create a new nation of laws. By the standards of today, contradictions are evident. Women could not vote and blacks were enslaved. However, these courageous Founding Fathers were dealing with the norms of 1776, not the standards
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Pine Ridge matters



Chronicle file

Traffic moves along County Road 486 at the entrance to Pine Ridge. Members of the Pine Ridge Property Owners Association are asking state and county leaders to eliminate the planned Pine Ridge adjacent Suncoast II interchange and return to a Red Level terminus.



Pete Cuccaro
GUEST COLUMN

State, county support for interchange at CR 486 inconsistent

A recent letter from Mike Perry, President of the Pine Ridge POA, to Kevin Thibault, Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation explains why the originally unintended but currently proposed County Road 486 interchange should be eliminated before ground is broken. There are plenty of backup

reports and correspondence to support the information in this latest correspondence. The letter, attachments and back up information can be viewed online at: pineridgeassn.com. We recognize the Chronicle has already taken a position on the continuation of the Suncoast through Citrus County based on input from Rep. Ralph Massullo.

We understand at least partially why. In conversations with Ralph late last year, he advised the continuation of the three mile stretch from State Road 44 to C.R. 486 was to ensure the limited funds earmarked for State Road 589 were not reallocated to another state project. According to our
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Jeff Bryan
THE OTHER GUY

Backyards, barbecues, neighbors

Since moving into our new house in November, I made it a point to get to know the other residents in the neighborhood. Because I already knew one family in the Inverness neighborhood, it made the transition easier and much less awkward. We keep an eye out for each other; we offer a helping hand when needed and we communicate. To some, that might sound like a foreign concept. When I was a kid, we knew every family in the neighborhood. We also knew every family in our Gram's neighborhood, too. It provided a sense of community and security. Our parents didn't worry about where we were at, and my siblings, neighborhood friends and myself knew if we did something we weren't supposed to or were somewhere we shouldn't be, each of our parents would know before we got home.
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Boys State delegates form exceptional bonds

JASON LU
Special to the Chronicle

Six days, 3 hours, and 14 minutes. 6.13 days. 147.23 hours. 8834 minutes. 530040 seconds. On June 20, I got on our bus to Tallahassee. And for 6 days, 3 hours, and 14 minutes, I had the honor of participating with 351 other delegates in one of the most memorable experiences I have ever had: Boys State. We started by stumbling into our rooms after a sleepless night, unpacking and promptly drafting a speech on our own interpretation
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Chronicle file

First row from left are: Joshua Brunk, Jason Lu, Vincent Lahera, Ikenna Nkwocha and Ashton Marcum. Second row from left are: Zachary Lawson, Spencer Green, David Paulsen, Noah Schnoop, and Cameron Rowe.

Program offers unique education



Cortney Stewart
SEEING BEYOND

The summer before senior year of high school, for many, is that last shot at the wonder of child-like freedom. It's full of the beauty of no alarm clocks, beach trips, and of course, no school. It's the last summer before that first taste of the real world. That's the summer before senior year for most kids. For Lecanto High School rising senior Vincent Lahera, he spent part of his summer running for governor. Lahera's classmate, Jason Lu, used his
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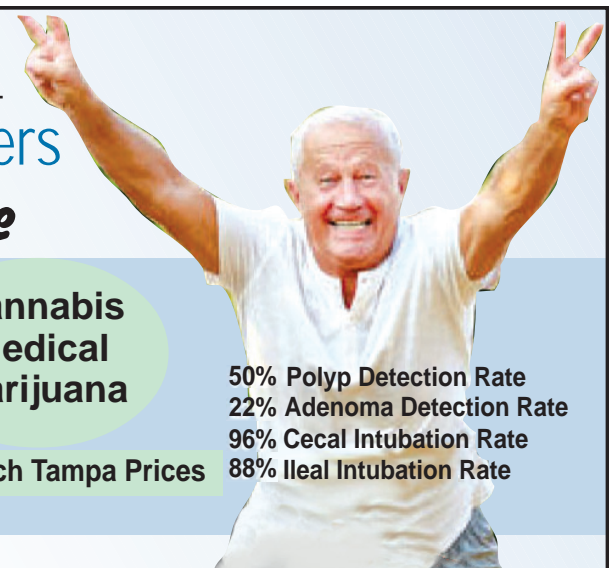
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LETTERS  *to the Editor*

Shop local and make a difference

We recently needed an adapter to allow a bicycle rack to fit into a new trailer hitch receiver. After looking online, we found that it could be ordered from the mammoth online fulfillment warehouse, with delivery in about two days.

We also found that we could possibly get it at one of the big box hardware stores in the area.

Instead, we opted to go to Hitch Central on State Road 44 in Crystal River. It is a locally owned and operated store, staffed by my neighbors here in Citrus County. The lady behind the counter was very professional and helpful, walking me to the counter where more than one option was available. She was informative and made sure that the unit I picked would work for our needs.

We made the purchase at Hitch Central and are very pleased with the product. We were even more pleased with the professional and friendly service. The best thing about the purchase is that the proceeds of the sale will stay local. Those few dollars will circulate around our community and help our local economy.

When we can, we plan to shop local.

Jim Green
 Hernando

‘Final Forty’ kicks off with support

Recently the Friends of the Crystal River National Wildlife Refuge sponsored its first “Final Forty Auction.” It was a success, as we raised money to help put a dent into the \$40K that is an average in construction expenses on the interactive displays soon to be showcased in our refuge’s new visitor center.

This display will be like no other in our area and will take our visitors through the experience of being in our springs without getting into the water. We are grateful to the following who contributed services and items to this successful auction:

- Captain James Kerr Fishing Charters
- Captain John Spann, Plantation Adventure Center
- Citrus County YMCA
- Copp Winery and Brewery
- Crystal River Kayak and Dive Center
- Lindsey Smith, Aesthetician
- Crystal River Room Escape
- Commissioner Holly Davis
- Tom Gotterup
- Hunter Springs Kayaks and Tours
- Jim Green Jewelers
- Kane’s Cattle Company
- Carol Kimbrough
- The Plantation Resort on Crystal River

In addition, we are deeply grateful to Chase Palmes for allowing us to set up a tent and auction tables just outside of St. Johns Tavern that evening. We give additional heartfelt thanks to Dr. KC Nayfield who shared with us his book signing event at St. Johns and made a very generous donation to our cause. We are very grateful to them and to all of the above contributors and to the bidders who made this auction the

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success that it was. These funds will enable our Friends group to continue to promote and support the preservation of the natural resources of the Refuge through the knowledge that these interactive displays will impart.

If you are interested in helping the Friends with their quest to raise their “Final Forty,” please donate at <https://friendsofthecrystalriver.org/>.

Bonnie Rybak
 Fundraising Committee
 Friends of the Crystal River
 National Wildlife Refuge Complex

Be a little kinder to your elders

I saw the caption of “Elder Abuse” in the newspaper today and I want to comment. Many in this area might not think about something like that happening around here, but it does.

I was on the checkout line in Publix yesterday and heard a woman (probably in her 60s) yelling at her mother. The cashier said the mother was shaking as she was being yelled at by the daughter.

The daughter needs to remember that she will someday be in her mother’s position (if she is lucky), and that she should be a bit more patient. I know I don’t know 100% of what goes on in their household. However, when I see this happen, it makes me wish my mother was still around.

Linda Jones
 Homosassa

Paper service is splendid

Hi Gerry. It’s been a while, but after reading your columns calling out local folks for their outstanding service, I realized that I have had the good fortune to have a couple of outstanding people that deserve some recognition too.

Lisa Wood and Breanne Fry are doing an incredible job for us every single day; better than I have ever had before in my 82 years (not all of those years of course).

These fine ladies deliver the Citrus Chronicle to my home every day; never miss a day, never late and never a wet newspaper. That would be a first for us. A giant thank you to them for a splendid job.

Ike Luna

CONTROLLING CROWDS



US Fish & Wildlife Service

In this 2020 photo provided by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, kayakers and swimmers crowd the waters of Three Sisters Springs in Crystal River. Federal wildlife officials are urging visitors of the popular refuge to stay away from its shoreline because of erosion.

Protection strategy needed for 3SS

Three Sisters Springs in Crystal River is one of the most beautiful places in Florida.

On some days, it feels like the whole world knows that.

In one of the greatest civic accomplishments in the county’s history, the 57-acre property in the heart of Crystal River was rescued from potential development as a high-density condominium project.

Individuals, foundations and government agencies came together to raise the funds to purchase the land and turn it into a National Wildlife Refuge. While the City of Crystal River is officially the owner of the land, this natural wonder belongs to all of us.

And that can be part of the problem.

The international publicity that Three Sisters has received really started with a National Geographic cover story back in 2013.

Tourism has boomed and people from all over the world now visit Crystal River for the opportunity to swim in Three Sisters Springs and interact with the manatees. Just like any other natural resource, too

much use by the public can have negative impacts.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service manages a boardwalk around 3SS and access to the property involves the city and its trolley system. That part of the process appears to be working just fine. Great volunteers fill in the man-hours necessary to manage the boardwalk.

Water access to Three Sisters is open to everyone and some reasonable controls are in place during the cold-weather months. Manatees crowd 3SS when temperatures get below freezing and the Wildlife Service will restrict human access at that time.

However, during the rest of the year, the flow of humans into 3SS has no limits. There are many businesses that have sprung up in Crystal River to take advantage of the tourist interest. Some of the tour operators do a good job of educating their clients and accompanying them on tours.

Other operators do a poor job.

There are no controls or educational requirements

for those individuals who visit the springs using their own vessels.

The growing problems is one of overuse. The intensity of the crowd on weekends is overwhelming and the overuse is going to cause a deterioration of the very asset that everyone loves.

We don’t pretend to have the answers on the usage problems. We do urge leaders of Crystal River and the Wildlife Service to come up with a plan that controls the size of access on any given day. The tour operators, those who financially benefit from the visitors to 3SS, need to play a role in controlling crowds and developing guidelines.

Crystal River is going through an economic revitalization right now and the Three Sisters Springs Wildlife Refuge is one of the key reasons. Let us not over-exploit the use of this natural wonder to the point where visiting is no longer desirable.

We have one of the greatest natural wonders of this nation right in our backyard. As a community of stakeholders, we need to show the leadership to develop and implement a plan that protects this irreplaceable asset.

‘Service dogs’ out of control

I think it’s high time for service dogs and their masters and mistresses or whatever to be licensed by the state. The dogs need to be trained by a certified trainer that’s licensed by the state and they need to get a yearly license and prove it when asked for it. They can’t just walk in a store and say it’s a service dog. I know plenty of people that look it up online and you can buy a service dog vest and all kinds of crap and it’s all B.S. I even had a friend of mine ask my wife to sell him a service vest just so he’d have one and of course she refused. But they’re out of hand, out of control and they need to be licensed and prove it. I was in the VA lab and a lady with a puppy was waiting for her husband and she says, “Oh, I’m training it for a service dog.” Yeah, and I’m training to be the president of the United States, too. So, let’s get with it. It needs to be done.

Fish tale: unknown species found in river

I couldn’t help replying to the request for crazy fish tales (in Sound Off Wednesday, July 7, Page A11). I was an only witness to a phenomenal event near the bird ladder off Crystal River on Aug. 26 last year at 7:30 a.m. when my husband and I were trolling. Immediately behind our boat, the largest fish I’ve ever seen made vertical jump, clearing the water by about 2 feet. I was spellbound due to its size. It appeared to be 3 foot wide, oval shaped and about 6 to 8 foot in length with a forked tail vertical to its body. I immediately reached out for any biologist at the FWC to help me ID this fish. No biologist was able to assist me. There had been two tropical systems offshore the day before and I had wondered if this could have driven some deepwater species into our shallow coastal waters. Had we been fishing the North Atlantic, I would have thought it

was a giant bluefin tuna.

CR 486 interchange doesn’t make sense

Why do our county commissioners want a Suncoast interchange at Norvell Bryant? Now that the Suncoast construction funding takes the Suncoast all the way to Red Level, a Norvell Bryant interchange no longer makes sense. What do we not know?

Put gate at entrance of Pine Ridge

To the person “Suggesting a feeder road” instead of an interchange at (County Road) 486 (in Sound Off, Page A7, Thursday, July 8): You’re from Pine Ridge and you don’t want the interchange. We don’t need feeder roads. Put a gate at that entrance. You have the money, so do it. We don’t need a feeder road.

Kindness will be passed on

Thanks to the person who bought my meal at New England Café on June 26. It shall be passed on. Thank you very much.

PINE

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State Representative, the interchange was simply an outgrowth of this intent.

On behalf of the Pine Ridge Property Owners Association (PRPOA), I was relaying to Mr. Massullo emerging issues and why there was opposition. The POA had been lulled into believing resident concerns would be eliminated by moving the interchange to Knoll Road (1,500 feet east from the Pine Ridge Boulevard entrance). Nothing could be further from the truth — but this claim and new FDOT renderings did calm protesting residents at a heavily attended special PRPOA meeting. The follow up FDOT action could now be pointed to as tacit approval in favor of the interchange — albeit moved. It should never have been so interpreted. The ruination of Pine Ridge is in the balance.

During the last quarter of 2020, the PRPOA was carefully moving forward with strategic opposition to the interchange. We came to learn the POA and the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) shared the same goal: to have the Suncoast II constructed swiftly and with as little impact as possible through Citrus. This translated into a bridge over C.R. 486 and no interchange.

Commissioners shared this position to the state via M-CORES. The PRPOA pivoted to support the BOCC in M-CORES meetings. To move S.R. 589 over C.R. 486 directly to Red Level became a joint quest.

Massullo subsequently moved the BOCC off this position — back to his position of having the interchange. His somewhat tenuous justification was Citrus “didn’t want to look silly” in Tallahassee. Of course there is more to it.

If you remember ninth grade civics, you understand the BOCC couldn’t be at odds with one of their voices in the Capitol. They needed his vote and



Special to the Chronicle

FDOT parkway proposals put the project’s County Road 486 exit east of Pine Ridge Boulevard entrance.

voice to fund other local projects. Understandable.

This was about the same time Representative Massullo met with the Chronicle Editorial Board to bolster his agenda at the expense of Pine Ridge. Being able to reference a local media opinion provided some leverage shaping public sentiment. But for what you ask? That’s a good question and maybe a topic for a future guest article.

As we continued on with careful opposition it was Secretary Thibault telling us in our phone call we needed to get the County Commission on board or it could go nowhere. It was a standard statement. The BOCC was with us (and we were with them). And then they weren’t.

Let’s examine the word “silly” in this case. If silly means our local leaders

are adaptive to changing information which supports the 10,000 residents of Pine Ridge — then give us those newly informed

my professional life, the money would be there before ground was broken. I wasn’t telling him something he didn’t already

“ A continuation of the Suncoast to points east and north of Crystal River solves the Pine Ridge issue and minimizes the cluster. It’s also a significant cost savings. No interchange means more money for points north. ”

Pete Cuccaro

Roads Committee chair for the Pine Ridge Property Owners Association.

silly leaders. It means they are listening and evolving in their representation “of the people.” This is laudable, not laughable.

There’s a difference between evolution and vacillation. And as I advised Massullo, after experiencing budget engineering for most of

know. And here we are. SB 100 provides the standing our leaders need on behalf of a thriving 50-year community. We should all be glad there is finally a way forward — although it never should have been made this difficult.

As it turns out, Massullo’s reasoning became

decisions carry the day.

Consider this: A.C.R. 486 interchange, in addition to one operating at S.R. 44, would seriously increase the traffic headed toward Crystal River.

A close exam of any map illustrates westbound

traffic from both the S.R. 44 and a C.R. 486 interchange will converge at the intersection of West Norvell Bryant Highway (C.R. 486), Gulf-to-Lake Highway (S.R. 44), and North Dunkelfeld Avenue. It will literally become a cluster.

The City of Crystal River will have some relief with the Turkey Oak Bypass — but Meadowcrest will become sandwiched between the traffic from both. Access to and from this housing will be stressful. Ingress and egress to both Meadowcrest and Crystal River will be impacted forevermore.

A continuation of the Suncoast to points east and north of Crystal River solves the Pine Ridge issue and minimizes the cluster. It’s also a significant cost savings. No interchange means more money for points north.

We already know as the Suncoast continues to I-10 it will go around municipalities larger than Crystal River. So why then is the “Crystal River area” targeted for as many as four interchanges?

Intervals south of Citrus are 15, 20 and 30 miles apart. Why would interchanges within Citrus be so close together? If the plan is to eventually have Crystal River overwhelmed with traffic, then so be it.

As many know, I have publicly supported the extension of the Suncoast. I think it’s vital to Citrus commerce. As the Chair of the Citrus2030 Public Safety Committee, I opined as much in a recent letter/article. Future BOCC budget plans should adequately account for our public safety professionals and their supporting casts as demands emanating from the expansion of the Suncoast within Citrus will require more service.

Overall, the Suncoast II plan is overdue for so many good reasons, not the least of which is there

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of 2021.

They took a giant step toward creating a government that could constantly re-invent itself. As time has gone on, we have continually amended our constitution to improve the way our experiment in self-government works.

The political divisions we have today are part of

that process. Citizens disagree and argue the details of how we should change. We hold elections and the majority of voters get to make the decision.

We do not storm the capitol building and try to create a violent insurrection because we are unhappy about how the majority of Americans voted.

We protest. We complain. Then we regroup for the next election.

Since our nation was founded, more than 1.3

million members of the Armed Forces have died protecting our country. Presidents Abraham Lincoln, John Kennedy, James Garfield and William McKinley did the same.

No better process has ever been established, and that is why we have been around for more than 244 years.

The violent extremists who tried to overthrow our government are outliers to all who love our country.

Regardless of political party, no true American could ever condone abolishing the process that has produced our form of self-government.

The beauty of our system is that the majority can continually amend it. That has happened 27 times because our values, beliefs and standards have changed.

Frustration with our government has erupted many times over those 244 years because the wheels

of the institutions move slowly. When you read the original documents, it becomes clear that our Founding Fathers wanted the process of government change to move at a slow pace.

That is one of the reasons why we have three branches of government. It causes frustration to many who want things to move quickly. Nevertheless, it has been that structure that creates the time to digest what might come

from proposed reforms.

Flaws are inherent to any system of government. The beauty of our form of self-government is that the system includes the process to make changes.

Our Founding Fathers had their act together. If you doubt me, go back and read their original work.

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BOYS

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of Americanism. Then elections. More elections. And even more elections.

I ran for many positions. I won. I lost. I laughed. I cried. Each day brought a new situation; a new election; a new complexity. Each night, we wearily trudged to our dorms, satisfied with our work for the day. Most delegates slept. I’m proud to say that my city, Comer Lakes, was the only city with nighttime hallway soccer and dodgeball, much to the chagrin of the delegates trying to sleep

in the floors above and below us.

In those 6 days, 3 hours, and 14 minutes, I honed my competence at public speaking, debate, and empathy. I created a poster signed by nearly 250 out of the 352 delegates that Comer Lakes presented to Director Forest Boone, thanking him, the staff, and the state troopers for their work. I received the honors of being a city councilor, a county commissioner, a House Representative, a Boys Nation Nominee, and even Supreme Court Justice.

But really, these positions were insignificant compared to the real

distinction of Boys State — getting to know my fellow delegates.

I met a delegate studying quantum mechanics at the Air Force Research Laboratory. I met a delegate who went to ISEF 2021. I met a delegate who was interested in Cold War history and economics. I met a delegate who competed nationally in Congressional USA Debate. I met a delegate who could do pull-ups on a half-inch door frame. I met a delegate who had recently immigrated from Vietnam with his parents, seeking the American dream. I met delegates whose families had fled from repressive regimes,

seeking a better life. I met delegates who were charismatic leaders and inspirers. I met delegates who were student-athletes; who were class presidents; who aspired to be the cream of our generation. I may have been a big fish in a small pond called Citrus County, but now I was in the ocean with other big fish. Truly, it was a humbling experience.

What struck me most about Boys State was the relative brotherliness we all afforded each other. There was no true partisanship; there was no bitterness and name calling of each other. In our current political atmosphere

that encourages partisanship and acrimony, it was refreshing to see how easily we could connect; how much we all had in common, despite having wildly different political views or socioeconomic backgrounds.

And therefore, I have hope for the future. I have confidence in our future leaders. I now have much higher expectations of our current leaders, because in 6 days, 3 hours, and 14 minutes, 352 boys from across Florida achieved a relatively bipartisan government, broke records from previous Boys States, and formed exceptionally potent connections with

each other, all while being courteous to each other and respectful. We lack this type of interconnection in our current politicians and politics. If we could do what we did in 6 days, 3 hours, and 14 minutes, imagine what we could do in 6 weeks. 6 months. 6 years. And that’s what I believe Boys State is for: to have delegates form these strong relationships with each other in order to better the future; not necessarily just for Florida, but also for the nation.

Jason Lu is a rising senior at Lecanto High School.

BEYOND

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summer to get a taste of what it might be like to sit on the Florida Supreme Court. For these two guys, it’s safe to say it wasn’t the typical break from school.

Lahera and Lu both participated in American Legion Boys State — a highly respected and selective youth leadership program focused on government and civic education. The great thing about Boys State, though, is that it isn’t a top-down approach to learning. Instead, the students from all over the state are in an immersive simulation, where students are organized into

mythical cities and counties in a state and they elect officials to fill the various political seats in each of those domains.

Students can run for governor, various positions in the governor’s cabinet, president of the senate, speaker of the house, and chief justice of the Supreme Court. The governor then appoints members to the Supreme Court and students are named to the state House and Senate.

But the election is just the beginning. Once campaigns and elections are over, the game really begins. The governor and his cabinet deal with a political or environmental scenario, the Supreme Court deals with a case, and

students introduce and argue bills in the Legislature.

The kids are literally in charge.

Girls get this same opportunity at Girls State, run by the American Legion Auxiliary.

I attended Girls State when I was in high school. I was elected Commissioner of Education that year and sat on the governor’s cabinet to deal with a hypothetical environmental disaster that took place in, believe it or not, Citrus County.

I totally had the inside scoop.

What the Boys and Girls State programs offer students is more than just an exciting, immersive simulation experience. It’s cool

to go sit in the chambers of the state legislature. It’s an honor to sit and chat with elected officials. It’s a privilege to get a no-stakes chance to experience what it looks like to run a government. Those things are all incredibly valuable. But what I took from my Girls State experience was a knowledge of and respect for the power and purpose of local and state government.

Now more than ever our focus is on the power of Washington, D.C. and it’s powerful, for sure. Things that happen there impact us in obvious ways. But the decisions that are made in Tallahassee impact the daily lives of Floridians far more than what happens in D.C. And more to

the point, the decisions made by the Board of County Commissioners are the things that more directly affect the citizens of Citrus County.

It’s easy to get lost in the world of national politics and forget the incredible importance of local and state officials.

The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary are committed to helping students become the most informed and responsive citizens they can be. In their wisdom they train up students to pay attention to the political well-being of their own local communities.

Programs like these are what will shape American democracy into the best version of itself.

Congratulations to Lahera and Lu! You’ve made Citrus County proud. We’re counting on you to use this knowledge and experience to influence your peers and impact our community.

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PINE

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are more than 1,000 people a day moving to Florida. Career FDOT personnel are always looking to the future recognizing the need for improved transportation models to move people. It's their job and they're good at it. Senator Wilton Simpson and his staff have long recognized this and are well situated to support this transportation improvement. Kudos to all. It's the S.R. 589/C.R. 486 interchange currently in need of elimination. Did I say it has been thriving for 50 years?



So back to Pine Ridge. A

close read of SB 100 illustrates how much latitude exists. This is consistent with providing the Florida Department of Transportation budget and engineering flexibility so as to work within local governments for the next 30 years. But should our current Citrus leaders not take collaborative action to eliminate the C.R. 486 interchange, Pine Ridge roads will funnel traffic from points north to the new entrance.

There are already problems with commuter and commercial traffic cutting through — but should the interchange be realized against the wishes “of the people” the exacerbation is hard to quantify in advance. We can estimate based on traffic already making its way on C.R. 491 and C.R. 486 it could be as much as

four times more.

Most certainly the thriving character of the horse community as envisioned by the first major developer in Citrus County will be altered forever. Pine Ridge Estates — home to three generations of equestrians, golfing families and settlers from around the world could be ruined.

It is on this basis, and on behalf of the 10,000 informed residents and owners, we implore our state and county leaders to eliminate the interchange and return to the push for a Red Level terminus. The opposition has been well-founded because those who live there know — Pine Ridge matters.

Pete Cuccaro chairs the Roads Committee for the Pine Ridge Property Owners



Special to the Chronicle
Director of Citrus County Growth Management Mike Sherman and Transportation Project Manager of Citrus County Walt Eastmond met with the Roads Committee for the Pine Ridge Property Owners Association on June 16. Pictured from left, are: Pete Cuccaro, Mike Perry, Mike Sherman, Jannice Herndon, Walt Eastmond, Ken Dumovich, Bill Hunter, Terry Cooper, Christine Carrington and Jeff Kowal.

Association. He is the former law enforcement (police chief retired) and established consulting company CIMG, Cuccaro spent 33 years in which services to major companies and national law firms on a select basis. He can be reached at petecuccaro@gmail.com.

OTHER

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To do this day, I believed my mother had an elaborate computer surveillance system mounted behind her China cabinet. She as well as other parents in the neighborhood used it to communicate with each other. Mom denied it but when she asked, “where we’d been?” with a stern look on our face and wooden spoon in her hand. We knew she knew.

As the Fourth of July approached, my friends behind our house asked about our plans for the holiday.

“Grilling a few hamburgers and hot dogs for the kids, setting off a few fireworks,” I told them.

They, too, planned to do the same.

“Why not invite the neighborhood?” I suggested.

So we did just that, rolling out a grill and a couple of canopies, coolers and tables. Mother Nature gave us fits early in the day, but by mid-afternoon, kids were zipping down the slip n slides, music was playing, conversation was flowing freely and so was the

laughter.

It was a fond memory of my childhood, as the dad’s would tend to the grill as mom’s would prep tables for the holiday feast while the kids would run through the neighborhood — sounds of firecrackers bursting soon afterward.

It was a breath of fresh air especially after the past year amid the pandemic.

We ate, chatted more and enjoyed the boys lighting up the night sky with a few celebratory fireworks, I felt a sense of community and security in our new neighborhood. I believe everyone else felt that too.

As the cleanup began, we each thanked one another for a fun-filled, family celebration. We agreed we should do it again, holiday or not.

I am looking forward to the next gathering, and it’s my hope more neighbors will take the time to connect with each other in their respective neighborhoods.

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**ALL THINGS
 TECH**

The iMazing iPhone 12

The iPhone 12 series was launched last year during a virtual event. New iPhones are usually released in September, but 2020 was the COVID year and, like all of us, Apple was affected.

They said the October date was supply chain delays due to the coronavirus pandemic. However, the iPhone 12 Pro Max, the big mama of that series wasn't available until mid-November.

This series offers a new ceramic shield glass front, which is a huge durability feature for iPhones. According to Apple, "it's tougher than any smartphone glass" and has four times better drop performance.

Still, I wouldn't try that test that with my new 12 Pro Max. The back retains the previous generation dual-ion exchange strengthened glass.

Additionally, Apple introduced MagSafe, an advanced high-powered wireless charging system that magnetically attaches a wireless charging device (Apple's puck) to the back of an iPhone. You are still tethered to a cable to charge, so no change there.

Accessories produced by Apple and third parties will simply grasp onto the back of the phone and are stackable.

Of note is that Apple no longer supplies the wall adapter with new iPhone 12 series. Only the USB-C to Lightning cable is included. Apple says the lack of adapter is to "reduce carbon emissions and waste, since most users already own them."

I disagree. We all own the older, low-wattage adapters (5 watts), but most do not own the 20-watt adapter. That's an extra expense you might not know about. I found that out when I visited my Homosassa T-Mobile store where Kenny and Amber told me. You still can use the old cables, but charging will be very slow, if using the old 5-watt adapter.

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Getting down to business:



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Dillon's Cinnamon Sticks employees recently prepared and delivered meals for all 17 staff members at Citrus County Animal Services (CCAS).

Ron Dillon's folks go above and beyond; mystery of a cleared lot is solved

The mystery is solved. I received several phone calls and e-mails the past few weeks about what is going to be built on the cleared parcel in front of the Winn-Dixie shopping center,

at the corner of County Road 491 and Truman Boulevard in Beverly Hills.

There were rumors of an Aldi, a grocery store. Could it be Starbucks?

It turns out the half-acre site will be the new, larger home of Citrus Ridge Realty. The business currently operates out of a small storefront at 3521 County Road 491 in the shopping center. Broker Kirk Johnson said the new site will be larger and better able to serve customers.

The question now is, 'What will go into the soon-to-be-vacant realty office? Stay tuned.

Culver's

If you've driven by the corner of State Road 44 and Pleasant Grove Road in Inverness, you'll notice the buildings at West Gate Plaza have been demolished to make way for the county's first Culver's restaurant.

Tentative opening is December.

The rumors are getting louder that there will be a second new tenant next to Culver's. I don't like to write about rumors so I won't say that it could be a well-known, national coffee chain with a green-colored siren as its logo.

Glory Days Grill

It's still coming. I promise.

I've gotten a few inquiries on this new restaurant, to be located on the southwest corner of State Road 44 and County Road 486 in Lecanto, by the McDonald's.

If you drive by, you'll see the land cleared. The last word I got

from the Virginia-based chain is that Glory Days Grill could open in January 2022.

There's also a tire store coming to that intersection and I will have details soon.

Havana House

The owners of Havana House Cafe in Lecanto closed the doors in September 2020 because they were unable to stay afloat with the economic shutdown caused by the pandemic.

The restaurant, at 1227 County Road 491, just south of the State Road 44 intersection, was a local favorite with folks wanting a "Taste of the Tropics."

StoreRight Self Storage has requested a site improvement plan from the county to demolish the old restaurant to make way for a new boat/RV storage facility.

Twice Blessed is newest U-Haul dealer

Twice Blessed, a thrift store at 5015 N. Citrus Ave. in Crystal River, is now a U-Haul neighborhood dealer; according to U-Haul spokeswoman Andrea Batchelor:

The store will offer U-Haul trucks, trailers, towing equipment and moving supplies.

U-Haul has been teaming up with independent dealers since 1945.

With the COVID-19 outbreak creating challenging times for small businesses, more than 20,000 dealers across the U.S. and Canada are creating supplemental income through this partnership, Batchelor said.

Tip of the Hat

I started this feature in last month's Comings & Goings. It's a chance to give kudos to a business that has achieved an honor



Michael D. Bates
**COMINGS
 & GOINGS**



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Glory Days Grill — a sports-themed restaurant — has set its sights on the southwest corner of County Roads 491 and 486 in Lecanto for its newest location.



Special to the Chronicle

Inverness is getting ready for butter burgers when the Culver's chain opens in Citrus, reportedly in December.

or done something to help the community.

This week's tip of the hat goes to: Dillon's Cinnamon Sticks in Inverness.

On June 25, restaurant staffers prepared and delivered meals for all 17 staff members at Citrus County Animal Services (CCAS).

Owner Ron Dillon said he wanted to recognize CCAS "because they are good people doing good things in our community."

If you know of a business that's gone out of its way or won recognition, send it to me at mbates@chronicleonline.com.

In-person job fairs return for our area in full force

It felt like Old Home Week, or a class reunion, or Christmas gathering of the family after a long separation. Everyone was thrilled to see, well, anyone. In person, that is.

Last month, we held our first in-person job fair in more than a year, way more than a year. Forty area businesses, all with multiple jobs to fill, met with 200 candidates and let me tell you, the place was abuzz; the energy, as they say, was palpable.

And later this month, we're getting ready to do it again with two targeted job fairs.

The first takes place Wednesday, July 21, from 2-5 p.m. at the Holiday Inn & Suites Conference Center, 3600 SW 38th Ave., in Ocala. Yes, yes, I know,



Laura Byrnes
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that's Ocala, but aren't you willing to take a nice drive to meet with what could be your future employer?

We know, based on commuter surveys, that those who live in Citrus County travel to Ocala, Gainesville, Brooksville and beyond for the right job, and vice versa.

To date, the following Citrus County businesses plan to attend: Family Life Care, Florida Mentor, Key Training Center, and Visiting Angels. Additional health care businesses on hand to fill positions in hospitals, nursing homes, and doctors' offices include Advent Health, Brookdale Chamber Pinecastle, Encompass Health, HCA Healthcare North Florida Division, Heart of Florida Health Center, Ocala Health and Rehabilitation, Quad

Nurse LLC, and Staff America Health Inc.

Positions run the gamut from physicians, nurses, CNAs, HHAs, caregivers/companions, phlebotomists, dental hygienists, and nutrition services aides to dishwashers, servers, cooks, housekeepers, bus drivers, and maintenance technicians to sales associates and manager, marketing, HR specialists, patient services coordinator, medical records and medical office staff.

That's not inclusive, but it should give you an idea of the depth and breadth of available career opportunities. If you are a medical professional, this job fair is definitely for you — but as you can see, you don't need to be a medical professional to get a great job in the health care industry.

Interested in attending? Here's what you need to know. First, as always, there is no charge to take part. Second, for

fastest, easiest access to the event, we ask that you register in advance. You will find more information, an updated list of participating businesses, and a registration link at <https://careersource-clm.com/event/job-fair-healthcare/> or to simply register go to bit.ly/Healthcare2021.

Likewise important for those planning to attend:

■ Masks are required for the continued safety of our staff, businesses and other job seekers.

■ Dress to impress: appropriate attire is required — that means absolutely no flip-flops/casual sandals, T-shirts, shorts, jeans with rips or holes, or anything too tight, short, revealing or with profane images or language. What you wear doesn't need to be fancy or expensive, just clean and neat.

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■ Bring copies of your updated résumé, even if you apply online. Think of it as a calling card, a point of reference for the knowledge, skills and abilities you'd like to highlight, and a tangible way hiring managers will remember you.

Need help getting your résumé put together? We have free workshops on Job Specific Résumés that take place in person at our Lecanto and Ocala career centers as well as live via Zoom and virtually.

Check our calendar for workshops at career sourceclm.com. Also, you can stop by our career center at 683 S. Adolph Point in Lecanto for staff-assisted services, again at no charge.

Call 352-840-5627 or 800-434-JOBS (5627) for more information.

I mentioned at the top that we're holding two job fairs this month. The second, an Agriculture Job Fair, is held in partnership with CareerSource Florida Crown and CareerSource North Florida — two of the 24 workforce development regions in the CareerSource Florida network.

CareerSource North Florida (Region 6) covers Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Madison, Suwanee and Taylor counties. CareerSource Florida Crown (Region 7) encompasses Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist and Union counties.

The Agriculture Job Fair takes place Wednesday, July 28 from 2-5 p.m. at the World Equestrian Center, 1390 NW 80th Ave, in Ocala — west of I-75 between State Road 40 and U.S. 27.

In addition to the in-person event, we will also offer a virtual ver-

sion of the job fair.

This industry is wide open and features an amazing array of diverse occupations, ranging from what might be considered a traditional ag business such as Scherer Quality Farm in Morriston (Levy County) to an agrarian-related business such as World Equestrian Center (WEC) which has 150 job openings for everything from bartender to kennel assistant to veterinarian to payroll manager to guest services supervisor to HR director.

Our business development team is still busy recruiting businesses along with our partners from the other regions, but make no mistake, this promises to be an impressive, won't-want-to-miss-it event. Again, call us at 800-434-JOBS for more information.

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Mid Florida Community Services introduces CEO: Mat Kline takes helm

BROOKSVILLE — Mid Florida Community Services Inc., one of the largest nonprofit Community Action agencies in the state of Florida, announced Mat Kline as new chief executive officer. Kline, of Brooksville, has spent the

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past nearly 20 years working in human services and has extensive experience in the areas of child welfare, quality assurance, serving vulnerable populations and developing effective teams.

For the last six years, Kline has served Mid Florida Community Services, Inc. (MFCS), in a variety of roles from Family and Community Partnerships Manager, Director of Senior Services,

and most recently, Chief Operating Officer.

During his tenure at MFCS, Kline earned the designation as a certified community action professional.

Mid Florida Community Services Inc. is a member of the National Community Action Partnership and the Community Action Network, which was born out of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964.

TECH

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Apple, also, no longer supplies EarPods. Two ways of keeping the prices down, I guess.

You can purchase the 20-watt adapters at your carrier's store, but you can also find them online on Amazon as low as \$3.99 in black or \$4.99 in white with free Prime shipping.

Apple did upgrade the storage on the iPhone Pro and Pro Max, with a base capacity of 128GB, whereas the former base was 64GB. The iPhone 12 storage hasn't changed, it still starts at 64GB.

You have six color choices with the iPhone 12: white, black, blue (navy), green (an undecided color), purple (lav-

ender) and red.

The Pro models offer four choices: silver, gold, graphite (the old space grey) and newest color pacific blue, which replaced midnight green.

Size matters with the Pro series. The Pro has a 6.1-inch display and Pro Max a 6.7-inch display. Four cameras are featured on the Pro series, as well. One is front-facing camera and three are back-facing (telephoto, wide and ultrawide). The iPhone 12 Mini has a 5.4-inch display and the iPhone 12, a 6.1-inch display.

Prices range from \$699 (iPhone 12 Mini) to \$1,099 (iPhone 12 Pro Max).

You've seen the commercials for 5G, with each carrier touting their network. I haven't checked with all carriers, but I did

phone our Homosassa T-Mobile store. I spoke with Tom about 5G service in Citrus County.

According to Tom, Citrus County has, at least, fair 5G coverage. The closer you are to a T-Mobile tower, of course, the better service you will have. If you have T-Mobile, you can check their online map to see what your coverage is.

Other carriers should have a map, showing 5G coverage.

Tom also told me that, contrary to what you may

have heard, using 5G won't drain your battery. I'll cover more about battery draining in another column.

And as a disclaimer, although I am a customer of T-Mobile, I have not received any compensation for this column.

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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-days 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 workforce affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. An additional \$30,000 has been allocated to the Citrus County YMCA

to provide day care 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 provides grants to businesses that have rehired furloughed employees

The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce offers a grant program for businesses that furloughed employees due to COVID-19 and have since rehired them.

To qualify for full funding, the business must have furloughed an employee for a minimum of two months before rehiring and steadily employing for a minimum of 90 days.

The grant amount is \$2,000 per rehired full-time equivalent employee. All local businesses are eligible. Complete information on the grant program and documentation required is on the application form.

Applications are open at www.CitrusCountyChamber.com/furlough-rehire-grant.

For questions, please email CitrusFurloughRehire@gmail.com



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This week, host Jade White, Chamber Public Relations & Communication Coordinator, talks with Hope Selander-Haag, Development & Community Relations Manager at Key Training Center, about their upcoming fundraisers including the Run for The Money, Walk A Mile In My Shoes, and the Reach for the Stars: An Evening in Vegas Dinner Auction. They also discuss the mission of The Key Training Center and how the funds raised directly impacts their clients. Chamber Report is your ticket to the many happenings in Citrus County!



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Student loan payments to restart; get help

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For 42.9 million student loan borrowers, it's been 18 months without a payment. That ends in October — ready or not.

The interest-free federal student loan payment pause, known as a forbearance, was extended three times after it initially went into effect in March 2020 as a way to help reduce the financial blow many borrowers experienced as a result of the pandemic.

But with payments set to resume in a few months, servicers — the companies that manage student loan payments — are already fielding thousands of calls a day from borrowers seeking student loan help, according to Scott Buchanan, executive director of the Student Loan Servicing Alliance, a non-profit trade organization for student loan servicers.

Time is running out for both servicers and loan borrowers to prepare for repayment.

While Education Secretary Miguel Cardona has indicated it's not "out of the question" to extend the loan forbearance beyond Sept. 30, for now borrowers should be prepared for bills to come due sometime in October (they're supposed to be notified at least 21 days prior to their exact billing date).

Talk with servicer now

Servicers are expecting borrower demand for help to increase and may have trouble keeping up. The repayment system has never been turned off before, so no one is sure what restarting it simultaneously for 42.9 million people will look like.

"We don't have any guidance from the department (of Education) about what a resumption strategy would look like," says Buchanan. "We are in the time frame where those plans need to be communicated; it cannot wait."

Richard Cordray, the newly appointed head of the Education Department's federal student aid office, told The

Washington Post for a story on June 11 that restarting payments was "a very complex situation" and said the office planned to provide more information to servicers soon. He also said the department planned to hold the servicers accountable by setting rigorous performance benchmarks.

Despite the uncertainty, if you're worried about your ability to make payments, there's no downside to contacting your servicer now to beat the rush, says Buchanan. Ask about your best options to manage payments, depending on your situation.

If you're not sure who your servicer is, log in to your My Federal Student Aid account to find out. To ensure you don't miss any notifications, check

that your contact information is up to date on your loan servicer's website and in your StudentAid.gov profile.

Repayment options

"Your options are not 'pay or default,'" says Megan Coval, vice president of policy and federal relations at the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. "There are options in between for lowering payments. Nobody, including the federal government, wants to see you go into default."

Default happens after roughly nine months of late federal loan payments. It can result in a damaged credit score, wage garnishment, withheld tax refunds and other financial burdens.

■ If payments will be a hardship: Enrolling in an income-driven repayment plan sets payments at a portion of your income, which could be \$0 if you're out of work or underemployed. Or you could opt to pause payments (with interest collecting) using an unemployment deferment or forbearance.

■ If you were delinquent before the pause: Your loans will be reset into "good standing." Making monthly payments on time will help you retain that status. But if you think you might miss a payment or you don't think you can afford payments altogether, contact your servicer about enrolling in an income-driven plan.

■ If you were in default before the pause: Contact your

loan holder or the education department's default resolution group to find out how to enter into loan rehabilitation and get back into good standing.

Get legit resource

Servicers may be your first point of contact, but they don't have to be your last. You may have other needs your servicer isn't providing, such as financial difficulty beyond your student loans or legal advice.

Cash-strapped borrowers can find legitimate student loan help for free with organizations such as The Institute of Student Loan Advisors. Other student loan help, such as a credit counselor or a lawyer, will charge fees. You can find reputable credit counselors through organizations such as the National Foundation for Credit Counseling.

Financial planners can also help, but it's best to look for one with student loan expertise, such as a certified student loan professional.

You can find legal assistance, including advice on debt settlement and pursuing bankruptcy, with lawyers who specialize in student loans or with legal services in your state as listed by the National Consumer Law Center.

If your issue is with your servicer, contact the Federal Student Loan Ombudsman Group, which resolves federal student aid disputes. You can also file a complaint with the Federal Student Aid Feedback Center or the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

Legitimate student loan help organizations won't seek you out with offers of debt resolution through unsolicited texts, emails or phone calls. Most importantly, you don't have to pay anyone to apply to consolidate your debt, enter into an income-driven repayment plan or apply for Public Service Loan Forgiveness.

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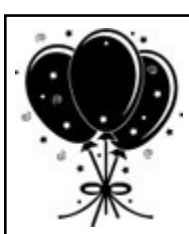
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A copy of transcripts from an accredited institution must be submitted with the application.
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Professional

COLLEGE of CENTRAL FLORIDA
Seasonal Grounds Keeper
A detailed job description and application can be obtained at the Citrus County Mosquito Control District Headquarters' Office or our website www.citrusmosquito.org 968 N. Lecanto Hwy, Lecanto, FL 34461 (352) 527-7478 between 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. weekdays.
Position will be open until filled.
The Citrus County Mosquito Control District is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provisions of services.
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Restaurant/Lounge

COACH'S PUB & BATTERY
JOIN A CITRUS COUNTY LEGEND!
Great Work Environment & Earning Potential

• **KITCHEN MANAGER MUST BE WELL VERSED in Restaurant Kitchens & MOTIVATED - Salary based on EXPERIENCE**

• **KITCHEN STAFF**
Line Cooks & Prep Bring us your pay stub and let's talk We reward Quality Employees
• **SERVERS**
Top pay for quality servers.
Bring Your "A" Game To Coach's
Apply in Person: 114 West Main St Inverness, FL 34450 or Apply Online: www.chronicleonline.com - EOE -

Restaurant/Lounge

BARTENDER WANTED
Experienced Only Pick up application at CITRUS EAGLES 8733 E Gulf to Lake Hwy, Inverness M-F 11am-1pm NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

Sales Help

LOOKING for a New Career?
Register today!
submit your resume
New opportunities at your fingertips!
Employment in Citrus County and surrounding areas
<http://jobs.chronicleonline.com/>

Sales Help

TRIM CARPENTER HELPER WANTED
** NO **
** Experience **
** Necessary **
Will Train!
Need Valid Drivers License and Own Transportation.
CALL: 352-527-8316
T and G Construction, INC.

Sales Help

NOW HIRING JOIN OUR TEAM APPLY NOW
SALESMAN
Construction related company looking to fill a sales position.
HIGH PAYING COMMISSION
Construction knowledge helpful.
Please call: 352-563-0411

Trades/Skills

Tinsley ELECTRIC
JOB OPENING
ELECTRICIAN'S HELPER
Must have a good driver's license.
Call: (352) 341-2004
E-mail resume to: tinsleyelectric@gmail.com

Trades/Skills

Hiights Inc
TOWER TECHNICIANS
NOW HIRING!
Travel the SE w/ co. vehicle & hotel provided. Exc. pay, per diem, bonus & benefits.
Learn the art of Tower climbing & maint. from the BEST!
Electrical exp. pref. Bkgrnd Check & Clean FL Dr. Lic req'd Must be 21+ Apply within: Hiights Inc. 1515 White Lake Dr. Inverness 352-564-8830 or Email Resume to: hiights@hiightsinc.com

Trades/Skills

WAREHOUSE PERSON
Part Time / FT M-F 8am - 4:30pm Must be at least 21 years of age. Clean driving record and reliable transportation. ABSOLUTELY NO PHONE CALLS
APPLY IN PERSON: 8 N. Florida Ave Inverness, FL Or email resume to: GoldenX1@tampabay.rr.com

Part-time Help

FUNERAL ATTENDANT
Part-Time 27 Hrs Minimum
Livery and Light Maintenance
INTERVIEW BY APPOINTMENT ONLY -
Send email to CHAS@CHASDAVIS.COM

Part-time Help

PROP MGMT CO
needs **HANDYMAN** for Shopping Centers must have some tools & auto Eric: 901-853-1250

General Help

CHRONICLE
MAILROOM COLLATOR AND DRIVER
29 hours per week
Collator include:
• Feed inserts into the stitcher
• Operate pallet jack
• Load products on the table for insertion.
• Feed preprints
Driver include:
• Delivers papers to weekly publications.
• Performs basic maintenance
• Unloads preprints
• Responsible for all truck paperwork.
Final candidate must undergo a drug screen, background check & motor vehicle check.
Fill out an application at Chronicle, 1624 N Meadowcrest Blvd, Crystal River 34429 Send resume to dkamlof-wright@chronicleonline.com

General Help

Dudley's Auction
Central Florida's Largest & Most Diverse Auction Company
—TUES. 7/13 @ 8AM OPEN AIR MARKET '95 Red Cadillac —ONLINE ONLY AUCTION ENDS 7/22 Sterling, 14kt., coins, Cobra G14 Scooter dudleysauction.com 352-637-9588 4000 S. FL Ave., Inv. Ab1667 Au2246 15% bp

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General Help

Samsung 46" Television- Cable Ready - Works Perfectly \$90 352-527-3223

General Help

COFFEE TABLE
Round/ Oval with drawers \$20 OBO (352) 795-9888

Part-time Help

Local Company since 1996
PRODUCTION ASSISTANT
PART TIME
• Product Assembly
• Packing / Shipping
Approx. 8 - 16 hr wk Flexible hours, OK. Starts \$12.00 per hr
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Appliances

King Size Mattress and Box Spring.
Clean and firm \$100 352-726-8715

Appliances

SMITTY'S APPLIANCE REPAIR
352-564-8179

Auctions

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Tools

AIR COMPRESSOR
Large- SPEEDAIRE \$75 (352) 527-3276

CHIPPER/SHREDDER
Craftsman, 1150 series engine, 2 yrs old, only used twice. Exc cond \$650 will send pics (352) 341-7732

TVs/Stereos

Samsung 46" Television- Cable Ready - Works Perfectly \$90 352-527-3223

Furniture

2 Folding Card Tables
COSCO, Black Never Used \$45 Each (352) 586-0795

4 Folding Chairs
COSCO, Black XL Comfort/ Padded \$60 for Set (352) 586-0795

BROTHER Sewing Machine in Hideaway Desk - Works Great!
\$25 obo (352) 795-9888

CURIO CABINET
82"Hx40"Wx13"D with shelves, white wash \$100 352-613-0529.

Services Directory

Appliance Repair

SMITTY'S APPLIANCE REPAIR
352-564-8179

Carpentry/Building

Carpentry & Mobile Home Repair & Decks 30yrs Exp., Hourly Rates. 352-220-4638

Clean Up/Junk Removal

JEFF'S CLEANUP/HAULING
Clean outs / Dump runs, Brush Removal. Lic./Ins. 352-584-5374

Concrete

CURB APPEAL
Decorative Landscape Curbing, Epoxy River Rock, Reseals & Repair 352-770-5326

ROB'S MASONRY & CONCRETE
Driveways tear outs, tractor work Lic#1476 726-6554

Drywall

A-1 Repairs
Press. Wash, Painting (Int/Ext) 25 yrs. Ref. Lic #39765, 352-513-5746

Electrical

COUNTY WIDE DRY-WALL 30 Yrs Exp.
Lic. #2875. All your drywall needs!! Ceiling & Wall Repairs-Popcorn Removal 352-503-7193

Fencing

CITRUS HANDYMAN SERVICES & FENCING
We have our bus. lic. \$2 mil. liability Ins., & St Certification. Be Safe! Fair Pricing. Free Est. 352-400-6016

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Alex' Flooring
Home & RV. Install, repair, restretch. Dust-less tile removal. Lic/Ins. 30 yrs exp. 352-458-5050

Floor Covering

Vinyl, wood & tile PLUS Handyman, Pressure Wash, FREE EST. Veteran owned 352-949-2760

Gutters

Get your mind out of the gutter! Cleaning \$25-\$45, most homes. Gutter guards,\$3-\$4 ft. And Handyman, Mark: 352-445-4724

Handyman

M&W INTERIORS
Bath, kitchen, floors, walls, ceilings. Lic/Ins 352-537-4144

Handyman

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Gen. Maint./Repairs Pressure Cleaning 0256271 • 352-465-9201

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Lawn Care

AFFORDABLE LAWN CARE & CLEAN UPS.
Starting at \$20. WE DO IT ALL! 352-563-9824

Lawn Care

GREENLADY CUTS LLC,
mow, edge, blow, weeding & trim. Call Crystal (352) 400-3672

Lawn Care

Tucker's Lawn Service
Mowing, Trimming, weeding, mulching (352) 651-1113

Painting

PICASSO'S PAINTING
We paint cabinets too 40 yrs exp. Pwr washing Lic/Ins 352-423-0116

Painting

PLUS handyman, flooring, painting, Pressure wash, free est. Veteran owned 352-949-2760

Painting

Press. washing, int/ext, paver repair, pool decks & More/FREE estimates Lic/Ins'd 352-496-1058

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Remodeling

INSPIRED BY Quality
FINAL FINISH Drywall repair & finish, paint, int/ext remodels. Lic/Ins (252) 305-3256

Roofing

AAA ROOFING
Call The "Leakbusters"
FREE Estimate/ 30 yrs Experience. Lic# CCC057537 352-563-0411

Pressure Cleaning

WHY REPLACE IT, IF I CAN FIX IT?
Same owner since 1987 ROOF Leaks, Repairs, Coating & Maintenance Lic. #CC-C058189 Gary : 352-228-4500

Services

Bob's DISCARDED Lawn Mower Service
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Services

Stump Grinding Cheap!!
Avg 16" stump \$25. No stump to big or too small. Ask about our Disc: Vet. Vol. & Sr's. Free Est. Cheapest price guaranteed. Call Rich 352-586-7178 CitrusStumpGrinding.com

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★ A ACE ★ TREE CARE
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Tree Service

→ A ACTION TREE
(352) 726-9724

Furniture

Designer Sofa
90" Soft Gold/Biege Color w/ swirl pattern in fabric \$200 **Glass top coffee table** 60" x 50" \$80, **Glass top end table** 28" x 22" \$40 (352) 527-0074

LIVING ROOM SET
Couch & (2) Chairs - 2 tone Beige Fabric- \$100 OBO (352) 795-9888

Sectional Sofa
Beautiful 3 piece, upholstered - neutral color- **GREAT COND.** Only 3 yrs old - \$720 OBO (352) 382-1422 Please LV Message

Sewing Cabinet
KOALA, white w/ 4 drawers & 7 storage bins, 43x19x30 closed, 74"W open, \$700 (352) 586-0795

Sewing Machine
in Cabinet - SINGER - Model 338 - Works- \$50 352-527-3223

Sleigh Bed Frame
King Size - Cherry Like New! \$150

Curio Cabinet - Large
Cherry- 78"H x 48"W x 19" Deep/ Exc. Cond. \$150 (352) 527-0074

Garden/Lawn Supplies

Bob's DISCARDED Lawn Mower Service
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Garage/Yard Sales

INVERNESS
Large garage sale, Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9am - 5pm 955 N. Foxrun Terrace

General

5x8 TRAILER with ramp, 6HP Troy Bill tiller, 2FT sides all around \$1,200 cash (352) 476-1023

CAR COVER FOR
2012-2018 Volkswagen Beetle reflects the sun, silver \$100 352-613-0529

CUSTOM PICTURE FRAME BLACK 17.5" x 14.5" Sell \$20 352-513-5339

DOG CARRIER LARGE
Pet Mate Ultra 28"LX15"WX21.5"H taupe/black \$50 352-613-0529

DONATE YOUR CAR TO KIDS.
Your donation helps fund the search for missing children. Accepting trucks, Motorcycles & RV's too! Fast Free Pickup -Running or Not -24 Hour Response - Maximum Tax Incentive. Call (888) 515-3443

DRAPES NEW IKEA
95% Blackout 98" x 57" in box SAGE Green 2 pr each Retail \$49 Sell \$40 352-513-5339

Check Out SPECIALS

GENERAL MERCHANDISE SPECIALS!

6 lines - 10 days (up to 2 items per ad)

\$1 - \$200 \$11.50

\$201-\$400 \$16.50

\$401-\$800 \$21.50

\$801-\$1500 \$26.50

352-563-5966 Classified Dept.

CHRONICLE

GROW LIGHTS With Ballast and 1000 Watt sodium bulb, with light reflector. only \$60.00 352-464-0316

KEURIG COFFEE MAKER K-Select in good condition \$30 352-613-0529

General

Late Model CORVETTE Car Cover
Black, Hardly Used Only \$100 (352) 464-0316

NEW FLAMINGO BOWL By TROPIX 9" X 6" Retail \$19 Sell \$12 352-513-5339

NEW FLAMINGO PLATTER+ DIP BOWL by TROPIX 15" x 12" Retail \$39 Sell \$25 352-513-5339

PET CRATE NEW LARGE DOG 30-50# 2 DOORS EZ SETUP 24"x 20"x 20" Retail \$50 Sell \$40 352-513-5339

RABBIT WINE OPENER - NEW in Box Retail \$60 Sell \$25 352-513-5339

STONE PAPER WEIGHT Beautiful Striped stone octagonal Sell \$10 352-513-5339

UMBRELLA STROLLER blue & red in good condition. \$10 352-613-0529

VAN COVER
minivan cover, will fit any car also. ONLY \$100 352-464-0316

VINTAGE BOWL WATERMELON Shape w/dip 7x 14" x 11" \$15 352-513-5339

VINTAGE WALL PLATE FRUIT PICTURE 7" round filigree edge Sell \$10 352-513-5339

WANTED

Someone with a boat to fish the gulf for trout, reeds, etc. Will pay \$100 per trip Gary (352) 513-3474

Medical Equipment

4 WHEELED WALKER
With seat and brakes used once only \$5.00 352-464-0316

BEDSIDE COMMODOE
adjustable legs can be used also as a shower chair only \$30 352-464-0316

KNEE WALKER
hardly used only fell once LOL!! \$100 with brakes. 352-464-0316

Manual Wheelchair
with footrests. Used little/ only \$100 352-464-0316

SHOWER CHAIR
Fiberglass & Aluminum. Adjustable legs & seat back. Only \$30 352-464-0316

TOILET SEAT RISER
Raises four inches. Easier to get up. Only \$30 352-464-0316

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(small wheels), with Footrests. NEARLY NEW! ONLY \$75 352-464-0316

Household

CARPET CLEANER
HOOVER- Upright \$60 (352) 527-3276

ELLIPTICAL, VERY NICE
looks brand new - needs batteries, only \$100 352-464-0316

UPRIGHT EXERCISE BIKE fits anywhere time, distance, speed and calories \$100. 352-464-0316

Sporting Goods

BICYCLE
Women's 26 in. Stratus Pacific mountain bike, purple \$100 (352) 613-0529

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Someone with a boat to fish the gulf for trout, reeds, etc. Will pay \$100 per trip Gary (352) 513-3474

Utility Trailers

4 x 8 Utility Trailer
includes wood for sides Very Good Condition! \$150 Firm

Jewelry

EGYPTIAN SCARAB NECKLACE
Turquoise 24" \$20 352-513-5339

GREEK NECKLACE BRACELET RING SET
new size 7.5 - 8 Retail \$99 Sell \$50 352-513-5339

JAGUAR BRACELET SILVER BLUE SAPPHIRE
Retail \$69 Sell \$40 352-513-5339

Jewelry

JAGUAR EARRINGS SILVER BLUE SAPPHIRE New Retail \$49 Sell \$30 352-513-5339

JAGUAR RING SILVER BLUE SAPPHIRE Size 7.5 - 8 Retail \$49 Sell \$30 352-513-5339

JEWELRY CASE AM INDIAN LEATHER FEATHERS 6"x 6"x 4" Sell \$25 352-513-5339

NECKLACE EARRING SET
RUBY + SILVER Sell \$30 352-513-5339

NECKLACE VINTAGE REAL SILVER 5 STRAND
Sell \$40 352-513-5339

REAL LAPIS BLUE SOLIDITE EARRINGS
Pierced Hoops Sell \$30 352-513-5339

Wanted to Buy

I buy, jewelry, silver, gold, paintings, instruments, records, antiques, coins, watches & MORE! 352-454-0068

WANTED JUNK & ESTATE CARS

Up to \$1,000. & MORE (352) 342-7037

Beauty Services



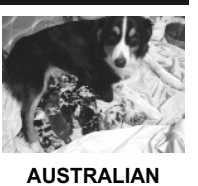
Sandy's Barbershop has moved

New location is 725 SE 9th Circle Crystal River (Behind KFC)

Walk-ins Welcome Men's & Boy's Cuts just \$12.00 We cut womens hair too!

Sandy's Barbershop (352) 228-8912

Pets



AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD PUPPIES

UPDATE: One litter has arrived w/ beautiful markings. Currently selling at \$1200 to \$1500. Tail docking & Dewclaw removal Thursday & we still have another litter arriving soon! \$1000 now. LATER, prices will go up. Currently, accepting deposits.

Ref's Available Please call 352-601-1991

NEW Two Door Wire Pet Crate 20in High x 24 Long, 30 to 50lb pet \$40 (352) 513-5339

SHITZU PUPPY
Female, Small Health cert. Brown & White \$1100 352-544-0330

TOY POODLE/ CHIHUAHUA Mix Pups
8 wks, Health cert., age appropriate shots etc. Male & Female \$650 (407) 508-5648

Boats

'98 LOWE
17ft fishing boat 75HP Evinrude eng., Live wells, am/fm radio, depth/fish finder, trailer, life vests, storage cover, \$5K INVERNESS (954) 295-4070

CANOE
16ft. Old Town Sportsman, square back, elec. motor, anchor & oars. \$600 352-628-2261

PONTOON
20 ft Suntracker, 40 HP Johnson outboard, with trailer plus accessories. \$1850, 352- 465-2836

I WANT TO BUY!

WANTED TO BUY
Motor Homes, Travel Trailers, 5th Wheels & BOATS - even if repairs are needed. Will pay \$CASH on the spot. Will come to you! 407-280-0683

Recreation Vehicles

2020 COACHMEN FREELANDER-22ft
Class C - Chevy 4500 Less than 3K mi! Only \$52K (352) 249-6098

Holiday Rambler 2003 ADMIRAL 31 ft.
20,006 mi! all New tires, EXC. Cond.-books over \$15K asking \$11,900 (352) 503-7872 or (207) 215-4625

NATIONAL 2004 SEA BREEZE
32ft, 2 Slides, V10 Motor A Class, 31K miles, Asking \$14,500 (352) 697-5530

Campers/Travel Trailers

REAL LAPIS BLUE SOLIDITE EARRINGS
Pierced Hoops Sell \$30 352-513-5339

SOLD!

20 Ft (KZ) TRAVEL TRAILER
A/C, Full Bath, used twice - Like New \$8K

2017 FLAGSTAFF MICRO LITE

w/ slide 26ft, \$17,500 (352) 501-9028

2017 HEARTLAND PIONEER- 5th WHEEL

PI 276 -32R/ 2 slides, Auto Leveling, Rear Bunks, \$24,500 352-634-2247

Auto Parts/Accessories

2004 COLORADO TRUCK 4x4 4D / Body.
Parts: tailgate, doors, fenders, grill, bumpers, lights & windows. Call 352-228-1218

SOLD!

CARGO TRAILER
2015 Enclosed 7x16 7,700lb capacity, NEW Tires, Good Condition! \$2500

FIVE HOOSIER RACING TIRES - DIRT

M30LM 90/11.0/15 \$40 each - NEVER USED (352) 344-9760 Call between 8a -4p

Vehicles Wanted

CHECK THIS OUT!

~\$69.95~

Run 'til it sells



Applies to all vehicles, boats, RV's, campers & motorcycles.

Call your Classified Representative for details. 352-563-5966

Self Storage Notices

1554-0718 SUCRN
Notice of Public Sale

Notice is hereby given that StoreRight Self Storage will sell the contents of the storage units listed below at a public auction to satisfy a lien placed on the contents (pursuant to Chapter 83 of the Florida Statutes). The sale will take place at: 1227 S. Lecanto Highway, Lecanto, FL 34461 on **July 28, 2021, 10:30 A.M.** The sale will be conducted by Storage Protection Auction Services on behalf of the facility's management.

Contents will be sold for cash only to the highest bidder. A 10% buyer's premium will be charged as well as a \$50 cleaning deposit per unit. All sales are final. Seller reserves the right to withdraw the property at any time before the sale or to refuse any bids. No one under 16 years old is permitted.

The property to be sold is described as "general household items" unless otherwise noted :

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Jimmy Butler Unit E033
Cierra Maniscalco Unit D033
Carla Hinote Unit D025

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Vehicles Wanted

CASH FOR CARS & TRUCKS Running or Not **TOP \$555 PAID** * 352-771-6191 *

WANTED JUNK & ESTATE CARS
Up to \$1,000 & MORE (352) 342-7037

Cars

PRICE REDUCED!

1995 Oldsmobile CUTLASS SUPREME CONVERTIBLE - RED w/White int., A/C & Pwr everything! \$5995 352-795-7335 LV Msg

BMW
2000, 23 convertible, grey, low mi. gar kept outstanding condition \$11,900, 352-513-4216

CADILLAC
2005 DeVille DTS, Gold, low miles, exc cond, reduced \$5995, 352-442-1925

DODGE
2002 CONVERSION VAN 1500 SERIES Brand New tires, New A/C Compressor, interior is black vinyl in excellent cond., has TV & game system, am/fm radio w/ cd & cassette, 43K orig. miles, one owner, cruise control, all glass in good shape, does not leak, runs & drives LIKE NEW! Call for more info. \$12K obo (352) 364-6460

Ford Escape SE
2014, one owner, 58K mi., excellent cond. \$16,000 352-464-1977

SOLD!

JEEP LIBERTY, 2006
146K mi, 2WD, Clean, Cold A/C, Great Shape \$4250

VOLVO
2013 S80 / White, 4DR, Premium PKG \$10K or Best Offer 352-897-4237

Classic Vehicles

89 MUSTANG CONVERTIBLE 5.0
5sp - Older Restore Many Extras! Too Much to List- Discs, SS Exhaust, etc. \$12,000 (352) 436-9718

CHEVROLET 1969 CAMARO - 454 Engine / 700R4 trans., MANY upgrades! Call for details! \$40,000 810-841-2692

DODGE 1987 RAM 2500
Only 67K orig. mi., A/C, Manual Trans., Single cab. Long bed \$14,000 719-568-4882

FORD 1930 Model A
5 Window Coupe, 76 K mi/ EXCELLENT Cond. \$15,500 352-795-3510

FORD 1977 Rancher GT
auto, 351 M V-8 104,000 mi., \$7,500 352-346-1053

LINCOLN
1956 Premier Custom. ONE FINE RIDE! \$25,000 By appt only 352-527-2835, live msg

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners will conduct a Workshop on July 13, 2021 at 9:00 AM in the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness Florida for the purpose of discussion and review of Landscape Irrigation and Watering Restrictions.

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.

If you need a Spanish Translator, please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication 352-527-5370

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

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

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TOWN OF INGLIS
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

Building Official Services for Town of Inglis-Fiscal Years

Department: Planning and Development
Contact Person: Darlene Slattery, Town Clerk
Address: 135 Hwy 40 W (Post Office Drawer 429)
Telephone: (352)447-2203 ext 101
Fax: (352)447-1879
Today's Date: Thursday, July 8, 2021

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Town of Inglis is seeking proposals from interested parties that are a qualified to provide Building Official Services to local govern-

Trucks

FORD '14 F150 4x2 Super-cab, Eco V6, Tow pkg, 80.5K mi, Exc. Cond. \$24,500 (352) 628-9251

ISUZU 1997 Pickup
Mechanically great, reliable \$1,350 obo (352) 201-4874

Motorcycles

EW-66 SCOOTER Brand NEW! EW-66 -2 Seater- See on Internet. \$2500 352-465-6335

HARLEY 2016
Switchback, 2,935 mi., HD extended warranty 2023, \$11,500 352-765-4679

Harley TRI GLIDE
2016, Silver & Black, 5,308 mi, Bassett Hines, Lots of accessories, \$25,500 (352) 228-0639

Harley-Davidson '08 FLHX Street Glide, Very Clean, Low Miles, \$8900 OBO 352-277-9175

Harley-Davidson 2007 Fat Boy. Vance & Hines Pipes - 13K Orig. miles. Well Maintained! \$7950 OBO 516-819-9196

Harley-Davidson SPORTSTER 1200 3 wheeler - (rear end kit-IMC Trnke)-has Reverse, Emerg. Brake & Hitch for towing Call RICK 352-637-1647 - if no ans LV msg

HONDA 2014 TRX 400X
Low Miles- \$4,500 obo cash only (352) 613-8173

TRIKE V8 - 2004 MUST SEE! Factory Made, Exc Cond./Low Mi Auto trans w/reverse **1 of a Kind- Pics online- Reasonable \$19,900 231-330-5553**



SELL YOUR VEHICLE IN THE CHRONICLE Classifieds

ONLY \$19.95 for 7 days \$29.95 for 14 days \$49.95 for 30 days \$69.95 Run 'til it sells

*** Call your Classified Representative for details.** 352-563-5966

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Carla Hinote Unit D025

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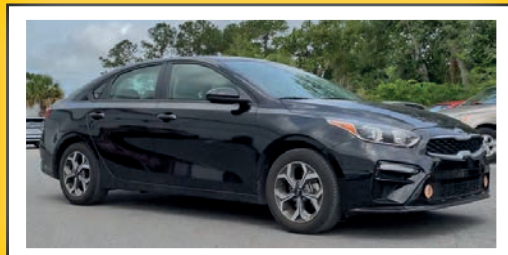
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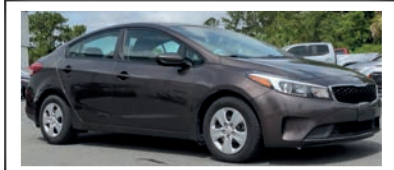
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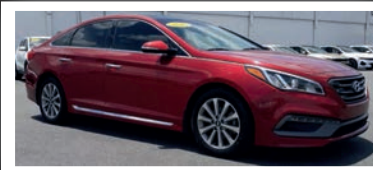


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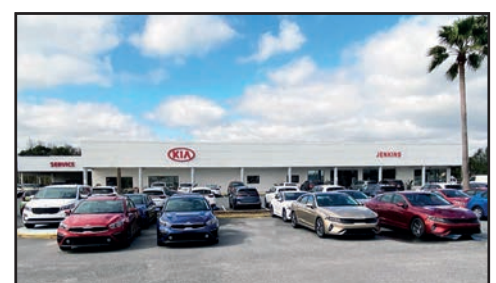


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HomeFront

SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2021

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JANE WEBER/Special to the Chronicle



Inside this week:

Jane's Garden

Flower or weed?/Page E6



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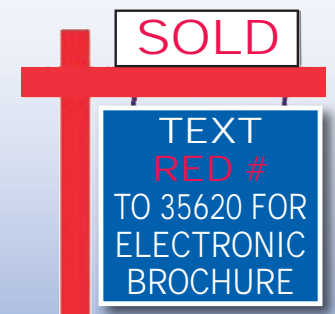
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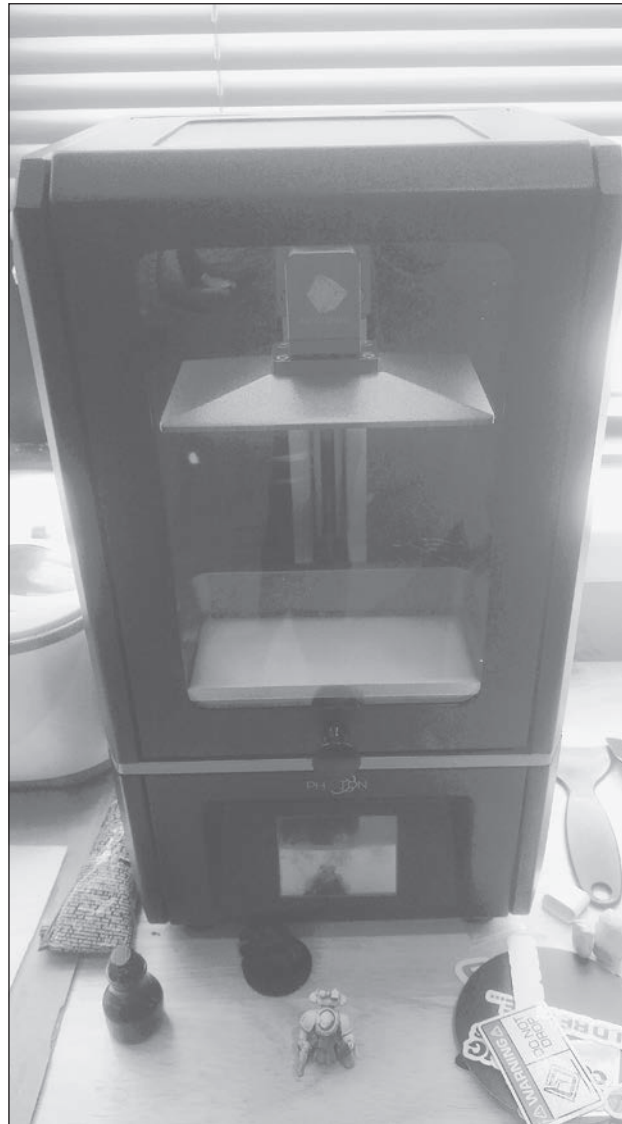
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3D printed homes; also, why buildings fail

Ask the **BUILDER**

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This is a small 3D printer. You could use it to print a tiny house for a model railroad layout. You need a massive machine to make a real house.

You may wonder if the new belle of the ball, a 3D printed house, is really going to cost you less money to build than a normal house in these times of stratospheric lumber prices. Some publications fawn about new techniques like these and often only share the glitter and gleam of the technology. This is nothing new, as decades ago lots of bold forecasts were made about geodesic dome houses, A-frames and, most recently, straw-bale houses. All were flash-in-the-pan trends, and only time will tell what will happen with 3D printed homes.

The only thing that's different about a basic 3D printed house vs. one built with lumber is the exterior walls. You can build a 3D printed house where all the exterior and interior walls are made with the concrete batter that oozes out of the machine nozzle, but for sake of this column, let's just consider the exterior walls.

A concrete mortar created with sand and Portland cement is extruded through a moving nozzle. Layer after layer of this mortar is placed precisely by a computer-controlled machine much like a pastry chef decorates a cake. The resulting solid-masonry wall takes the place of a traditional wood-framed wall that could have been built in a factory using similar precision technology.

Keep in mind that a traditional single-story house built with precision wood wall panels made in a factory can be ready for the roof in less than one day. So don't get wowed when the 3D printed house folks tell you it's a huge time-saver.

There might be lots of drawbacks or hidden bugaboos with 3D printed homes. Almost all of these factor into the cost of the 3D printed home, and some may actually cause the price of the home to go up. The

following questions are ones you should be thinking about asking a 3D house builder. The list is by no means complete.

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Ways to make your outdoor space look deceptively large

Living SPACE

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It only takes a small amount of outdoor space to enjoy the sun on your face and the breeze in your hair from the privacy of home — but if your outdoor space is petite, you might want to consider incorporating a few of these ideas to help your mini getaway feel a little more spacious than it actually is. These tips can help boost your enjoyment of your outdoor space while fooling everyone into thinking it's bigger than it is.

1. Use outdoor drapes. Adding drapes (in outdoor fabric) to your small space will draw the eye up and draw attention away from a small footprint. And in addition to expanding the vertical space, outdoor drapes also create a cozy vibe that will make your outdoor space

Make your outdoor space feel a little more spacious than it actually is.

See LIVING/Page E5

Mother-in-law's toys have more than sentimental value

Dear John: My mother-in-law, who is 97 years young, played with these toys when she was a child. Can you tell me anything about them and is there any value except sentimental? Each piece is stamped on the bottom with "Arcade Freeport, Illinois." Thank you. — B.W., Inverness

Dear B.W.: Yes indeed, there is a lot of sentimental value as well as collector interest and dollar value for toys made by Arcade. The Arcade Manufacturing Company was incorporated in 1885 and production ceased in 1941 to help in the war effort. During that time, they produced a large variety of toys for boys and girls to play with. The cast iron toys they produced were replicas of the real thing. They included household items for the kitchen like your pieces, as well as bedroom furniture, pianos, outdoor and farm



See ATTIC/Page E5 Cast-iron toys like these, from the Arcade Manufacturing Company, are popular with collectors.

Special to the Chronicle

Mortgage rates continue to fall

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Mortgage rates continued to fall this week, tracking a decline in yields on Treasury securities as the bond market continues to signal concerns over the strength of the recovery from the pandemic recession.

Mortgage buyer Freddie Mac reported Thursday that the average for the 30-year home loan eased to 2.90% from 2.98% last week. By contrast, the rate stood at 3.03% a year ago.

The rate for a 15-year loan, a popular option among homeowners refinancing their mortgages, fell to 2.20% from 2.26% last week. Freddie Mac economists expect economic growth to gradually push mortgage rates higher in the second half of the year.

The bond market has been signaling the economic recovery concerns for months, specifically that it may have



Associated Press

An advertising sign for building land stands in front of a new home construction site in Northbrook, Ill.

peaked and is now leveling off to a steadier pace. Home loan rates tend to track moves of the yield on the 10-year Treasury note — which rises when bond prices fall. The benchmark yield has been falling steadily in recent weeks as traders shift money into bonds. It was quoted at 1.30% around midday Thursday, after trading as high as

1.74% at the end of March.

The market concerns also spilled into stocks, which were broadly lower Thursday as investor caution set in after the market hit a series of record highs last week.

Last week's government report on the job market in June showed that in an encouraging burst of hiring, U.S. employers added 850,000 jobs.

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equipment from hand push lawnmowers to tractors. They also produced wheeled toys like school buses, race cars, firetrucks and more. In 1921 Arcade promoted the slogan "they look real," which was indeed the truth.

You have a freestanding sink, stove raised on cabriole legs, refrigerator, Hoosier cabinet, dinette set, table, side chair and small stool. The overall condition shows typical wear as expected. Potential dollar value is \$100 to \$200 for the lot, nothing compared to the sentiment. I suggest you and the readers check out the Arcade Toy Museum for lots of Remember When childhood toy memories. The website is www.arcade-toymuseum.org. Enjoy.

Dear John: Way back in February or March of this year, I contacted you requesting help in getting a wooden box restored. It was from the mid-1800s, and I called it a ladies' traveling box. It was my treasure; part jewelry box, part writing box with hidden compartments and glass and silver jars with lids and a manicure set nestled in velvet. However, it was a mess! The glue had dried, and parts of the box were falling apart. The brass inlay was dull, and the wood flaking in some places. You referred me to Glenn Camp up in Sparr. It took a while for us to get in contact, but the box was in his hands by May. I just picked it up today and wanted you to know you gave me the right man for the job. He painstakingly took it apart and put it back together. He restored its beauty and integrity. He cared. So, I thank you for that referral.

The reason the box had aged so poorly is the result of existing for years in Florida with a relative who lived with no air conditioning for a long while. Again, my thanks to you and Mr. Camp. The box's origins were in England and Canada and finally to the United States, but Florida darn near killed it! — L.K., internet

Dear L.K.: I appreciate your detailed response about the restoration of the box. It is a joyful moment when we see something that looks like it has no hope and then restored to its original look. Yes, you are correct, Mr. Camp cares about objects he restores. I am glad you had it restored for future generations.

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.

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feel even more like a comfortable outdoor addition to your living area. Use a bamboo pole as a curtain rod or purchase an outdoor metal curtain rod to hang your drapes. Look for drapes made with Sunbrella fabric or another hardy, outdoor-friendly material to help protect them from the elements and prevent color fade from UV rays.

2. Hang a mirror: Adding a mirror to your small outdoor space will reflect the light and make the space feel more open. This is a quick and easy way to make your tiny deck, gazebo or patio appear much grander than it actually is! (Hint: This also works inside, should you have a room that you'd like to feel a little more spacious.)

3. Lay out tall planters. Adding one or two tall planters filled with flowering annuals, perennials or succulents will draw the eye up and minimize the small square footage of your outdoor space. Add a small cedar tree, boxwood shrub, tropical

plant or miniature ornamental tree if you prefer greenery over blooms. You could also fill a tall planter with branches and faux floral sprays if you don't have a green thumb.

4. Pick small-scale furniture. Don't make your small space feel cramped by using outdoor furniture that's too big. Adding small-scale chairs and a table, like a bistro set, will not only increase space for traffic flow but will make your space feel larger, too.

5. Hang string lights or lanterns. A string of outdoor lights will illuminate and visually open up your outdoor gatherings as well as brighten up those dark corners. Decorating with outdoor lights is a great way to fill the vertical space and draw the eye upward. Add dimension and style with any of these hanging light ideas: paper lanterns, decorative metal lanterns, outdoor battery-powered chandeliers or mason jars filled with tea lights and sand.

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One man's weed is his wife's pretty wildflower. Gina Pateracki, office manager at Green Earth Wholesale Nursery on County Road 484 in Hernando, solved the family discussion by donating these two pots of portulacas to Jane. After researching the University of South Florida's website at florida.plantatlas.usf.edu and then posting the photo on Native Florida Plants Identified on Facebook, a member identified them as non-native Paraguayan *Portulaca amilis*.

Portulaca: Wildflower or weed?

There are over 100 species of flowering plants in the *Portulaca* genus of the family *Portulacaceae* that evolved in North, Central and South America. Some species are tropical. Others grow in subtropical or warm temperate regions like Florida. Further north, freezing kills portulacas, but some grow as annuals from self-sown seed. Formerly called purslanes, several portulaca species are edible plants.

Six portulaca species grow in Florida. Four are native to Florida as well

as two closely related native species in the same family: Shoreline Seapurslane, *Sesuvium portulacastrum* and Desert Horseperslane, *Trianthema portulacastrum*.

Chickens and wild birds like quail and turkey eat portulaca leaves and flowers. Some *Portulaca* species are used as food by *Lepidoptera* larvae including Checkered White butterfly



Jane Weber
JANE'S GARDEN

caterpillars, *Pontia protodice*, and nutmeg moth caterpillars.

Native Pink *Portulaca* or Kiss-Me-Quick, *Portulaca pillosa*, formerly had 18 differing names in different regions around the world. Modern science now reveals they are all *P. pillosa*. It flowers year round from cold zone 10 and southward. Its deep rose-pink flowers have

five petals and are about 1/3 inch in diameter with pollen-tipped yellow stamens in the center. They usually close in the heat of the day, when in the shade or when the cloud cover gets thick during afternoon rainstorms. Pollinators include bees, wasps and small skipper butterflies.

Lifelong Citrus County nurseryman Ray Pateracki at Green Earth Wholesale Nursery on County Road 486 in Hernando considers this plant an unwanted weed. His office manager and wife Gina Pateracki

thinks of the herbaceous plant as a pretty native wildflower and had two pots of them outside her office door. Pink *Portulaca* filled Gina's pots with a mound of low-growing succulent leaves and masses of flowers.

By definition, a weed is a wild plant growing where it is not wanted and in competition with cultivated plants. Ray's weed was unwanted in the thousands of potted plants at Green Earth. Gina appreciated them as colorful flowering plants.

I was happy to take Gina's potted pink portulacas as a gift. Under bright daylight LED lights inside my front door, the portulacas bloomed for days while tropical storm Elsa blew over. In my opinion, all my weeds are wildflowers — I have a concrete plaque that says so.

Native Pink *Portulaca* has rounded, somewhat cylindrical, succulent leaves with hairy stems. It has a smaller overall size than nonnative Paraguayan portulaca that has flatter,

Reader ask for help finding birds

Dear Gardener Gal: I saw photos and read about the black-bellied whistling duck on Facebook.

The article said they are in Florida, but as an amateur birdwatcher, I've never seen one. I boat on the Withlacoochee and Rainbow Rivers quite a lot. I wondered if you, or maybe even your readers could let me know where/if they have seen these ducks.

Appreciate any help I can get. — Steven

Dear Steven: I'm going to bring the rest of my readers up to speed on black-bellied whistling ducks (BBWD) and then get to your request for viewing sites.

As Steven is aware, BBWDs are really interesting waterfowl. For starters, while their name includes the word "duck," they are actually not a duck and are more closely related to swans. (Their long legs and mating for life are two of the attributes leading to this classification.)

These guys are also nocturnal. They actively feed at night and stay perched in trees for most of the day. That's right. Trees. These ducks spend lots of time high up, with tree hollows and forks being their preferred nesting spots. They also don't spend a lot of time actually in the water, unless they have young.

Seeds, grains, tender plants and invertebrates make up their diet. They apparently get themselves in trouble with farmers, as they

Black-bellied whistling ducks are beautiful. Not flashy peacock beautiful, but striking just the same. Their bodies are black, brown and their necks and heads gray with a stripe over the top and down their neck. When excited, this becomes a little mohawk. Pretty cute. Their bills and legs are pink, and though you have to get really close to see it, the end of their bill is almost a turquoise color.

will come to fields of grain crops at night in large groups and pig out.

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The white flash of their wings while flying is very distinctive.

If like Steven you want to see a BBWD, you must learn to *listen* for them. They squeak. They squeak a lot, and seem to do it all the time — especially when flying.

On a personal note, I've been waiting about 16 years for these beautiful creatures to land in my yard. Last

month it finally happened. Instead of just flying over our property and hanging out in the trees, they finally decided to come down and hang out. I feel blessed.

One pair comes dawn and dusk, every day. Other pairs have tried to join them but are chased away by the first pair.

So how about it, readers? If you have a regular spot where you have seen black-bellied whistle ducks, please share and I'll pass along to Steven.

Dear Gardener Gal: I'm having a problem with my Black-eyed Susans. It happened last year and is happening again. They look great and then start dying. They seem to have all the water sucked out of them even though I water them well. Is there something I can do? They are in full sun. Thank you. — Judith

Dear Judith: Sorry about your Black-eyed Susans. That is frustrating. When plants wilt even though watered, there is either too much water and roots are

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Black-bellied whistling ducks are interesting — if you can find them. Though they have the word duck in their name, these beautiful birds are more closely related to swans.

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Design hacks for a great outdoor workspace



This image provided by Melanie Roy Design shows an outdoor table and chairs. Millions of people found themselves working from home during the past year. And many are likely to continue doing so this summer and beyond, even as pandemic restrictions ease. One bonus when working from home: spending some or all of your work day outside.

**MELISSA
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THE GOAL: Creating an outdoor space perfect for working from home or rocking your creative side hustle.

THE ESTIMATED BUDGET: As little as \$150. Millions of people found themselves working from home during the past year. And many are likely to continue doing so this summer and beyond, even as pandemic restrictions ease.

One bonus when

working from home: spending some or all of your work day outside.

But while curling up on an outdoor sofa with a laptop can feel like a treat during a workday, it's not always conducive to getting things done. If work-from-home is here to stay, how do we really make our outdoor workspace as functional and professional as possible?

We've asked three designers — California-based Nikki Klugh,

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New York-based Melanie Roy, and Room and Board Business Interiors expert Elise Nicpon — for some simple, inexpensive tweaks to help create a functional, attractive place to work outdoors.

A truly workable space

Outdoor dining tables are usually about the same height as a desk (29 to 31 inches tall). But dining chairs may be low-slung and lack the back support you need.

Klugh suggests adding a lumbar pillow. And if needed, add a seat cushion so your arms are at the right height. (A good seat cushion/lumbar cushion combo runs about \$50). For additional support, Nicpon recommends choosing chairs with arms. “It’s very helpful,” Nicpon says, if you can “rest your arms just like you would in an office chair, and having that structure for your back.”

If you don’t have an outdoor dining table to use as a desk, you can add an adjustable-height laptop desk with locking wheels. (There are durable metal options available for under \$200.)

For keeping office supplies and snacks handy, Roy suggests adding a rolling bar cart made for outdoors. Ikea’s Applaro line includes an outdoor bar cart (\$100) and matching closed storage bench (\$70).

A splurge worth considering for work and entertaining: Add a small outdoor fridge to keep cold drinks nearby.

Sunshine and rain

We go outside to enjoy the weather. But the biggest challenge outside is... the weather.

A large, adjustable



This image provided by Melanie Roy Design shows an outdoor swing lounger. Millions of people found themselves working from home during the past year. And many are likely to continue doing so this summer and beyond, even as pandemic restrictions ease. One bonus when working from home: spending some or all of your work day outside.

umbrella can help with the sun’s heat and glare if you don’t have an awning or roof overhead. Another option: a fabric “shade sail” that you can string up over your chosen workspace. (Basic rectangles are available for about \$35, though sail kits with poles can cost \$100 and up.)

To further manage glare, Klugh recommends an anti-glare screen protector if you’ll be working outside on a laptop (about \$30).

And a ceiling fan is a great addition to keep air moving, so heat and humidity won’t distract you. A tabletop fan, too, makes a valuable difference (good, small fans are available for \$15).

Privacy and professionalism

Many remote workers spend part of the day on video calls. If you’ll be Zooming from your outdoor workspace, make sure the background feels professional.

One easy and stylish option: Klugh says outdoor curtain panels can help create privacy, offer an attractive Zoom background and also add style to your outdoor space.

Another option: Roy notes that many companies make outdoor shelving units. Use one or two to create a space for work-related supplies than can double as a professional background for video calls.

To further create

privacy (and scent the air), Nicpon suggests adding upright planters with flowering plants inside. Especially in smaller outdoor spaces with neighbors nearby, they’re helpful to delineate your workspace and create a screen if you need one.

Connectivity

All three designers recommend adding a Wi-Fi booster (prices vary, but available for as little as \$20) if your signal is weaker outside. And while many homes have at least one outdoor electrical outlet, it

can be practical to add another near the spot where you’d like to work.

To stay further connected with the news or online content, Roy points out that outdoor-safe TVs have become much less expensive.

Finishing touches

Want to invest a bit more? Outdoor heat lamps come in many shapes and sizes, and can make your outdoor space work-friendly through much of the year in many parts of the country.

And for a true splurge, Roy suggests creating a dedicated work area by adding a wooden pergola or pavilion over an area of paving stones.

It’s a bigger investment, but it can give you a true outdoor office.

Whatever your budget, Nicpon recommends working outside at least some of the time. “It’s such a more dynamic experience for you as a worker,” she says. “It changes how you feel.”

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This reader's garden pays tribute to her artistic and talented mother.

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rotting or pest/disease problem. I suggest you take a freshly pulled-up plant to your nearest IFAS Extension Office and let them look at the roots under a microscope. I suspect fungus, but this is the only way to be sure and it's free!

Let me know what you find out and I'll share with my readers.

Dear Readers: Our "Favorite Garden Spot" this time is from a lovely lady named Jennifer from Floral City. I visited Jennifer's garden in the woods. It is perched on top of an

impressive ridge that definitely gives you the feeling you've left Florida.

Dear Gardener Gal: My mom died in October. These gardens are a tribute to her. Many of the plants are from her last garden.

Mom called herself a wildflower. My gardens are loosely structured and rambling; vignettes of color and visual texture and thick with wildflowers. We both are/were artists and the gardens reflect that. — Jennifer

"Gardener Gal" Leslie Derrenbacher is a Master Gardener and native Floridian. Send your questions to askgardenergal@gmail.com.

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This Paraguayan Portulaca has elongated oval leaves they are thick and succulent but not cylindrical looking like Florida's native Pink Portulaca, *Portulaca pillosa*. The deep rose-pink flowers are about a half inch in diameter. There are five petals that look like *P. pillosa*. View these photos in color with Jane's Garden on www.chronicleonline.com.



The lovely, colorful portulaca readily available in retail nurseries are tagged as *Portulaca grandiflora*. Commonly called moss rose, it is a popular South American ornamental garden plant. Low-maintenance, drought- and heat-tolerant, this annual evolved in the hot, dry plains of Argentina, southern Brazil and Uruguay (not Mexico).



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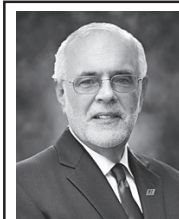
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Imagine what it costs to drive the giant 3D printing machine to your job site, set it up, calibrate it, and then take it all apart once the job is complete. Are there any extra foundation or site requirements to ensure the machine is completely stable as it operates? Do you need to pay for a crane twice to lift it off then put it back on a flatbed tractor-trailer? Is there enough room on the lot to place the machine. How level does the lot need to be?

The exterior walls are solid concrete. Masonry is a poor insulator, and heat is sucked into cold masonry faster than water entering a sponge. How do you achieve an R-rating for the exterior walls that will meet or exceed the energy code recommendations? Do you have to build a wood-frame wall inside the exterior wall and then add fiberglass? Do you glue closed-cell foam to the inside of the exterior walls?

The concrete mortar used to build 3D printed houses contains water. You can't allow this water in the oozing mortar coming out of the printer nozzle to freeze before it achieves a certain PSI strength. Yes, you can add antifreeze chemicals to the concrete mix to help prevent freezing, but check into how these chemicals affect the long-term strength of the your 3D printed wall.

How are electric outlets installed in exterior walls? The National Electrical Code is quite specific about the requirement of having outlets every 12 linear feet on walls in rooms. Are the exterior wall outlets added after the 3D printer is moved to the next job site? How is the electric work done and

what does it look like? Will it be the industrial look with metal conduit and boxes screwed to the face of the printed walls?

It's common to have a kitchen sink on an exterior wall centered on a window. How do you install the plumbing drain pipe and the required vent pipe in the 3D printed wall? Don't let the builder or plumber tell you they're going to use a modern air-admittance valve (AAV). These mechanical devices with moving parts eventually fail, allowing sewer gas to enter your kitchen. You don't want an AAV, believe me.

Many houses have a kitchen wall or two on an exterior wall so you can get natural light into the room. How are kitchen base and wall cabinets attached to the rough 3D printed concrete walls? How do you deal with countertop backsplashes on these exterior walls? What extra costs are involved dealing with the rough surfaces?

What can be done if you don't like the look of the rough 3D printed concrete? How do you get a smooth interior wall? What does this cost?

Most of the 3D printed homes I see have painted exterior walls. What happens if you don't like this look? What if you want a brick, stone, wood, vinyl or other exterior surface that might appeal more to your tastes?

Be careful about falling for the sizzling sales talk when it comes to 3D printed home costs. Use your own tiny gray cells and imagine other questions that you might want to ask before you decide this is the path to take.

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After seeing news of the tragic, sudden collapse of the 40-year-old condominium building near Miami, my wife had all sorts of questions.

We've dated since high



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Pictured is a piece of rusty rebar inside spalling concrete. As the rebar rusts, it expands and fractures the concrete exposing the rebar to even more moisture.

school, and she knows I've got a geology degree instead of one in structural, chemical, or metallurgical engineering. All four of these sciences, and maybe a few more, are in play as more facts become available about the deadly condo calamity.

Early reports coming out indicate the cause of the collapse might have been weakened concrete, as well as unstable soil under the structure. It's going to take many months to complete a forensic study of this catastrophe, so keep in mind that much of what you see now in the news is speculation.

My nearly 50 years of building experience coupled with an eye-opening editors conference put on by the Portland Cement Association a couple decades ago provide me with an insight that should put your head on a swivel. It's rare to have a house collapse, but hundreds of thousands of homeowners just like you experience costly damage to your homes because of the factor that might have caused the collapse of the condo building.

Let's first talk about

concrete. The condo building was built using concrete and reinforcing steel (rebar) within the concrete. Concrete is man-made rock. When mixed, placed, and cured properly, it can have tremendous compressive strength. This means it requires thousands of pounds per square inch (PSI) of pressure to fracture it. It's not uncommon for this PSI strength to be in excess of 4,000 pounds.

However, this same exact concrete only has on average one-tenth the amount of strength in tension than it has in compression. Tension happens when you stretch something. A concrete slab suspended in between two beams will experience tension on the underside of the slab when you put weight on top of the slab. This same issue holds for ceramic tile, stone countertops and so forth. Tile will crack if you step on it and there's a hollow spot under it.

Steel, however, is a magical building material. It has tremendous tensile strength. The average rebar you might buy at a building supply house or

home center is normally rated at 40,000 PSI. You can order it with a 60,000 PSI or higher rating!

This is why reinforcing steel is used in concrete construction. It provides the tensile strength missing within the concrete itself.

But normal reinforcing steel has an Achilles' heel. It can and does rust. When steel rusts, it expands. The expansion force is slow and considerable and it creates tension within the concrete surrounding the rebar.

Rusty angle irons holding up brick above windows can expand so much they push the brick out away from the wall. Rusty rebar in concrete can expand so much it causes chunks of concrete to fall out of an overhead slab or to fall off an important support column.

But wait, it gets worse. Salt accelerates the rust or corrosion of unprotected steel. This is why you often see concrete bridge decks and supports under highway bridges in such bad shape in cold climates. The rock salt used for snow and ice control seeps into the concrete as the

salty meltwater soaks into the concrete. This brine attacks the steel if it's not protected.

The Miami condo was practically next to the ocean, for goodness sake. Talk to any builder or remodeler who works near the ocean or a salt-water sea and they'll have all sorts of tales about how long poorly protected steel lasts in those conditions. This is not new. Mariners have long known that the sea eats men and iron!

This is why you or your builder should paint rebar before it's installed in concrete. Yes, this is an extra step, but it's not that hard to paint it. The paint can be rolled on, sprayed or even brushed. It's best to use a special metal primer and then a finish coat of paint.

All of the above also applies to simple decks as well. The internet is littered with stories and videos of tragic deck collapses. The nails, bolts, structural hangers and so forth in your deck are subject to rust. The treated lumber contains lots of copper that leaches out with each rainfall. This chemical brew is similar to the salt water that probably is the root cause of the condo collapse. The copper-laced water accelerates the corrosion of all steel that's part of your deck.

How do you prevent collapse or rust damage at your home? Use the best metal parts for outdoor decks that have a thick galvanized coating. Use hot-dipped galvanized nails or screws, stainless-steel nails or screws, paint all reinforcing steel and do whatever else is required so the iron or steel inside and outside your home doesn't rust. It's really that simple.

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longer leaves. The native grows as a self-seeded annual in the mowed green-space that doubles as a firebreak surrounding my home. It soon flowers as a groundcover after mowing at 4 inches blade height every two weeks during the summer rainy season.

Yellow-flowered portulaca or Little Hogweed, *Portulaca oleracea*, is considered a native species although was once thought to be non-native

or introduced. It formerly had up to 36 different binomial names until recent scientific testing revealed they are the same species. It grows throughout Florida and the Southeastern Coastal Plain in suitable dryland habitats. Leaves are dark green, roundish-to-oval and thick and succulent. Its leaves have one of the richest known sources of a-linolenic acid, an omega-3 fatty acid.

Native Tiny Portulaca, *P. minyata*, is rare and restricted to Monroe County's Florida Keys and the Bahamas. It has purple-pink plump leaves

and tiny, inconspicuous flowers. Overall, the species is minuscule.

Ornamental *Portulaca grandiflora*, sometimes called moss rose, is a popular South American ornamental garden plant. Low-maintenance, drought- and heat-tolerant, this annual evolved in the hot, dry plains of Argentina, southern Brazil and Uruguay (not Mexico). Cultivars are grown globally for their showy summer flowers. Covered with flowers all summer and into the fall, *Portulaca grandiflora* grows in full sun in dry, hot climates. Flowers close at

night, in the afternoon and when banks of cloud pass by. It may flower year-round in South Florida but is killed by hard winter freezes further north. Gardeners use it as an annual in rock gardens hanging baskets, patio planters, summer groundcover and to edge planting beds. Plant height is about 6 to 9 inches with a spread of 1 to 2 feet.

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5 bedrooms, 2.5 baths with 2 car garage
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Large bedrooms and tons of storage
Over 1/2 acre • RV & boat parking
MLS #801189 \$279,000
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Ready to build your dream home on this 5.61 acre waterfront property with direct access to Lake Henderson, enjoy a day of boat riding in the Tsala Apopka Chain of Lakes, only minutes from the historic downtown Inverness, and enjoy all the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.
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**3750 E. FOXWOOD LANE
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Take a look at this 3/2/2 Pool home nestled on a .34-acre lot located in the Foxwood Subdivision. This home has a split floor plan, wood-burning fireplace, and enjoy swimming in your nice screened-in pool lanai for entertaining family or friends or just relaxation time.
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MLS #803258 \$299,900
Call Nicholas Klifits 352-270-1032 and schedule your showing appointment today!



8724 PITCAIRN WAY, CITRUS SPRINGS
Check out this 3/2/1 home located in Citrus Springs Subdivision with a backyard patio for grilling and enjoying your favorite drink in the evenings.
MLS #803328 \$217,000
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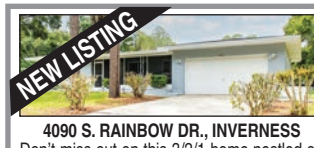
9862 E. MOCCASIN SLOUGH RD., INVERNESS
Ready to build your dream home on this .51-acre lot located in the Bay Meadows at Seven Lakes Subdivision. This property is just minutes from the Eden boat ramp and historic downtown Inverness where you can enjoy all the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.
MLS #803348 \$15,000
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9844 E. MOCCASIN SLOUGH RD., INVERNESS
Check out this .51-acre lot located in the Bay Meadows at Seven Lakes Subdivision and is ready for you to build your new dream home. It is just minutes from the Eden boat ramp and historic downtown Inverness where you can enjoy all the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.
MLS #803339 \$15,000
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Check out this 3/2/2 Inverness Highlands West home with a large covered back patio for entertaining, barbecues, a fenced backyard with privacy wood fencing for privacy, is within minutes from historic downtown Inverness, and all the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.
MLS #803230 \$219,900
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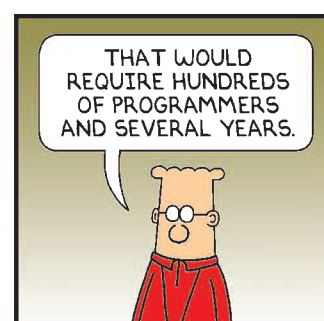
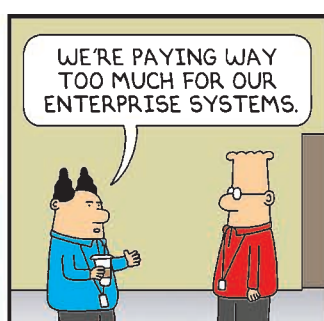
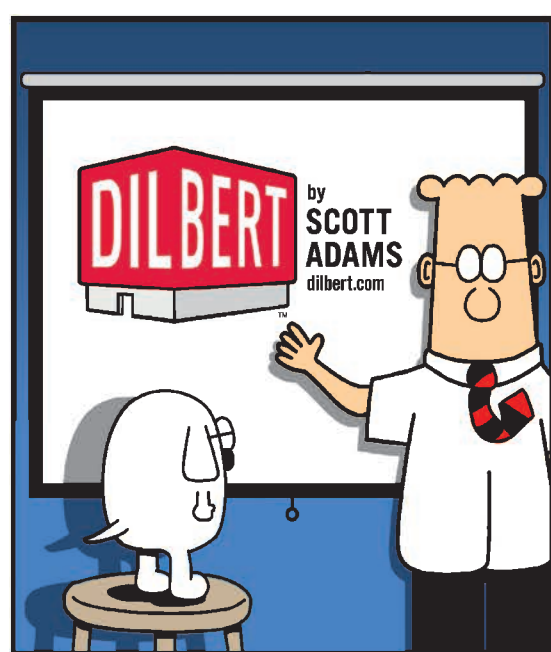
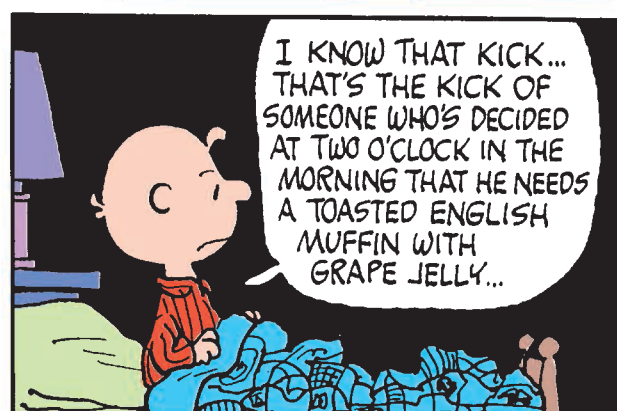
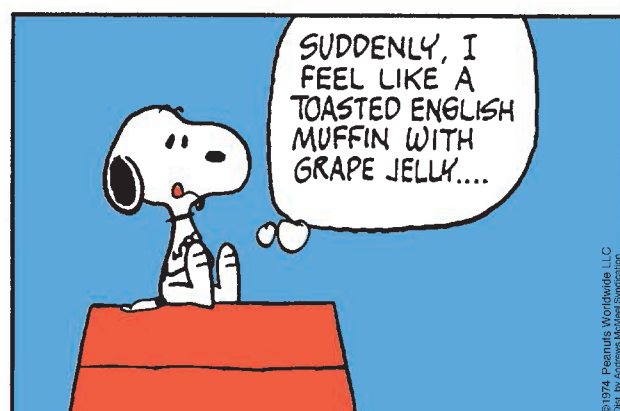


4090 S. RAINBOW DR., INVERNESS
Don't miss out on this 3/2/1 home nestled on a corner lot located in the Inverness Highlands West Subdivision. It has a screened front porch for relaxing either in the mornings or evenings and is just minutes from historic downtown Inverness and all the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.
MLS #803209 \$184,900
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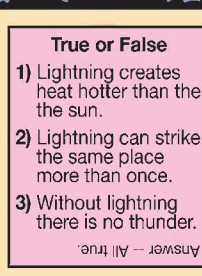
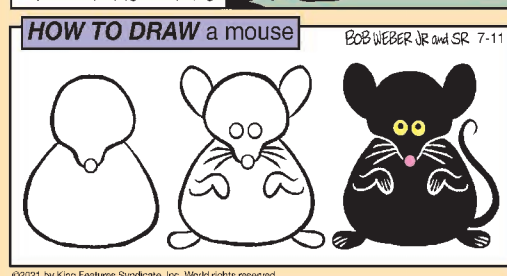
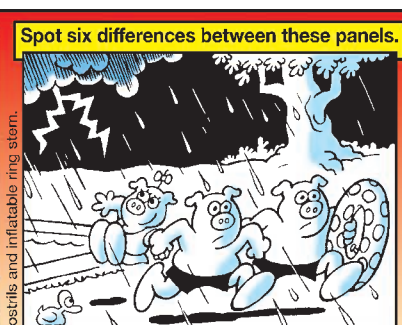
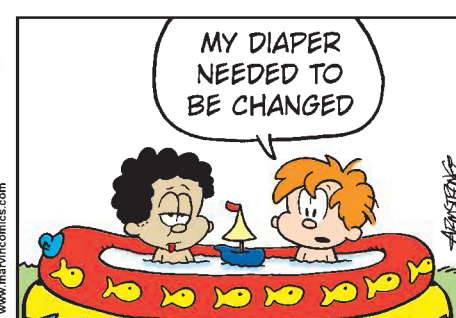
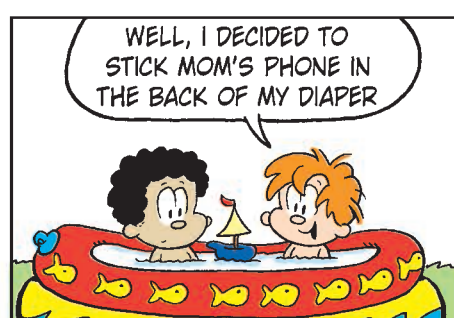
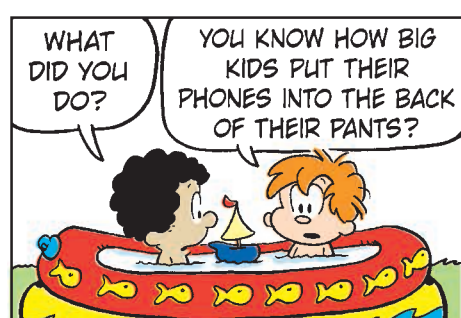
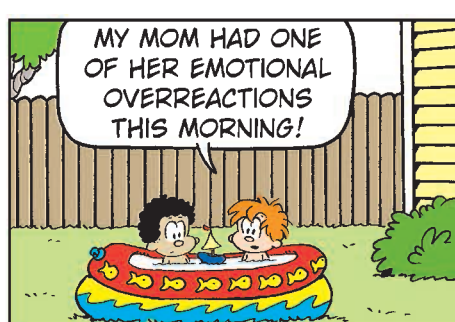
PEANUTS

featuring
"Good ol' Charlie Brown"
by SCHULZ



MARVIN

by Tom Armstrong



Sunday Puzzle Fun

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

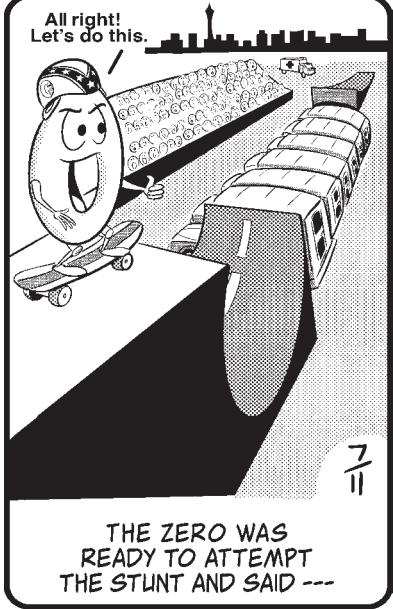
Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

SUDHOL
 ○○○○
 GBRIEG
 ○○○○
 RTAROO
 ○○○○
 DONIEI
 ○○○○
 MYLANH
 ○○○○
 AEEUQT
 ○○○○

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PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW

○○○○ ○○○○ ○○○○○○



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mepham Group

Level

1 2
 3 4

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

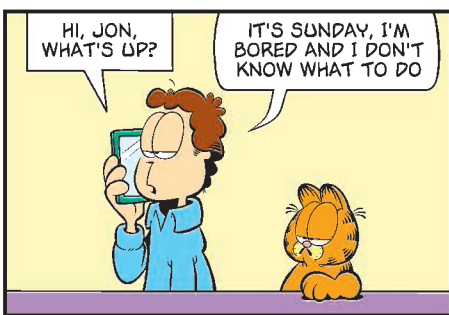
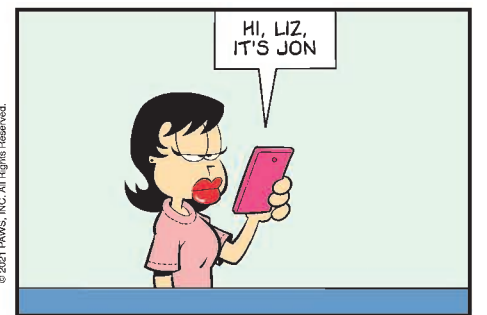
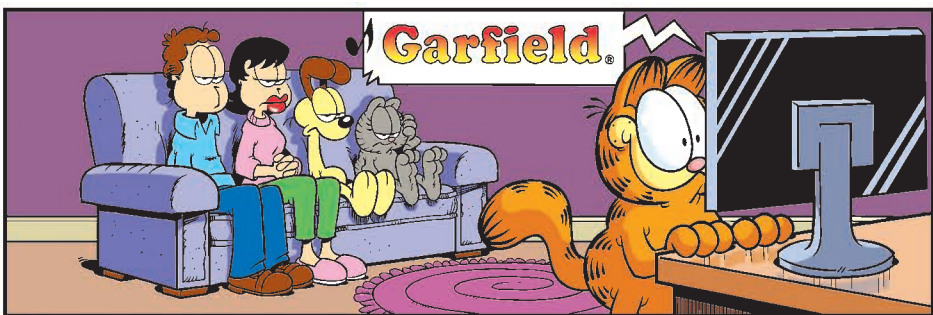
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, please visit sudoku.org.uk

Solution to Last Weeks puzzle

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

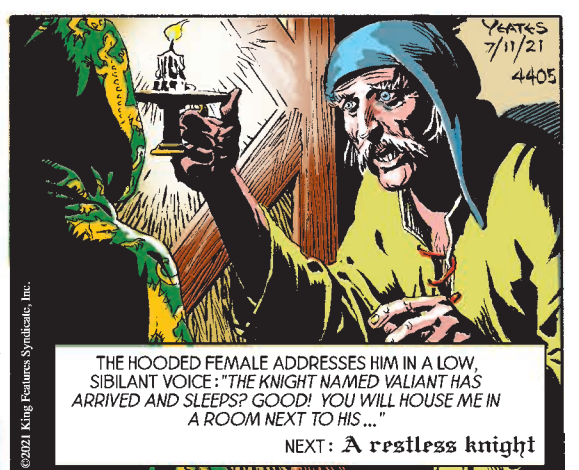
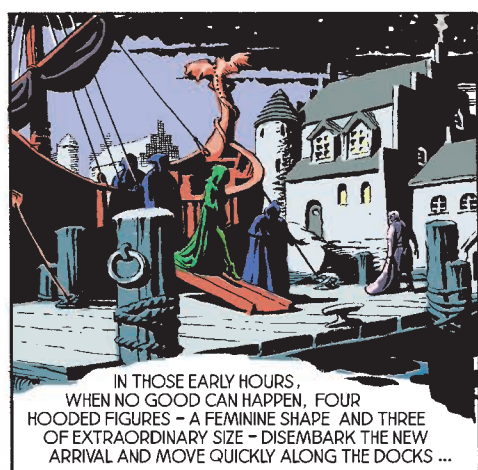
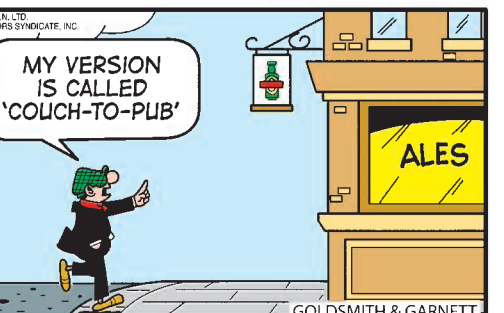
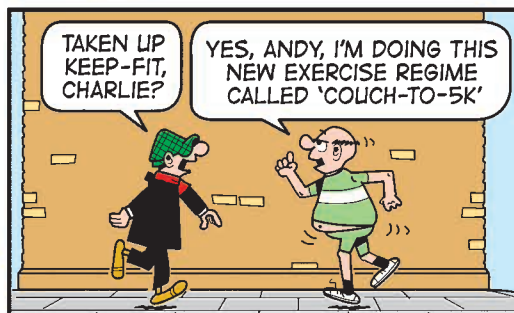
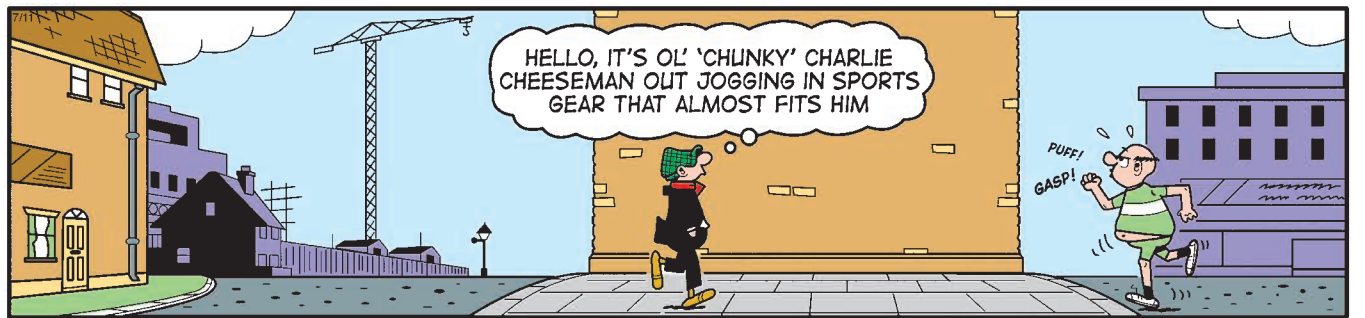
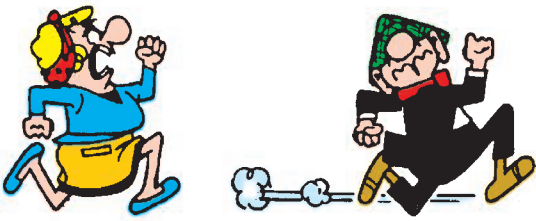
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ANDY CAPP

by Smythe



JUMBLE
 Answer:
 SHOULD ORATOR HYMNAL
 BIGGER IODINE EQUATE
 The zero was ready to attempt the
 stunt and said
**HERE GOES
 NOTHING**

BARNEY GOOGLE and SNUZZYS WITH
BY JOHN ROSE

IT'S NICE OF YOU TO OFFER TO SHARE YORE BOTTLE WIF HIM, TATER, BUT HE'S NEVER HONGRY...

HE'S ALWAYS STUFFED !!

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SOHN ROSE

Mort Walker's beetle bailey

I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU'RE WEARING THE BODY CAM I GOT YOU, SARGE

THEY'RE MAKING ME WEAR A BODY CAM

NOW YOU CAN'T LAY A HAND ON ME, YOU BIG BULLY

NYAH NYAH

GRRRR BOOGELY-BOD!

ARGGH !! HAR HAR!

WHAT HAPPENED TO SARGE?

WATCH THE VIDEO. IT'S HILARIOUS!

GREG MORT WALKER 7/11

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By **BIL KEANE**

WHEN ARE WE GOING TO CATCH SOME FISH, DADDY?

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blitz
by Lincoln Peirce

Back...Attack... Hack... Jack... Lack... Knack... Pack... Sack... CRACK!

COME ON, CHESTER! YOU'RE THE MAN! JUST THROW STRIKES! WE KNOW YOU CAN!

HEY, THAT RHYMED!

HE CAN'T HIT IT! THERE'S NO DOUBT! STRIKE THIS CLUELESS BATTER OUT!

BLOW IT BY HIM! MOW HIM DOWN! HE'S NO THREAT! THIS GUY'S A CLOWN!

THIS DUDE SWINGS A BASEBALL BAT LIKE A CONSTIPATED CAT!

HE'S A LOSER! HE'S A DUD! YOU'RE A WINNER! YOU'RE A —

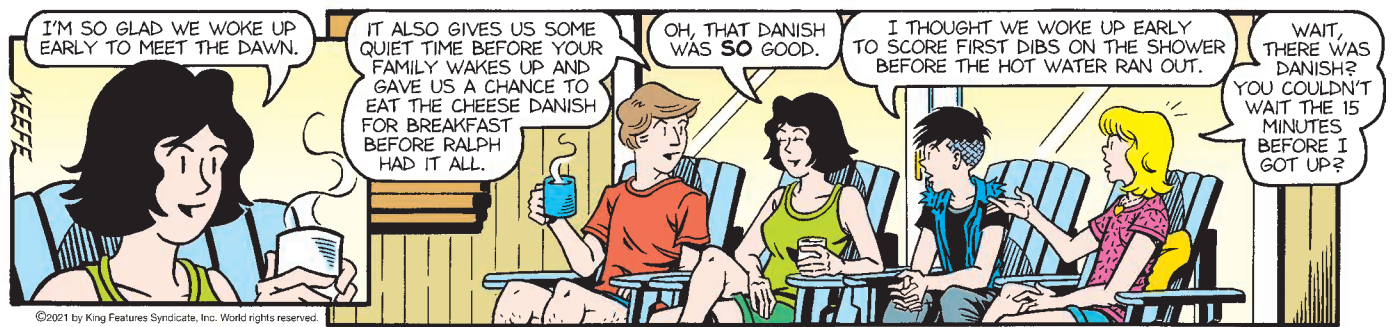
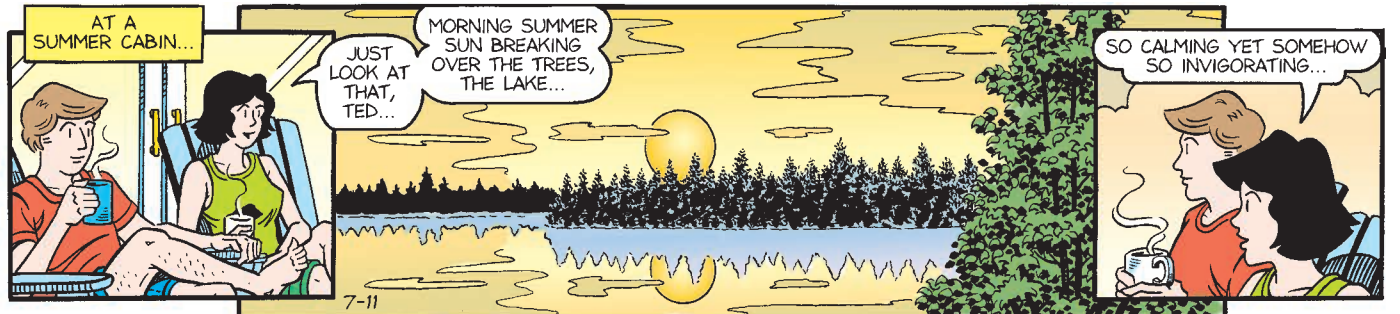
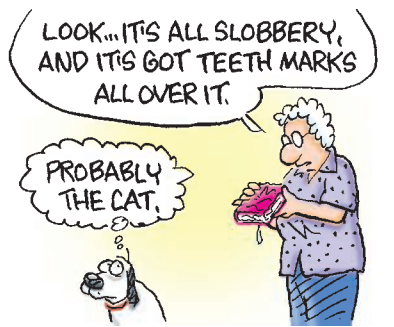
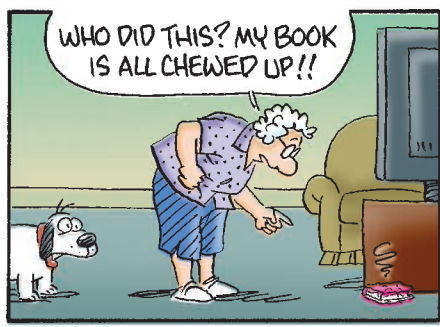
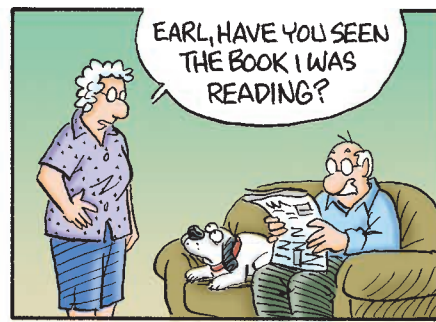
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SHEER POETRY. I'M GETTING A HEADACHE.

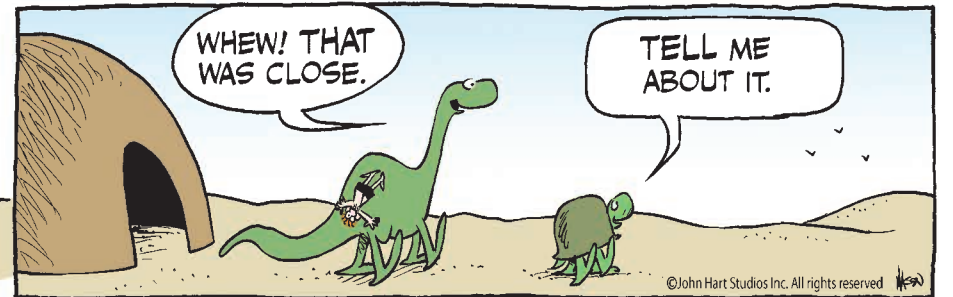
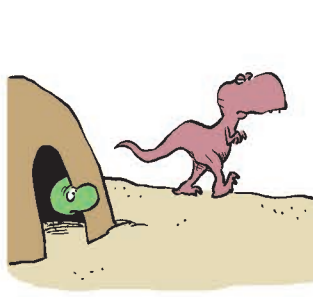
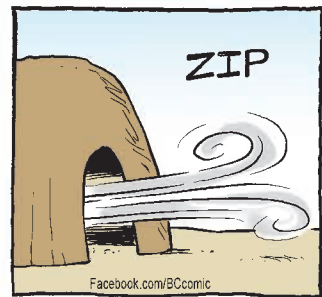
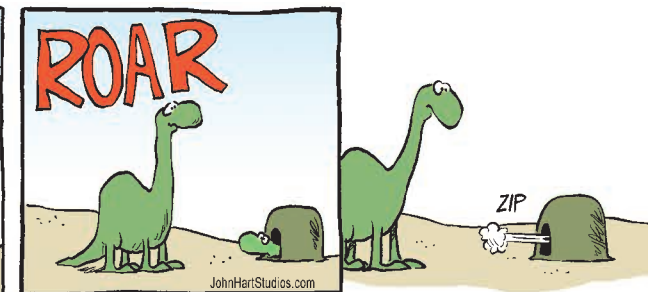
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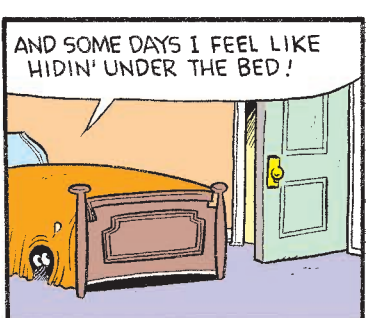
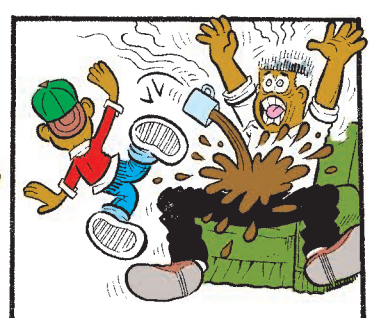
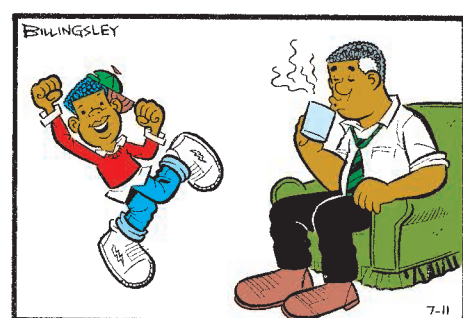
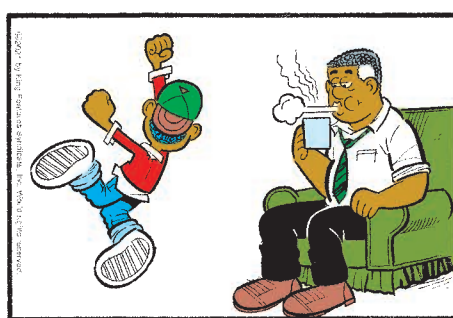
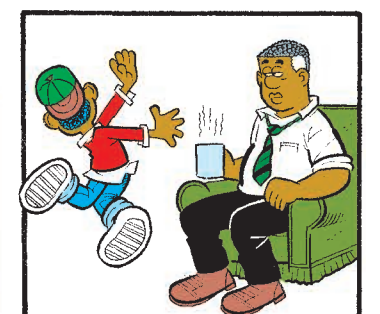
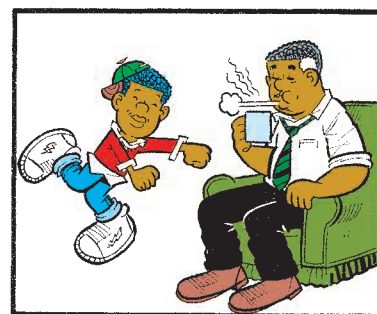
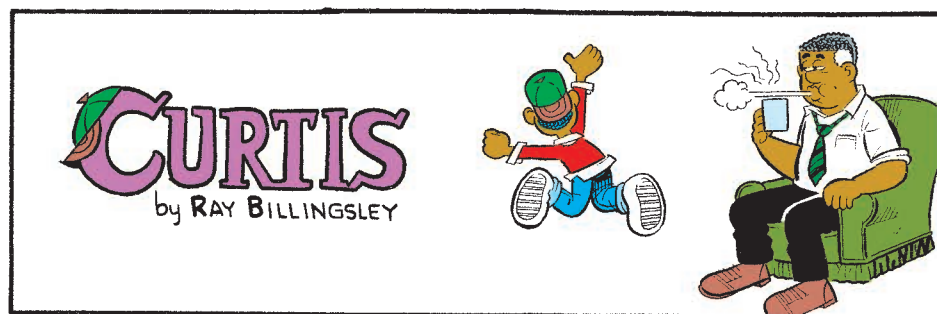
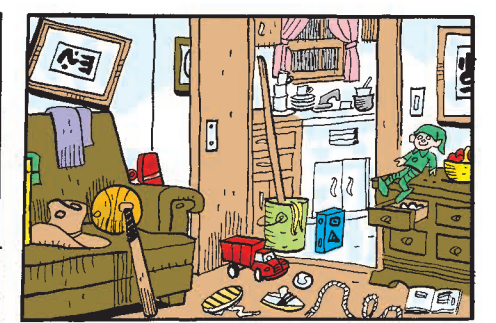
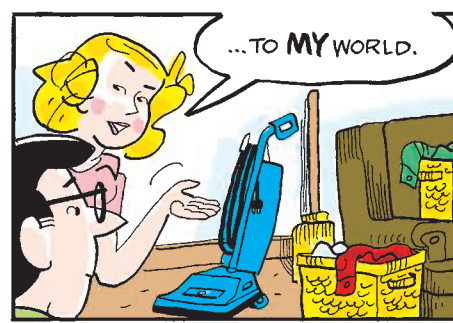
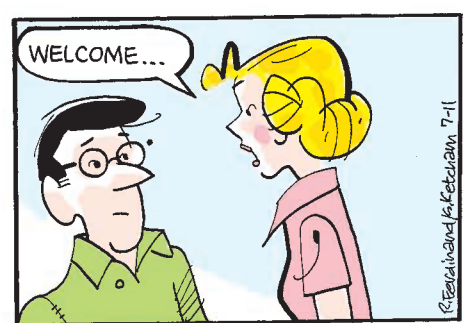
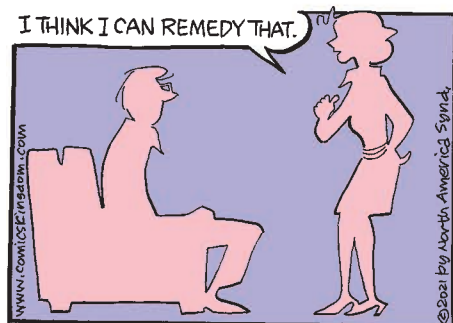
by BRIAN CRANE



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Hank Ketchum's Dennis the Menace INSIDER TRADING



Play "Luann In G Minor" by Greg Evans

MY FRIEND FRED LET ME BORROW HIS KEYBOARD. YOU CAN PLAY?

I TOOK PIANO LESSONS AS A KID. IT'LL ALL COME BACK ONCE I ---

... GET STARTED...

HERE'S THE MANUAL

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HAGGAR
the horrible
by DIK BROWNE

WAITER! CHECK PLEASE!

I'M BROKE! TIME TO GO SEE THE EARL!

SIRE, A MERCENARY WISHES TO OFFER HIS SERVICES.

STAND AND STATE YOUR BUSINESS!

YOUR MAJESTY, YOU HAVE A HORRIBLE PROBLEM! HAGGAR THE HORRIBLE, TO BE PRECISE!

I HAVE WAYS OF MAKING YOUR PROBLEM GO AWAY...

PLEASE! DON'T TELL ME! JUST DO IT!

IT WORKED!

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Wizard of Oid
by Hart, Mastroianni and Parker

MORNING, SIRE

INDEED

GO ON! GIT!

BRING YOUR PET TO WORK DAY

AND THIS IS A NEW SPECIES OF TREE FROG

FROM NOW ON, ONE PET PER PERSON

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BLONDIE
by DEAN KUNIG & JOHN MARSHALL

THAT REMINDS ME...

TOOTSIE WANTED ME TO INVITE YOU AND BLONDIE OVER FOR DINNER LATER

SMALL WORLD... BLONDIE ASKED ME TO INVITE YOU AND TOOTSIE TO JOIN US LATER!

WELL, SINCE I REMEMBERED TO ASK YOU FIRST, YOU BEFORE YOU OBVIOUSLY SHOULD ACCEPT OUR INVITATION

BUT I WAS ABOUT TO ASK YOU BEFORE YOU INTERRUPTED ME

IT WASN'T MY FAULT THAT YOU FORGOT TO SPEAK UP

WHY DON'T WE SETTLE THIS A DIFFERENT WAY?

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Hi and Lois
by BRIAN and GREG WALKER

I REMEMBER MOWING ALL THE TIME WHEN I WAS A KID.

THAT KID NEVER FINISHES ANYTHING.

MY DAD JUST TEXTED ME. I HAVE TO GO HOME.

I'LL GO WITH YOU.

IT'S MY FAULT, MR. FLAGSTON, I DISTRACTED HIM.

THAT LAWN MOWER HAS BEEN THERE SINCE LAST WEEKEND!

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THE LOCKHORNS

BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER



Mature living

5 facts about heat-related illnesses

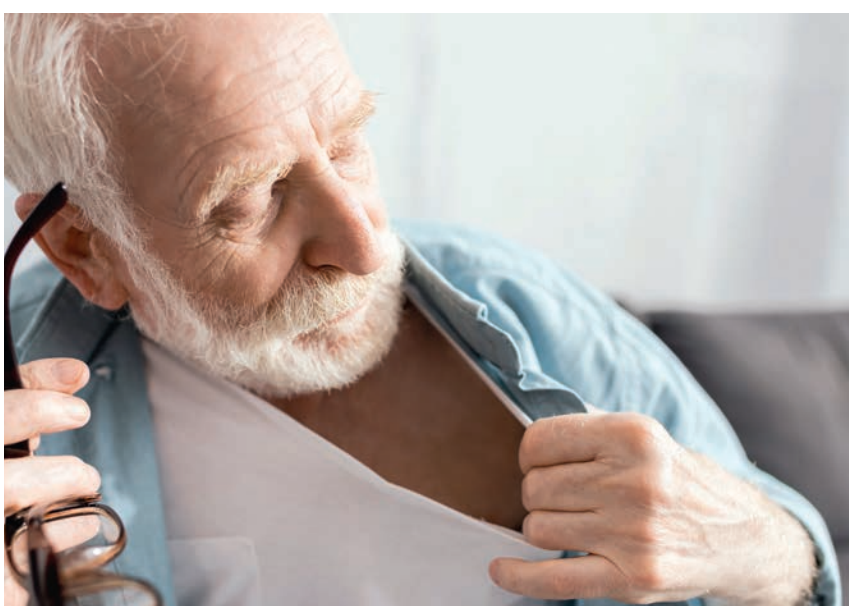
As heat waves become increasingly common during the summer, the risk of developing a heat-related illness becomes more likely. Here are five things you should know about conditions such as heatstroke and heat exhaustion.

- 1. They can present in numerous ways.** Symptoms of heat-related illnesses include dizziness, fainting, headache, fatigue, flushed or clammy skin, muscle cramps, confusion, heat rash and an elevated body temperature.
- 2. Older adults are at a higher risk.** A loss of mobility can make it difficult for seniors to stay hydrated. Plus, the sensation of thirst decreases with age. Older adults who live alone are particularly vulnerable.
- 3. Some medications reduce heat tolerance.** These include medications for high blood pressure, Parkinson's disease, allergies and certain heart conditions. Always ask your pharmacist about the

side effects of your medications.

- 4. Extreme heat can aggravate chronic conditions.** Conditions such as obesity, cardiovascular disease, hypertension, lung disease and diabetes decrease your body's ability to adapt to changes in temperature.
- 5. There are ways to reduce the risks.** During a heat wave, be sure to drink plenty of water, perform physical activities in air-conditioned places, reduce caffeine and alcohol intake, wear lightweight, loose-fitting clothing and frequently rest.

In addition to learning the risks and signs of heat-related illnesses, be sure to check your local news for extreme heat warnings and safety tips. By staying informed, you'll be able to safely enjoy the summer weather.



4 apps to help prevent isolation



Are you looking for ways to keep in touch with loved ones or meet new people? Here are four applications (available for Android and iOS) that will help you connect with others and avoid feeling isolated.

- 1. RAVE**
Use this app to watch movies, TV shows and videos in sync with friends and family members. It also allows you to send text or voice messages if you want to comment about what's happening on screen. Rave is compatible with Netflix, Disney+, Amazon Prime Video and YouTube.
- 2. SMALA**
This app makes it easy to share photos and exchange messages with loved ones no matter where you are. It also features kid-friendly activities like drawing and writing that allow you to be creative together. Use the app to create a digital album filled with family memories you can take with you anywhere.
- 3. TANDEM**
If you want to practice speaking another

language, this app will pair you up with a native speaker who's interested in learning your language. Send text and voice messages, and make phone or video calls to practice your conversation skills, improve your accent and learn about your respective cultures.

- 4. BUNCH**
This app makes it easy to host a virtual family game night. Choose from the selection of multiplayer games included on the app or play one that's already downloaded on your device. From drawing to racing to trivia, there's something for everyone. The best part is, you get to see everyone's face over video chat while you play.

If you need help installing these apps on one of your devices, ask a loved one or a staff member at your seniors' residence for assistance.

Retirement community living: how to create a budget



Have you recently moved into a seniors' residence, or do you plan to make the transition in the near future? If so, creating a budget will help you avoid unpleasant surprises, enable you to treat yourself on occasion and ensure financial security during this chapter of your life. Here's how to do it.

IDENTIFY YOUR SOURCES OF INCOME
To determine how much money you'll have available each month, add up your various sources of income. These may include:

- A registered pension plan
- A social security pension
- A registered retirement savings plan
- A tax-free savings account

CALCULATE YOUR MONTHLY EXPENSES
Start with the price of housing at your seniors' residence, which may include the costs for heating, electricity and meals. The amount might also cover expenses for nursing care, television, leisure activities and more. Additionally, list any monthly expenses that aren't included in your rent like laundry services, parking and haircuts.

GIVE YOURSELF SOME LEEWAY
Once you've determined how much money you'll have left each month after paying for your various expenses, remember to set your remaining income aside in a savings account. This way, if your rent increases or you have an unexpected expense (car repair, new medication, etc.), you can cover the cost without experiencing financial hardship.

If you're having trouble creating a budget, don't hesitate to speak with a financial adviser or ask a staff member at your residence for help.

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