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NEWS BRIEFS

Test retakes available for high schoolers

The fall administration of the Florida Statewide Assessment Program for Retakes will be administered beginning Sept. 13.

Persons needing to retake the FSA ELA grade 10 (reading and writing) or FSA algebra 1 EOC assessments may contact any of the high schools and arrange to test with their students during regular school hours.

When calling the schools, contact the following people:

■ Crystal River High School: Stacy Elliott, 352-795-4641, ext. 4815

■ Lecanto High School: Catrina Ecklund, 352-746-2334, ext. 4207

■ Citrus High School: Jaime Fehrenbach, 352-726-2241, ext. 4554

To schedule for an alternate time and location, to determine if a test meets your requirements for high school graduation, call Caitlin Hamzawi at 352-726-1931 ext. 2244.

The deadline to sign up is Sept. 9.

First responders dinner at VFW

The VFW Post 10087 will host a Thanksgiving dinner for all first responders, family and members from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, at the post, 2170 W. Vet Lane in Beverly Hills.

There will be music by Dream Weaver, horseshoes and corn hole.

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

Post to have remembrance service

The Arnold Vern Allen American Legion Post 166 will conduct a 9/11 remembrance service on Saturday, Sept. 11, at the post, 4520 S. Suncoast Blvd. in Homosassa.

Continental breakfast will be available at 11 a.m. and the 9/11 remembrance service will begin at 11:30 a.m.

The public is welcome. Email the post at americanpost166@gmail.com.

— 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.



County to mull stormwater fee

MICHAEL D. BATES
STAFF WRITER

County commissioners believe there should be a level playing field when it comes to paying for federally mandated stormwater runoff management.

To that end, board members in

July approved sending out notices detailing a proposed stormwater assessment fee for each resident's property. That fee is based on the square footage of buildings and non-impervious surfaces, such as concrete driveways or parking lots.

The public can weigh in on this

move at a 1 p.m. public hearing Thursday, Sept. 9, at the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Ave. in Inverness.

Until now, the fee has been part of real estate ad valorem taxes and it's marked on the tax bill. But when households take advantage of various legally available

exemptions they could end up paying little or nothing toward stormwater runoff management.

That's why county commissioners plan to eliminate that line item from the ad valorem tax calculation, and instead create a

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Life along the 'CROOKED ROAD'



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Joe Byrd is a lifelong resident of Homosassa. Here, Byrd sits along the Homosassa River just a few feet from where, as a child, he said he learned to swim.

Old Homosassa native recalls boyhood life along Yulee Drive

Editor's note: This is part of an occasional series of firsthand accounts of Citrus County life "back in the day" so we can help preserve history.

NANCY KENNEDY
STAFF WRITER

When 79-year-old Joe Byrd was a boy growing up in Old Homosassa, everyone called Yulee Drive "the crooked road" because of its twists and turns.

"Grover Cleveland was 'chicken ranch road' — that's all that was out there," Byrd said. "It was just an old sand/dirt road."

I was 10 or so, when we were old enough to hold up a gun, we were out hunting squirrels, turkeys, ducks, wild pigs. It was plentiful around here.

Joe Byrd

His grandmother, Inez Hall, lived on West Anchorage Street, one street away from the Old Mill Tavern.

"She used to babysit the MacRae

kids," Byrd said.

In those days, there was no Nauti Time Seafood n Wings on the corner

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COVID surges in state

Fla. grapples with virus' deadliest phase yet

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MIAMI — Funeral director Wayne Bright has seen grief piled upon grief during the latest COVID-19 surge.

A woman died of the virus, and as her family was planning the funeral, her mother was also struck down. An aunt took over arrangements for the double funeral, only to die of COVID-19 herself two weeks afterward.

"That was one of the most devastating things ever," said Bright, who also arranged the funeral last week of one of his closest friends.

Florida is in the grip of its deadliest wave of COVID-19 since the pandemic began, a disaster driven by the highly contagious delta variant.

While Florida's vaccination rate is slightly higher than the national average, the Sunshine State has an outsize population of elderly people, who are especially vulnerable to the virus; a vibrant party scene; and a Republican governor who

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Veterans In The Classroom seeks stories

Program asks former service members to visit local schools

NANCY KENNEDY
STAFF WRITER

Not every military veteran goes to war, but every vet has a story of their service to their country.

In 2003, about 60 veterans visited 80 classrooms in Citrus County as part of Veterans Appreciation Week, which started in 1992.

Since that time, in the days leading up to Veterans Day on

Nov. 11, veterans have taken their time to meet with students of all grades, sharing real-life stories about the military side of American history that may not be found in their history books.

Over the years, however, the number of veterans who have been a part of this program for years has dwindled.

"Since 2019, we have lost

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Chronicle file

In this photo from 2019, Marine Corps veteran Dave Downey talks about parts of his uniform to fourth-grade students at Pleasant Grove Elementary.



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WEEK
IN REVIEW

PHOTO OF THE WEEK

‘NEW DAD’ CELEBRATES



Bud Conklin's life changed several months ago when he was contacted by family he didn't know he had. His biological daughter, given up for adoption nearly 54 years ago, found her father through a popular DNA-matching website.

MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

GOOD NEWS OF THE WEEK

In Wednesday's Sound Off, someone called in to thank a "kind gentleman" who was at Inverness Medical Imaging on Tuesday afternoon (Aug. 17). The caller said, "He found an umbrella and took me to my car so I wouldn't get soaked. I really appreciated it. There's still some nice people in Citrus. Thank you."

HOT TOPIC OF THE WEEK

The account of three teens being acquitted of manslaughter in the shooting death of a Homosassa woman caught the attention of Chronicle readers on Facebook. Here's what some said:

■ **Tiffany Perez:** "I'm fuming about this. She left behind her kids, husband and her grandbabies."

■ **Sammy Jo:** "They were charged with the wrong thing to begin with or there would have been a different outcome. I pray this haunts these kids for the rest of their lives. Some kind of justice should have been served. They took an innocent woman's life and now her family has to suffer. That's so sad."

■ **Kathy Flarey:** "If you read all the statements, there was no way a bullet could have struck Mrs. Ryder from where they were shooting. There were too many obstacles in the way. The shot to her head was clean. Meaning, it came from someone else shooting that had no obstacles in the way. Citrus

County sheriff's really screwed up. The other person(s) shooting that day got away with killing Mrs. Ryder. Witnesses said, they heard shots from another direction. Funny, the direction of the clear shot."

■ **Bridget Martinez:** "How sad for her husband and the family she left behind. I hope they find some type of peace."

■ **Mike Brambilla:** "What the general pop(ulation) doesn't truly understand about due process and the law is that there can be no doubt of guilt to take a person's life or liberty. If there is ANY reasonable doubt then you cannot convict. Jurors should have to learn the law prior to sitting on a trial. I would opt for a judge, too, over most jurors who often decide cases on emotion and not the law."

■ **Ginger Guntsch Washburn:** "Either way, no justice here. Very sad for the entire family. Sandra was a giving and kind person and is very, very missed."

THE MOST POPULAR STORIES FROM THE WEEK THAT WAS

‘Dear Dad’ — local man finds adopted daughter after 53 years

For 53 years, Bud Conklin thought about the baby daughter he and a girlfriend put up for adoption while he was in the Air Force serving in England.

Thanks to 23andMe DNA testing website, Conklin's granddaughter found him and then his daughter, Jan, contacted him.

In an email she wrote: "Dear Dad, I am truly shocked, but so very happy to have actually found you after all these years, and yes, I cried with happiness when Hannah messaged me. I have tried to find you over the years, but never had any luck. I have thought of you often and wondered if you thought of me."

Conklin, 78, is over-the-moon excited about finally finding the child he never stopped thinking about.

"I think it will all be real when we see each other in person," he said. "I want to give her a hug, and there's something in me that wants to tell her I'm sorry, but I don't know if I should. At this stage, we've found each other, we're happy. Do I need to start apologizing? I don't know."

Entire Suncoast Parkway to open by early 2022

For many commuters, the opening of the new 12.7-mile Suncoast Parkway extension will be a game-changer.

Angela Starke, spokeswoman with Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, said it is anticipated the entire stretch of roadway will open in early 2022.

Work began on the \$135-million Suncoast Parkway 2 project in February 2018. The original contracted completion date was summer 2022 but the project is ahead of schedule. The new road will be funded entirely with turnpike toll revenues.

"(The) Suncoast Parkway 2 project will increase capacity to ease current and future congestion and improve safety by creating full interchanges in areas undergoing significant residential development," Starke said.

When it opens, there will be 15 new bridges, two all-electronic tolling gantries, equipment buildings and a pedestrian overpass over U.S. 98.

There will also be five wildlife crossings: four are enclosed culverts or pipe-like tunnels and one is a wildlife bridge.



Jenkins Auto Group expands Citrus empire

Ocala-based Jenkins Auto Group has acquired Crystal Chevrolet and Crystal Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep-Ram, and, in a couple weeks, they hope to add the Crystal Ford-Lincoln to the list. That sale is pending, said Maria Patino, customer and community relations director for Jenkins.

This comes five months after Jenkins announced it had acquired the Citrus Kia dealership in Crystal River.

The latest acquisitions bring Jenkins' total dealerships in Florida and Georgia to 15 — three in Citrus.

"We're just happy to grow with Citrus County," Patino said. "The community has welcomed us."

"These additions grow our domestic portfolio allowing us to offer even more brands and inventory to our customers," said Jenkins Auto Group President/CEO Tom Formanek. "We are very excited to see what the future holds for these two dealerships."

‘Jeremy’s Journey’ hits a bump in the road

Aug. 30 and 31 were supposed to be big days in 18-year-old Jeremy Schreifels' journey toward finding relief from a severe case of Tourette syndrome that he has suffered with for nearly 16 years.



For months he had been scheduled to meet with a team of neurologists at UF Health Shands in Gainesville to determine when they could do the Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) surgery.

However, this past weekend Jeremy tested positive for COVID-19 and the meeting and appointments he and his parents had been eagerly waiting for had to be canceled.

A new appointment may be as far away as January.

Although the family is disappointed, they still have hope that this surgery will happen.

"Our family is seriously very appreciative of all the help and support that everybody has given us along the way ... thank you to all that have been praying for our family," Jennifer Schreifels said.

Judge acquits teens of manslaughter in woman's shooting death

On Wednesday, Sept. 1, Circuit Court Judge Richard "Ric" Howard concluded that Zoey Ellan Andersen, Jason Byron Simms Jr. and Joseph Shane Finn did not fire the stray bullet that killed Sandra Ryder while she was outside her Homosassa home on Nov. 21, 2018, and acquitted the teens.

Howard did find the teens guilty of possessing firearms as minors — a misdemeanor — for the 12-gauge shotgun and .30-caliber rifle they were shooting Nov. 21, 2018, around the same time a bullet fatally struck 58-year-old Ryder almost 400 yards away across a field.

A sentencing hearing will be scheduled 45 days out.

Florida law requires the teens to serve at least 15 days in a youth detention facility because their offenses involved a firearm.

“Beyond a reasonable doubt applies to children and adults. A reasonable doubt is not a possible doubt, a speculative, imaginary or forced doubt.”

— CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE RICHARD “RIC” HOWARD, BEFORE READING ALOUD FROM FLORIDA’S JURY INSTRUCTION DEFINING THE STANDARD OF REASONABLE DOUBT FOR CRIMINAL CASES PRIOR TO HIS RULING ACQUITTING THREE TEENS OF MANSLAUGHTER IN THE DEATH OF SANDRA RYDER.

— compiled by Nancy Kennedy

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FHP: Charges pending for driver in rollover

Alcohol suspected

BUSTER THOMPSON
Staff writer

Charges are pending for a local woman authorities suspect was driving impaired when she lost control of her vehicle, traveled off a Crystal River-area road and overturned into marshes.

According to Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), the Crystal River 65-year-old, whom FHP did not identify, showed signs of alcohol use at the scene of the 3 p.m. crash on Friday, Sept. 3, along the northern shoulder of West Fort Island Trail, east of West Chickasaw Lane.

Other motorists also told FHP troopers they saw the woman's silver Jeep Renegade swerving "all over the road" prior to the crash as it was traveling west on Fort Island Trail, according to FHP's report, obtained Saturday.

Witnesses said they backed away from the erratic Jeep, causing them to miss seeing the crash.

According to FHP, the Jeep's driver couldn't make it through a curve in the roadway, causing the vehicle to go off road, strike a Spectrum utility pole, spin counterclockwise, overturn onto its right side and strike a tree.

Michael Thomas, an off-duty FHP trooper, entered the partially submerged Jeep through an opening in its roof and unbuckled the woman from her seat. While doing so, the trooper observed the woman having slurred speech and bloodshot eyes, according to FHP.

Citrus County Fire Rescue and Nature Coast EMS personnel used a chainsaw and the Jaws of Life to cut back vegetation and parts of the Jeep to free the trapped woman.

Medics then airlifted her to Regional Medical Center Bayonet Point for incapacitating injuries. FHP's report states the woman's blood was drawn to measure its alcohol content.

Highway Patrol trooper laid to rest

AUGIE SALZER
For the Chronicle

DUNNELLON — A funeral service with honors for Florida Highway Patrol Trooper Sean C. Hryc was conducted Friday, Sept. 3, at St. John's the Baptist Catholic Church in Dunnellon.

The 50-year-old trooper was stationed at the Ocala Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) station and patrolled the Ocala area. He began his career in law enforcement with the Dade City Police Department before joining FHP.

He died Aug. 28 due to contracting COVID-19 in duty, serving the state for 17 years.

On Friday morning, a large motorcade of FHP troopers and Citrus County Sheriff's deputies escorted Hryc's remains from Brown Funeral Home in Lecanto to the Dunnellon church.

Father Ken Nielson, a military chaplain, and now at St. Timothy's church in The Villages, celebrated the funeral Mass. The FHP Honor Guard performed the duties of pallbearers and maintained a presence of honor before and after the Mass.

Lt. Col. Troy Thompson gave the eulogy and told everyone about the constant smile of Hryc. He also said all the trouble he had with saying his name correctly and in the 17 years that Hryc served. Thompson didn't think he ever got the name right.

Thompson then gave the trooper's wife a framed proclamation



Florida Highway Patrol troopers escort Trooper Sean C. Hryc into St. John the Baptist Catholic Church on Friday, Sept. 3, in Dunnellon. Hryc, a Citrus County resident, died Aug. 28 from COVID-19.

showing Hryc promoted to sergeant.

Thompson also stated Hryc was the 51st FHP trooper in its history to lose his life in the line of duty.

Many agencies were in attendance to honor Hryc, including the Ocala Police Department, Hillsborough County Sheriff's deputies, Collier County Sheriff's

deputies. In addition, Polk County Sheriff's deputies, Levy County Sheriff's deputies, Dade County Police Department and the Marion County Fire and Rescue personnel were also there.

All agencies had a small black ribbon partially covering their badges to honor a fallen police officer.

After the service, all those present went outside in the large field for the 21-gun salute and the fly-over consisting of five helicopters and a plane.

Hryc lived in Citrus County with his wife, Angie and their two sons.

Augie Salzer is a correspondent for the Riverland News.

Dunnellon man facing drug, gun charges

HANNAH SACHEWICZ
Staff writer

A Dunnellon man was arrested after deputies found his stash of substances in a box labeled "drugs," according to a Citrus County Sheriff's Office arrest affidavit.

William Vent, 27, was arrested and charged with carrying a concealed firearm, two counts possession of a controlled substance, possession of cannabis (less than 20 grams) and drug paraphernalia. Bond was set at \$8,000.

Deputies were driving Sept. 1 through the parking lot of the Holiday Inn Express in Lecanto.

They ran the tags of a parked silver Nissan and reportedly discovered the registered owner, Vent, had a suspended license.

When the car left the parking lot, deputies conducted a traffic stop and made contact with the driver, Vent. He reportedly agreed to a search of the vehicle.

During a hand search of the vehicle, deputies pulled on the lower handle of the center console on the driver's side. According to the report, a digital scale fell out.

When deputies took off the



William Vent
faces several charges.

panel, they reportedly discovered a white box with the word "drugs" written on it.

In the car was also a black handgun loaded with a magazine with several 9mm rounds.

According to the report, deputies also found a bag filled with a green leafy substance, which tested positive for marijuana in the amount of 17.67 grams. Vent said he did not have a medical marijuana card.

Inside the white box labeled "drugs," deputies also reportedly found a small piece of tin foil and

white piece of plastic, both containing a white powdery substance which tested positive for fentanyl in the amount of 0.89 grams.

The box also contained a folded piece of plastic containing crystal shards, which reportedly tested positive for methamphetamine in the amount of 0.85 grams.

Vent was read his Miranda rights and reportedly told deputies all substances were for personal use. It was also discovered he did not have a permit to carry a concealed weapon.

He was arrested and transported to the Citrus County Detention Facility.

Around the COUNTY

Register to vote at the library

The Supervisor of Elections Office invites the public to an outreach event from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Sept. 7, at the Coastal Region Library, 8619 W. Crystal St. in Crystal River.

This is a convenient way to register to vote, make changes to your voter record or request a vote-by-mail ballot. Information to apply for election worker positions will also be available.

To have the elections office staff at your organization or business, contact Supervisor Maureen "Mo" Baird.

For more information, visit votecitrus.gov, email vote@votecitrus.gov or call 352-564-7120.

DOH relocates vaccination site

Due to an increase in demand, the Florida Department of Health in Citrus County's (DOH-Citrus) COVID-19 vaccination site is relocating to UF/IFAS Extension Citrus County, 3650 W. Sovereign Path in Lecanto.

First and second doses of Moderna (18 and older) and Pfizer (12 and older with parental consent) are offered at no cost by appointment or

walk-in on the following days and times:

■ 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesdays through Sept. 29.

■ 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays and Fridays through Sept. 27. The site will be closed Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 6.

■ 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 11.

■ 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 25. Additional doses of Moderna and Pfizer vaccines are available to moderately to severely immunocompromised individuals who fall under the CDC's current recommendation. Individuals should talk to their health care provider about an additional dose.

To make an appointment no more than two weeks in

advance, visit bitly.com/citrus-covidvax. Individuals must bring their COVID-19 vaccination record card and a signed screening and consent form, available on the DOH-Citrus website.

For more information, visit CitrusCountyHealth.org.

Landfill to close for Labor Day

The Citrus County Landfill will be closed Monday, Sept. 6, in observance of Labor Day. It will reopen Tuesday, Sept. 7 to its normal hours of operation.

For more information on the

Citrus County Landfill and their hours of operation, call the Citrus County Division of Solid Waste Management at 352-527-7670.

Labor Day picnic at the VFW

VFW Post 4252 will host a Labor Day picnic from noon until 3 p.m. Sept. 6 at the post, 3190 N. Carl G. Rose Highway in Hernando.

Sandwiches and salads will be provided for a donation. This event is open to the public. For more information, call 352-726-3339.

— From staff reports

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Birthday: Get ready to implement all the changes you want to make. Consider what needs updating, then start the ball rolling. Get your facts straight and papers in order. An open mind will lead to happiness.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Do some research, and you'll find something that motivates you to improve your lifestyle.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Socializing and exploring what life has to offer will set your imagination free to explore the possibilities ahead of you.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22): Take responsibility for your life and what you are up against, and you'll realize what's required to turn things around.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21): You'll have decisions to make and people to deal with who are challenging but worth your while. Don't back down.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Think outside the box, and you'll come up with a plan that will make your life easier. Set anyone straight who tries to talk you into something extravagant.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19): Good things are heading your way. Discuss your plans with someone you respect, and the input you receive will give you the incentive to pursue your goal.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20): A chance to turn something you want to do into an adventure will attract attention and encourage someone you find inspiring to join you in your pursuit of happiness.

Aries (March 21-April 19): You have more opportunities than you realize. Connect with someone who shares your interests or direction.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Spend more time on self-improvement and less time trying to get others to see things your way.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Stick to the truth and question anything that sounds unrealistic. Pay attention to what others have to say, and you'll be privy to information that can help you advance.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Act more and talk less. If you make promises you cannot keep, you will put a dent in your reputation. Learn from your past experiences with joint ventures.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Absorb what's going on around you, and offset negativity in whatever way you can. Look at your options, then consider how to use your skills to suit changing trends.

ENTERTAINMENT

Willard Scott,
weatherman on
NBC's 'Today' show,
dies at 87

NEW YORK — Willard Scott, the beloved weatherman who charmed viewers of NBC's "Today" show with his self-deprecating humor and cheerful personality, has died. He was 87.

His successor on the morning news show, **Al Roker**, announced that Scott died peacefully Saturday morning surrounded by family. An NBC Universal spokeswoman confirmed the news. No further details were released.

"He was truly my second dad and am where I am today because of his generous spirit," Roker wrote on Instagram. "Willard was a man of his times, the ultimate broadcaster. There will never be anyone quite like him."

"He played such an outsized role in my life and was as warm and loving and generous off-camera as he was on," **Katie Couric** tweeted.

Scott began his 65-year career at NBC as an entry-level page at an affiliate station in Washington, D.C., and rose to become the weather forecaster on the network's flagship morning show for more than three decades. His trademark was giving on-air birthday greetings to viewers who turned 100 years old by putting their faces on Smucker's jelly jars and delivering weather updates in zany costumes.

According to NBC, he once took up a viewer's dare to appear in drag to win a \$1,000 donation to the USO, the charity for military families, by dressing up as the Brazilian singer



Associated Press file

In this Tuesday, July 14, 2009, file photo, Willard Scott, left, and Al Roker, weathercasters on the NBC "Today" television program, appear on the show in New York. Scott, the beloved weatherman who charmed viewers of NBC's "Today" show with his self-deprecating humor and cheerful personality, has died at age 87. Roker, his successor on the morning news show, announced that Scott died peacefully Saturday morning, Sept. 4, surrounded by family.

Carmen Miranda. The stunt wasn't new for the genial Scott: he played Bozo the Clown when he hosted a children's TV show in the 1960s and Ronald McDonald in commercials in the Washington area.

He often dressed as Santa Claus at the National Tree Lighting ceremony throughout the 1980s and co-anchored NBC's coverage of the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade between 1987 to 1997. In one memorable moment on live television,

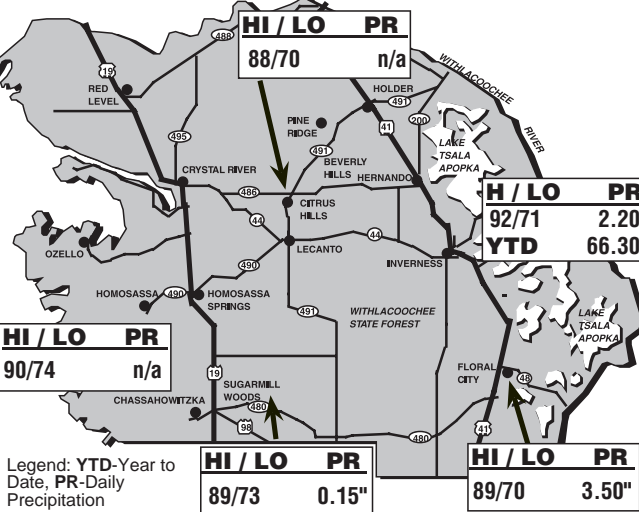
First Lady **Barbara Bush** gave him a kiss during the 1989 inauguration parade of her husband, President **George H.W. Bush**.

"(The president) said, 'I didn't know you knew Willard Scott.' I said, 'I don't know Willard Scott. I just love that face.'" the first lady recalled.

Scott handed the reins to Roker in 1996, occasionally filling in for him for the next decade before fully retiring in 2015.

— From wire reports

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



THREE DAY OUTLOOK

TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING
High: 90° Low: 70°
Mostly sunny, isolated PM storms

MONDAY & TUESDAY MORNING
High: 91° Low: 71°
Partly cloudy, isolated PM storms

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY MORNING
High: 91° Low: 71°
Partly cloudy, scattered storms

ALMANAC Data from Crystal River Airport

TEMPERATURE	Yesterday 89/70	DEW POINT	Yesterday at 3 p.m. 68°
Record* 97/53		HUMIDITY	Yesterday at 3 p.m. 53%
Normal 91/70		POLLEN COUNT**	Today's active pollen: ragweed, grasses, chenopods
Mean temp. 81		Today's count: 4.7/12	
Departure from mean -1		Monday's count: 6.9	
PRECIPITATION	Yesterday 0.00"	Tuesday's count: 6.6	
Total for the month 1.24"		AIR QUALITY	Yesterday observed Good PM2.5
Total for the year 27.43"			
Normal for the year 39.74"			

*Official record values from Tampa International

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

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09/05	SUNDAY	7:09	12:05	7:45
09/06	MONDAY	7:09	12:55	7:44

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK				
	Sep 6		Sep 13	
	Sep 20		Sep 27	
	Sep 24		Sep 31	

BURN CONDITIONS				
Today's Fire Danger Index is: NONE. There is no burn ban.				
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WATERING RULES				
For established lawns and landscapes, irrigation may occur during only one (1) of the specified time periods, 12:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., or 4:00 p.m. - 11:59 p.m., on the allowable watering days below:				
Addresses with house numbers ending in:				
0 - 1	Monday	6 - 7	Thursday	
2 - 3	Tuesday	8 - 9 or- Common Areas	Friday	
4 - 5	Wednesday			

TIDES				
*From mouths of rivers **At King's Bay ***At Mason's Creek				
SUNDAY				
City	High	Low	High	Low
Chassahowitzka**	5:36 a.m.	0.2 ft	6:11 p.m.	0.6 ft
Crystal River**	4:29 a.m.	1.5 ft	4:10 p.m.	2.3 ft
Withlacoochee*	2:16 a.m.	3.1 ft	1:23 p.m.	3.9 ft
Homosassa***	6:30 a.m.	0.7 ft	5:36 p.m.	1.3 ft

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FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

City	H	L	F'cast	City	H	L	F'cast
Daytona Bch.	87	73	pc	Miami	88	78	t
Fort Lauderdale	91	77	t	Ocala	90	73	t
Fort Myers	89	76	pc	Orlando	91	74	sh
Gainesville	90	72	t	Pensacola	87	74	pc
Homestead	91	75	t	Sarasota	89	76	s
Jacksonville	89	73	pc	Tallahassee	90	71	pc
Key West	89	80	pc	Tampa	90	76	pc
Lakeland	91	73	sh	Vero Beach	90	72	sh
Melbourne	90	73	sh	W. Palm Bch.	86	80	t

MARINE OUTLOOK

Today: West winds around 5 knots. Seas 2 feet or less. Bay and inland waters smooth. Tonight: West winds around 5 knots increasing to around 10 knots late in the afternoon. Seas 2 feet or less.

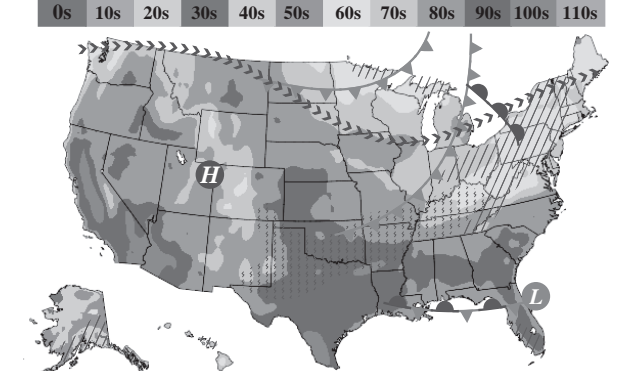
Gulf water temperature
84°
Taken at Crystal River

LAKE LEVELS

Location	SAT	FRI	Full
Withlacoochee at Holder	33.52	33.46	34.64
Tsala Apopka-Hernando	38.18	38.19	38.66
Tsala Apopka-Inverness	39.47	39.45	39.73
Tsala Apopka-Floral City	40.99	41.01	41.37

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

THE NATION



FORECAST FOR 3:00 P.M. Sunday

City	SAT H L Pcp.	SUN H L Fest	City	SAT H L Pcp.	SUN H L Fest
Albany	74 50 0.00	73 61 sh	New Orleans	91 90 0.00	89 75 pc
Albuquerque	90 70 0.00	87 63 sh	New York City	79 61 0.00	75 68 sh
Asheville	81 57 Trace	84 63 pc	Norfolk	80 63 0.00	87 71 s
Atlanta	84 57 0.00	87 68 s	Oklahoma City	97 73 0.00	85 65 mc
Atlantic City	77 56 0.00	80 70 mc	Omaha	81 66 0.00	83 62 s
Austin	100 77 0.00	101 77 pc	Palm Springs	111 77 0.00	109 86 s
Baltimore	81 57 0.00	80 67 sh	Philadelphia	78 61 0.00	79 66 mc
Billings	81 46 0.00	89 56 sm	Phoenix	105 81 0.00	105 82 s
Birmingham	88 64 0.00	89 71 s	Pittsburgh	76 57 0.00	75 60 sh
Boise	90 51 0.00	91 55 sm	Portland, ME	76 55 Trace	71 64 mc
Boston	81 63 0.00	76 67 mc	Portland, OR	88 55 0.00	82 59 s
Buffalo	81 57 0.00	77 63 sh	Providence, RI	79 57 0.00	76 66 mc
Burlington, VT	76 57 0.00	73 60 sh	Raleigh	85 54 0.00	88 70 s
Charleston, SC	84 61 0.00	86 72 s	Rapid City	77 49 Trace	85 61 hz
Charleston, WV	82 54 0.00	77 63 sh	Reno	92 49 0.00	93 58 sm
Charlotte	84 57 0.00	88 67 s	Rochester, NY	77 53 0.00	78 61 sh
Chicago	75 66 0.04	82 63 s	Sacramento	95 53 0.00	98 61 s
Cincinnati	82 61 Trace	80 59 sh	Salt Lake City	88 55 0.00	90 61 sm
Cleveland	81 63 0.00	77 63 sh	San Antonio	100 80 0.00	100 76 pc
Columbia, SC	86 59 0.00	89 65 s	San Diego	82 66 0.00	81 68 pc
Columbus, OH	81 62 0.02	79 57 sh	San Francisco	73 54 0.00	76 56 pc
Concord, NH	79 48 0.00	75 62 mc	Savannah	86 65 0.00	88 71 s
Dallas	99 78 0.00	92 75 mc	Seattle	79 53 0.00	74 57 ra
Denver	83 53 0.84	88 56 s	Spokane	85 51 0.00	85 56 hz
Des Moines	76 66 0.00	83 58 s	St. Louis	77 66 1.29	81 62 pc
Detroit	79 62 0.00	81 60 pc	St. Ste Marie	65 55 0.18	69 55 sh
El Paso	92 71 Trace	84 70 t	Syracuse	79 55 0.00	74 61 sh
Evansville, IN	81 64 Trace	80 59 t	Topeka	79 69 1.27	82 63 s
Harrisburg	79 57 0.00	70 64 sh	Washington	80 62 Trace	80 67 mc
Hartford	79 51 0.00	75 65 mc	YESTERDAY'S NATIONAL HIGH & LOW		
Houston	96 73 0.00	95 77 s	HIGH 112, Indio, Calif.		
Indianapolis	70 63 0.89	81 60 mc	LOW 21, Stanley, Idaho		
Kansas City	79 70 0.53	81 64 s	WORLD CITIES		
Las Vegas	100 74 0.00	105 80 s	SAT H/L/SKY		
Little Rock	97 70 0.00	85 66 t	Lisbon	81/66/pc	
Los Angeles	88 61 0.00	90 66 s	London	74/56/s	
Louisville	84 64 Trace	80 60 t	Madrid	87/71/pc	
Memphis	90 66 0.00	86 66 sh	Mexico City	74/56/ra	
Milwaukee	76 66 0.02	81 56 s	Montreal	68/61/ra	
Minneapolis	79 61 0.00	76 52 s	Moscow	50/41/mc	
Mobile	90 77 0.00	90 73 pc	Paris	85/65/ra	
Montgomery	85 65 0.00	91 71 pc	Rio	80/68/s	
Nashville	88 64 0.00	81 65 sh	Rome	88/67/s	

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

Today in
HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Sept. 5, the 248th day of 2021. There are 117 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight: On Sept. 5, 1972, the Palestinian group Black September attacked the Israeli Olympic delegation at the Munich Games, killing 11 Israelis and a police officer. German forces killed five of the gunmen.

On this date: In 1774, the first Continental Congress assembled in Philadelphia. In 1984, the space shuttle Discovery ended its inaugural flight as it landed at Edwards Air Force Base in California. In 1997, Mother Teresa died in Calcutta, India, at age 87. In 2019, the NFL opened its 100th season in Chicago, where the Green Bay Packers beat the Chicago Bears 10-3 in the season's first game.

Ten years ago: President Barack Obama used a boisterous Labor Day rally in Detroit to put congressional Republicans on the spot, challenging them to place the country's interests above all else and vote to create jobs and put the economy back on a path toward growth.

Five years ago: Chinese President Xi Jinping announced the close of the G-20 summit in the eastern city of Hangzhou, saying it had contributed to encouraging new progress in boosting global growth.

One year ago: Hundreds of people gathered for Black Lives Matter rallies and marches in Portland, Oregon.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian-actor Bob Newhart is 92. Actor-singer Carol Lawrence is 89. Former NFL All-Pro quarterback and college football Hall of Famer Billy Kilmer is 82. Actor Raquel Welch is 81. Singer Al Stewart is 76. Actor-director Dennis Dugan is 75. Actor Michael Keaton is 70. TV personality Dweezil Zappa is 52. Actor Rose McGowan is 48. Actor Carice Van Houten is 45.

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Obituaries


Michael Ball, 65

Michael Reed Ball, age 65, passed into the arms of Jesus on August 27, 2021. He died at Chapters Hospice House surrounded by family after a brief bout with cancer. Mike was a local business owner, church deacon, and scuba enthusiast. He is survived by wife, Milly, and two daughters, Michelle and husband Alex (Birmingham, AL) and Madalyn (Oklahoma City, OK). A Celebration of Life service will be held at Gulf to Lake Church, Crystal River on Thursday, September 2nd, 2021, at 1:00 pm.

Mike Ball was a man who went out of his way to help others, even when there did not seem to be an easy solution. He was someone anyone could rely on, even if you had just met. He believed it was possible to fix almost anything given enough time and the right tools, from broken machines to seemingly insurmountable personal situations. He always had a way of making a problem seem more manageable. At a young age his signature look became overalls because he did not have to worry about getting them dirty while working on something. But even more than his overalls, he wore a smile for anyone and everyone. He never failed to respond to "How are you?" with "I'm blessed."

After marrying his high school sweetheart, Milly, both entered into military service with Air Force. He enjoyed traveling with his wife thru her 20 years of service, caring for their children, and helping his community in any way he could. He had a successful business providing parking for professional truck drivers. A bold advocate for Jesus, he was involved in a local AWANA ministry to provide a friendly outreach to share Jesus with young minds. His gift for real estate analysis and procurement facilitated the planting of a local Baptist church which he was involved with until limited by health problems.

Born in Chula Vista, CA and later moving to Fort Smith, AR with his family, he is survived by his parents Reed and Edwina Ball and 3 brothers Ron, Chris and Curtis Ball and their families. He liked fishing, motorcycle riding, ping pong, and martial arts. He was a graduate of Northside High School in Fort Smith, AR. He served as a carpenter in several Air Force assignments but his favorite was Lajes Field, Azores. A talent for construction work and problem-solving had developed early from working in his father's business. His generosity and willingness to teach others his skills resulted in blessings throughout the local community. There will be cards to write memories for a legacy book available at his Life Celebration service. He donated his body to Science Care to further medical teaching and research.

In lieu of flowers, family has requested donations to Gideons International who provide Bibles to share the Gospel. Mike believed strongly in reminding everyone he encountered that God has a plan for their life and that he was truly blessed regardless of current health problems or circumstances. Please join us in celebrating his entrance into the Lord's Kingdom.

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Dortha 'Dort' Robinson, 97
CITRUS HILLS

Dortha Irene Robinson of Citrus Hills — Hernando Florida passed away peacefully on Thursday, August 26, 2021, just one month prior to her 98th birthday. "Dort" was born to I.J. (Ike) and Letha (Powers) Short, in Wauseon, Ohio on September 27, 1923. She graduated from Wauseon High School and attended Bowling Green University. She married her high school sweetheart, Ned Robinson, in 1944 before Ned shipped off to the European Theatre in World War II.

Dort and Ned started their family in the Wauseon and Toledo area before moving to Leroy, OH (Westfield Center) in 1957 where they spent most of their life working and raising their family. Dortha taught nursery school for several years at the Leroy United Methodist Church and then became a teachers aide at Westfield Elementary where she worked until she retired.

Dort and Ned spent several years "wintering" in Citrus Hills before moving permanently to Florida around 2000.

Dort was the consummate hostess. She enjoyed hosting her friends and family for cocktails on her patio, parties, family gatherings, or one of her weekly card clubs. She was an avid Bridge player who always claimed to have "lousy cards." She loved being with her friends and was happiest when she was entertaining. She also enjoyed watching sporting events, especially golf and college football. She was a golfer and played well into her later years.

Dortha is survived by her four children - Mindy Myers, Uniontown, OH, Matt (Connie) Robinson, Hernando, FL., Cassie (Dave) Smith, Venice, FL, and Amy (Scott) Allen, Wooster, OH. Her 11 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren.

There will be a private family service at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

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David Betsko, 57

David R. Betsko, age 57, passed away unexpectedly on August 20, 2021, in Grants Pass, Oregon.

David was an accomplished athlete and an avid outdoorsman. He loved fishing, hunting, playing golf, and providing grateful stewardship of his portion of the Earth and those lucky enough to be within his influence.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Judith Rita (Prystas) Betsko, and his grandparents, George and Elizabeth Betsko.

He is survived by his father, Stephen George Betsko; his stepmother, Kathleen J. Betsko; his older brother, Stephen G. Betsko and his wife Natalie Betsko; niece, Erin Elizabeth Betsko; nephew, Stephen George Betsko III; his aunts, Cynthia Royer of Manchester, New Hampshire, and Irene Yancich of Richeyville, Pennsylvania; and three cousins in Brandon, Florida, Brian Moore, Scott Moore, and Donna Moore.

David graduated from The Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, earning the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

He was authentic. His free spirit, enthusiasm, and engaging sense of humor will be long remembered and genuinely missed by those who loved him.

His wish was to enter the guardianship of the Gulf of Mexico, where he has someone special waiting for him. Godspeed.

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John Reeves, 66
CANTONMENT

John Henry Reeves, 66, of Cantonment, Florida departed from his family and friends suddenly and unexpectedly to be with the Lord on Sunday, August 15, 2021. He was born on Sept. 19, 1954 in Burlington, VT to William Reeves and Barbara Ericksen.

He spent his formative years in various towns in Massachusetts but preferred the boondocks of Savoy, MA. He graduated from Hoo-sac Valley High School in Cheshire, MA where he was on the swimming/diving team.

John had many jobs including operating a ski resort, truck/bus driver, Citrus County Florida Fire Dept., constructions, and insurance adjuster. He was a volunteer firefighter everywhere he lived. John was preceded in death by his father. He is survived by his loving wife Pamela, mother Barbara (Ericksen) Whitford; step-children Jenn Cherry, Eric Cherry and Christine Cherry; step-grandchildren Julie Addison (Hurt) Delooze, Tyler Hurt, and Phoenix Hurt; sibling Deborah (Whitford) Wool, David Whitford, and Kenneth Whitford; his Aunt Alice; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

There will be a private service for family members at a later date. Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

Robert 'Bob' Nave, 78
HERNANDO

Robert "Bob" Victor Nave, 78, of Hernando, FL, passed away on August 29, at Arbor Trail, Inverness, FL, with his wife at his side. He was born on September 27, 1942, in Breese, IL, to William and Hazel (Turner) Nave.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, Gail (Monken) Nave; two children Robyn (Robert) McBride of Val-

paraiso, IN, and Robert (Karen) Nave of Highland, IL; four grandchildren: Jessica Nave, Troy (Miranda) Nave, Rob (Chloe) McBride, and Ryan McBride; and brother William (Judy) Nave. He is preceded in death by his parents and sister, Sharon (Nave) Allen.

In 1957, Bob earned the rank of Eagle Scout. His lifelong commitment to helping others included serving as a volunteer fireman and EMT. He was also a Master Mason.

While working full-time for Southwestern Bell Telephone in St. Louis, Bob received an undergraduate degree from McKendree College and MBA from Webster University. He finished his career with Cox Communications in Atlanta.

Both a kind and gentle man, Bob was devoted to his family. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, golf, and trap/skeet shooting. In addition, Bob was an avid baseball fan.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations to a charity of choice are encouraged.

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Jean Carley
INVERNESS

JEAN RYAN CARLEY died August 30, 2021, at Ephraim McDowell Hospital in Danville, Ky. She was born October 2, 1934, in Berea, OH to Dr. E. Wesley Ryan and Francis (Rothel). She was preceded in death by her parents, husband of 50 years, Ross Carley, and a brother, Col. William Ryan, U.S. Air Force (ret.).

Jean graduated from Berea High School in 1952 and Baldwin-Wallace College in 1956 with a degree in Home Economics. She became the Executive Coordinator for Mobile Meals of Marion County and retired in 1997. She and Ross moved to Inverness, FL permanently in 2010. Jean made jewelry pictures and loved flower arranging. She was an avid bridge player which she continued to play until months before her death. She was also a certified professional clown, "Putter the Clown".

Jean was a member of the Berea Historical Society, Marion Country Club, Marion Salem United Methodist Church, Citrus Memorial Hospital Share Club and attended Inverness Methodist Church. Jean is survived by her two children, Lynn (Tommy) Baldwin and Scott (Nicole) Carley; four grandchildren, Bennett, Jacob, Justin and Lily; and two great-grandchildren: Emily and Adeline.

By her own request, there will be no calling hours and no formal funeral services. She will be cremated and interred at Sunset Memorial Park in North Olmsted, OH next to Ross. Contributions in Jean's memory may be made to: Heart Of Ohio Junior Golf Association Carley Scholarship Fund P.O. Box 821 Marion, OH 43301-0821 Condolences may be made at www.marvineowensfuneralhome.com

Ronald Kirves
HUDSON

Ronald Lee Kirves passed away August 27, 2021. He was born June 22, 1937 in Evansville, IN, the son of Floyd and Leona Kirves. He is survived by Beverly, his wife of 62 years; son, Brent and his

wife, Terri; and three grandchildren: Stephanie, Matthew, and Katelyn. He spent most of his life teaching in middle schools in Indiana and Florida, and in school administration in Citrus County, FL. He will be dearly missed and always remembered. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

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Marion Browning, 94
HOMOSASSA

A Funeral Service of Remembrance for Marion Imogene Browning, 94, of Homosassa, will take place on Sat., Sept. 11, 2021 at 1:00 P.M. from Wilder Funeral Home, Homosassa. Interment will follow at Fountains Memorial Park, Homosassa. Friends will be received from 11:30 AM until time of service.


Billie d'Entremont, 101
HERNANDO

Billie Arlyne Smith d'Entremont, 101, passed away August 10, 2021 in Hernando, FL.

Billie, affectionately known as Tutu by her grand and great grandchildren, was born in Detroit, Michigan on November 23, 1919, to Guy Linn Smith and May Charlotte Goddard and was later raised in Charlevoix, Michigan. Tutu was a World War II Veteran and part of the first group of women sent overseas to serve in the United States Military as a US Coast Guard SPAR. She was also a pilot, an educator, and a member of the National Boy Scouts Order of the Arrow.

Tutu was an environmentalist at heart, and immersed herself in wildlife education and preservation. She mothered four children, the late John (Marion) d'Entremont, Robert (Marilyn) d'Entremont, Janis (Michael D'Agostino) Day, and Margaret d'Entremont.

She is survived by her three living children, 7 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, other family members, dearest Women Veterans sisters-in-arms, and friends. Family and Friends are welcome to join us for her virtual celebration of her life at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, "Punchbowl," at 2177 Puowaina Drive, Honolulu, HI 96813 on Friday, September 17, 2021 at 9:30am HST, where she will be laid to rest next to her late husband William R. d'Entremont. A second memorial service is scheduled on Thursday October 14, 2021 at 10:40am PST at the Veteran's Cemetery in Boulder City, NV.

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Harry Conrad, 83
CRYSTAL RIVER

Oh Harry! Harry Conrad, 83 of Crystal River passed to the other side for happy hour on Friday 8/20/2021.

Upon his arrival from Germany, he gained his US citizenship and then joined the USAF as a special weapons technician. From the service he was with General Dynamics working on secret things in the Nevada desert.

He was a terrific backyard gymnast (Oh Harry, be careful!) when he wasn't building something from stone decks to wood headboards (Oh Harry, could you?). He had a wonderful ability to fix all broken things, which proved most helpful with 4 children, 3 of them boys (Oh no, Harry can you?). And, yes, he always did!

He was a numismatist, extremely good at math (another sudoku book for Father's Day!) and could grow anything blooming or edible in his yard. Oh Harry!

He loved tuna melt sandwiches, strong coffee and, unfortunately, cigarettes. Oh Harry, outside please!

He loved nature, spending much of his family time taking long walks in the forest/woods (here in the US and Germany) in and on the water, and stargazing, instilling this same love to his children who he loaded up and moved to Citrus County from Long Island, NY in 1972 to escape the big city crowds.

Along with the many jobs he worked upon arriving in Florida, owning/operating "Harry's TV" was his most fulfilling.

Upon passing from cancer (surprisingly, not lung from all those cigarettes) he was surrounded by his family and loving, dedicated wife, Christel of 65 years, who he met at the German passport office. Oh, my Harry!

He will be so greatly missed by his children, Carmen (John Cox), Andrew (Norma Santos), Dean (Janet Olson), Ralph (Debbie), his 4 terrific grandchildren, Christel Davis (Kurt), Kayla Cassidy (Chad), Dakota, and Dallas, and his six great grandchildren, Carly, Keaten, Karsen, Katalina, Carissa and Conrad (the latest, Conrad, being born hours after his passing). His sister, Jutta Salitter and family in Germany. As well as all the friends he made everywhere he went.

One could say he was prideful and stubborn, unwilling to ask, but quite willing to give. He was a strong believer that one simply did what needed to be done and if not, well then, a kick in the pants was threatened but not needed...well, 3 boys...let's say rarely. We will always remember that wonderful, charming, mischievous smile that meant everything is ok, or you're really in trouble now. He seldom let anything stress him out, enjoying life as it came one day at a time.

So, we lift our glasses and toast to you, with all those gift bottles you refused to open, and we will always carry you in our hearts.

Wir Lieben Dich! Arrangements for Harry were held in private prior to cremation.

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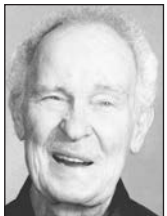


Obituaries

Bernardus 'Ben' Vander Geld, 81

INVERNESS

Bernardus "Ben" Vander Geld, 81, of Inverness, FL passed away on September 1st, 2021 under the care of HPH Hospice in Lecanto, FL. He was born to the late Willem A. and Barbara (Goedemans) Vander Geld on June 30th, 1940 in Netherlands. He will be remembered for being a loving person who



Bernardus Vander Geld

loved music and loved God. He enjoyed line dancing, karaoke, and making new friends. Ben made friends everywhere he went and was loved by many. He will be dearly missed.

Those left to cherish Ben's memory are his beloved wife of 52 years, Ann Vander Geld; his children, Bernard (Yolanda) Vander Geld of Baldwin, Michigan, William (Sondra) Vander Geld of Dutton, Michigan, Vincent Vander Geld of Spring Lake, Michigan, Dawn (Ted) Sullivan of Cutlerville, Michigan, and Tammy (Robert) Smith of Castroville, Texas; his brother, Cornelius Vander Geld; his sister, Maria Kurek; his several cherished grandchildren; and his many adored great-grandchildren.

A Funeral Service of Remembrance is on Monday, September 6th, 2021 at 12:00 PM at the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home. Calling hours will begin at 10 AM and continue until the hour of service. Ben will be laid to rest following the conclusion of the services at Hills of Rest Cemetery of Floral City, FL. Arrangements are under the direction of the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home, Inverness, FL.

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Olga Madrigal, 89

INVERNESS

Olga Marina Madrigal, 89 of Inverness, passed away August 29, 2021.

Born in Cuba on September 1, 1931, Olga was a professional seamstress



Olga Madrigal

earning her living making men's suits, coats, and designer women's clothing. She lived in New York and New Jersey for several years before relocating to Inverness in 1993 where she enjoyed the remainder of her life.

Olga loved her home, Inverness, and truly enjoyed her life in Florida. Left to cherish her memory are her children: daughter, Teri Paduano and her husband Ralph, of Inverness, and son, Rene Madrigal of Inverness.

Olga was a loving mother who always provided support and love for her family. She will be sadly missed but will forever live on in the hearts of those that loved her.

A Celebration of Life Memorial service for Olga will be conducted on Monday, September 13, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, in Inverness, with Fr. Claudius Mganga, officiating. Friends are welcomed to visit and offer their support to the family at the funeral home from 10:00 AM until service time.

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Patti Ballard, 65

INVERNESS

Patti Claire Ballard of Inverness, FL passed away at her home while surrounded by her loving family on August 27, 2021 at the age of 65. She was born to the late Carl Hazen and Donna Evelyn (Webster) Page on December 26, 1955 in Haverhill, MA. Patti relocated to Miami for her high school years where she made a



Patti Ballard

few lifelong friends. Patti earned her Bachelor's Degree in education from Tennessee Temple University in Chattanooga then went on to do missionary work in the Bahamas. Once she returned from missionary work she made Citrus County her home in 1979 and on June 14, 1980 she married Michael Philip Ballard with whom she shared 41 years of loving marriage.

Patti was extremely dedicated to her family. She felt very strongly about homeschooling her children, grandchildren, and helping other families with their homeschool journey for over a quarter of a century. In her spare time she enjoyed sewing and scrapbooking. She had also enjoyed raising dairy goats for many years and was a member of the American Dairy Goat Association.

In addition to her loving husband Michael, those left to mourn Patti's passing include her sons: Seth Ballard and his wife Robin of Inverness, Joshua Ballard and his wife Leah of St. Cloud, Carl Ballard of Inverness; daughter, Hannah Ringstaff and her husband James of Jacksonville; brother, Carl "Buster" Page, Jr. of Salt Springs, FL; sister, Jacquelyn Hudson and her husband Bryan of Havana, FL; four grandchildren - Kaitlin, Keira, Christopher, Aiden and a fifth one that is on the way.

A Memorial Celebration of Patti's life is scheduled for 10:00 AM on Friday,

September 10, 2021 at the Chas E. Davis Funeral Home in Inverness. A spiritual message will be offered by her dear friend, Clarine Nordell. Patti will be laid to rest privately at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL at a later date. Chas E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the local Friends if Citrus Hospice Center in her honor by donating online (www.friendsofcitrus.org) or send a check to 8471 W Periwinkle Lane Homosassa FL 34446.

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Frederick Dunbar, 79

BEVERLY HILLS

Fredrick "Fast Freddie" Dunbar Age: 79 Hometown: Beverly Hills

Fredrick C. Dunbar loving husband and father of three passed away August 29, 2021 at the age of 79 of natural causes.



Fredrick Dunbar

Fred was born, August 3rd, 1942 in Philadelphia, PA. and resided in Pennsauken, New Jersey. As a boy he enjoyed athletics, especially baseball.

"Fast Freddie" enlisted in the Navy in 1963 and worked as a linguistic and cryptologic technician with Naval Security Group Activities (NSGA). He subsequently, received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of the State of New York, in 1989, enabling him to further his career as an officer.

He and his family travelled around the world to a number of places (including Puerto Rico where he met his wife), Japan, Spain and Scotland but eventually "docked" in Odenton, MD. He retired from the Navy as a Lieutenant, and move to Beverly Hills, FL.

Fred was very

gregarious and had a lot of friends. Always quick with a bad joke, and enjoyed time at the Spanish dances with Diana, and his friends. He was an avid bowler and golfing was a lifestyle!

He is survived by his loving wife Diana, his sons, Ivan and Freddie, and his daughter Tracy as well as three grandchildren, Katie, Andrew, and Tatum.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate a tribute in Fred's name to the Alzheimer's Association (www.alz.org).

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Theodore Burrige, 97

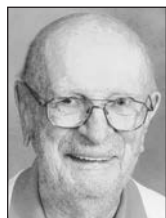
DUNNELLON

On August 19, 2021, Theodore Francis Burrige, age 97, of Dunnellon, FL left this earth to be comforted and held in the arms of our Lord.

Teddy as he was known by his friends and family was loved and admired. At 17 he entered the Army Air Corps in WWII. He was a mechanic of aircraft and also a Gunner Pilot. He loved flying and had many adventures with his brothers.

Ted was a lifetime member of the VFW, post commander of the Orlando unit from 1955-1957. He was a 56 year Mason and served well by transporting children to and from the hospital, he was also president of the golf unit.

He was a member of the Shriners Bahia Temple, Orlando Scottish Rite Valley of Orlando, 32nd Degree Mason and a member of the Pine Castle Masonic Lodge #368 F & AM



Theodore Burrige

of Orlando, FL.

Ted worked at the Cape Canaveral Computer Science Corp 1st flight purchasing agent. He also worked at Martin Marietta Corp for 10 years after leaving the Navy. He then worked 40 years with the government Air Force Navy Logistics and retired from both.

Ted was a strong, happy go getter person that everyone that met him loved. He cared for his Mom and Dad when they moved to Florida for many years. The past five years have been a struggle for him but he held his head high and fought the good fight with the help of his wife Ruth and his family.

Teddy leaves his loving wife, Ruth A Burrige that cared for him the last five years of his illness; one brother William "Bill" A Burrige and his wife Gwen; Many Nieces and nephews and extended family members, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at Brown Funeral Home and Crematory in Lecanto, Florida from 10 a.m. until service time at 12 Noon. Burial will be at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Florida.

Brown Funeral Home and Crematory in Lecanto, FL is in charge of arrangements.

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A nurse prepares a syringe Thursday morning, March 4, as another patient is vaccinated against COVID-19 at a drive-thru site in Crystal River.

COVID

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has taken a hard line against mask requirements, vaccine passports and business shutdowns.

As of mid-August, the state was averaging 244 deaths per day, up from just 23 a day in late June and eclipsing the previous peak of 227 during the summer of 2020. (Because of both the way deaths are logged in Florida and lags in reporting, more recent figures on fatalities per day are incomplete.)

Hospitals have had to rent refrigerated trucks to store more bodies. Funeral homes have been

overwhelmed.

Cristina Miles, a mother of five from Orange Park, is among those facing more than one loss at a time. Her husband died after contracting COVID-19, and less than two weeks later, her mother-in-law succumbed to the virus.

"I feel we are all kind of in a weird dream state," she said, adding that her children are grieving differently, with one shutting down, another feeling inspired to pass a hard swimming test, and the oldest going about her life as usual.

Hospitals have been swamped with patients who, like Miles' husband and mother-in-law, hadn't gotten vaccinated.

In a positive sign, the number of people in the hospital with COVID-19 in Florida has dropped over the past two weeks from more than 17,000 to 14,200 on Friday, indicating the surge is easing.

Florida made an aggressive effort early on to vaccinate its senior citizens. But Dr. Kartik Cherabuddi, a professor of infectious diseases at the University of Florida, said the raw number of those who have yet to get the shot is still large, given Florida's elder population of 4.6 million.

“Even 10% is still a very large number, and then folks living with them who come in contact with them are not vaccinated,” Cherabuddi said. “With delta,

things spread very quickly”

Cherabuddi said there is also a “huge difference” in attitudes toward masks in Florida this summer compared with last year. This

summer, "if you traveled around the state, it was like we are not really in a surge," he said.

Gov. Ron DeSantis has strongly opposed certain mandatory measures to keep the virus in check, saying people should be trusted to make decisions for themselves. He has asserted, too, that the spike in cases is seasonal as Floridians spend more time indoors to escape the heat.

At his funeral home in Tampa, Bright is working weekdays and weekends, staying past midnight sometimes.

"Usually we serve between five and six families a week. Right now, we are probably seeing 12 to 13 new families every week," he said. "It's nonstop. We are just trying to keep up with the volume."

He had to arrange the burial of one of his closest friends, a man he had entrusted with the access

code to his house. They used to carpool each other's kids to school, and their families would gather for birthday and Super Bowl parties.

"It is very, very difficult to go through this process for someone you love so dearly," he said.

Pat Seemann, a nurse practitioner whose company has nearly 500 elderly, homebound patients in central Florida, had not lost a single patient during the first waves. And then the variant she calls “the wrecking ball” hit.

In the past month, she lost seven patients in two weeks, including a husband and wife who died within days of each other.

"I cried all weekend. I was devastated, angry," she said.

Overall, more than 46,300 people have died of COVID-19 in Florida, which ranks 17th in per-capita deaths among the states.

The majority of the deaths this summer — like last summer — are among the elderly. Of the 2,345 people whose recent deaths were reported over the past

week, 1,479 of them were 65 and older — or 63%.

"The focus needs to be on who's dying and who's ending up in the hospital," Seeman said. "It's still going after the elderly."

But the proportion of under-65 people dying of COVID-19 has grown substantially, which health officials attribute to lower vaccination rates in those age groups.

Aaron Jaggi, 35, was trying to get healthy before he died of COVID-19, 12 hours after his older brother Free Jaggi, 41, lost his life to the virus. They were overweight, which increases the risk of severe COVID-19 illness, and on the fence about getting vaccinated, thinking the risk was minimal because they both worked from home, said Brittany Pequignot, who has lived with the family at various times and is like an adopted daughter.

After their death, the family found a whiteboard that belonged to Aaron. It listed his daily goals for sit-ups and push-ups.

"He was really trying," Pequignot said.

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VETERANS

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over 20% of our veteran presenters due to illness, death or moving out of the county,” said retired Col. Mark Bodenheimer, Veterans In The Classroom (VITC) Program Manager. “In a county with nearly 20,000 veterans, we should have a lot more than the 60 veterans on our current contact list. We need to get the message out there that we

need veterans to step up to this mission.” Bodenheimer said since its inception, the VITC has been “strongly supported by the Citrus County School District as one of the many events of Veterans Appreciation Week honoring our county’s veterans.” He added that the process to match veterans with teacher requests has been modernized and is now done online. “Ideally, we want a system whereby the veteran can go online, see the various teacher

requests, then click on those requests they want to participate in with an automated confirmation email going to the veteran and teacher,” he said. “I met with Superintendent Himmel and her IT team early this year and we are initiating one part of the automated system for the 2021 VITC.” A description of the VITC program, along with photos of presenters in previous years, will give new VITC presenters an idea of the program, he said. In the registration process,

veterans will be asked to give a brief description of their military acquired skills. “I have teachers requesting cooks, band players, helicopter pilots, accountants or Spanish-speaking veterans,” Bodenheimer said. This year, the VITC program will run weekdays from Nov. 1-10. All veterans who want to be presenters, even if they participated in the past, need to register for the VITC program by Oct. 13.

Veterans must be able to give age- and content-appropriate presentations to children using personal props, photos or digital presentations. To register: ■ Visit www.citrusschools.org/home. ■ Click on the “Veterans in the Classroom” flag icon below the photo of children. ■ Read about the program and complete the registration process. For questions, use the email address at the bottom of the registration page.

ROAD

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of Yulee Drive and Fishbowl Drive or Mango Tango Tropical Grill a little farther down on Yulee Drive. That was all woods and a few homes scattered here and there.

There wasn’t even a Fishbowl Drive.

“That used to be train tracks, and the bridge was an old train trestle,” Byrd said. “When I was a kid, they’d already taken the tracks up and just a few timbers were left in certain places.

“The tracks went into Homosassa where they turned it (the train) around where the post office is now,” he said.

That was the mullet train that traveled daily from Homosassa to Ocala and back.

When the train pulled into Homosassa for the night, the cars were left at the depot and whoever was around would help push the engine 180 degrees on a turntable. The engine pulled the cars toward Homosassa, but pushed them toward Crystal River.

“Where my grandmother’s house was, the track branched off and

went in front of her house and back out of the woods,” Byrd said. “The train also hauled cedar.”

Back in those days, it was said that the train tracks were haunted and a “headless man on a white horse” would appear around dusk and go up and down the tracks.

“We used to go out looking for him, but we never saw him,” Byrd said.

■■■

Byrd’s uncle, Clyde Byrd, was a Citrus County commissioner for 17 years. He also owned a service station where the Starting Gate restaurant is now on West Yulee Drive past the curve at the First Baptist Church.

“It used to be a two-story building with a lift to work on cars,” Byrd said. “My Aunt Callie used to have a beauty shop there, too.”

A little farther down Yulee is Homosassa Elementary School, but that’s not the same school Bryd attended.

“The school was a two-story brick building that went up to eighth grade,” he said. “The school burned down after I went in the Navy, and that was in 1960.”

The school had a big auditorium that seated about 500 people, and was used

as a movie theater where once a week they would show a newsreel, cartoons and a movie.

“Here’s something most people don’t know: In the ‘40s and ‘50s there used to be a drive-in theater,” he said. “Where the school is, the road splits to the right, and it was down about two blocks on the lefthand side. When we were kids, we’d walk there or ride our bicycles and watch cartoons.”

Also, Elvis wasn’t the only movie star to make a movie in Citrus County.

In 1951, John Payne and Rhonda Fleming starred in “Crosswinds,” which was filmed in part on the Homosassa River.

“It happened at Hell’s Gate, a narrow part of the (Homosassa) River,” Byrd said. “They had huts on both sides of the river and a 20-foot swinging bridge across it. A big sailboat came through and native Indians were shooting arrows and they were shooting guns from the boat.”

■■■

The Homosassa River was Joe Byrd’s playground as a kid.

His father was a fishing guide and when Bryrd and his younger brother would come home from school on Fridays they would

take their dad’s trawling motor and put it on their little boat and be gone the whole weekend camping and hunting and fishing.

“I was 10 or so,” Byrd said. “When we were old enough to hold up a gun, we were out hunting squirrels, turkeys, ducks, wild pigs. It was plentiful around here.”

Byrd joined the Navy at the firm recommendation of Judge O. Frank Scofield.

“I liked speeding,” Byrd said. “I got into trouble too many times with Judge Scofield, and the last time I was in court he gave me a choice: Either he would sign me up for the Army or I could decide which branch of the service to go in. I joined the Navy.”

Byrd spent the next 46 years not in Florida, ex-

cept to visit.

He served seven years in the Navy as a radarman, including a tour in Vietnam.

After that, he lived in California and Oregon.

He was married 15 years to his first wife, Pricilla, and has been married to Joy, whom he met in San Diego, since 1981.

They moved back to Old Homosassa in 2006.

The Byrds own the property on Anchorage Street where Joe’s grandmother lived and rented out homes there as vacation rentals.

His grandmother’s house, built in 1944, had to be torn down.

“We actually came here for our honeymoon,” Joy Byrd said. “Back in 1981, there wasn’t a single fast

food restaurant anywhere around.”

From their home on Fishbowl Drive, the Byrds look out their kitchen window onto a canal.

“There were no canals around here when I was growing up,” Joe Byrd said. “They’re all man made. Where Publix is (at U.S. 19 and Halls River Road) there used to be a big, beautiful hotel ... and the bridge was a one-way wooden bridge.

“A lot of people I grew up with are still here,” he said. “Nowadays, for a small town, Homosassa — and Crystal River — does a lot for Citrus County. The majority of the tourism is here, and it caters to a lot of people.

“But I hope it doesn’t change too much,” he said. “I hope it stays small.”

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Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU) for fiscal year 2021-22.

Under an MSBU, the assessment is not subject to homestead and other exemptions. It would apply to landowners in the unincorporated areas; the cities of Inverness and Crystal River have their own stormwater management protocols and fees.

The fee would pay for projects to prevent untreated runoff from flowing directly into rivers, lakes, canals and groundwater.

More specifically, the fee would provide funds needed to:

- Build capital improvement projects (mitigating existing flooding issues and protect springs and manatees).
- Administer the county’s stormwater program as mandated by the federal and state government.
- Maintain and repair stormwater infrastructure, currently funded at \$4.8 million.
- Provide public outreach, increased maintenance service and monitoring stormwater-related sites.

The average rate for a single-family home is \$58.84 a year.

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Hurricane Ida electric restoration could take weeks

Energy company says storm affected 22,000-plus poles

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Associated Press

HOUMA, La. — Full restoration of electricity to some of the hardest-hit areas of Louisiana battered to an unprecedented degree by Hurricane Ida could take until the end of the month, the head of Entergy Louisiana warned Saturday.

Ida damaged or destroyed more than 22,000 power poles, more than hurricanes Katrina, Zeta and Delta combined, an impact Entergy President and CEO Phillip May called “staggering.” More than 5,200 transformers failed and nearly 26,000 spans of wire — the stretch of transmission wires between poles — were down.

“The level of devastation makes it quite difficult or near impossible to get in and fully assess some places,” said May of five southeastern Louisiana parishes facing the longest delays. The company is estimating full power restoration by Sept. 29 or even longer for some customers, although May said that was a “no later than” date with the hope of earlier restoration.

One of those parishes is Terrebonne, where volunteers in the parish seat of Houma handed out ice, water and meals to shell-shocked storm survivors on Saturday. Houma is roughly 55 miles southwest of New Orleans.

Among those in need was 26-year-old Kendall Duthu of Dulac, who collected a container of red beans and rice, pulling over an Infiniti with a shattered windshield to eat.

Duthu has been living in his car, with his girlfriend, since the storm hit. He was

once a cook at a jambalaya restaurant, but the pandemic claimed that job. He was working at a car wash until that went away too. Duthu, a diabetic, lost his house in the storm and doesn’t know what’s next.

“Next stop, I don’t really ...” he said, trailing off. “We’ve just been living day by day.”

Houma’s Hancock Whitney Bank, itself badly damaged by Ida, has distributed about 42,000 meals since Tuesday, and many more bottles of water, said CEO John Hairston.

“Hurricanes are just a part of life,” he said. “Buildings come and go. We may be on a different block. But next storm, we’ll be here.”

As of Saturday morning, 97% of damage assessment was complete and power restored to about 282,000 customers from the peak of 902,000 who lost power after Ida. About a quarter of New Orleans residents have had power restored, including all the city’s hospitals, and the city’s 27 substations are ready to serve customers, said Deanna Rodriguez, Entergy New Orleans president and CEO.

The lower Mississippi River reopened to all vessel traffic in New Orleans and key ports throughout southeastern Louisiana after power lines from a downed transmission tower were removed, the Coast Guard said.

But six days after Hurricane Ida made landfall, hard-hit parts of Louisiana were still struggling to restore any sense of normalcy. Even around New Orleans, a continued lack of power for most residents made a sultry stretch of summer hard to bear and added to woes in the aftermath of Ida. Louisiana authorities said Saturday that



A man looks at a partially collapsed building in the aftermath of Hurricane Ida, Saturday, Sept. 4, in Houma, La. Full restoration of electricity to some of the hardest-hit areas of Louisiana battered by Hurricane Ida could take until the end of the month, the head of Entergy Louisiana warned Saturday.

a man wanted in the shooting death a day earlier of another man during a dispute in a line at a gas station in suburban New Orleans was in custody.

New Orleans Mayor LaToya Cantrell said the city would offer transportation starting Saturday to any resident looking to leave the city and get to a public shelter. It already began moving some residents out of senior homes.

Meanwhile Saturday, the U.S. Coast Guard cleanup crews were responding to a sizable oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico following the storm. The spill, which is ongoing, appears to be coming from a source underwater at an offshore drilling lease about two miles south of Port Fourchon, Louisiana.

At the New Orleans Renaissance Place senior home Friday, dozens of residents lined up to get on minibuses equipped with wheelchair lifts after city officials said they determined conditions at the facility were not safe and evacuated it.

But Cantrell also encouraged residents to return to the city as their power comes back, saying they

could help the relief effort by taking in neighbors and family who were still in the

dark. Only a small number of city residents had power back by Friday though

almost all electricity should return by Wednesday, according to Entergy.

The outlook was not as promising south and west of the city, where Ida’s fury fully struck. The sheriff’s office in Lafourche Parish cautioned returning residents about the difficult situation that awaited them — no power, no running water, little cellphone service and almost no gasoline.

Some parishes outside New Orleans were battered for hours by winds of 100 mph or more.

President Joe Biden arrived Friday to survey the damage in some of those spots, touring a neighborhood in LaPlace, a community between the Mississippi River and Lake Pontchartrain that suffered catastrophic wind and water damage that sheared off roofs and flooded homes.

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National NEWS

Navy declares 5 missing sailors dead after helicopter crash

SAN DIEGO — The U.S. Navy declared five missing sailors dead nearly a week after a helicopter crashed in the Pacific Ocean, shifting the search for them to a recovery operation on Saturday.

The move followed more than 72 hours of coordinated rescue efforts and nearly three dozen search and rescue flights to look for the wreckage, the Navy's Pacific fleet said in a Saturday statement.

The names of the sailors were being withheld until their next of kin have been notified.

Also injured on Tuesday were five other sailors who were on board the USS Abraham Lincoln aircraft carrier where the MH-60S helicopter was operating on the deck before the crash.

They were in stable conditions as of Saturday, said Lt. Samuel R. Boyle, a spokesman for the Pacific fleet.

An investigation into what caused the crash about 70 miles off San Diego is ongoing, but the fact that sailors aboard the carrier were injured raised questions about whether the helicopter or parts of it hit the Lincoln. When helicopters take off and land on the ship, there are ground crews present on the carrier nearby and other people working on deck.

The helicopter crashed during what the Navy described only as routine flight operations.

The MH-60S helicopter typically carries a crew of about four and is used in missions including combat support, humanitarian disaster relief and search and rescue.

The aircraft belongs to the Navy's Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 8.

Lake Tahoe evacuees hope to return home as wildfire slows

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, Calif. — Firefighters are making progress on a California wildfire threatening South Lake Tahoe, officials said Saturday, lifting hopes for tens of thousands of residents who are waiting this weekend to return to the resort town.

Lighter winds and higher humidity continue to reduce the spread of flames and fire crews were quick to take advantage by doubling down on burning and cutting fire lines around the Caldor Fire.

Bulldozers with giant blades, crews armed with shovels and a fleet of aircraft dropping hundreds of thousands of gallons of water and fire retardant helped keep the fire's advance to a couple of thousand acres — a fraction of its explosive spread last month and the smallest increase in two weeks.

"The incident continues to look better and better every day," Tim Burton, an operations chief with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention, told firefighters at a Saturday briefing. "A large part of that is due to your hard work as well as the weather cooperating in the last week or so."

The northeast section of the immense Sierra Nevada blaze was still within a few miles of South Lake Tahoe and the Nevada state line but fire officials said it hadn't made any significant advances in several days and wasn't challenging containment lines in long sections of its perimeter.

— From wire reports

Afghans fear rollback of rights



Associated Press

Women gather to demand their rights under the Taliban rule during a protest in Kabul, Afghanistan, Saturday, Sept. 4. The Taliban have promised an inclusive government and a more moderate form of Islamic rule than when they last ruled the country from 1996 to 2001. But many Afghans, especially women, are deeply skeptical and fear a rollback of rights gained over the past two decades.

Taliban special forces bring abrupt end to women's protest

KATHY GANNON
Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — Taliban special forces in camouflage fired their weapons into the air Saturday, bringing an abrupt and frightening end to the latest protest march in the capital by Afghan women demanding equal rights from the new rulers.

Also on Saturday, the chief of Pakistan's powerful intelligence agency, which has an outsized influence on the Taliban, made a surprise visit to Kabul.

Taliban fighters quickly captured most of Afghanistan last month and

celebrated the departure of the last U.S. forces after 20 years of war. The insurgent group must now govern a war-ravaged country that is heavily reliant on international aid.

The women's march — the second in as many days in Kabul — began peacefully. Demonstrators laid a wreath outside Afghanistan's Defense Ministry to honor Afghan soldiers who died fighting the Taliban before marching on to the presidential palace.

"We are here to gain human rights in Afghanistan," said 20-year-old protester Maryam Naiby. "I love my country. I will al-

ways be here."

As the protesters' shouts grew louder, several Taliban officials waded into the crowd to ask what they wanted to say.

Flanked by fellow demonstrators, Sudaba Kabiri, a 24-year-old university student, told her Taliban interlocutor that Islam's Prophet gave women rights and they wanted theirs. The Taliban official promised women would be given their rights but the women, all in their early 20s, were skeptical.

As the demonstrators reached the presidential palace, a dozen Taliban special forces ran into the

crowd, firing in the air and sending demonstrators fleeing. Kabiri, who spoke to The Associated Press, said they also fired tear gas.

The Taliban have promised an inclusive government and a more moderate form of Islamic rule than when they last ruled the country from 1996 to 2001.

But many Afghans, especially women, are deeply skeptical and fear a rollback of rights gained over the past two decades.

For much of the past two weeks, Taliban officials have been holding meetings among themselves, amid reports of differences among them emerging.



Associated Press

Volunteers, employees and family members remove water and mud from Goldberg's Famous Deli in Millburn, N.J., Saturday, Sept. 4, after the shop as flooded by the arrival of the remnants of Hurricane Ida. Flood-stricken families and business owners across the Northeast are hauling waterlogged belongings to the curb and scraping away noxious mud as cleanup from Ida moves into high gear.

Northeast deals with muck after Ida

WAYNE PARRY
Associated Press

CRANFORD, N.J. — Flood-stricken families and business owners across the Northeast were hauling waterlogged belongings to the curb Saturday and scraping away noxious mud as cleanup from the deadly remnants of Hurricane Ida moves into high gear.

The mud-caked sidewalks of Cranford, New Jersey, were lined with the detritus of the suburban dream: household items and furnishings that once made a cozy home reduced to rubbish by the sudden storm waters that swamped homes, cars and businesses and killed at

least 50 people in six eastern states.

This community along the normally placid Rahway River experienced major flooding when Ida arrived in the Northeast with furious rainfall that in places topped 8 inches Wednesday and Thursday.

The main foes during the massive cleanup: muck, mud and sewage.

"The sewer backed up into our basement and now we have to get it deep-cleaned," said Dave Coughlin, one of many residents on his street near the river busily engaged in dragging ruined possessions to the curb. He and his wife, Christina, were taking their two young children to stay

somewhere else temporarily while the cleanup progressed.

"I don't want them breathing this stuff in or smelling the bleach," he said.

After touring a flood-wrecked apartment complex on the banks of the Raritan River Saturday in Piscataway, New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy warned residents about the potentially harmful contaminants left behind.

"You have to assume the worst," he said. "If you're in there, you want to have windows and doors open."

Ida blew ashore in Louisiana on Sunday tied as the fifth-strongest storm to ever hit the U.S. mainland, then moved north with

rain that overwhelmed urban drainage systems.

A record 3 inches poured down in a single hour in New York City, where by Thursday afternoon, nearly 7 1/2 inches had fallen, according to the National Weather Service. Eleven people died when they were unable to escape rising water in their low-lying apartments.

On Saturday, the city opened service centers in each of the five boroughs to connect people with housing, food and mental health counseling. Seventy-seven people displaced by the storm were being housed in hotels, Office of Emergency Management spokeswoman Christina Farrell said.

World NEWS

Extremist was released from New Zealand jail despite fears

WELLINGTON, New Zealand — New Zealand authorities imprisoned a man inspired by the Islamic State group for three years after catching him with a hunting knife and extremist videos — but at a certain point, despite grave fears he would attack others, they say they could do nothing more to keep him behind bars.

So for 53 days from July, police tracked the man's every move, an operation that involved some 30 officers working around the clock. Their fears were borne out Friday when he walked into an Auckland supermarket, grabbed a kitchen knife from a store shelf and stabbed five people, critically injuring three.

Two more shoppers were injured in the melee. On Saturday, three of the victims remained hospitalized in critical condition and three more were in stable or moderate conditions. The seventh person was recovering at home. The youngest victim was a 29-year-old woman, the oldest a 77-year-old man.

Court documents named the attacker as 32-year-old Ahamed Aathil Mohamed Samsudeen, a Tamil Muslim from Sri Lanka who arrived in New Zealand 10 years ago on a student visa seeking refugee status, which he was granted in 2013.

Undercover officers monitoring Samsudeen from just outside the supermarket sprang into action when they saw shoppers running and heard shouting, police said, and shot him dead within a couple of minutes of him beginning his attack.

Report: More sharks, rays threatened with extinction

PARIS — The world's sharks and rays have seen declines in their populations since 2014 and more and more are now threatened with extinction, according to a new red list released Saturday at a global conference aimed at protecting dwindling species.

The Komodo dragon is now listed as endangered, notably because of rising sea levels and rising temperatures in its Indonesian habitat. Ebonies and rosewoods threatened by logging were among trees put on the list for the first time this year.

There are signs of hope, too — fishing quotas have allowed several tuna species to be put on the "path to recovery," according to the announcement from The International Union for the Conservation of Nature.

Some 37% of the world's sharks and rays are considered in danger as of 2021, up from 33% seven years ago, the IUCN announced.

Overfishing, a loss of habitat and climate change explain the upward trend, it said.

Oceanic shark populations have dropped by 71% since 1970.

But the progress in reviving tuna populations and some other species "is the demonstration that if states and other actors take the right actions ... it is possible to recover," IUCN director Bruno Oberle told reporters in the southern French city of Marseille.

The IUCN Red List Unit reassesses hundreds of species each year.

Of the some 138,000 species the group tracks, more than 38,000 are threatened with extinction.

— From wire reports

VETERANS NOTES

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

COMING UP

Golf tourney to benefit vets

The Valued Veterans of the Inverness Moose Lodge is hosting a golf tournament at 8 a.m. Oct. 23 at the Citrus Hills Golf and Country Club Oaks Course, 509 E. Hartford St. in Hernando.

Groups short of four players will be combined. The tournament is open to all men and women.

The cost is \$60 per player and includes golf, cart, on-course beverages, prizes and lunch following at the Inverness Moose Lodge, 221 S. Haid Terrace in Lecanto. Eagle Buick will sponsor a vehicle and other prizes for holes in one.

All proceeds go directly to benefit local veterans in need.

To sign up, call Kelly Halsey at 352-586-0780 or pick up a sign-up sheet at the Inverness Moose Lodge.

Labor Day picnic at the VFW

VFW Post 4252 will host a Labor Day picnic from noon until 3 p.m. Sept. 6 at the post, 3190 N. Carl G. Rose Highway in Hernando.

Sandwiches and salads will be provided for a donation. This event is open to the public.

For more information, call 352-726-3339.

First responders dinner at VFW

The VFW Post 10087 will host a Thanksgiving dinner for all first responders, family and members from noon to 6 p.m. Sept. 11 at the post, 2170 W. Vet Lane in Beverly Hills.

There will be music by Dream Weaver, horse-shoes and corn hole.

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

American Legion sets drives

The Arnold V. Allen American Legion Post 166 will host blood and membership drives in honor of American Legion Day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 16 at the post, 4520 S. Suncoast Blvd. in Homosassa.

The Life South Bloodmobile will be on site from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Blood, plasma, and platelets are in great need in the community.

The membership drive will be held inside the post from noon to 5 p.m. All are invited to attend and learn about the American Legion's many programs.

9/11 remembrance service

The Arnold Vern Allen American Legion Post 166 will conduct a 9/11 remembrance service on Saturday, Sept. 11, at the post, 4520 S. Suncoast Blvd. in Homosassa.

Continental breakfast will be available at 11 a.m. and the 9/11 remembrance service will begin at 11:30 a.m. All are invited to attend.

VFW to host Labor Day picnic

The VFW Post 4864 Auxiliary of Citrus Springs will host a Labor Day picnic at 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Sept. 6 at the post, 10199 N. Citrus Springs Blvd.

The picnic is open to the public and the cost is \$7 per person. There will be a DJ with karaoke on site.

Groups larger than four are requested to reserve a table in advance. Call 352-465-4864.

Post 4252 to host flea market

VFW Post 4252 Auxiliary is hosting a flea market at 8 a.m. Oct. 17, 3190 N. Carl G. Rose Highway in Hernando.

Indoor tables will be provided for \$10. Those who wish to set up an outdoor table for \$5 must bring their own. No refunds will be issued and all proceeds will go to veterans and family support funds.

For more information or to reserve a table, visit 352-726-3339.

Military card party at VFW

VFW Post 4252 Auxiliary will host a military card party on Nov. 3 at 3190 N. Carl G. Rose Highway in Hernando.

The event will feature card games, a silent auction and lunch. The cost is \$12 per person. Proceeds will benefit the Veteran's Village at Fort McCoy. New players are welcome to learn how to play.

For information and registration, call Doris Ricard at 352-419-5519.

17th annual CCFV golf tourney

Check in for the 17th annual Citrus County Veterans Foundation (CCVF) golf tournament will be at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, at the Citrus Hills Golf and Country Club pro shop with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start.

Groups short of four persons will be combined into teams. You do not need to be a veteran to participate.

The tournament is dedicated to the late Rear Adm. Carlton "Mac" McLeod, retired U.S. Navy and the CCFV president from its inception in

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JOHN STEWART/Special to the Chronicle

Veterans Motorcycle Club members sadly listen to tributes to their deceased brothers.

Is the war really over?

I returned this week from a trip to Virginia, where my wife and I visited our son who served 56 months in combat as a Green Beret Combat Medic and sniper in a war that is now being declared as finished.

During the time with our son, I traveled with him on a day trip to North Carolina to attend a ceremony honoring two veterans who recently passed away, a function hosted by a large number of members of the Veterans Motorcycle Club. My son is a member of this non-profit organization that was formed in 1982 with chapters located in New York, Colorado, Kansas, North Carolina, Missouri, Texas, Germany, Virginia and a Nomad Chapter. It is



John Stewart
VETERANS VOICE

comprised of veterans, for veterans, where all members own and ride street legal, American-made, motorcycles.

At this ceremony I found some unbelievable heroes of this country, many were former or current Special Forces veterans and some having served with my son in combat. I met heroes missing a leg, missing both legs, suffering from multiple bullet wounds, horrific scarring, having traumatic brain injuries from exploding devices, with post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), along with other mental and physical health conditions after service to America.

Of course, most were highly decorated with rows and rows of medals such as the Silver Star, Bronze Star with Valor and multiple Purple Hearts. One, I was told, receiving the first Purple Heart presented by former President Trump during his tenure in office.

The first thing you see at a veterans function like this is their comradery and outright love for one another. In fact, they refer to one another as "brothers."

And, they are, and I will refer to them in that manner. Because they served together, fought together, bled together, cried together over fallen brothers, and they became one. They became brothers.

As an Air Force retiree with no combat experience in Iraq or Afghanistan and having served before most of



Photo courtesy of John Stewart

SFC Kelly Stewart and his father, John Stewart, USAF chief master sergeant, retired.

these brothers were even born, I figured it would be difficult to talk to them but found the opposite to be true. I did note that whenever I discussed their service in the war, they always seemed to indicate they only performed their assigned jobs and their brother served more honorably and heroically.

I also observed many were struggling terribly with the results of our departure from Afghanistan.

My lead into our conversations to discuss the Afghanistan withdrawal and their thoughts on the subject was that I and my "brothers" had experienced a similar situation, notably depicted throughout the decades by helicopters over the U.S. Embassy in Saigon airlifting troops and refugees out of country.

Unfortunately, this past week we have seen similar actions in Kabul as thousands were being airlifted to safety. I think my own war experiences, though absolutely nowhere near their sacrifices, made it considerably easier for these young veterans to open up to me.

I found they were not just saddened about the ongoing fiasco as they spoke with tears in their eyes, they were very angry while commenting about Ameri-

ca's departure from Afghanistan.

This was not the first time I had seen this reaction because upon my return from Vietnam and the subsequent withdrawal in 1975, I viewed and experienced similar reactions. But there was a big difference. Most of us in the Vietnam War probably served less than 3 tours of duty, while the recent war found many veterans serving tours of duty in double digit figures.

I mentioned my son's 56 months in combat and please realize that is 56 months fighting and risking your life nearly every single day of a tour of duty. Imagine having to do it for 75 or 100 months, or longer. Imagine your physical health.

My son, for example, has a shoulder nearly destroyed, a foot that required surgery and a knee in horrific condition. He has a traumatic brain injury that is impacting his memory, his eyesight, his mental health, and other related conditions.

After "only" 56 months in combat. Imagine, if you will, serving double that number and the resulting impact upon your life.

So, is the war over?

As far as combat for our veterans,

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JOHN STEWART/Special to the Chronicle

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perhaps, but I guarantee you this country for decades to come will be combating the mental and physical health of the hundreds of thousands of veterans who served in Iraq and Afghanistan over the past 20 years. Whether it is PTSD, diseases from the burn pits, physical injuries, or other health conditions, we in this country will be in combat. In combat trying to make these heroes whole once again.

Unless you get involved to

support these heroes, we will lose another war. Please step up and do whatever you can to help these men and women who served in Iraq and Afghanistan. If you do not know how you can help, contact your local veterans organization. Please, please get involved.

The war is not over. Essentially, it is just beginning.

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

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2004 until 2020.

The registration form and \$65 donation must be received by Aug. 30. It includes golf and cart, beverages and lunch. The tournament features a hole-in-one prize and door prizes. Contributions for door prizes and hole sponsorships for \$425, \$325, \$225 or \$125 are welcome.

The CCVF has provided financial assistance to local honorably discharged veterans and their surviving spouses with close to \$400,000 since 2004.

To register, visit citrusvf.org, call

352-382-0430 or 352-382-3847.

MOPH to have mobile education exhibit

The Military Order of the Purple Heart Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 will host a mobile education exhibit from Wreaths Across America at 9 a.m. Oct. 18 at Liberty Park, 268 N. Apopka Ave. in Inverness.

The mission of Wreaths Across America is to remember the fallen, honor those who serve, teach children the value of freedom and bring together active-duty service members, veterans and civilians.

Community members will also have the opportunity to purchase a wreath for \$15 to be placed on a

grave at Florida National Cemetery on Dec. 18. To request a specific gravesite, bring the full name of the veteran, the site and grave number.

At Liberty Park, guests will be able to talk to local veterans groups and sign up to vote in the next election.

For additional information, call Sandy Cross at mom4sba@tampabay.rr.com.

MOAA to discuss new Veterans Village

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Citrus County chapter welcomes veterans and the public to attend a speaker presentation at 10 a.m. Sept. 9 at the

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American Legion Post 155, 6585 W. Gulf-to-Lake Highway in Crystal River.

The topic of the presentation will be the proposed Veterans Village of Citrus County, a 100 apartment not-for-profit assisted living facility, which will provide affordable housing to veterans.

The featured speakers are Dr. Pares Desai and Dr. William Dixon, members of the Veterans Village executive board.

For more information about the speaker event, visit moaafi.org/Chapters/CitrusCounty.

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 wreathsacrossamerica.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.

For assistance, email mom4sba@tampabay.rr.com.

Join the VFW for weekly fish fry

The VFW Post 10087 hosts a fish fry from 4:30 to 5:45 every Friday at the post, 2170 W. Vet Lane in Beverly Hills.

The event is open to the public and includes haddock fillet, scalloped potatoes and coleslaw for \$8.

Weekly karaoke at VFW Post 10087

VFW Post 10087 will host karaoke from 6 to 9 p.m. every Saturday at the post, 2170 W. Vet Lane in Beverly Hills. For more information, call the post at 352-746-0440.

Weekly events at the VFW Post 4337

VFW Eugene Quinn Post 4337 hosts weekly events from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the post, 906 E. U.S. 44 in Inverness — fish fry, shrimp dinner and more on Friday nights and chicken wings on Tuesday nights.

All are welcome at this non-smoking post. For more information, call 352-344-3495.

Military bikes on display

- Army Bike, Sept. 10 to 13 at Plaza Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram (CDJR), 4077 U.S. 44 W. in Inverness
- Navy Bike, Sept. 11 at Crystal Harley-Davidson, 1147 S. Suncoast Blvd. in Homosassa
- Air Force Bike, Nov. 10 to 15 at Crystal Harley-Davidson

- Navy Bike, Nov. 10 to 15 at Plaza CDJR

Join the VFW for monthly breakfasts

The VFW Post 10087 hosts a breakfast from 9 to 11 a.m. the last Saturday of each month at the post, 2170 W. Vet Lane in Beverly Hills.

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

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.

FVN holds monthly meetings

Female Veterans Network (FVN) invites all female veterans to their monthly meeting at 1 p.m. on the second Thursday monthly at the Citrus County Resource Center on 2804 W. Marc Knighton Court in Lecanto. The meeting is held in the cafeteria.

Masks and social distancing are strongly encouraged.

The mission of the (FVN) is to unite female veterans, develop camaraderie and discuss issues that are important and unique to female veterans. For information or to support FVN, contact Cynthia at 352-628-6481, Jo Monty at 352-527-6575 or visit female-veteransnetwork.org.

American Legion serves breakfast

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

Buy a pin, support the FVN

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

For information, call 352-628-3246.

VFW Post 10087 has Vittles for Vets

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

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

CCVC yard sales on hold for now

The Citrus County Veterans Coalition (CCVC) has canceled monthly yard sales until further notice. We also are not accepting any donated items at this time.

However, it is our intention to continue offering our food services to veteran clients. We ask that any veteran

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

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

SO YOU KNOW

- News of record is provided by the office of the Citrus County clerk of the circuit court.

News of RECORD

Dissolution of Marriage 08/16/2021 - 08/22/2021
Roy L Brown, Citrus Springs vs. Tiffany L Long, Lecanto
James Theodore Cooper, Inverness vs. Melissa Ann Cooper, Coral Gables

Marriages 08/16/2021 - 08/22/2021
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- The Chronicle runs birth announcements, engagements, weddings and significant anniversaries at no charge inside the Sunday Veterans section.
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Alabama routes Miami Young throws 4 touchdowns

PAUL NEWBERRY
AP sports writer

ATLANTA — Bryce Young didn't take long to prove he's the man to lead No. 1 Alabama in its quest for another national title.

Young became the first Crimson Tide quarterback to throw four touchdown passes in his starting debut and the defending champions romped past No. 14 Miami 44-13 in the Chick-fil-A Kick-off Game on Saturday.

After sending another batch of stars off to the NFL, it looks like Nick Saban's team simply reloaded for another run at the title.

Young, a sophomore from Southern California, completed 27 of 38 passes for 344 yards — a performance that even managed to please his demanding coach.

"I thought Bryce did really, really well," Saban said. "The poise he played with, the command he had. He kind of took what the defense gave him and really directed the offense in a positive way."

Young opened with a 37-yard touchdown pass to John Metchie, hooked up with tight end Cameron Latu on a pair of scoring plays and buried the Hurricanes with a 94-yard TD strike to Jameson Williams early in the third quarter.

"He did a great job of getting the ball to the right guy at the right time in the right place," Saban said of Young.

Before Young, Mac Jones and Joe Namath had been the only quarterbacks to throw three TD passes in their first starts for Alabama.

"There was a lot of anticipation," Young said. "It was definitely fun to be out there with my guys."

Speaking of stellar debuts, Williams had four receptions for 126 yards in his first game for the Tide after transferring from Ohio State.

The Crimson Tide also turned in a dazzling defensive effort at the home of the NFL's Atlanta Falcons, sacking D'Eriq King four times, forcing him into three turnovers and stuffing him on a goal-line stand.

Alabama led 27-0 before Miami crossed midfield. King and the Hurricanes simply made too many mistakes to compete with perhaps the greatest dynasty in college football history.

Coach Manny Diaz tried to put his best spin on the performance.

"College football is famous for its overreactions after Week 1," he said. "We don't get our story written one game into the season."

After romping to Saban's record seventh national title with a 13-0 record, the Tide came into the season with some big holes to fill.

Alabama had a record-tying six players taken in the first round of the NFL draft, including Heisman Trophy-winning receiver DeVonta Smith, star quarterback Jones and defensive stalwart Patrick Surtain II.

Of course, Saban is never short on five-star recruits. The quarterback job went to Young, a dual threat who was highest-rated quarterback prospect ever signed by the Alabama coach.

King was 23 of 30 but produced only 173 yards passing, spending much of his time trying to escape the fearsome Alabama rush. He threw two interceptions and lost a fumble.

The Hurricanes also lost safety Bubba Bolden in the first quarter. He was ejected for targeting after a helmet-to-helmet hit on Alabama's Brian Robinson Jr.

Cantlay up 2 shots

Big payoff in sight at Tour Championship

DOUG FERGUSON
AP golf writer

ATLANTA — Patrick Cantlay picked up his last birdie when he was least expecting it Saturday in the Tour Championship, and it felt like it was worth more than just one extra shot.

Clinging to a one-shot lead over Jon Rahm, he went from the right rough to the first of two bunkers fronting the 18th green with the pin tucked behind the second one. Cantlay safely blasted out to 25 feet and made it for a 3-under 67 to lead by two.

"I thought it was big for momentum," Cantlay said. "It was a nice putt to make, especially being out of position on that hole. And I'll take that momentum into tomorrow."

It set the stage for a sprint to the FedEx Cup and its \$15 million prize, with ramifications that could go even further. Still to be determined after the cash is doled out is PGA Tour player of the year, and Cantlay could be a big part of that conversation



Associated Press

Patrick Cantlay hits from the second tee during the third round of the Tour Championship golf tournament Saturday, at East Lake Golf Club in Atlanta.

with a victory.

For now, he was at 20-under par with a two-shot lead over

Rahm (68), and Cantlay knows he will have his hands full with a demanding East Lake course and the No. 1 player in the

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Gators start new season against FAU at The Swamp



Associated Press

Florida wide receiver Rick Wells (12) jumps into the end zone for a touchdown past Florida Atlantic safety Teja Young during the first half on Saturday, in Gainesville. The game was not completed at press time. For a full recap, see Monday's sports section.

Djokovic lets emotions show

Grand Slam gets closer for top seed at US Open

HOWARD FENDRICH
AP tennis writer

NEW YORK — Novak Djokovic did not seek to keep his thoughts to himself on court Saturday, the way he mostly did through his first two U.S. Open matches. Instead, he let it all out, slapping his chest or sneering with a fist raised to celebrate success, pointing to his ear to ask the crowd for noise.

This was the Djokovic everyone is so accustomed to seeing — yes, winning on the Grand Slam stage, of course, as he always does in this magical season, but also animated and into it, encouraging the spectators to join him for the ride on his path toward tennis history.

Taking another step in his bid to complete the first calendar-year Slam by a man in more than a half-century, Djokovic moved into the fourth round at Flushing Meadows

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Associated Press

Novak Djokovic, of Serbia, reacts after scoring a point against Kei Nishikori, of Japan, during the third round of the US Open tennis championships, Saturday in New York.

No. 2 Oklahoma holds off Tulane

*Defense helps
Penn State edge
Wisconsin*

Associated Press

NORMAN, Okla. — Oklahoma nearly took its hospitality too far. The Sooners' game against Tulane was relocated from New Orleans because of Hurricane Ida, and Oklahoma's athletic department and fans went all out to make their guests feel at home. Oklahoma had the Green Wave painted on the 25-yard lines, and Sooners fans cheered when Tulane's players ran into the field before the game. The Sooners then nearly let the Green Wave claim their first win over a Top 10 opponent since 1973. Spencer Rattler passed for 304 yards and a touchdown and No. 2 Oklahoma, playing a road game on its home field, narrowly avoided a shocking upset by holding on for a 40-35 victory over Tulane on Saturday.

"That was one of the hardest hitting teams, one of the most physical teams I've played," Rattler said. "They came out there, and they played great, better than us, for sure. They wanted to win more than us. You could tell it. We have to be cleaner, sharper, and have to be better." The Sooners, who led 40-22 early in the fourth quarter, gave up a pair of late touchdowns. Tulane had fourth-and-13 just short of midfield with just under two minutes to go when quarterback Michael Pratt ran for only 12 yards and the Green Wave turned the ball over on downs. The Sooners ran out the clock. Oklahoma led 37-14 at halftime. "The second half, I think clearly our team felt like the game was over," Oklahoma coach Lincoln Riley said. "That's obviously my job to make sure our mentality is right. I don't think it was. I think we were playing well at that point and had separated a little bit. And then you could just see we



Oklahoma wide receiver Marvin Mims (17) makes a catch ahead of Tulane safety Derrion Rakestraw (13) during a game Saturday, in Norman, Okla.

weren't quite the same team coming out." Oklahoma's Gabe Brkic tied an FBS record with three field goals of 50 or more yards, and Marvin Mims had five catches for 117 yards. Rattler, a preseason first-team AP All-American, completed 30 of 39 passes, ran for a score and threw for another, but he also threw two interceptions. Pratt passed for 296 yards and three touchdowns for the Green Wave. He also ran for a score. "Really proud of the effort," Tulane coach Willie Fritz said. "Obviously, we didn't come down here to play close. But we could have won the game. If we would had played better in the first half, I think we would have had a much better opportunity to do it. But we're going to be able to watch the tape and build on it." Tulane opened the scoring on a 6-yard touchdown pass from Pratt to Cameron Carroll. The

Green Wave went up 14-7 in the first quarter on a 15-yard touchdown run by Jaetavian Toles. Oklahoma scored the next 30 points. Brkic made three field goals in the second quarter. His second was a 51-yarder, and he closed the half with a career-long 56-yarder. It was the longest field goal for an Oklahoma kicker since 1977. Pratt scored on a 4-yard keeper, and the Green Wave got the 2-point conversion to make it 37-22. Tulane cut it to 40-28 on Pratt's 5-yard touchdown pass to Carroll. Pratt stumbled and fell in the backfield on the 2-point try. Brkic missed a 31-yard field goal, giving Tulane a shot late. Pratt's 5-yard touchdown pass to Will Wallace made it 40-35 with 2:18 remaining, and Tulane recovered the onside kick before failing to score. Fritz said he loved how

focused his players were, especially with so many having family and friends having issues back home. "Our guys have handled it extremely well," Fritz said. "They really have. I've got good young men. I have very few problems with our guys. And, you know, that's what I'm most proud of. They can handle this kind of situation." **No. 19 Penn State 16, No. 12 Wisconsin 10** MADISON, Wis. — Jaquan Brisker and Ji'Ayir Brown had interceptions deep in Penn State territory in the final 2 1/2 minutes to help the Nittany Lions beat Wisconsin. Wisconsin had its string of 25 consecutive victories in home openers snapped because of its red-zone failures. The Badgers dominated time of possession but had four scoreless trips inside Penn State's 25, including three inside the 10.

No. 18 Iowa's defense silences No. 17 Indiana

*Card debut a
winner for
No. 21 Texas*

Associated Press

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Iowa cornerback Riley Moss wasn't sure what happened. Moss' 30-yard interception return for a touchdown, the first of his two scores in the game, helped start No. 18 Iowa on the way to a 34-6 victory over No. 17 Indiana on Saturday in the opener for both teams. Iowa intercepted three of Michael Penix Jr.'s passes — safety Dane Belton had the other interception — and had a fourth wiped out by a roughing-the-passer call. "We were very prepared," Moss said. "We absolutely won because of film (study), and our preparation. Our game plan today was to stop the big plays, stay on top. We made them work for their yards, and their points." The Hawkeyes led 7-0 after their first drive, when running back Tyler Goodson scored on a 56-yard touchdown on the

fourth play of the possession. "I don't want to say I'm surprised, but I'm very pleased," Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said. "It's good team defense. I know that sounds mundane. But that's how we play." Moss' first interception came on Indiana's third offensive play, when Penix's pass went through the hands of receiver D.J. Matthews. Moss grabbed the ball and raced down the right sideline for the score. "I was kind of sitting there," Moss said. "(Penix) threw the ball, so I made a break on it to try to tackle (Matthews). I saw the ball pop up. I got super excited. I was foaming at the mouth to catch the ball. I didn't realize I scored a touchdown until I was on the bench. I was like, 'Holy cow, that happened.'" Moss' second interception came with 1:41 left in the first half, when he stepped into the path of a Penix pass and ran 55 yards for a touchdown that put Iowa up, 28-3. "I did my job, and good things came from that," Moss said. "I've always seen Riley as a playmaker," defensive end John Waggoner said. "He goes hard, and he shows up every day to

work. He is a competitor, so in my mind he is going to go make plays, and you obviously saw that today." Iowa's defense rattled Penix, who was just 14 of 31 passing for 156 yards. Penix, who had just four interceptions in six games last season, was coming off offseason knee surgery. He played until early in the fourth quarter, when Indiana coach Tom Allen took him out of the game. "He definitely looked out of sync to me, not comfortable in the pocket," Allen said. "We'll get that fixed." Goodson rushed for 99 yards and a touchdown. Spencer Petras had a 9-yard touchdown run and completed 13 of 27 passes for 145 yards. The Hawkeyes held the Hoosiers to 233 offensive yards, with only 31 rushing yards. "It's just playing with tempo, and making the other guys uneasy," Ferentz said of his defense. "I think our guys did that." "We had to play better," Allen said. "You have to play high-level football out of the gate against a team like this, and we didn't." It was the seventh consecutive win for the Hawkeyes dating to last season. It was only the third loss for Indiana in its



Iowa quarterback Spencer Petras (7) scores on a 9-yard touchdown run during the first half of a game against Indiana, Saturday in Iowa City, Iowa.

last 18 season openers. "We got knocked down," Allen said. "But we'll get back up." Caleb Shudak had field goals of 41 and 35 yards for Iowa.

No. 21 Texas 38, No. 23 Louisiana-Lafayette 18

AUSTIN, Texas — Bijan Robinson scored twice and Hudson Card threw two touchdown passes in his first career start, leading Texas past Louisiana-Lafayette in coach Steve Sarkisian's Longhorns debut. Robinson scored Texas' first touchdown on a pass from Card in the first quarter, then punched in another on a 7-yard run on the first possession of the third that put Texas ahead 21-6. Robinson finished with 176 total yards rushing and receiving in the kind of all-around game Sarkisian had promised to use. Card, a second-year freshman who won the starting job over fourth-year player Casey

Thompson, was 14-of-21 passing for 224 yards and no interceptions. He also scrambled out of pressure well and had a 3-yard touchdown run in the third quarter after Louisiana closed to 21-12.

No. 15 Southern California 30, San Jose State 7

LOS ANGELES — Drake London caught a career-high 13 passes for 144 yards, Greg Johnson returned a late interception 37 yards for a touchdown and Southern California pulled away to beat San Jose State. Kedon Slovis passed for 263 yards and two touchdowns, with more than half of his completions finding their way to the dominant London. Slovis also hit Taj Washington with a 29-yard touchdown pass in the first half, but the rest of USC's passing game struggled until the Trojans' final surge. Erik Krommenhoek made a sliding 20-yard TD catch

with 2:07 to play for USC, which outscored the Spartans 17-0 in the fourth quarter. Nick Starkel passed for 308 yards and Tyler Nevens rushed for a touchdown for the Spartans, who trounced Southern Utah in their season opener last week. **No. 18 Cincinnati 49, Miami of Ohio 14** CINCINNATI — Desmond Ridder was 20 of 25 for 295 yards and four touchdowns and Cincinnati beat Miami of Ohio. The Bearcats tied the series that began in 1888 at 59-59-7. Ridder threw an 81-yard touchdown pass to Tyler Scott on the second play from scrimmage. It was the longest TD toss of his career. Ridder also ran six times for 31 yards, including a 25-yard touchdown carry. Jerome Ford added 121 yards rushing yards on 12 carries, scoring on a 21-yard run in the second quarter.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL CAPSULE

No. 9 Notre Dame (0-0) at FSU (0-0), Sunday at 7:30 p.m. (ABC)

Line: Notre Dame by 7 1/2, according to FanDuel Sportsbook.

Series record: Florida State leads 6-4.

WHAT'S AT STAKE?

The Fighting Irish look to show they have found a steady quarterback — Jack Coan from Wisconsin — and a cohesive offensive line that can lead the team back to the College Football Playoff in a year when Notre Dame returns to being an independent. In year two for Mike Norvell at Florida State, there are pressing questions on both sides of the ball and the Seminoles are seeking confidence in September — as well as perhaps an upset to spark the rebuild.

KEY MATCHUP

Notre Dame's run vs. FSU's run defense. Kyren Williams is a first-team AP All-American as an all-purpose back following a freshman season in which he ran for 1,125 yards and 13 touchdowns along with 35 receptions for 313 yards and a touchdown. Williams leads a ground attack that also features Chris Tyree (73 rushes, 496 yards, four TDs) and C'Bo Flemister (58 carries, 299 yards, five TDs). The Seminoles brought in a group of three transfer defensive ends to shore up a rush defense that was 97th against the run last fall allowing on average 199 yards per game.

— From wire reports

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Saturday At Darlington Raceway Darlington, S.C. Lap length: 1.37 miles (Start position in parentheses)
1. (8) Noah Gragson, Chevrolet, 152 laps, 59 points.
2. (6) Harrison Burton, Toyota, 152, 44.
3. (24) Austin Cindric, Ford, 152, 46.
4. (3) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 152, 42.
5. (5) Jeb Burton, Chevrolet, 152, 32.
6. (4) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 152, 39.
7. (28) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet, 152, 0.
8. (15) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 152, 29.
9. (9) Myatt Snider, Chevrolet, 152, 31.
10. (22) Alex Labbe, Chevrolet, 152, 27.
11. (12) Ryan Sieg, Ford, 152, 26.
12. (14) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 152, 0.
13. (10) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 152, 24.
14. (19) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 152, 23.
15. (16) Josh Williams, Chevrolet, 152, 22.
16. (17) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 152, 21.
17. (31) Colin Garrett, Toyota, 152, 20.
18. (26) Mason Massey, Chevrolet, 152, 19.
19. (32) Joe Graf Jr, Chevrolet, 152, 18.
20. (2) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 152, 30.
21. (20) Jade Buford, Chevrolet, 152, 16.
22. (39) BJ McLeod, Chevrolet, 152, 0.
23. (33) Matt Mills, Toyota, 152, 14.
24. (1) Daniel Hemric, Toyota, 152, 29.
25. (27) Ryan Vargas, Chevrolet, 152, 12.
26. (21) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Chevrolet, 152, 11.
27. (30) Colby Howard, Chevrolet, 152, 10.
28. (23) Brandon Brown, Chevrolet, 151, 9.
29. (35) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 151, 0.
30. (18) David Starr, Toyota, 151, 7.
31. (38) Carson Ware, Chevrolet, 151, 6.
32. (34) Jesse Little, Toyota, 150, 5.
33. (25) Brandon Jones, Toyota, 146, 7.
34. (37) Kyle Weatherman, Chevrolet, 134, 3.
35. (36) Ryan Ellis, Ford, 133, 2.
36. (29) Timmy Hill, Ford, accident, 116, 0.
37. (13) Tommy Joe Martins, Chevrolet, accident, 108, 1.
37. (17) Riley Herbst, Ford, accident, 107, 1.
39. (11) Sam Mayer, Chevrolet, brakes, 45, 1.
40. (40) Gray Gaulding, Chevrolet, electrical, 2, 1.
Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 102.423 mph.
Time of Race: 2 hours, 1 minute, 38 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.219 seconds.
Caution Flags: 8 for 41 laps.
Lead Changes: 19 among 8 drivers.
Lap Leaders: D.Hemric 0-10; J.Allgaier 11-24; N.Gragson 25; J.Allgaier 26-30; N.Gragson 31-33; D.Hamlin 34-44; D.Hemric 45-48; A.Allmendinger 49; J.Haley 50-53; A.Allmendinger 54-70; N.Gragson 71-92; A.Cindric 93; N.Gragson 94-97; A.Allmendinger 98-102; D.Hamlin 103-110; A.Allmendinger 111; T.Hill 112-114; D.Hamlin 115-138; D.Hemric 139-142; N.Gragson 143-152
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): D.Hamlin, 3 times for 43 laps; N.Gragson, 5 times for 40 laps; A.Allmendinger, 4 times for 24 laps; J.Allgaier, 2 times for 19 laps; D.Hemric, 3 times for 18 laps; J.Haley, 1 time for 4 laps; T.Hill, 1 time for 3 laps; A.Cindric, 1 time for 1 lap.
Wins: A.Cindric, 5; A.Allmendinger, 3; T. Gibbs, 3; J.Allgaier, 2; J.Haley, 1; N.Gragson, 1; J.Burton, 1; M.Snider, 1; J.Berry, 1.
Top 16 in Points: 1. A.Allmendinger, 955; 2. A.Cindric, 954; 3. J.Allgaier, 839; 4. D.Hemric, 808; 5. H.Burton, 799; 6. J.Haley, 784; 7. N. Gragson, 772; 8. J.Burton, 748; 9. J.Clements, 587; 10. B.Jones, 574; 11. R.Herbst, 555; 12. M.Snider, 546; 13. M.Annett, 509; 14. R.Sieg, 471; 15. B.Brown, 452; 16. T.Gibbs, 447.

TENNIS

US Open

Saturday At USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center New York
Surface: Hardcourt outdoor (seedings in parentheses):
Men's Singles
Third Round
Oscar Otte, Germany, def. Andreas Seppi, Italy, 6-3, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5.
Matteo Berrettini (6), Italy, def. Ilya Ivashka, Belarus, 6-7 (5), 6-2, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3.
Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Kei Nishikori, Japan, 6-7 (4), 6-3, 6-3, 6-2.
Jannik Sinner (13), Italy, def. Gael Monfils (17), France, 7-6 (1), 6-2, 4-6, 4-6, 6-4.
Jenson Brooksby, United States, def. Aslan Karatsev (21), Russia, 6-2, 3-6, 2-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Lloyd Harris, South Africa, def. Denis Shapovalov (7), Canada, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.
Women's Singles
Third Round
Bianca Andreescu (6), Canada, def. Greet Minnen, Belgium, 6-1, 6-2.
Maria Sakkari (17), Greece, def. Petra Kvitová (10), Czech Republic, 6-4, 6-3.
Belinda Bencic (11), Switzerland, def. Jessica Pegula (23), United States, 6-2, 6-4.
Emma Raducanu, Britain, def. Sara Sorribes Tormo, Spain, 6-0, 6-1.
Iga Swiatek (7), Poland, def. Anett Kontaveit (28), Estonia, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.
Karolina Pliskova (4), Czech Republic, def. Ajla Tomljanovic, Australia, 6-3, 6-2.
Shelby Rogers, United States, def. Ashleigh Barty (1), Australia, 6-2, 1-6, 7-6 (5).
Men's Doubles
Second Round
Jean-Julien Rojer and Wesley Koolhof (10), Netherlands, def. Robert Galloway and Alex Lawson, United States, 6-3, 7-6 (3).
Santiago Gonzalez, Mexico, and Andres Molteni, Argentina, def. Raven Klaasen, South Africa, and Ben McLachlan (11), Japan, 6-1, 3-6, 7-6 (7).
Horia Tecau, Romania, and Kevin Krawietz (6), Germany, def. Frederik Nielsen, Denmark, and Vasek Pospisil, Canada, 7-6 (12), 7-6 (4).
Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi, Pakistan, and Jonny O'Mara, Britain, def. Sander Gille and Joran Vliegen (16), Belgium, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (3).
Sam Querrey and Steve Johnson, United States, def. Simone Bolelli, Italy, and Maximo Gonzalez (14), Argentina, 7-6 (5), 6-4.
Rohan Bopanna, India, and Ivan Dodig (13), Croatia, def. Hugo Nys, Monaco, and Arthur Rinderknech, France, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.
Andrey Golubev, Kazakhstan, and Andreas Mies (15), Germany, def. Nikola Patic, Serbia, and Tomislav Brkic, Bosnia-Herzegovina, 7-5, 6-2.
Women's Doubles
Second Round
Storm Sanders, Australia, and Caroline Dolehide (10), United States, def. Irina-Camelia Begu and Cristina-Andreea Mitu, Romania, 6-0, 6-1.
Erin Routliffe, New Zealand, and Leylah Annie Fernandez, Canada, def. Robin Montgomery and Ashlyn Krueger, United States, 6-2, 6-2.
Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan, and Elise Mertens (1), Belgium, def. Elixane Lechemia, France, and Ulrikke Eikeri, Norway, 6-4, 6-2.

FOOTBALL

Saturday scores

EAST
Boston College 51, Colgate 0
Delaware St. 32, Bowie St. 24
Holy Cross 38, UConn 28
Marshall 49, Navy 7
Maryland 30, West Virginia 24
Pittsburgh 51, Umass 7
Rutgers 61, Temple 14
Towson 31, Morgan St. 0
Villanova 47, Lehigh 3
SOUTH
Alabama 44, Miami 13
Army 43, Georgia St. 10

Florida LOTTERY

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

PICK 2 (early) 4 - 3	PICK 5 (late) 8 - 2 - 1 - 7 - 6
PICK 2 (late) 4 - 6	FANTASY 5 Unavailable
PICK 3 (early) 1 - 5 - 4	LOTTO Unavailable
PICK 3 (late) 6 - 9 - 9	POWERBALL Unavailable
PICK 4 (early) 6 - 7 - 3 - 5	POWER BALL Unavailable
PICK 4 (late) 5 - 7 - 0 - 6	CASH 4 LIFE 10 - 22 - 33 - 38 - 54
PICK 5 (early) 6 - 0 - 5 - 3 - 5	CASH BALL 4

Friday's winning numbers and payouts:

Jackpot Triple Play: 4 – 13 – 24 – 35 – 37 – 44	4-of-5 MB 1 winner \$10,000
6-of-6 No winner	4-of-5 31 winners\$500
5-of-6 24 winners \$464	3-of-5 MB 91 \$200
4-of-6 1,128 \$24	3-of-5 1,963 \$10
3-of-6 19,303 \$1	2-of-5 MB 1,787 \$10
Combo 10+ 1 \$10,000	Fantasy 5: 5 – 6 – 20 – 21 – 36
Combo9 7 \$500	5-of-5 2 winners \$102,255.51
Combo8 75 \$50	4-of-5 280 \$117.50
Combo7 512 \$20	3-of-5 8,226 \$11
Combo6 2,656 \$10	Cash 4 Life: 33 – 36 – 45 – 51 – 56
Combo5 9,758 \$5	Cash Ball: 3
Mega Millions: 7 – 10 – 12 – 61 – 65	5-of-5 CB No winner
Mega Ball: 3	5-of-5 No winner
5-of-5 MB No winner	Players should verify winning numbers by calling 850-487-7777 or at www.flalottery.com.
5-of-5 No winner	

On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S SPORTS
AUTO RACING

8:55 a.m. (ESPN2) Formula 1 Netherlands Grand Prix
9 a.m. (FS1) NHRA Drag Racing Dodge//SRT U.S. Nationals, Qualifying. (Taped)
11 a.m. (FS1) NHRA Drag Racing Dodge//SRT U.S. Nationals
1 p.m. (13 FOX) NHRA Drag Racing Dodge//SRT U.S. Nationals
1:30 p.m. (FS1) NASCAR Camping World Truck Series In It To Win It 200
6 p.m. (NBCSPT) NASCAR Cup Series Cook Out Southern 500

MLB

1 p.m. (BSFL) Philadelphia Phillies at Miami Marlins
1 p.m. (SUN) Minnesota Twins at Tampa Bay Rays
1 p.m. (TBS) Cleveland Indians at Boston Red Sox
4 p.m. (MLB) Houston Astros at San Diego Padres or Seattle Mariners at Arizona Diamondbacks
7 p.m. (ESPN) Los Angeles Dodgers at San Francisco Giants
2 a.m. (ESPN2) Los Angeles Dodgers at San Francisco Giants (Taped)

WNBA

3 p.m. (28 ABC) Las Vegas Aces at Chicago Sky

BICYCLING

1 a.m. (NBCSPT) Vuelta a Espa" a Stage 21 (Same-day Tape)

BOXING

6 p.m. (FS1) PBC Fight Night: Kyrone Davis vs. Martez McGregor
8 p.m. (13 FOX) PBC: Jesus Ramos Jr. vs. Brian Mendoza
1 a.m. (ESPN2) Miguel Berchelt vs. Oscar Valdez (Taped)

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

11 a.m. (ESPNU) Alabama at Miami (Taped)
3 p.m. (ESPN2) Jackson State at Florida A&M
4 p.m. (ESPNU) Georgia at Clemson (Taped)
4 p.m. (NFL) Grambling State at Tennessee State
7 p.m. (ACCN) North Carolina at Virginia Tech (Taped)
7 p.m. (ESPNU) Fort Valley State vs Tuskegee
7 p.m. (SEC) Kent State at Texas A&M (Taped)
7:30 p.m. (28 ABC) Notre Dame at Florida State
10 p.m. (SEC) Louisiana Tech at Mississippi State (Taped)
1 a.m. (ACCN) Georgia at Clemson (Taped)
4 a.m. (ESPN2) Western Michigan at Michigan (Taped)

GOLF

7 a.m. (GOLF) Solheim Cup Day 2
12 p.m. (8 NBC) Solheim Cup Day 2
12 p.m. (GOLF) TOUR Championship Final Round
1:30 p.m. (8 NBC) TOUR Championship Final Round
1:30 p.m. (GOLF) Solheim Cup Day 2
7 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Korn Ferry Tour Tour Championship, Final Round (Same-day Tape)
3 a.m. (GOLF) European PGA Tour Italian Open, Final Round (Same-day Tape)

LACROSSE

11 a.m. (NBCSPT) Premier Lacrosse League First Semifinal: Atlas LC vs Chaos LC
1:30 p.m. (NBCSPT) Premier Lacrosse League Second Semifinal: Whipsnakes LC vs Waterdogs LC

TOKYO PARALYMPICS OLYMPICS

7 a.m. (NBCSPT) Closing Ceremony

RODEO

12 p.m. (10 CBS) PBR Air Force Reserve Cowboys for a Cause (Taped)

SOCCER

9 a.m. (NBCSPT) FA Women's Super League Arsenal vs Chelsea (Same-day Tape)
11:50 a.m. (ESPN2) FIFA World Cup 2022 Qualifying England vs Andorra
4 p.m. (10 CBS) NWSL Houston Dash at Orlando Pride
8 p.m. (FS1) FIFA World Cup 2022 Qualifying United States vs Canada

TENNIS

11 a.m. (ESPN) U.S. Open Round of 16
7 p.m. (ESPN2) U.S. Open Round of 16
12 a.m. (TENNIS) U.S. Open Round of 16 (Taped)
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
2 p.m. (ESPNU) Minnesota at Florida (Same-day Tape)

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

Furman 29, NC A&T 18
Kentucky 45, Louisiana-Monroe 10
Mississippi St. 35, Louisiana Tech 34
Presbyterian 84, St. Andrews 43
Richmond 38, Howard 14
VMI 45, Davidson 24
West Florida 42, McNeese St. 36
Wofford 24, Elon 22
MIDWEST
Cincinnati 49, Miami (Ohio) 14
Iowa 34, Indiana 6
Iowa St. 16, N. Iowa 10
Kansas St. 24, Stanford 7
Michigan 47, W. Michigan 14
Missouri 34, Cent. Michigan 24

N. Dakota St. 28, Albany (NY) 6
Nebraska 52, Fordham 7
Penn St. 16, Wisconsin 10
SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 38, Rice 17
Oklahoma 40, Tulane 35
Texas 38, Louisiana-Lafayette 18
FAR WEST
Air Force 35, Lafayette 14
Cal Poly 28, San Diego 17
Idaho 68, Simon Fraser 0
North Dakota 35, Idaho St. 14
Oregon 31, Fresno St. 24
Southern Cal 30, San Jose St. 7
Wyoming 19, Montana St. 16

SPORTS BRIEFS

Veldwijk leads Lecanto girls at Florida Horse Park

The Lecanto girls cross country team took 34th out of 50 teams at the Florida Horse Park Invitational on Saturday. In a field of 329 runners from across the state as well as out of state, Catalina Veldwijk took 30th with a time of 20:44.90.

Alex Garcia finished in 22:46, Elise Leturno in 24:32, Zipporah McNeil in 29:24, Meredith Welch in 29:26, Noella Balderas in 29:53, Randi Bartram in 31:56 and Leah Ruedink in 33:41.

Citrus Springs Horseshoe Club

Aug. 28 results
Won 3 Games: Joe Warburton, Tom Green, Steve Christensen
High Series: Betty Delong 240, Joe Warburton 230, Tom Green 220
High Game: Betty Delong 84 & 82, Joe Warburton 81
The club pitches on Saturday mornings at 9 a.m., at the old Citrus Springs Community Center at the intersection of N. Citrus Springs Blvd and W. Withlacoochee Trail (Route 39). We are always looking for new members. For more information or if you have questions, call Joe Warburton 352-489-7537.

Gragson holds off Burton in OT to win Xfinity race

DARLINGTON, S.C. — Noah Gragson

held off Harrison Burton in a two-lap overtime shootout at at Darlington Raceway on Saturday for his first NASCAR Xfinity Series victory of the season.

It looked like no one, including Gragson, would be able to outrun Cup Series star Denny Hamlin late in the race. But a caution came out with 10 laps to go and when Hamlin went into pit, there was a tire already over the wall waiting — a no no in the NASCAR rule book — and he was sent to the back of the those on the lead lap.

Gragson had a final challenge after a caution came out on the 144th of 147 laps because of debris on the track. He shot out in front in the high lane closest to Darlington's famed wall as Burton tried to go low.

Burton pulled alongside Gragson on both overtime laps, but could not move in front.

Burton held on for second while Austin Cindric was third. Justin Haley finished fourth followed by Jeb Burton, Justin Allgaier, Cup Series regular Tyler Reddick, Jeremy Clements, Myatt Snider and Alex Labbe making up the top 10.

Hamlin finished 12th after leading 43 laps, the most of any driver. Hamlin, however, gave himself a solid preview of the track — and its repaved and repaired turn two — for Sunday night's Southern 500 and the first NASCAR Cup Series playoff race.

— From staff and wire reports

DJOKOVIC

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for the 14th consecutive appearance, coming back to beat Kei Nishikori 6-7 (4), 6-3, 6-3, 6-2.

"I don't plan to have those kind of emotional moments on the court, whether good or bad. It just happens," Djokovic said. "In the heat of the battle, when you feel like the moment is very important ... you just want to get those things out of yourself, out of your system — try to, I guess, ride on that energy wave that you create, whether it's with yourself, whether it's with the crowd."

Djokovic, a 34-year-old from Serbia who is ranked No. 1, is now 24-0 in the sport's four most important events this season, having won the Australian Open in February, the French Open in June and Wimbledon in July. The last man to go 4 for 4 at the majors was Rod Laver in 1969; Steffi Graf was the last woman, in 1988.

Win four more matches next week, and Djokovic also would earn his 21st career Slam trophy, breaking the men's mark he currently shares with Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal.

"I would not be honest fully if I told

CANTLAY

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world, who hates losing as much as him.

The money is a nice talking point for Cantlay and Rahm, and even Justin Thomas, who had a 66 and is still very much in the range of making sure this isn't a two-man race.

"I don't play the game to make money," Cantlay said. "I play the game because I want to win golf tournaments and I love doing that. And I'm in a great spot to do that tomorrow."

So is Rahm, the U.S. Open champion who was denied what seemed to be a certain victory at the Memorial in early June when he had a six-shot lead and then had to withdraw with a positive COVID-19 test.

He was four shots behind with eight holes to play, made only one birdie and still made up ground when Cantlay — who had gone 46 holes with just one bogey — made three bogeys and missed a pair of birdie chances during the back nine before ending with his big birdie.

"It was one of those days where there was a lot of in-between numbers," Rahm said. "There was a lot of

three-quarters and finessing around, and certain holes I just played a little bit more conservative, and didn't give myself the best chances to make putts."

Thomas, who began the Tour Championship six shots behind because of his position in the FedEx Cup coming into the finale, was poised for the low round of the week to to get a little closer. But he pulled his tee shot on the par-5 18th, went rough-to-rough to 35 feet, and then three-putted for bogey by missing a 5-foot putt. He wound up five behind.

Hojgaard leads Italian Open after twin's win

GUIDONIA MONTECELIO, Italy —

Nicolai Hojgaard shot a 65 to take a one-stroke lead entering the final round of the Italian Open — a week after identical twin brother Rasmus won on the European Tour in Switzerland.

Europe takes early edge over U.S. at Solheim Cup

TOLEDO, Ohio — Defending champion Europe took the early lead at the 2021 Solheim Cup, winning three of the opening four alternate-shot matches on Saturday morning to take a 3 1/2- 1/2 lead over the U.S.

PGA Tour Championship	DS Automobiles Italian Open
Saturday At East Lake Golf Club Atlanta, Ga. Yardage: 7,346; Par: 70 Purse: \$46 Million	Saturday At Marco Simone Golf Course, Rome, Italy Purse: \$3.5 million; Yardage: 7,268; Par: 71
Third Round	Third Round
Patrick Cantlay 67-66-67—200	Nicolai Hojgaard, Denmark66-69-65—200
Jon Rahm 65-65-68—198	T. Fleetwood, England 66-68-67—201
Justin Thomas 67-67-65—199	Daniel Von Tonder, S. Africa 70-65-66—201
Kevin Na 66-67-66—199	Mikko Korhonen, Finland 68-66-68—202
Abraham Ancer 69-70-65—204	Min Woo Lee, Australia 64-68-71—203
Billy Horschel 65-68-67—200	
Viktor Hovland 66-68-70—204	
Bryson DeChambeau 69-67-72—208	
Dustin Johnson 68-69-68—205	
Xander Schauffele 68-69-67—204	
Jordan Spieth 69-67-70—206	
Louis Oosthuizen 68-67-71—206	
Sergio Garcia 68-70-66—204	
Cameron Smith 68-68-73—209	
Tony Finau 72-67-73—212	
Jason Kokrak 67-68-72—207	
Scottie Scheffler 67-72-68—207	
Sam Burns 71-70-69—210	
Harris English 66-69-75—210	
Rory McIlroy 68-66-74—208	
Patrick Reed 72-69-66—207	
Collin Morikawa 70-73-68—211	
Daniel Berger 72-69-68—208	
Corey Connors 67-72-70—209	
Sungjae Im 71-70-70—211	
Erik van Rooyen 69-73-68—210	
Hideki Matsuyama 77-65-69—211	
Stewart Cink 72-68-71—211	
Joaquin Niemann 72-71-70—213	
	Europe 3½, United States ½
	Anna Nordqvist and Matilda Castren, Europe, def. Danielle Kang and Austin Ernst, United States, 1 up.
	Celine Boutier and Georgia Hall, Europe, halved with Ally Ewing and Megan Khang, United States.
	Mel Reid and Leona Maguire, Europe, def. Jessica Korda and Nelly Korda, United States, 1 up.
	Charley Hull and Emily Pedersen, Europe, def. Lexi Thompson and Brittany Altomare, United States, 1 up.<
	Foursomes
	Europe 2, United States 2
	Nelly Korda and Ally Ewing, United States, def. Nanna Koerstz Madsen and Madelene Sagstrom, Europe, 1 up.
	Jennifer Kupcho and Lizette Salas, United States, def. Carlota Ciganda and Sophia Popov, Europe, 1 up.
	Anna Nordqvist and Matilda Castren, Europe, def. Lexi Thompson and Mina Harigae, United States, 4 and 3.
	Georgia Hall and Leona Maguire, Europe, def. Yeallimi Noh and Brittany Altomare, United States, 1 up.

Can Tua-led Dolphins end their playoff win drought?



Miami Dolphins quarterback Tua Tagovailoa (1) looks to pass the ball during the first half of a NFL preseason football game against the Atlanta Falcons on Aug. 21 in Miami Gardens.

Tua takes the reigns at QB in Miami

STEVEN WINE
AP sports writer

MIAMI — The Miami Dolphins' most recent playoff win is nearly old enough to drink.

On Dec. 30, 2000, Dave Wannstedt and Jay Fiedler helped Miami beat the Indianapolis Colts in overtime in a wild-card game. Since that victory, the Dolphins have lost 176 games, a stretch that includes 10 coaches, 21 starting quarterbacks and an 0-4 postseason record.

For a franchise that once celebrated Dan Marino, Don Shula and the NFL's only perfect season, a drought about to turn 21 can be especially tough to swallow. Only the Bengals (1990) and Lions (1991) have gone longer without a postseason victory.

But early September is a time for optimism. Every team is undefeated, even the Dolphins.

"The sky is the limit for us," All-Pro cornerback Xavien Howard says. "I see a lot of great things going on."

TRENDING UPWARD

In 2020, the Dolphins had a better team but bad luck. They doubled their win total in Year 2 under coach Brian Flores, and improved their point differential by 254 points to plus-66, their best since 2002.

Alas, they also became the first 10-win team to miss the playoffs since the 2015 New York Jets.

Continued improvement hinges largely on the development of second-year quarterback Tua Tagovailoa, who has appeared more decisive and aggressive with his throws in training camp. He endured an up-and-down 2020 season that included benchings in two games, and the rookie rarely took a shot downfield.

"His playbook was condensed to slants and bubbles," Miami safety Eric Rowe says. "They really wouldn't let him show his arm. Now in training camp they're allowing him the opportunity to throw it deep. That's what we need."

They sure do: The Dolphins haven't had a Pro Bowl quarterback since Marino was chosen for the ninth time in 1995. And recent speculation about an interest in trading for embattled Houston quarterback Deshaun Watson suggests the Dolphins aren't fully sold on Tagovailoa.

TARGETS

Tagovailoa will work with an upgraded cast of targets, including former Alabama teammate Jaylen Waddle, Miami's first draft pick.

"You just give him the ball in space and you let him work," Tagovailoa said.

Waddle and top free agent acquisition Will Fuller give Miami more speed at wideout. They join a group that also includes DeVante Parker, who has led the team in receptions each of the past three years, and a talented set of tight ends led by Mike Gesicki.

It's unclear how much help Tagovailoa will get from his ground game. Blocking is a perennial problem in Miami, and the line looks as unsettled as ever, while running backs Myles Gaskin, Salvon Ahmed and newcomer Malcolm Brown have combined for one career carry of more than 30 yards.

PLAY CALLING

The Dolphins have changed offensive coordinators every offseason since 2017, and now Flores is going with two: George Godsey and Eric Studesville. The team has repeatedly declined to disclose who will have the final say with play-calling.

Why the secrecy?
"We just try to keep things internal," Flores says.

It will be a group effort, however,

as will game-planning.

"Whether it's co-coordinator, tight ends coach, quarterbacks coach, receivers coach, line coach, assistant, those guys have voices," Godsey said. "We think that everybody's voice should be listened to. Then at some point, we make a decision."

And hope for better results. A big reason the Dolphins haven't had success in January is because they haven't ranked in the top 10 in offense since 1995.

MAKING STOPS

The strength of the Dolphins' defense is the secondary, where potential upheaval was avoided when Howard received a restructured contract after he had requested a trade.

Howard had 10 interceptions last season, the most in the NFL since 2007, and second-round pick Jevon Holland also shows takeaway talent.

"He finds the ball," Howard said, "and the ball finds him."

The Dolphins led the league in takeaways and third-down stops in 2020, but ranked in the middle of the pack in run defense.

"It's tough to be a good defense, or the defense you want to be, if you can't stop the run," defensive tackle Christian Wilkins said. "We have to do that first. If you take care of that, it takes care of a lot."

CHASING THE CHAMPS

For most of the past two decades, a gap wider than Biscayne Bay has separated Miami from the best team in the AFC East. Now it's Buffalo rather than New England.

The Dolphins have lost five in a row to the Bills, including 56-26 in last season's finale, when Miami was playing for a playoff spot and Buffalo's starters sat out the second half.

The teams meet in the Dolphins' home opener Sept. 19, and at Buffalo on Oct. 31.

Bills look to take control again

DENNIS WASZAK JR.
AP pro football writer

NEW YORK — Josh Allen and the Buffalo Bills stormed to the top of the AFC East — unfamiliar territory for anyone other than the New England Patriots — and kept going last season.

Nearly all the way to the Super Bowl.

Now comes the encore, and the expectations remain just as lofty.

"If the team's not looking to win the Super Bowl," Allen said, "they're doing it wrong."

The Bills lost to Patrick Mahomes and the Kansas City Chiefs in the AFC championship game last season, falling just short of reaching the Super Bowl. And the first step in that journey was winning the AFC East, which had been locked down by New England for most of the last two decades.

Buffalo's division title was its first since the 1995 season — a few months before Allen was born. It also snapped the Patriots' 11-season division winning streak, and ended a stretch during which Bill Belichick's bunch had won 17 of the last 18 division crowns.

"I think our guys understand, and we've stressed that all year and all offseason, is what we did last year was really good but it means nothing," Bills general manager Brandon Beane said. "We're 0-0."

Just like every other team. But Buffalo has some history to conquer just to win the division again.

The last time a non-Belichick coached team won consecutive AFC East titles was when the Patriots did it under Bill Parcells (1996) and Pete Carroll ('97). And the last time a team other than the Patriots finished first in the AFC East in back-to-back seasons: the 1988-91 Bills.

"The ultimate goal is to make the playoffs and give yourself a chance for a world title," Allen said, "and that's what we've got to do."

OLD MAN ALLEN

Entering his fourth NFL season, the 25-year-old Allen is the dean of the AFC East starting quarterbacks. And he's getting paid like it, too, signing a six-year, \$258 million contract last month.

Tua Tagovailoa, the No. 5 overall pick last year, will be under center for Miami. Meanwhile, Zach Wilson, the No. 2 pick this year, is the guy for the New York Jets. And with New England stunningly cutting Cam Newton, the starting gig goes to Mac Jones, who went 15th overall in April.

They'll all be aiming for Allen and the Bills. But get this: With all four of the projected starting QBs 25 or younger, it marks the first time there have been that many in any division since 1985 — when the AFC East had Dan Marino (Dolphins), Ken O'Brien (Jets), Tony Eason (Patriots) and Art Schlichter (Colts).

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

New England's 7-9 finish was its worst since 2000, when the Patriots went 5-11. That was Belichick's first year as coach and the rookie season for Tom Brady, who appeared in only one game.

Belichick and Brady partnered on what became one of the league's most successful runs, winning six Super Bowls together over the next 19 years.

The Patriots believe they found their next franchise quarterback and gave Jones some weapons in tight ends Jonnu Smith and Hunter Henry and wide receivers Nelson Agholor and WR Kendrick Bourne.

"I think any time you take a team like we had last year — we all spoke about it at the end of the year — things were going to be different. And they've been different," safety Devin McCourty said. "We got new players in here and we've just got to continue to build. I like what we have."

TAKING FLIGHT

The Jets have the league's longest playoff drought at 10 seasons, and it figures to continue through what is very much a rebuilding year.

New coach Robert Saleh has the franchise thinking optimistically about its future, and Wilson gives the Jets an exciting playmaker they hope can be a long-term answer at quarterback.

PREDICTED FINISH

Bills, Patriots, Dolphins, Jets

Bowling SCORES

Parkview Lanes

CONGRATULATIONS:



Tony Hyatt

first two games were 223 and 237, giving him a 760 series.

FALL LEAGUE OPPORTUNITIES: We will have a new 12-week mixed league on Friday nights, 3-person teams, USBC sanctioned, beginning Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. The cost is \$15 per week, which includes \$4 prize money. The Pin-busters mixed league has space for three bowlers, and the Women's Trio has space for two bowlers. Several other leagues have space for additional bowlers and/or teams. Call the Center at 352-489-6933 for more information or review the Leagues section of our website at ParkviewLanes.net.

LEAGUE SCORES FOR THE WEEK ENDING AUG. 29:

PARKVIEW 7-9-8 NOTAP
Handicap: George Kohutich 353; Cody Ryals 339,887; Greg Dawidowicz 863; Jacques Little 429,1040; Carol McHale 374,948. Scratch: Greg Dawidowicz 300,830; Rich Balke 300,784; Bill

Johnson 300; Tony Hyatt 300; Linda Madison 300,756; Susan Fabbre 300; Carol McHale 300; Marilyn Seymour 300; Shirley Tenity 744.

WEDNESDAY

SCRATCH TRIO

Tony Hyatt 300,760; Terry Rummier II 267,728; Peggy Rummier 217; Dorine Fugere 215,626; Stephanie Flory 584.

HOLDER HOTSHOTS

Handicap: Bronson Steinbrook 287,774; Dusty Kelly 282,733; Veronica Cardet 264,716; Diana Steinbrook 262,728. Scratch: Dusty Kelly 254,649; Robbie Yoakam 234,651; Ellen Bowman 183,4798; Diana Steinbrook 159; Vicki Jeffers 431.

T.G.I.F.

Handicap: Jeff Wright 265; Brodie Santagata 264,722; Ed Starling 726; Denise Coady 263,709; Marian Steenstra 255; Donna Frank 704. Scratch: Jeff Wright 219; Tony Hyatt 214,604; Larry McGarvey 600; Kathie Weaverling 201,510; Dora Golubski 185; Pam Levert 498.

PIN PALS

Handicap: Justin Rose 303,793; Cody Underwood 274,757; Megan Allen 263,716; Destiny Snyder 247,668. Scratch: Justin Rose 257,655; Cody Underwood 247,676; Megan Allen 200,527; Destiny Snyder 154,389.

BOWLERS OF THE WEEK

Adults: Bronson Steinbrook, 114 pins over his average, and Diana

Steinbrook, 68 pins over her average. Youth: Justin Rose, 121 pins over average; and Megan Allen, 47 pins over average.

Manatee Lanes

MIDWEEK MIXERS

Still looking for one bowler. WOMEN'S HIGH GAME

180 & OVER — Krissy Koller 183/216, Annie McGehee 195, Melanie Anderson 187. WOMEN'S HIGH SERIES

500 & OVER — Krissy Koller 578. MEN'S HIGH GAME 200 & OVER — Greg Barlow 225/233/243, Jack Williams 213, Eric Anderson & Patrick Kingsbury 204.

MEN'S HIGH SERIES 525 & OVER — Greg Barlow 701, Eric Anderson 545 Jack Williams 538, Chuck Ahn 536, Patrick Kingsbury 529. TOTAL PINS OVER AVERAGE — Annie McGehee 18 & Greg Barlow 122. Charles Beatty made the 6-7-10 split. Karen Goelet made the 6-7 split.

TUESDAY ODD BALLS

Men's High Game Hdcp, 268, Ron Larkin. Men's High Series Hdcp, 764, Rich Hakala. Men's High Game Scratch, 296, Ted Lawson. Men's High Series Scratch, 691, Rich Koller. Women's High Game Hdcp, 245, Mary Sutton. Women's High Series Hdcp, 692, Chopper Kjeldgard.

Women's High Game Scratch, 201, Kim Mullis. Women's High Series Scratch, 574, Danyelle Lee. WEDNESDAY MATCH PLAY

Men's High Game Hdcp, 288, Herman Sizemore. Men's High Series Hdcp, 815, Will VanSchoick. THURSDAY

POWDER PUFFS

Women's High Game Scratch, 180, Susan Steinhorst. Women's High Series Scratch, 604, Susan Dantoni. THURSDAY FLORIDA

POWER MIXERS

Men's High Game Scratch, 668, Martt Ivkovic. Men's High Series Scratch, 244, Ken Smith. Women's High Game Scratch, 226, Hannah Roof. Women's High Series Scratch, 603, Amber Mullis.

FRIDAY FUN BUNCH

Men's High Game Hdcp, 273, Brad Briscoe. Men's High Series Hdcp, 714, Greg Holding. Men's High Game Scratch, 245, Brian Tiesmeyer. Men's High Series Scratch, 647, Mike Harrison. Women's High Game Hdcp, 238, Cindy Ritrovato. Women's High Series Hdcp, 644, Wendy Quist. Women's High Game Scratch, 224, Sandy Montgomery. Women's High Series Scratch, 563, Lisa Pozzi.

Sportsmen's Bowl

Fall leagues continue to be

put together. The Tuesday night mens league and the Thursday afternoon senior mixed are full. However there are still openings in the leagues listed below for individual bowlers and in some instances full teams. If you are interested in joining one of these leagues call the bowling alley and let them know which league you would like to join and then attend the meeting for that league. Sportsmen's Bowl is located at 100 N. Florida Ave. (U.S. 41 North) in Inverness. Their phone number is 352-419-4316.

Fall League Meetings

Wednesday Night Mixed (3-person league), Sept. 8 at 6 p.m. Pin Busters Ladies, Thursday night.

Firstnighters, Men

Scratch: Tim Lawrence 279-711, Scott Brown 256-730, Dave Howell 247, Bob Nadler 656.

Handicap: Ricky Hooker 294, Tim Lawrence 285, Dave Howell 283, Scott Brown 784, Bob Nadler 758, Art Rash 743.

Hits & Misses, Mixed

Men Scratch: Bill Spreen 216-591, Gary Strausbaugh 213-601, Billy Liik 205, Nick Montalvo Jr 559.

Men Handicap: Billy Liik 248, Gary Strausbaugh 244-694, Bill Spreen 243-672, Mike Scholpp 667.

Women Scratch: Jo Frost 179-447, Kathy Pollari 176-472, Nancy Duncan 163, Edith Regan 447.

Women Handicap: Jo Frost 247-651, Kathy Shampine 222, Helen Turner 222, Peggy Toth 638, Theresa Sardono 636.

Mixed Trios Draw League, Fridays 1 p.m. Pay only if you bowl. Prizes paid each week. Number of prize winners is dependent on the number of entries. Handicap is 100% of 210. Entry Fee \$10. High Handicap Scores: John Saltmarsh 721, Rose Warnock 674.

Dynamic Duos Youth

Boys Scratch: Cody Underwood 215-592, Justin Rose 198-543, Tristin Friedrich 164-427.

Girls Scratch: Kaitlyn Perrine 138-257.

Senior Fun Bowl, Saturdays at 1 p.m. Prizes for high game and series for both men and women, colored pins, mystery frames, mystery game, Bingo, side pots, 50/50. Also money is put aside each week for the Split-Pot which is held twice each year. To win the Split-Pot a bowler must first convert a split in any of the three games bowled. After completion of the three games each bowler who has converted a split must roll three balls. The winner is the one who scores exactly 21 pins. If there are ties the money is split between winners. Refreshments and fun for all each week. Entry Fee \$10.



Kyle Larson makes a pit stop during a NASCAR Series auto race at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Sunday, Aug. 15, 2021.

RACE CAPSULES

ROUND OF 16

DARLINGTON RACEWAY

Darlington, South Carolina

Sept. 5, 6 p.m. EST, NBCSN

1.366-mile oval 367 laps/501.3 miles

2020 Winner: Kevin Harvick

RICHMOND RACEWAY

Richmond, Virginia

Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m. EST, NBCSN

.75-mile oval 400 laps/300 miles

2020 Winner: Brad Keselowski

BRISTOL MOTOR SPEEDWAY

Bristol, Tennessee

Sept. 18, 7:30 p.m. EST, NBCSN

500 laps/266.5 miles .533-mile oval

2020 Winner: Kevin Harvick

FINISHING STRONG

Larson aiming to complete rally with first Cup championship

By JENNA FRYER | AP Auto Racing Writer

When his engine blew three laps into the April race at Talladega, Kyle Larson was still settling into his new job at Hendrick Motorsports. He left the Alabama track that day ninth in the standings but undiscouraged about what he could accomplish this season.

It took him just 12 races to erase a 144-point deficit and pull even with Denny Hamlin in the standings following his August victory at Watkins Glen. Larson took control of the points race a week later at Indianapolis then steadily pulled away to claim the regular-season title.

When he lifted the ceremonial trophy Saturday night at Daytona International Speedway, Larson understood both what he'd accomplished and what's still at stake: Larson is the top seed headed into NASCAR's 10-race playoff series and the favorite to win his first Cup championship.

"I didn't think it was possible, but our team has worked so hard all of the regular season," Larson said. "This is a long season and we still have 10 races to go."

The playoffs start Sunday at Darlington Raceway in South Carolina and many believe the championship is Larson's to lose. He's won a career-high five races this season, his first driving for Hendrick Motorsports, the team that threw him a lifeline and brought him back to NASCAR following a nearly yearlong suspension in 2020 for using a racial slur.

His frantic pace throughout the summer — he won three straight at Charlotte, Sonoma and Nashville — and strong close to the 26-race regular season puts Larson at a considerable advantage over the competition. The regular-season title was worth 15 bonus points and coupled with all his other milestones, including a series-high 12 stage wins, Larson has a sizeable advantage headed into Darlington.

The bonuses put Larson up by 28 points

over Martin Truex Jr. to open the playoffs. Hamlin, who led the standings for 22 weeks but is winless this year, plummeted to seventh in points when the field was reset after Daytona.

"I think there's a lot of good tracks for us," Larson said. "I feel like we have a shot to win anywhere right now. I really just look forward to getting it started next week, kind of getting into the flow of racing in the playoffs against multiple other drivers chasing points and wins. I feel good about it."

His toughest competition might be within the Hendrick Motorsports stable. The team put all four of its drivers in the playoffs and the quartet includes reigning Cup champion Chase Elliott. Larson, Elliott, Alex Bowman and William Byron have combined for 11 victories this year and lead the six-car Chevrolet charge into the playoffs.

The two other Chevy representatives are Kurt Busch, who will be trying to close out Chip Ganassi Racing's 20-year run in NASCAR with a strong postseason before the team is turned over to Trackhouse Racing in November, and Tyler Reddick, the two-time Xfinity Series champion making his first appearance in the Cup playoffs.

Reddick claimed the 16th and final spot in the field by holding off his Richard Childress Racing teammate Austin Dillon at Daytona.

Ford is represented by all three Team Penske drivers, two from Stewart-Haas Racing and Michael McDowell, the surprise Daytona 500 winner who has slumped his way through the summer. McDowell has not finished higher than 20th in six races

and last cracked the top-10 in May.

That's the opposite of fellow Ford driver Ryan Blaney, who won two-straight to close the regular season and grab the momentum headed into the playoffs. Blaney's win at Daytona gave him a career-best three this season and has made him a sudden contender.

"It's good for confidence, not only my self-confidence, but everyone on the team," Blaney said. "Confidence is big in not only motorsports but sports and life. If you have confidence in yourself, you can achieve something, know what your goal is, go out there and do the best you can and achieve it."

Kevin Harvick, meanwhile, is an enigma a year after winning a NASCAR-high nine races. He's winless this season, ranked last in the 16-driver playoff standings, and is statistically having one of the worst seasons of his career. His 109 laps led are the fewest of his 21 seasons and he's not gone winless since 2009.

Asked about his playoff predictions, Harvick was only focused on Round 1: "That's really as far ahead as I look, one week at a time. We go to Darlington," he said.

Joe Gibbs Racing put all four of its drivers into the playoffs to give Toyota four contenders, fewest of NASCAR's three manufacturers. Christopher Bell is making his playoff debut but hasn't been nearly as consistent as teammates Hamlin, Truex and Kyle Busch.

Truex, Blaney and Bowman are all tied with three wins apiece this season — trailing only Larson — and Truex believes he's got enough in the tank to make a run at a second championship. He won at Darlington earlier this year, as well as Martinsville, which hosts the penultimate race of the season.

"We just need to get away from all of this bad luck we've been having. I feel like every week we've been getting run into and crashed," he said. "But feeling good about the playoffs. A lot of good tracks coming up and back to some normal tracks where we can race hard. Darlington was an awesome race for us this year so I look forward to kicking it off there and see what we can do."

DRIVER CAPSULES

NO. 5 CHEVROLET, HENDRICK MOTORSPORTS

Driver: Kyle Larson


Born: July 31, 1992

Hometown: Elk Grove, California

Crew chief: Cliff Daniels

Twitter: @KyleLarsonRacin

Noteworthy: Missed all but four races last year while serving a NASCAR suspension. Was hired by Rick Hendrick upon his reinstatement and has put together a career season. A Cup championship is one of the few holes on a 2021 resume that includes victories in some of the top sprint car races in the country.



LARSON

NO. 11 TOYOTA, JOE GIBBS RACING

Driver: Denny Hamlin


Born: Nov. 18, 1980

Hometown: Chesterfield, Virginia

Crew chief: Chris Gabehart

Twitter: @dennyhamlin

Noteworthy: Heads into the playoffs winless after scoring seven victories last year. But he's been consistent and trails only Kyle Larson in top-five and top-10 finishes.



HAMLIN

NO. 18 TOYOTA, JOE GIBBS RACING

Driver: Kyle Busch


Born: May 2, 1985

Hometown: Las Vegas

Crew chief: Ben Beshore

Twitter: @KyleBusch

Noteworthy: Has won twice in the Cup Series this year including a victory at Kansas, a track where Busch used to struggle. He also earned his 100th career victory in the Xfinity Series this season.



BUSCH

NO. 24 CHEVROLET, HENDRICK MOTORSPORTS

Driver: William Byron


Born: Nov. 29, 1996

Hometown: Charlotte, North Carolina

Crew chief: Rudy Fugle

Twitter: @williambyron

Noteworthy: Byron needed a win in last year's regular season finale to make the playoffs. He qualified earlier this year, with a victory at Homestead in the third race of the season. He's paired with the crew chief who



BYRON

guided him to seven wins in the Truck Series at the start of his NASCAR career.

NO. 9 CHEVROLET, HENDRICK MOTORSPORTS

Driver: Chase Elliott


Born: Nov. 28, 1995

Hometown: Dawsonville, Georgia

Crew chief: Alan Gustafson

Twitter: @ChaseElliott

Noteworthy: NASCAR's most popular driver and reigning Cup champion heads into the playoffs with two victories this year. He won the Cup title in 2020 with three wins in the final five races.



ELLIOTT

NO. 19 TOYOTA, JOE GIBBS RACING

Driver: Martin Truex Jr.


Born: June 29, 1980

Hometown: Mayetta, New Jersey

Crew chief: James Small

Twitter: @MartinTruexJr

Noteworthy: The 2017 Cup Series champion has three victories this season, trailing only Kyle Larson for most in the Cup Series. But has only eight top-five finishes — three since June.



TRUEX JR.

NO. 12 FORD, TEAM PENSKE

Driver: Ryan Blaney


Born: Dec. 31, 1993

Hometown: High Point, North Carolina

Crew chief: Todd Gordon

Twitter: @Blaney

Noteworthy: Has won a career-high two wins this season but otherwise having one of his worst statistical years since his 2016 rookie year. His crew chief will retire at the end of the year.



BLANEY

NO. 22 FORD, TEAM PENSKE

Driver: Joey Logano


Born: May 24, 1990

Hometown: Middletown, Connecticut

Crew chief: Paul Wolfe

Twitter: @joeylogano

Noteworthy: Logano is statistically



LOGANO

having his worst season since 2012, when he drove for Joe Gibbs Racing. Was vaccinated with two races remaining in the regular season to prevent a COVID-19 issue ruining his playoffs.

NO. 4 FORD, STEWART-HAAS RACING

Driver: Kevin Harvick

Born: Dec. 8, 1975

Hometown: Bakersfield, California

Crew chief: Rodney Childers

Twitter: @KevinHarvick

Noteworthy: The 2014 Cup champion won a series-high nine races last year but heads into the playoffs still seeking his first victory of the season. He failed to advance to the championship round last year despite being the most dominant driver in 2020.



HARVICK

NO. 2 FORD, TEAM PENSKE

Driver: Brad Keselowski

Born: Feb. 12, 1984

Hometown: Rochester Hills, Michigan

Crew chief: Jeremy Bullins

Twitter: @keselowski

Noteworthy: The 2012 series champion is leaving Team Penske at the end of the season to become a driver with an ownership stake at Roush Fenway Racing. Has driven for Roger Penske since 2010.



KESELOWSKI

NO. 48 CHEVROLET, HENDRICK MOTORSPORTS

Driver: Alex Bowman


Born: April 25, 1993

Hometown: Tucson, Arizona

Crew chief: Greg Ives

Twitter: @AlexBowman88

Noteworthy: Bowman has three wins this year as the replacement for seven-time NASCAR champion Jimmie Johnson. He is one of just a handful of drivers with full sponsorship from a single company and signed a contract extension in June.




BOWMAN

NO. 10 FORD, STEWART-HAAS RACING

Driver: Aric Almirola

Born: March 14, 1984

Hometown: Tampa, Florida



ALMIROLA

Crew chief: Mike Bugarewicz

Twitter: @aric_almirola

Noteworthy: Earned a spot in the playoffs with a win at New Hampshire in late July. The victory saved a dismal season for Almirola, who was the lowest ranked driver in the standings to make the playoffs for the fifth time in his career.



ALMIROLA

NO. 1 CHEVROLET, CHIP GANASSI RACING

Driver: Kurt Busch


Born: Aug. 4, 1978

Hometown: Las Vegas

Crew chief: Matt McCall

Twitter: @KurtBusch

Noteworthy: The 2004 series champion won at Atlanta to earn his berth in the playoffs. Has not announced his 2022 plans and has teased his status since the season-opening Daytona 500 when he released a video that hinted at retirement. Chip Ganassi Racing has been sold to Trackhouse Racing and Busch will not drive for that team next year.



BUSCH

NO. 20 TOYOTA, JOE GIBBS RACING

Driver: Christopher Bell


Born: Dec. 16, 1994

Hometown: Norman, Oklahoma

Crew chief: Adam Stevens

Twitter: @CBellRacing

Noteworthy: Making his first appearance in the playoffs in his second Cup season. Moved to Joe Gibbs Racing this year and earned his first career Cup victory on the Daytona road course, the second race on the schedule.



BELL

NO. 34 FORD, FRONT ROW MOTORSPORTS

Driver: Michael McDowell


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McDOWELL

Runners contribute to legacy’s fallen hero

In two weeks, you are going to see dozens of people, including me, running throughout Inverness. Please, do not panic: It is not a zombie apocalypse. Yes, for the record, we’re doing it for fun.

More important, we are doing it to honor a person whom we all respected: Phil Royal.

It is difficult to fathom it’s been five years since his tragic passing. Thanks to the Phil Royal Legacy, created by his widow, April, in the wake of his death, Phil continues to contribute to the community and its youths.

Phil was one of a number of people I first met when I began my career at the Chronicle 20-plus years ago. Ironically enough, I met him at the “Beat the Sheriff,” where he tried to convince me to take up running and beat then-Sheriff Jeff Dawsy in the event.

Phil even offered to run with me.

At the time, I worked nights as



Jeff Bryan
THE OTHER GUY

a sports reporter. Waking up early to run did not strike me as much “fun.” Phil told me the offer to train was an open invitation.

Shortly before my mother’s death in November 2016, I had decided, at the encouragement of others, to compete in a 5K. Just one time, I thought. Running became an outlet in the wake of my mom’s passing.

That one 5K has turned into scores of 5Ks, 10Ks and a few half marathons.

Now I’m one of those “crazies” who runs for fun.

I saw Phil in passing a number of times through the next few years. It was a number of years again when I bumped into him at the annual “Reach for the Stars” fundraiser at the Key Training Center. He remembered exactly who I was, and as we chatted for a few minutes, I asked if he was still running regularly. He smiled and said, “Yes.” He asked if I was finally

considering taking up running and needed training assistance. “I need a lot of assistance,” I quipped, “but I don’t think you have that kind of time.”

We laughed, shook hands, and wished each best of luck in our future endeavors.

That was almost a decade before Phil would announce his intent to run for sheriff in Citrus County. It was then in July 2016 when news of his death sent a shockwave throughout our community. Phil was a beloved

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AMERICANS STILL PAY TRIBUTE TO THE EVENTS OF 9/11, EVEN THOUGH HOW THEY DO SO MAY HAVE CHANGED OVER THE YEARS.

READ THE STORY ON PAGE C3.


Acts of remembering



CHARLIE RIEDEL/Associated Press file

In this Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2019, file photo, a boy waves to passing motorists to commemorate the anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks from an overpass on Interstate 35 near Melvern, Kansas. Area residents began manning the bridge with flags and waving to motorists on the anniversary in 2002 and have done it ever since.

Let’s all be welcoming when the time comes



Courtney Stewart
SEEING BEYOND

The past week or so has been hard to watch.

COVID-19 cases are climbing rapidly. Hospitals are facing increasing numbers of children infected with the virus. Tension is high as schools, state governments, and parents face off across the country over mask mandates and the safest way for our kids to go to school.

Speaking of school, two school shootings in North Carolina this week have left at least one high school student dead. And as per usual when these tragedies occur there are the rumblings of a heated debate over gun control mounting on the horizon.

Then there’s Hurricane Ida. Louisiana got pounded yet again by a powerful and slow-moving storm that lashed it with high winds and a tremendous amount of rain. The levees held — a significant sign of improvement from the last


catastrophic storm to torment the region — but there’s still millions of dollars of damage, a rising number of lives lost and homes destroyed, and the reality that tens of thousands of people are without power and dependent on an electricity grid that sustained tremendous damage.

As the storm has made its way north and pummeled New York and New Jersey with flash flooding, there’s growing concern over how

prepared we are as a nation to deal with the ever-increasing intensity of these storms that will continue to come and whether or not we have the infrastructure to deal with the damage the storms will bring. Those questions lead us to yet another divisive debate over climate change — its legitimacy and our response to it.

Division. Everywhere. About everything.

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GAME CHANGER

County needs vision, plan for change

In the coming months, the biggest transportation corridor in county history will open — the new 12.7-mile Suncoast Parkway from U.S. 98 to State Road 44.

While it will make it easier for motorists and commuters, the addition of the toll road through the county will be a massive game changer, affecting traffic and development patterns countywide.

County officials deserve a pat on the back for creating and approving the Cardinal Street Management Area (CSMA) plan this past April. In June, Commissioners stressed the need to talk about what County Road 486 will look like when the state extends the parkway onward to U.S. 19. However, mum has been the word about what the interchange will look like at State Road 44.

And time is ticking, fast. Commissioners need to act now to examine how development around all of the interchanges will affect the overall look and feel of the county.

In June 2019, the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council completed a “Transportation Corridor Land Use Study” that examined the impact of the parkway on Citrus County.

For Citrus County, the study read, the parkway will provide an “access amenity” that will serve as a market incentive to reorganize land use around the new interchanges. Absent specific regulations, landowners will

market or develop land around these interchanges based on whether these uses will maximize the value of their land.

In May, when the county approved the mixed-use plan for the area around the Cardinal Street interchange, they focused more on the size of lots than on the specifics of what could be constructed on them, leaving this largely to the requirements and definitions of zoning classifications.

The question both commissioners and the citizens of Citrus County need to answer is: What will the county look like in the future? Will it be planned, with both economic and aesthetic considerations taken into account in development, or will it solely be driven by individual landowners seeking to maximize the value of their land, regardless of the aesthetic of the community?

This is an important question, because the answer will shape the county for years. Commissioners are behind the ball and need to bring this to the forefront. It’s important to develop a vision for what the county will look like, and then translate this into visual images that can be shared with the public.

As the old adage goes, a picture is worth a thousand words. This is particularly true when discussing what will and will not be permitted in the area impacted by the turnpike intersections.

THE ISSUE:

Opening of the new 12.7-mile Suncoast Parkway extension.

OUR OPINION:

Toll road will bring change to Citrus County.

About the delta pandemic

The COVID pandemic was winding down in spring of this year as many Americans became immune from infection and vaccination. Herd immunity, approximately 70% of the population, appeared then to have been achieved. But the virus mutated to the delta variant and a new pandemic has been initiated.

The delta variant is able to reproduce itself much faster than the original COVID virus. This results in massively increased numbers of viral particles in those who are affected. The incubation period is thus shortened to just a few days. The virus spreads much easier than the original virus, because there are so many more particles in the nasal passages.

Because the viral load is so great, patients sick with delta, on average, appear to be sicker than with the original COVID virus. There may be a slightly increased risk of death that is being masked by better treatments available this year compared with last.

The biggest difference between delta and the original COVID virus is that delta appears to be able to survive in the nasal passages of immune patients. This suggests that herd immunity may not be achievable. The 70% of the population that is immune will still be able to harbor live virus in their nasal passages and pass that virus along to the 30% who are not immune.

Ultimately, it seems everyone is going to be infected with the

delta variant. People who have natural immunity and those who have been vaccinated will become reinfected. Most of them may not even be aware of it. Some of them will have very mild symptoms. A few of them will get sick enough to require hospitalization, and a very few of them may die from the virus.

Those who do not have immunity from any source will become infected and, depending upon individual risk factors, will experience mild to severe consequences. Those who recover will be immune to further symptomatic delta infections, but they still carry the virus.

It seems likely that this COVID pandemic will not end until every one of us has achieved immunity, and not before.

I am beginning to wonder now about the efforts we are making to prevent the spread of this virus. Is there any point in masking and maintaining distance, to quarantining kids who are exposed in school when inevitably everyone will be and must be infected for the pandemic to end? One justification might be to slow the infection to prevent hospitals from becoming overwhelmed, as was done at the beginning of the original pandemic. However, we have achieved somewhat of a herd immunity in that at least 70% of the population will not get a severe infection that requires hospitalization and use of intensive care facilities.

If, indeed, we are all going to be infected and must be



Dr. William Dixon

OTHER VOICES

LETTERS to the Editor

Get the vaccine, it solves problems

Thank you so much for publishing the article titled “Deniers and resisters and their attendant sorrows.” It touched by 92-year-old heart.

Don and I have lived in Florida for 60 years, raised our four children and have 18 great-grandchildren plus 10 great-great-grandchildren. My brother Bob Harmon and his wife Mona also lived here. But some years ago he moved to Arkansas taking his family with him.

Despite my pleas he was of the opinion, “no masks, no vaccine.” About the end of July most of his family came down with the COVID. Bob, who was 81, ended up in the hospital. His last words to me were, “it has done me in.” And it did. Much to my sorrow, he died Aug. 3.

Don and I have had our vaccines, plus our three daughters. Most of our great-grandchildren have had the COVID and a few are getting the vaccine. It breaks my heart not to be able to attend birthday parties, showers, weddings, etc., simply because of the laid-back attitude that it won’t happen to me. The kids are all growing up just in the next county and all we have in our remaining years are some pictures on Facebook.

As a retired RN, I took every vaccine that the hospital required without question. Why? Because it protected me and protected my patients. When it’s time for a booster, Don and I will be in line. Hope to see you all there.

I can understand that many people have been swayed by the antivax activists, but I don’t understand why all of the nurses and doctors haven’t been vaccinated.

Helen Sells
Inverness

No vaccine, back of the line you go

Since the pandemic is now exceeding the numbers we had before the vaccine, we need a plan to handle the large numbers in our hospitals.

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All patients should be triaged as usual, but those who have refused the vaccine should be placed at the bottom of the list. If they don’t believe there is a virus or think it is not serious, they should be sent home. They can go on the internet to their favorite conspiracy sites and follow their directions for a safe life. If they believe that God will take care of them, send them home to pray for divine intervention. With this belief they will never need to see a doctor again or take any medications and definitely don’t need hospitals!

Most of the people with COVID are the unvaccinated. Most of those dying are the unvaccinated. They are now spreading it to people in great numbers. Our governor promotes the freedom to go forth and infect our children, teachers and public in general. He will even fine those who would try to prevent the pandemic from spreading. Some parents also want the freedom to have their children infected as well. We may not know who the unvaccinated are killing with their spreading of the virus, but be assured God knows. I am glad these antivaxers weren’t demonstrating in the streets against the polio vaccine when I was getting it back in the mid-1950s.

This reminds me of the uproar about mandatory seatbelts a few decades ago. Remember, some people said they were uncomfortable. Someone wrote at that time that we shouldn’t make it mandatory. He thought the IQ level in the gene pool might increase, if it were voluntary. I also think leaving the antivaxers alone could raise the IQ level in society, but I

infected to bring this pandemic to an end, our focus should be on preventing death and serious illness from the virus. While there are some medical treatments that can reduce the severity of COVID infection, the most reliable protection against death and injury from the virus is vaccination for those who are not immune.

There are so-called conservative news sources and websites putting out gross misinformation about the dangers of vaccination. As a medical scientist who can read and understand the reports that the anti-vaxers cite to misinform, my advice is: Believe these at your own great personal risk!

All of the current vaccines have a remarkably good safety profile. Consequences from vaccination that are considered serious occur once in about 150,000 vaccinations. The risk of death from vaccination is much less than the risk of being struck by lightning or driving your car on an American highway.

It is true that for most of us, the risk of dying from COVID is minimal. But the disease course and complications are not a picnic you wish to attend. If you are not immune, get vaccinated and help bring this deadly, disruptive pandemic to a close.

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worry about some of the people with whom they come into contact, and the people who have to deal with them.

Ronald Lewis
Inverness

Common sense is the best medicine

Over the past few weeks, I’ve read all the hysteria about masks on the opinion pages of the Chronicle. It tells me that the government has been successful in creating absolute chaos about masks and COVID. It’s about control and retention of power.

We can’t rely on the CDC, The National Institutes of Health, the World Health Organization or the current administration in D.C. Their ever-changing messages and misinformation have done a huge disservice to our citizens. I have been vaccinated, but that was a personal choice. Whether a parent chooses to mask or not mask their child is also a personal choice.

There are many valid reasons why a parent might choose not to mask. We know that research has also shown definitively that masks on children cause physical and mental damage. The fact of the matter is that those cute little cloth masks and the masks they sell in the drug stores do virtually nothing to stop you from catching or transmitting COVID.

Even medical grade masks are not totally foolproof. Masks are simply about control and many people are so freaked out that they’ll wear them even when they are alone in their cars or outside. Good grief!

I think Gov. (Ron) DeSantis has handled this as well as anyone could given what we now know about the lack of effectiveness of most masks. He wants our children to be healthy and our parents to be the ultimate decisionmakers of what is best for the youngest amongst us.

To me that is just common sense.

Barry Bowman
Crystal River

Refocus on community news

(Re Aug. 29’s Page C2 letter to the editor by Nathan Sharp, titled “Return to truth and integrity”): I was reading the Sunday Chronicle and they had an interesting comment and I agree with it. The Chronicle seems to have forgotten the community. When there is community news, it’s a little bit; but when it’s national news, they’ve got heavy coverage. It would be nice if the Chronicle went back and remembered there are other towns besides Inverness, like Dunnellon or Citrus Springs or Beverly Hills or Floral City. You know, things happen down there — not bad things, good things. Maybe some of your reporters should go out and take a look at that.



Glad you guys focus on community news

I appreciate our local paper keeping their coverage basically local. There are enough sources of bad news that we can utilize, and should, but let us have our hometown paper. God bless all our armed forces and our leaders who have to make such difficult decisions for the betterment of all.

Board doesn’t care about children

This is a message to the Citrus County School Board members: Whenever you put politics ahead of the health of children, you prove that you don’t have the courage to stand up for what’s right. You’re just in the wrong position.

Win, win, win

Every day, your Citrus County Chamber through its Government Affairs Committee advocates for our local businesses and workers. Whether it is reemployment taxes, insurance rates, employee training, the environment, or any number of important issues, the Chamber assumes this advocacy role so that our businesses can instead focus on running their businesses.



Tabitha Wells
GUEST COLUMN

Sometimes the issues are exciting to report about; other times, it can be as exciting as watching the paint dry.

But in this case, reading about taxes there is a reason to be excited!

If I told you that our lawmakers found a way to smother a probable \$713 million tax increase on businesses through the unemployment tax rates or that they also have a plan to continually buy down the business rent tax, would that get your attention?

On April 19, 2021, Gov. Ron DeSantis signed Senate Bill 50 into law, the bill has also been referred to as “e-Fairness” or the online sales tax bill. Prior to the passage of SB 50, did you know that Florida law required you, the consumer, to calculate and pay sales tax directly to the state for online purchases you made from out-of-state vendors if they did not already include the Florida sales tax? And that every time you did not do so, you were technically breaking the law.

Well, if you said no, then you’re not alone. Like many, you may have just thought you were getting a really good deal by ordering online and not having to pay tax. Smart, right? But there are many ramifications that were ultimately harming you and your community. The fact that this particular tax had no oversight meant the state of Florida was not capturing the adequate revenue from out-of-state or internet sales. This is what many would refer to as a tax loophole.

Why does that matter? It matters because our local businesses were losing out on sales to the online competitors. And it is our local businesses that support our communities, create jobs for our citizens, pay local taxes and generate vibrancy and economic prosperity. It is our local businesses that have made investments in our community.

Here is the “dry” part: In 2018, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled to eliminate “the requirement that a seller have physical presence in the taxing state to be able to collect and remit sales taxes to that state.” South Dakota vs. Wayfair provided an opportunity for states to set an “economic nexus” rather than a “physical presence nexus” only. Florida was only one of two states that collected sales tax and had not

adopted the Wayfair decision. Fun fact: Missouri was the other state. Unfortunately, Florida companies doing online business in other states were having to calculate, charge and remit sales tax to other states (except of course, Missouri).

This bill recodified Florida’s existing tax provision. The Florida Chamber of Commerce stated that “this levels the playing field between brick-and-mortar businesses that pay sales tax and other taxes in Florida and their online competitors.” This has been their priority for two-decades. Remember, this isn’t a new tax, it only changes the collector from the consumer to the business.

Stick with me, this is where it gets exciting! The plan is that the money will initially be used to “buy down” another important tax that was looming over Florida businesses (Reemployment Tax) by diverting it from the state’s general revenue fund to the state unemployment compensation trust fund, at least until the fund reaches the pre-pandemic balance.

Due to the pandemic, many businesses had to reduce employees. Those employees then drew benefits from the State’s unemployment compensation trust fund. The trust fund is supported by the unemployment tax that all businesses pay on employees. As this trust fund was drained, businesses were facing astronomical increases in their unemployment taxes to replenish the fund. For businesses already reeling from the pandemic, facing this huge tax increase was truly scary. The only way that many of them could see to make up for the increase would be to raise prices for the consumer.

After the trust fund is replenished, our Legislators (House and Senate) agreed that they would use the money to “buy down” the business rent tax on commercial leases. The business rent tax is another that that for years only Florida has been charging, affecting our competitiveness with other states. Over the last five years the legislature has been slowly decreasing this tax at a rate of 0.1% or 0.2% per year. Currently we are holding at 5.5%. Using the online sales tax will reduce the business rent tax from 5.5% to 2%, with the ultimate goal of eliminating the tax.

So you see, by passing SB 50 Florida will allow the collection of online sales tax, rebuild the trust fund, and decrease the commercial rent tax. This is a win for government, businesses and consumers!

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JULIE JACOBSON/Associated Press file

In this Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2002, file photo, from left, Shannon Barry, Lisa Starr and Michelle Wagner, all of Hershey, Pennsylvania, comfort each other as they listen to a memorial service for victims of Flight 93 near Shanksville. President George W. Bush laid a wreath at the crash site later in the day to mark the anniversary of the terrorist attacks.

9/11: As the decades pass, the way we remember evolves

TED ANTHONY
AP national writer

SHANKSVILLE, Pa. Shanksville seem to swallow sound. The plateau that Americans by the millions ascend to visit the Flight 93 National Memorial, to think of those who died in this southwestern Pennsylvania expanse, sits just above much of the landscape, creating a pocket of quiet precisely where quiet needs to be.

It is a place that encourages the act of remembering.

Twenty years have passed since United Flight 93 made its final descent, chaos unfolding aboard as buildings burned 300 miles to the east. Nearly one-fifth of the country is too young to remember firsthand the day that changed everything. Yet at the memorial’s overlook, near the patch where the plane hit, remembering is the whole point.

Remembering is not merely a state of mind. As those who beseech us to never forget the Holocaust have long insisted, it is an act. And when loss and trauma are visited upon human beings, the act of remembering takes many forms.

Remembering is political. Those who disagree about the fate of Confederate statues across the American South demonstrate that, as do those who dispute how much the war on terror and its toll should be part of discussions about 9/11 memories.

Remembering arrives in ground zero ceremonies and moments of silence and prayers upon prayers, both public and private. It shows itself in folk memorials like those erected at the sides of lonely roads to mark the sites of traffic deaths. It is embedded in the names of places, like the road that leads to the Flight 93 memorial — the Lincoln Highway. It surfaces in the retrieval of “flashbulb memories” — those where-were-you-when-this-happened moments that stick with us, sometimes accurately, sometimes not.

There are personal memories and cultural memories and political memories, and the lines often blur.

And for generations, remembering has been presented to us in monuments and memorials like Shanksville’s, fine-tuned to evoke memories and emotions in certain ways.

Yet while monuments stand, remembering itself evolves. How 9/11 is remembered depends on when 9/11 is remembered. What, then, does remembering come to mean on a 20th anniversary of an event like 9/11, even as its echoes are still shaking the foundations of everything?

“Our present influences how we remember the past — sometimes in ways that are known and sometimes in ways that we don’t realize,” says Jennifer Talarico, a psychology professor at Lafayette College in Pennsylvania who studies how people form personal memories of public events.

Evidence of that is obvious in the past five weeks in Afghanistan, where a 20-year war waged in direct response to 9/11 ended pretty much where it began: with the repressive and violent Taliban in charge once more.

But even within more static forms of memory, such as the Flight 93 National Memorial, the question of how remembering evolves hangs over so much.

In the visitors’ center, visceral, painful artifacts of the moment

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ALEXANDER FUCHS/Associated Press file

In this Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001, file photo, the remains of the World Trade Center stand amid other debris following the terrorist attack on the buildings in New York.

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And I haven’t even mentioned the absolute disaster of our troops’ withdrawal from Afghanistan.

We’ve all watched and listened to story after story of heartbreak and loss; tragedy and devastation as our country’s 20-year campaign has come to a cataclysmic halt. The Taliban’s mind-blowing swift takeover, the retreat of the Afghan army, the military weapons and equipment seemingly abandoned into the hands of terrorists, the panicked scenes of people rushing to be transported out of the country, and of course the attack on the Kabul airport that left 13 American soldiers and

dozens of Afghans dead.

There are as many different feelings and emotions about all that’s happening in Afghanistan as there are people watching the tragedy unfold.

For years now, the war has been deeply unpopular with the American people as responsibility for what happens next has been passed from one president to another. Speculations are rampant over the choices of the Biden administration and the capacity for the United States to have done better.

Like most people, I am distraught over what I’ve seen and disappointed in the reality of our exit. But I also know that the intricacy of a departure from two decades of war in a region that is rife with complexity and complications is more than I can understand with the limited information available to me.

There’s judgement now and there will be more ahead. History will not look kindly on this moment.

And yet, as an average citizen, there is little and likely not anything that I can do to mitigate any of these multidimensional problems.

Except this one thing.

Thousands of Afghans are in the pipeline to be relocated to the United States. These are people who risked their lives to help our soldiers and their families who were under constant threat of violence and death.

As brutal as the war in Afghanistan has been, it would have been worse without the help of these brave Afghan men and women.

So when they arrive here and join our communities, we have a responsibility to them. We owe them a warm welcome.

We owe them hospitality. We owe them a sense of belonging.

There is so much that we cannot do in terms of what is unfolding in Afghanistan. But what we can do is accept those coming to our country from Afghanistan with grace and respect. It’s a way to bring some peace to the unrest — even if it is just one person at a time.

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OTHER

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individual who connected with so many.

Now, in a small way, the community has a

chance to give back in his honor. While you might not be a runner, you can still participate.

This year’s run will help provide scholarships for safety patrol students to go to Washington, D.C., next summer and to help fund the All Kids Bike program.

April Royal is eager to raise money for the All Kids Bikes learn-to-ride program that will provide all kindergarten classes in Citrus County, public and private schools, with the opportunity for the students to learn how to ride a bike by age 6.

We, as a community, can honor Phil Royal

and the youths he cared passionately about during his time with us. I encourage you to be a part of helping honor his legacy.

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still bring back the past with astonishing efficiency; twisted, scarred cutlery from in-flight meals is particularly breathtaking. But the variety of remembering that is presented yards away at the quiet overlook and its thoughtful memorial feels more permanent, more eternal.

Paul Murdoch of Los Angeles, the lead architect on the memorial, says it was carefully calibrated to resonate across multiple stages of memory about the event and its implications.

“You can imagine a memorial approach that sort of freezes anger in time, or freezes fear. And that can be a very expressionistic piece of art. But I feel like for something to endure over a long period of time, I think it has to operate a different way,” says Murdoch, who co-designed the memorial with his wife, Milena.

“Now we have a generation of people who weren’t even alive on 9/11,” Murdoch says. “So how do you talk to people of this new generation — or of future generations?”

That question is particularly potent on this anniversary. Society tends to mark generations in two-decade packages, so there’s an entire one that has been born and come of age since the attacks. That hardly means they haven’t been paying attention, though: They “remember,” too.

Krystine Batcho, a psychology professor at Le Moyne College in Syracuse, New York, studies how nostalgia works. She found something interesting a couple years ago when she was researching how young people encountered stories that resonated with them — both personally and through the news.

Even those who lacked living memories of 9/11, Batcho says, responded with stories about the event. It was remembering as shared experience.

So many first encounters with 9/11 were, in the tradition of an information age, both separate and communal. People in different parts of the country and



In this Sunday, Sept. 11, 2011, file photo, soldiers with the U.S. Army’s 25th Infantry Division, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Battalion 27th Infantry Regiment based in Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, hold a ceremony commemorating the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks and soldiers the unit has lost since then in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan at Forward Operating Base Bostick in Kunar province, Afghanistan.

world, under vastly different circumstances, watched the same live camera angles on the same few feeds and saw the same, now-indelible views of the destruction in the same way. They experienced it apart, but together:

That formed a communal memory of sorts, even if sometimes people who saw the same things didn’t remember them the same way — a specific camera angle or vantage point, a key figure’s comments, the exact sequence of events.

Remembering can be like that, experts say.

“You would think that the memories would be more cohesive and homogeneous,” Batcho says. “It turns out that it’s much more complicated than that.”

The fundamental tension of this kind of remembering — it feels like yesterday but is also becoming part of history — confronts us in the coming days. Memory becomes history. And history — shared history — is held onto tightly, sometimes


rabidly. It’s why so many people grasp tightly to comforting, nostalgic historical narratives — even when they’re shown to have been destructive.

When memory does become history, it can become more remote, like a Revolutionary War memorial for people whose passions and sacrifices have been sanded down by time. With distance, it can calcify.

That’s not going to happen with 9/11 for a long time, of course. Its politics are still roiling. The arguments that it produced — and the ways they sent society hurtling in a different direction — are just as intense as in those early days.

And when a nation pauses to remember the morning 20 years ago when it was attacked, it is not only looking over its shoulder. It is also looking around and wondering: What does this mean to us now?

Ted Anthony, director of new storytelling and newsroom innovation for The Associated Press, was AP’s director of Asia-Pacific news from 2014 to 2018 and covered the aftermath of 9/11 in Afghanistan and Pakistan from 2001 to 2003.




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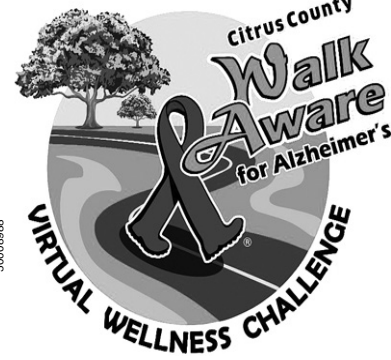


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Florida State Representative Dr. Ralph Massullo
Ralph Massullo was elected into the FL House of Representatives in 2016, representing Citrus County and the North West portion of Hernando County. He was born and raised in West Virginia and founded Suncoast Dermatology and Skin Surgery Center in 1989, where he still practices today. Massullo and his wife Patty have four children and two grandchildren. They are active members of Seven Rivers Presbyterian Church.

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Thursday, Sept. 23, 5:30 p.m. LOCAL MIDDLE SCHOOLS ENVIRONMETAL JEOPARDY COMPETITION. Local middle schools compete in testing their environmental knowledge. Public invited. Conference Center, College of Central Florida, Citrus Campus, 3800 S. Lecanto Hwy, Lecanto. For information, call (352) 613-6850. FREE.


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Is there a connection between your Apple Watch and COVID? Yup, sure is.

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The Apple Watch and other smart watches can do that. There have been two medical studies on this capability.

The studies were done by researchers at Mount Sinai Health System in New York and Stanford University in California. Their findings showed that the Apple Watch and other smart watches can identify subtle changes in heart rates that might indicate early infection.

Mount Sinai researchers found that those subtle changes can signal up to seven days before symptoms appear or infection is found through a COVID test.

A subtle change in your heart rate, which is measured on your Apple Watch, might indicate an early infection. This is important, as you could be asymptomatic.

Asymptomatic people are a large proportion of COVID cases. It could be a game changer now that the delta variant is surging.

A metric called heart rate variability (variation in time between each heartbeat) was used by the Mount Sinai study. This variability is a measure of how well a person's immune system is working.

The subjects who had COVID experienced a lower heart rate variability. A greater variability shows that the nervous system is adaptable and more resilient to stress.

Almost 300 health care workers at Mount Sinai, wearing Apple Watches from the end of April through September 2020, participated in this study.

In a different study at Stanford University, researchers looked at resting heart rates and found that 81% of COVID patients had a change in resting heart rate up to 9.5 days before they showed symptoms.

Knowing the information from both studies, the wearer could quarantine or get the COVID test. Multiply that by the number of Apple Watch owners and you have another path toward herd immunity.

There is one caveat, however: A heart rate might be elevated for other reasons. This applies also to heart rate variability changes. Nonetheless, that doesn't negate the importance of these two studies.

One other indicator of an infection is your blood oxygen level. An oximeter is the small device that a nurse places on the tip of one of your fingers. That reading will show your oxygen level, which is an

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Ready for a byte or 2?



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

220 Barbecue partner/chef Alan Ingram slices a Boston butt Thursday, Aug 2, to create a pulled-pork sandwich at his newly opened barbecue restaurant in Beverly Hills. A pile of St. Louis style ribs rests at right.

New cashless, take-out-only digital barbecue restaurant opens in Beverly Hills

MICHAEL D. BATES
Special to the Chronicle

Alan Ingram is so confident his new 220 Barbecue restaurant will be successful in Beverly Hills he has already signed leases to open locations in Crystal River and Lecanto.

And there's more to come: Ingram said he is negotiating to open soon in Inverness and Homosassa.

Why so many 220 Barbbeques in one county? Part of it might be because it is digital — a trend sweeping the country.

Located at 4493 County Road 491, in the American Plaza, 220 Barbecue is a cashless, digital restaurant, with no indoor seating — the first of its kind in Citrus County, Ingram said.

People, he said, can “preorder, pick their meal up at a convenient time, at a location convenient to them and take it home to enjoy with their families.”

Ingram's name is familiar to restaurant-goers in Dunnellon, where he owned or operated Gruff's Tap & Grille, Sweet Potatoes and Skeets Barbecue.

For this new venture, he and his partners chose barbecue. The 220 in the

name refers to the temperature used to smoke its meats inside its expansive kitchen area.

The pandemic changed the way people dine. A National Restaurant Association survey said 60% of people are more inclined to get delivery than sit indoors.

Ingram and staff offer carry-out, curbside and delivery options only. Customers order online at 220BBQ.com.

The restaurant has strict policies in place for sanitizing and cleaning ensuring a safe workplace for staff and guests and those same guidelines carry over to the preparation and packaging of the food.

Each item is sealed with a tamper-proof seal and delivery items are sealed in two bags for an extra layer of protection.

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According to 220 BBQ they get their name from a family secret handed down from elders. The secret revolves around how to maintain the “perfect” 220-degree temperature essential for achieving flavors that come from smoking meats, “low and slow.”



Looking at the life cycle of a nonprofit

Nonprofits usually begin with great focus, energy and a statement of goals. Mission and purpose are clearly defined. Volunteer enthusiasm becomes the springboard which launches the organization into the public view.

During this period, volunteer leaders seek public attention of the new organization. Once the governing body—the board—is established, they begin to recruit additional volunteers to help support the mission.

As committees are formed the new nonprofit continues to work on organizational goals. Early stage activity is in full swing going forward. The new nonprofit is now into the first phase of the life cycle.

After several years of operating, the nonprofit enters into the next phase of its existence—the mid-life.

Mid-life

All nonprofits eventually age into mid-life. Often, the volunteers are not aware of any detrimental issues that can arise during this period. Unfortunately, some situations can threaten the life of their nonprofit.

The Internal Revenue Service, the most important governmental

agency to interact with nonprofits, approves and monitors the activities of nonprofits. Its purpose is to scrutinize nonprofits to insure they continue to warrant their federal income tax exemption status.

IRS literature describes the “The Life Cycle of a Nonprofit,” outlining requirements of the start-up phase and cautions relative to midlife concerns. The focus is ongoing compliance and potential for significant events.

The mid-life term may experience audits, private letter rulings and termination. Each of these situations can be properly resolved. But, if they happen, professional advice should be sought sooner than later. Therein is the best advice and probability for resolution.

Volunteer attrition

As the nonprofit transitions into mid-life, new challenges may come into play. Loss of strong leadership is tantamount to the erosion and possible slow destruction of the organization. Volunteers come and go. Some may



Dr. Frederick Herzog, Ph.D.

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have different thoughts as to how to manage the organization. Ideological or philosophical differences may exist relative to meeting mission or purpose. Others may look for another volunteer activity. Some move away.

A most life-threatening organizational concern hovers around a volunteer consumed by negative and verbal disagreement. This condition can easily invade public opinion. It impacts the nonprofit's reputation and capacity to solicit financial support from the community. Staff, if any, and volunteer leadership are obligated to stay on top of this dynamic for “The Life of the Nonprofit.”

IRS intervention

The IRS generally will not interfere with the operation of a nonprofit unless the organization exhibits disregard of the essential requirement of annual reporting. The absence of annual reporting will cause the IRS to terminate the nonprofit entity.

Revenue-producing activities

that are not in the mainstream of allowable sources will cause an IRS audit and can lead to penalties, leadership liabilities issues and more.

Political activities are specifically disallowed. The purpose of granting a federal tax exemption does not include supporting a person or group for political office or a political party or program.

Safeguarding

The best approach to insure the nonprofit organization is within its scope of acceptable operational activities is periodic review. Basic nonprofit documents should be inspected for compliance concerns. Operational activities and revenue streams should be scrutinized for appropriateness.

The NonProfit Resource Center offers periodic reviews of nonprofits to assist in continued compliance.

Dr. Frederick J. Herzog, is the founder and executive director of the NonProfit Resource Center in Citrus County. He can be reached via email: fherzog@tampabay.rr.com or call 847-899-9000. Visit online at thenonprofitresourcecenter.com.

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indicator of your health. A reading of lower than 90% can be cause for concern. If you don't have an oximeter but do have an Apple Watch Series 6 with the most recent watchOS, then you're set.

Apple has pre-installed a Blood Oxygen app on your Apple Watch Series 6. However, you must enable the app to use it.

Yes, my Apple Watch is fabulous. In addition to the above, it reminds me to take a moment to breathe and also stand up.

Standing up frequently is critical to prevent DVT (deep vein thrombosis). DVT is not to be taken lightly. You might recall that an NBC reporter, David Bloom, embedded with the 3rd Infantry Division outside Baghdad died of DVT in April 2003. He was only 39.

I now know about DVT personally, as our youngest son (in his 40s) had a blood clot form in his leg. He was one of many in 2020 who were asked to work remotely. And without being in the office for those "water cooler" chats, he lost track of time so didn't take a break to stand.

Our son was lucky, as he knew something was wrong and was seen by a doctor. Now he uses his Apple Watch to remind him to stand while working remotely.

Excuse me. My Apple Watch just told me that I have to stand up now.

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Key West condo building unsafe, but residents lack housing options

A city official in the Florida Keys is threatening to condemn a condo building for being unsafe, a move that could further limit the affordable housing stock in a community that is often

difficult for working people to find a place to live.

The 111-unit Santa Clara Condominium complex in Key West was in dangerous condition with damage that includes major cracks in walls and stairwells, and exposed steel in vertical columns, Raj Ramsingh, the city's chief building inspector, wrote in a hearing notice dated Wednesday.

The Santa Clara Condominium Association must produce a plan for repairs at a "condemnation hearing" set for Sept. 13 at City Hall, according to the Miami Herald.

"Santa Clara was just band-aiding it for the last 15 years," Ramsingh said. "The key is to keep it maintained."

The notice comes as condo associations and building inspectors all over

South Florida and beyond are examining residential structures following the June collapse of the Champlain Towers South in Surfside, Florida, which killed 98 people.

Compared to most places in Key West, the units at the Santa Clara Condominium complex are moderately priced.

— From wire reports

BARBECUE

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Customers can order online or call ahead, but Ingram encourages people to stop inside and order from a kiosk or with one of the team members.

When asked what sets them apart from other barbecue restaurants, he said it was simple: "family recipes, quality ingredients and a passion for what we do."

Ingram said the goal is to franchise his 220 Barbecue restaurants and this is a start.

The Crystal River location — which is tentatively set to open in about six weeks — will be at 7911 State Road 44, in the plaza next to the future home of Copp Winery & Brewery. The Lecanto site will be near the intersection of State Road 44 and County Road 491, at the former Zona Long bail bonds office next to the Mobil station.

Ingram is the chief executive officer of 220 Barbecue. The other core members are Philip Bomhoff, president; Katie Wright, chief operating officer; Ian Sylvester, corporate trainer/regional manager; Joseph Carri-gan, chef/regional manager; and Kelley Ingram, lead hospitality specialist.

Bomhoff also owns Cavallo Estate Winery, off County Road 491 in Lecanto. Wright handles the marketing and retailing side of the business. She designed the restaurant's logo, which she calls a blend of classical and new age.

"When entering a 220

Barbecue you will find that modern franchise feel coupled with a strong sense of family and a whole lotta love," Ingram said.

Word is already getting out, said Bob Hedick, who lives in nearby Black Diamond Ranch. He stopped by Wednesday to pick up his meal and was impressed. When asked if he could see where all the smoked meat is cooked, Ingram took him into the kitchen.

That's the kind of customer and staff interaction Ingram said he wants. "Our customers are our family," he said.

For more information about 220 Barbecue, call 352-513-5665 or visit www.220bbq.com.

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THURSDAY, OCT 28TH, 6PM - 10PM

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Last Chance for Business Expo Registration

Applications for Citrus County's premier expo close in just over a week! Limited spaces are still available starting at only \$75 to promote your services and organizations in front of our community and your potential customers! Apply now at www.CitrusCountyChamber.com/Business-Expo.

Admission for attendees is free with TONS of fun prepared while browsing the vendors!

■ Chances to step into the MONEY MACHINE and walk out richer than you came!

■ Free Axe Throwing with JAM - In-

door Family Entertainment Center

■ Free kids projects with the Citrus Construction Academy (while supplies last)

■ BOGO Manatee Boat Tours for the 2022 Florida Manatee Festival and a FREE strawberry Shortcake at the 2022 Floral City Strawberry Festival

■ Demonstrations and entertainments from Citrus County Jazzercise

■ Hawaiian Dance Demonstrations

■ Free Goodie Bags (while supplies last)

■ Kids activities

■ and MORE!

Chamber Supports United Way



The Chamber is proud to, once again, support the United Way of Citrus County through their Small Business 365 program. We have seen first-hand the impact that our United Way has in our community and the assistance they bring to our residents during their time of need. Pictured: Meghan Pitzer, CEO — United Way of Citrus County; Ardath Prendergast, Vice President of Operations and Business Retention & Expansion — Citrus County Chamber of Commerce.



Jennifer Quinn
Economist and the
Director of Economic
Development for Florida
Realtors®.

LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON

The Florida Realtors' Economist and Director of Economic Development, Jennifer Quinn, will be the keynote speaker at the September 10 Chamber luncheon at the Plantation at Crystal River. She will focus on affordable housing and transportation, and the realities of the economic "benefits cliff" that some families may face despite their efforts to improve their wage base.

To RSVP, call Corrine at 352-795-3149. \$20 for Chamber members; \$25 for non-members.

Thank you to the September Chamber Luncheon is sponsored by Big Brothers Big Sisters.

RECENT RIBBON CUTTINGS

The Chamber is growing every week. We welcome our new members and thank all of them for joining the Chamber. We encourage the community to support their businesses.

H&H Children's Consignment & Boutique



Welcome to the Chamber H&H Children's Consignment & Boutique! Located in the Times Square shopping plaza in Inverness between The Little Flower Shop and CPR Cell Phone Repair! 3812 E Gulf to Lake Hwy, Inverness, FL 34453. (352) 419-4309. Photography by: Dennis Pfeiffer - Kimball-Midwest - Outside Sales/Marketing

Chamber Events

■ 09/10 – September Chamber Luncheon sponsored by Big Brothers Big Sisters – 11:30am – 1pm; Plantation on Crystal River; Speaker: Jennifer Quinn, Economist & Director of Economic Development | FloridaRealtors®. To register email Corrine@CitrusCountyChamber.com.

■ 09/23 – September Chamber Mixer – 5pm; Realtor's Association of Citrus County in Lecanto

■ 10/15 – Salute to Business Luncheon featuring keynote speaker Senate President Wilton Simpson, sponsored by Duke Energy – 11:30am – 1pm. To register email Corrine@CitrusCountyChamber.com.

■ 10/19 – Fire Up Citrus! – 6PM – 9:15PM; The Valerie Theatre in Inverness

■ 10/28 – BAM BBQ presented by Crystal Harley Davidson – 6PM – 10PM; M&B Dairy in Lecanto. Tickets on sale now at www.CitrusCountyChamber.com/bambbq.



'Chamber Report' on WYKE

Watch the weekly Chamber Report show on WYKE-TV to stay informed on Chamber events, issues, and member spotlights. Chamber Report is broadcast on Tuesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays at 5:00 p.m. on Spectrum Channel 16 or through LiveStream (www.livestream.com/watch and search for "WYKE TV 47").

This week, host Jade White, Chamber Public Relations & Communication Coordinator, talks with Erika Corley, Chamber Special Events Manager, about upcoming events including the Business Expo, Business Appreciation Month's BAM BBQ and Fire Up Citrus, and more!

Also joining Jade is the Business Expo Presenting Sponsor, Christopher Smith of Citrus Electric, about the services they provide.

Chamber Report is your ticket to the many happenings in Citrus County!



Citrus Electric



Erika Corley

Chamber Legacy Partners

The Chamber recognizes our Legacy Partners that have made a special investment in the Chamber to support the programs and mission of the Chamber. For information on becoming a Legacy Partner, please contact the Chamber at 352-795-3149.



Chronicle

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Conference Centers Assistant - Vintage Farm

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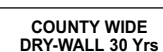


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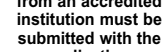
Director-Accessibility and Counseling Services

Full-Time position

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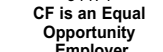
Educational Advisor

Full-Time position

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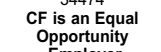
First Year Success Specialist

Full-Time position

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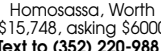


Kitchen Help

All positions, immediately openings!!
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Call for interview 352-795-2806 or in person 139 N. Ozello Trail, Crystal River, FL 34429
11:00 am-9:00 pm

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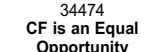
Staff Assistant III - Arts, Sciences, & Mathematics

Full-Time position

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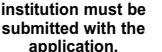
Testing Assistant

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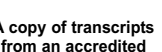
Trades Technician

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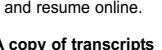
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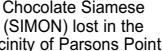
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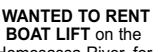
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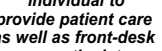
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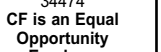
Accountant I

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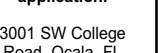
Accountant III

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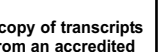
Director-Accessibility and Counseling Services

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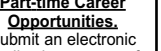
Adjunct-Adult Education

Part-Time position

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Professional



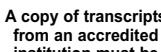
Conference Centers Assistant - Vintage Farm

Part-Time position

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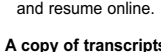
Custodian - Citrus

Part-Time position

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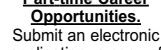
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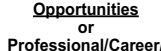
Dual Enrollment Coordinator

Part-Time position

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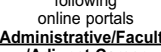
First Year Success Specialist

Full-Time position

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(352) 419-7264 Lv MSG

Building Supplies

SHEETROCK
1/2 in x 48 in x 74 \$5
352-201-1929

Computers/Video

Monitor 22 inch, \$10 call or text
(352) 586-4576

Outdoor Furniture

PATIO TABLE
White PVC 3' x 6' Table & 4 rolling chairs w/ cushions. Perfect Condition!
\$200 (352) 364-3274

Furniture

BAKERS RACK
Wrought Iron/ Wood (4 shelves, +1 wooden shelf w/ 2 drawers 78"H x 31"W \$70 obo
(352) 527-3963 - LV MSG

Coffee Table
Art Deco, glass top, 16 in H, 24 in W, 48 in L \$22 obo
(352)-344-1515

COUCH - (Rooms-To-Go) 6 cushion, solid, light blue, Good cond. \$225 Firm (Cash Only) sold as-is u-move (352) 697-3311

CURIO CABINET
82"Hx40"Wx13"D with shelves, white wash \$100
352-613-0529.

FUTON & Dining Set
w/ 4 chairs - Good condition \$100 for Both - LV MSG
(352) 527-3963

NEW Queen Serta Box Spring
Retail \$149 Sell \$50
(352) 513-5339

QUEEN SOFA SLEEPER BED
LIKE NEW! \$300 OBO
(352) 228-5079



Set of 2 Basket Chairs w/ Framework
LIKE NEW CONDITION \$400 for Both
(574) 514-0319

TABLE
Round OAK Pedestal Table, 42" w/ leaf & 5 chairs. REALLY NICE!
\$350 (352) 422-6091

Garden/Lawn Supplies

6HP Troy Bilt tiller \$350 / MAKE OFFER
OR will add 6 jack posts 4ft to 7ft, fully adjustable for \$400 offer (352) 476-1023

Bob's DISCARDED Lawn Mower Service
★ FREE PICK-UP ★
352-637-1225

Elephant Ear Plants \$3 ea. or 2 for \$5
352-746-4160

LAWN MOWER
Scotts 21 inch self-propelled, 6 1/2 HP inter motor
\$80 (352) 613-5596

Weed Wacker
Remington, gas \$50 call or text
(352) 586-4576

Plants

Bromelads - 2 Sm both for \$20 & 1 Lg \$35
-Night & Day Jasmines \$20/ More plant varieties available
(352) 464-3207

Wild Flower Dahli & Zinnias/ Marigold Seeds - all colors \$2 per bag
352-746-4160

Garage/ Yard Sales

MOVING SALE
EVERYTHING MUST GO!
CRYSTAL RIVER SAT, SUN, MON Sept. 4, 5, 6 10a-3p
Everything must go INCLUDING the HOUSE, 2 small utility trailers +MORE!
No Junk- Good Stuff! Brokers Protected
(941) 268-2799
42 N Gulf Ave

Garage/ Yard Sales

HERNANDO
SUNDAY 9/5 10a-2p
1684 W Olympia St

Clothing

JACKETS, DRESSES, TOPS, & SKIRTS
Calvin Klein & Antonio Melani, Size 6 or small between \$10-\$15 ea.
352-746-4160

General

75 ft of Irrigation Pipe 3/4" dia. black plastic \$12 obo (352)-344-1515

Basket
Woven Rice Basket with cover, \$20 call or text
(352) 586-4576

BIG GREEN EGG Grill LIKE NEW! Comes w/ Cover, pizza stone, side tables & more. \$850 OBO (352) 533-0989

CUSTOM PICTURE FRAME BLACK 17.5" x 14.5" Sell \$20
352-513-5339

Dart Board Electric, w/ accessories \$40 call or text
(352) 586-4576

DRAPES NEW IKEA
95% Blackout 98" x 57" in box SAGE Green 2 pr each Retail \$49 Sell \$40 352-513-5339

Electric Pellet Grill /Smoker
1 1/2 yrs old, kept inside Paid \$326.24 & will sell for \$250
(352) 489-3120

Glass Top Table
46" Hex design, \$60
Beautiful Wood Base (352) 489-3120

Loofah Sponge (Homegrown) in Gift Bag inc/ aroma therapy body wash, Dove body lotion, & hand sanitizer w/ holder
\$10 a bag 5 available 352-746-4160

Motorcycle Helmet
Size Large Like New! \$25 (352) 344-1515

Sportsman Portable Generator - 7000W surge- 6000W running 13HP - gas fuel / never used, still in box- \$400 OBO Craftsman Power Washer 3000 Max Psi - 2.7 Max Open, 2 in 1 Detergent System never used \$200 (352) 527-3963 LV MSG

STONE PAPER WEIGHT Beautiful Striped stone octagonal Sell \$10 352-513-5339

Tomato Cages
Heavy Duty - 8 for \$20 Sugarmill Woods
352-405-2965

Vintage Handkerchiefs, Some with lace crochet. \$25 ea or \$9 for all. (352) 637-1613 Lve Msg

VINTAGE WALL PLATE FRUIT PICTURE 7" round filigree edge Sell \$10
352-513-5339

Medical Equipment

Roller Walker 4/300lbs \$50 Stand-up walker size Large \$25
Very Good Condition! (352) 419-7264 Lv MSG

*****SCAM ALERT*****



1. NEVER ACCEPT A CHECK FOR MORE THAN YOU ASK.

2. INSIST ON CASH

3. USE ANOTHER FORM OF PAYMENT, (SUCH AS WIRE TRANSFER)

4. IF POSSIBLE, GO TO THE BANK WITH THE PERSON PAYING YOU.

Avoid CASHIER'S CHECK FRAUD.

5. INFORM THE SELLER, THAT YOU'LL WAIT TWO WEEKS BEFORE SENDING ANY MERCHANDISE

How to Avoid a Fake Check Scam

- **INSIST ON CASH**
- **Don't accept a check for more than the selling price. You can bet it's a scam.**
- **Inform the Buyer that you'll wait two weeks before sending any merchandise.**
- **Never use money from a check to send gift cards, money orders, or wire money to strangers or someone you just met. Many scammers demand that you send money through money transfer services like Western Union or MoneyGram, or buy gift cards and send them the PIN numbers. Once you wire money, or give someone the gift card PINs, it is like giving someone cash. It's almost impossible to get it back.**
- **Toss offers that ask you to pay for a prize. If it's free, you shouldn't have to pay to get it.**

Household

(3) TABLE LAMPS \$10 each or \$30 for ALL
(352) 344-1515

College Dorm Size Fitted Mattress Topper TWIN XL
Excellent condition \$25 (352) 344-1515

Decorator Bowl
Stainless Steel 9 inches \$5
(352) 513-5339

KEURIG COFFEE MAKER K-Select in good condition \$25
352-613-0529

New Pyrex Baking Dish
9" x 9" \$4
(352) 513-5339

Oil Paintings
Local Artist - Landscapes & Seascapes \$10 Each
(352) 344-1515

SHADOW BOX OCTAGON SHAPE
33" w & a Lg mirror in-art, glass shelves, \$60 obo (352) 344-1515

VACUUM HOOVER FloorMate
Vacuums, Washes & Dries - Like New! Only \$35 (352) 344-1515

Fitness Equipment

TREADMILL
in good condition \$200
(352) 527-3963 - LV MSG

Sporting Goods

2 BIKES - a Ladies Schwinn 10 speed \$75 & a Specialized Hardrock Mens \$125 (248) 420-7352

Baby Items

UMBRELLA STROLLER blue & red in good condition, \$10
352-613-0529

Jewelry

Movado Vintage Ladies Watch \$100
(352) 513-5339

NECKLACE VINTAGE REAL SILVER 5 STRAND
Sell \$40
352-513-5339

NEW Silver Butterfly Necklace
\$10
(352) 513-5339

NEW Silver Stingray Necklace
\$10
(352) 513-5339

Turquois Thunderbird Necklace
\$50
(352) 513-5339

Wanted to Buy

WANTED JUNK & ESTATE CARS
Up to \$1,000. & MORE (352) 342-7037

Beauty Services



CHANGES HAIR DESIGN STUDIO
3914 S. Suncoast Blvd. Homosassa Springs (Publix Center) (Next to Kim's Rest.)
352-382-HAIR (4247)

We welcome Patty (Jersey Girl) to our winning team. Patty has been doing all hair services in Citrus County for the past 15 years & does a SUPER job with all services. Patty loves creating new haircuts or will keep your current one. She does great foils & colors and loves doing long hair. Patty will be working Wed thru Fri 8:30 am - 4:30 pm & will also take later appointments. Please call her at 352-382-4247



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

2 Baby Mini Pigs
spotted males, \$65 ea.; 1-year old spotted male, \$50;
352-560-1110



AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD PUPPIES
BLOWOUT SALE
- additional military discount w/ ID
352-601-1991

Free to Good Home: Yellow/White Cat
VERY LOVING, 3 yrs old, Spayed, Papers & Shots - will Deliver
(352) 423-4163

Pets

GERMAN SHEPHERD PUPPIES
AKC, White-1 fem, 3 male, 95% potty-trained. Avail. Sept. 2nd; \$600 per pup. 352-419-4400 LV message or text

SHIH TZU PUPPIES
Ready for their forever home October 12th Health Cert's, 1st set of shots, Re-homing fee Call Carol for details (352) 346-6377

Boat Accessories

BOAT ANCHOR \$920
Dan Forth with 8 feet of chain & 150 ft. of nylon rope, \$95
352-613-3667

Boat Trailer Jack
rated at 1000 lbs \$10
352-201-1929

Center Console Cover
33"x40"x33" high New, \$20 call or text
(352) 586-4576

Watercrafts

KAYAK
13R SIT IN Good Condition \$100 (248) 420-7352

Boats

Fishing Pontoon
2019, 16 ft., 25HP, trailer included, \$17,700
352-212-6949

WANTED ALL RV's & BOATS
Any condition - We come to you- Same Day CASH (941) 284-3498

Recreation Vehicles

Breathable Travel Trailer or RV cover
26' w/ storage bag - only \$100
(352) 464-0316

WANTED ALL RV's & BOATS
Any condition - We come to you- Same Day CASH (941) 284-3498

Campers/ Travel Trailers

2017 FOREST RIVER TRAVEL TRAILER
Micro Lite - Couples Cabin 26ft - 1 Slide
\$22,995 352-795-7820

FLAGSTAFF V-Lite
2012 - 30 ft w/ 2 slide-outs \$14K (352) 634-4864

FOREST RIVER
2014 Salem Cruise Lite 30ft 1-slide, \$16500 (352) 795-2053 or (352) 634-1378

PALOMINO PALUMA
2004, 25ft., 1-slide, Good Condition \$8500 (352) 564-2865

Auto Parts/ Accessories

CAR COVER FOR
2012-2018 Volkswagen Beetle reflects the sun, silver \$100.
352-613-0529

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Auto Parts/ Accessories

TIRE LT275-70R18
mounted on 8 hole lug pattern NEW, \$80
352-613-3667

Trailer Tires
On rims, size 235-75 R15, 5 lugs, \$12 each
(352)-344-1515

Vehicles Wanted

CASH FOR CARS & TRUCKS Running or Not TOP \$\$\$\$ PAID ★ 352-771-6191 ★

WANTED JUNK & ESTATE CARS
Up to \$1,000 & MORE (352) 342-7037

Cars

'52 FORD
Frame Rolling Chassis Steering & Brakes, no body, \$400 obo
352-419-5811

CHRYSLER
2006 PT Cruiser 4cyl Good Condition 93K, Non-smoking \$4900 352-346-1053

DODGE
2015 Challenger Scootpack, less than 10K mi., \$39,500
304-763-3669

FORD
'03 Crown Vic, Police Interceptor, new point, 107K mi., everything works, \$4500
352-422-3015

JAGUAR
2003 1st yr w/ V8 \$10K
(352) 422-7170

JEEP
2006 WRANGLER, orig. 2dr, 4cyl 6sp, low mi, Great cond. \$10,500 OBO (717) 331-0357

MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS
2003 / 1-owner, Silver Well maintained 147K mi / \$3900 (727) 479-3981

Classic Vehicles

89 MUSTANG CONVERTIBLE 5.0
5sp - Rust Free Many Extras! Too Much to List- Discs, SS Exhaust, etc. \$15,000 (352) 436-9718

AUTO SWAP CORRAL CAR SHOW SUMTER SWAP MEETS

Sumter County Fairgrounds
SUN, Sept 5th (727) 848-7171

DODGE
1987 RAM 2500 Only 67K orig. mi., A/C, Manual Trans., Single cab, Long bed \$12,500 OBO
719-568-4882

Self Storage Notices

1572-0905 SUCRN PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Hernando Storage intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under the Hernando Storage, Storage Facility Act Statutes. The owner will sell at public sale on **September 15th, 2021 at 5 PM** at Hernando Storage, 1274 East Norvell Bryant Highway, Hernando, FL 34442. Website for auction is www.lockerfox.com. Property will be sold for cash only. Unit must be cleaned out within 48 hrs. of purchase.

Beverly Boatright Unit 2100 Unit contents seem to be assorted bags, boxes, totes, books, pictures, ceramics, porcelain dolls, a storage bench, flat screen tv, stereo, among other various items.

Candy Ray Unit 1075 Unit contents seem to be assorted bags boxes, mattress, box spring, dresser, bookcase, cabinet, dining table, tools, fishing rods/reels, Tackle, ladders, lamp, fan, assorted clothing along with other various items.

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9051-0910 MXDCRN

Pursuant to FLA. STAT. 83.806 Notice is Hereby Given That on 09/17/2021 at 11 a.m. at **PACK-N-STACK Mini Storage, 7208 W. Grover Cleveland Blvd., Homosassa, FL 34446**. The Miscellaneous Personal Property contents of your storage shall be sold for past due rent and fees owed by the tenant,

Andrew Serra
PO Box, Valrico, FL 33595

Bert Dunn
6297 W. Holiday Street, Homosassa, FL 34446

Published September 5 & 10, 2021

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

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

Drywall

COUNTY WIDE DRY-WALL 30 Yrs. Exp. Lic. #2875. All your drywall needs! Ceiling & Wall Repairs-Popcorn Removal 352-503-7193

Electrical

FERRARA ELECTRIC
All Phases of Electrical Remodels, Panel Upgrades, Lighting Fixtures, Service and Repair
352-746-1606

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

Floor Covering

Alex' Flooring Home & RV flooring installations & repairs 30 yrs exp - Lic./Ins. (352) 458-5050

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

ANDREW JOEHL HANDYMAN
Gen. Maint/Repairs Pressure Cleaning 0256271• 352-465-9201

PLUS Handyman, Flooring, Painting, interior doors, FREE EST. Veteran owned
352-949-2760

Painting

A-1 Complete Repairs Pres. Wash, Painting (Int/Ext) 25 yrs. Ref. Lic #3976

Foreclosure Sale/ Action Notices

1600-0905 SUCRN Kristie Noel Staub
2021-CA-000118 A Notice of Sale
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE #: 2021-CA-000118 A

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff
vs.
KRISTIE NOEL STAUB; ET. AL.;
Defendants,

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 5th day of August, 2021 and entered in Case No. 2021 CA 000118 A, of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit in and for Citrus County, Florida, where, FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AMERICA, is the Plaintiff, and KRISTIE NOEL STAUB and UNKNOWN TENANT # 1 N/K/A BRETT WEBBER are Defendants. ANGELA VICK, as the Clerk of the Circuit Court, shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at www.citrus.realforeclose.com, the Clerk's website for on-line auctions at, 10:00 AM EASTERN STANDARD TIME on the 23rd day of September, 2021, the following described property as set forth in said final judgment, to wit:

PARCEL NO. 45 MINIFARMS UNIT NO. 11, LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 18 EAST, CITRUS COUNTY FLORIDA; LESS EXCEPT THE EAST 50 FEET THEREOF AND SUBJECT TO A 25 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY THEREOF FOR ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY.

TOGETHER WITH A 2000 DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME BEARING TITLE # 80134550 AND 80134590 AND VIN # FLA14615230A AND FLA14615230B, WHICH IS PERMANENTLY ATTACHED AND AFFIXED TO THE REAL PROPERTY.

**PARCEL ID NUMBER: 18E17S19 1A000 0450
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 5721 W. TIRANA LANE, DUNNELLO, FL 34433**

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM BEFORE THE CLERK REPORTS THE SURPLUS AS UNCLAIMED.

Dated this 10th day of August, 2021.

/s/ Jason M. Tarokh
JASON M. TAROKH
FLORIDA BAR # 57611
TAROKH LAW, PLLC
PO BOX 10827
TAMPA, FL 33679
813-922-5510
E-mail for service:
jason@tarokhlaw.com

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Lien Notices

1585-0905 SUCRN (9/17)

TONY'S COLLISION CENTER gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles at 3251 South Florida Ave. Inverness, FL 34450, on the dates below at 8:00 AM, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. **TONY'S COLLISION CENTER** reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

Auction Date: 9/17/2021:
2G4WD532751260363 2005 BUIC

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1591-0905 SUCRN (9/17)

TONY'S COLLISION CENTER gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles at 3251 South Florida Ave. Inverness, FL 34450, on the dates below at 8:00 AM, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. **TONY'S COLLISION CENTER** reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

Auction Date: 9/17/2021:
1G1ZH57B29F226418 CHEV 2009

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1598-0905 SUCRN (09/17)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: GS AUTO TOWING gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles at **61 NE US HWY 19, Crystal River, FL 34429**, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. **GS Auto Towing** reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

Date & Time of Sale - September 17, 2021 at 9:00 AM
VIN # Year / Model Vehicle
1FTDF07W1VKC72983 1997 FORD
1GBJU52F31Y550751 2001 STRN
3CPDCAB0D671794 2013 DODG

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Meeting Notices

1605-0905 SUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Citrus County Code Compliance will conduct its monthly Special Master Hearing on **Wednesday, September 15, 2021 @ 9:00 AM** at the Lecanto Government Building, Room 166, 3600 West Sovereign Path, Lecanto, Florida 34461, to conduct its regular meeting and any other business to come before the Code Compliance Special Master, at which time and place any and all persons interested are invited to attend. If you have questions, contact Code Compliance at (352) 527-5350.

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

Si necesita un traductor de espanol por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de dos dias de la notificacion de la publicacion 352-527-5370.

English Translation: (If you need a Spanish Translator please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at 352-527-5370).

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Code Compliance Special Master with respect to any matter considered at this public hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which record shall include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

CHRISTIAN W. WAUGH, SPECIAL MASTER
CITRUS COUNTY CODE COMPLIANCE

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1606-0905 SUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **CITRUS COUNTY AVIATION ADVISORY BOARD** will meet at **2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 9, 2021** in Room 166 of the Lecanto Government Center, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Lecanto, FL 34461.

Any person desiring further information regarding this meeting may contact the Engineering Division, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 241, Lecanto, FL 34461, or call (352) 527-5446.

SCOTT CARNAHAN
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: Any person who decides to appeal any decision of the Governing body with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose may need to provide that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes)

Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the Engineering Division, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 241, Lecanto, FL 34461, or call (352) 527-5446, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 527-5312.

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Bid Notices

1609-0905 SUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE

**INVITATION TO BID
ITB No. 21-089
TREE, BRUSH, CONSTRUCTION, AND
DEMOLITION DEBRIS DISPOSAL FACILITY**

Citrus County, Florida ("County") invites interested parties to submit a Bid to provide disposal services and facility(s) for tree, brush, construction, and demolition debris for the County. The County may select more than one Successful Bidder. Utilization of any disposal facility will be predicated on 1) the distance that the disposal facility is from County's project site and 2) the cost of disposal. County cannot guarantee that any of the disposal facilities that it enters into a contract with will be utilized.

SEALED Bids are to be submitted **on or before October 6, 2021, at 2:00 pm**. It is the sole responsibility of the Bidder to ensure that their Bid response is submitted through VendorLink no later than the time and date specified in the Solicitation or subsequent addenda.

Visit <https://www.myvendorlink.com/common/register.aspx> to register with Vendor Link. VendorLink is an online Bidder registration system that provides a free at no cost to Bidders, a secure, user-friendly Internet portal and one-stop service center to register with County. This system also allows you to receive automatic email notifications regarding County's upcoming competitive solicitations as opportunities become available.

Electronic Bids shall be opened and read aloud publicly on **October 6, 2021, at 2:15 PM**, via **Microsoft Teams**, information is listed in the Solicitation Document found on VendorLink.

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.

To obtain a copy of the Invitation to Bid Document for this announcement, please visit VendorLink at <https://www.myvendorlink.com/common/register.aspx>- register and once registered, you will be able to obtain the documents or go to DemandStar at <https://www.demandstar.com/beta/buyers/bids>. Copies can also be obtained by calling the Department of Management & Budget/Purchasing at (352) 527-5457.

Si necesita un traductor de español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de dos dias de la notificación de la publicación 352-527-5370

English Translation: (If you need a Spanish Translator, please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at 352-527-5370)

CITRUS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Scott Carnahan, Chairman

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1610-0905 SUCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
RFP NO. 21-120
EMERGENCY DEBRIS REMOVAL MONITORING SERVICES**

Citrus County, Florida ("County") invites interested parties to submit a Proposal to provide Disaster Debris Removal Monitoring Services. Proposals are being sought by Citrus County for the monitoring of the removal of debris resulting from, but not limited to, catastrophic events such as tornadoes and hurricanes. This contract would potentially be invoked for County, State, and Federally declared disaster events. Services may include, monitoring of the collection and removal of debris including the monitoring of clearing and removal of debris from public rights-of-way, streets and roadways; monitoring of the demolition and removal of condemned structures and buildings that pose threat to public safety resulting from the disaster event; monitoring the processing of debris including sorting, grinding, mulching, and burning; and monitoring the disposal of debris at designated sites within Citrus County; monitoring the operations of temporary debris staging and processing sites; monitoring the collection and disposal of hazardous waste, bio-hazardous waste and dead animals. All services provided shall be in conformance with established

Bid Notices

FHWA, FEMA, and/or Florida Emergency Management regulations or criteria unless otherwise directed.

Award of the Request for Proposal may be made to up to five (5) Respondents. Utilization of emergency debris monitoring services will be initiated when the magnitude of an emergency is such that the County is not able to manage with their own resources. Requests for services will be to those selected Respondents in the order of their ranking and the utilization of more than one selected Respondent will depend on the magnitude of the emergency.

NEW COUNTY VENDOR REGISTRATION: County has partnered with VendorLink, a web based e-Procurement service. Current bid solicitations and associated addenda, notices of recommended bid award, and current bid awards will be posted at www.myvendorlink.com.

Visit <https://www.myvendorlink.com/common/register.aspx> to register. VendorLink is an online Respondent registration system that provides a free at no cost to Respondent, a secure, user-friendly Internet portal and one-stop service center to register with County. This system also allows you to receive automatic email notifications regarding County's upcoming competitive solicitations as opportunities become available. Registration assistance is available by e-mail support@evendorlink.com.

SEALED Responses are to be submitted on or before October 7, 2021, at 2:00 PM (EST). The County will receive proposal submittals through the online solicitation management portal, www.myvendorlink.com.

SEALED Responses shall be opened on October 7, 2021, at 2:15 PM (EST). Electronic Proposals shall be opened via MICROSOFT TEAMS conference call. See Solicitation document for detail information on www.myvendorlink.com. Since qualifications and pricing will be evaluated in determining an award, the only information conveyed at the Public Opening will be the names of Respondents.

Public Tally Individual Scorers review of the Proposals will publicly be opened and read aloud on **November 2, 2021, at 10:00am** (subject to Change).

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

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In Jane's garden, a compact utility tractor is used to cart, spread and rototill mulch into garden beds. Five tractor buckets full are about a cubic yard in volume — or 3 feet high by 3 feet wide and 3 feet deep, equaling 27 cubic feet. Spread 3 inches deep, a cubic yard will cover 108 square feet. Tilled deeply into 6 inches of sand is a 1:3 ratio of humus to backyard sand suitable for annual vegetable gardening. If richer soil is desired, use a 1:2.5 ratio. Jane advises that more humus is unnecessary and will retain too much soil moisture, causing soggy soil and potential root rot.

JANE WEBER/Special to the Chronicle



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Jane's Garden

Fall veggie gardens./Page E6

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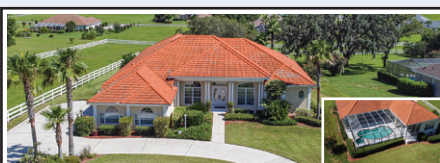


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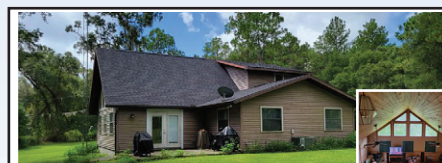
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This is a fairly standard kitchen ceiling. It's smooth with a flat paint. The flat paint is a newer one that is washable without causing burnishing of the paint. I highly recommend this paint or a semi-gloss if you're going to routinely clean your ceilings.

Considering a textured kitchen ceiling? Not so fast

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Ask the **BUILDER**

I've lost count of the questions I've answered. It's in the tens of thousands over the past 28 years. Most questions are pretty straightforward, and the answers are somewhat obvious. However, every now and then I'm blessed with an email from a homeowner who provides an incredible teaching moment.

Such is the case with an email I received from Roger, who lives in Swanton, Ohio. Here's what he submitted on the Ask Tim page on AsktheBuilder.com:

"We had a kitchen addition put on our home about 10 years ago. As with any project, decisions were made by us that we slap our foreheads about now. My wife insisted on a smooth ceiling with no texture whatsoever. Easier to clean, she said. But how

many people clean their kitchen ceilings, let alone an aging 4-foot-10 matriarch?

"We painted it with multiple coats of semigloss white paint. When we stood back to inspect our work, we found a couple of misses. I touched them up, but they stand out like a sore thumb. We came to the realization that a texture on the ceiling would have been a better choice.

"Is it too late to call a drywaller to come in and apply a texture overlay? I'm not talking about the infamous popcorn stuff that everybody removes, just a simple texture that is typically used. Maybe this is a job for a painter? Any suggestions?"

At first blush, you may think this is a humdrum question with a simple answer. I disagree. Think about all the defects in

walls and ceilings in your own home you want to hide behind some new coating. You want the pain to magically disappear.

The issue is if you don't do everything perfectly, you could create a far worse mess. Let's unpack Roger's situation.

First, I maintain he and his wife didn't make a mistake going with a smooth ceiling finish. Anything other than smooth makes cleaning a kitchen ceiling almost impossible. Roger was correct that most people hate to wash ceilings. My mother made me do it as a teenager in our tiny kitchen and I loathed the job.

Modern cleaners, though, make cleaning ceilings not as much as a chore. It doesn't take long for a kitchen ceiling, as

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- The Chronicle's community calendar solution changed June 7 to better serve our readers and event-goer audience.
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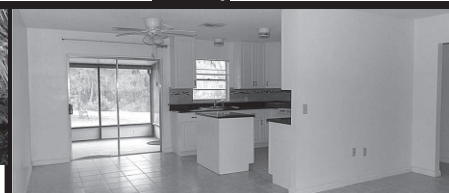
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Leland Cypress trees not right for this part of Florida



Special to the Chronicle
One of Gardener Gal's readers has created an impressive water feature in his yard; it's among the most spectacular Gardener Gal has ever seen.

Dear Gardener Gal: Here are some photos of my Leland Cypress, which was doing really well until this summer. We always enjoyed decorating it with solar Christmas lights, but now it's looking like its holidays are over. Can this be saved, or would this be a good first choice for trying out the new cordless chainsaw I just bought? What would be a good replacement evergreen along the fence? — Stan



Leslie Derrenbacker
GARDENER GAL

Dear Stan: Condo-lences, Stan; the tree is a goner. Leland Cypress trees just can't make it in this part of Florida. They develop a canker, mostly due to our pattern of drought then drown.

See GAL/Page E8

Pump organs were popular during the Victorian era

Dear John: This beautiful pump organ came with my house when I bought it. It is a nice piece, and it works. I just do not have room for it. I do not want to make a killing on it, but I do not want to entertain a bunch of offers for \$500 on Facebook. I could really use some help selling it and my father told me you are the resident expert. Please let me know what you think. Thank you. — J.G.



John Sikorski
SIKORSKI'S ATTIC

Dear J.G.: During the Victorian era, pump organs were manufactured in large quantities. The cabinetry housing the organ's mechanism was often made with highly ornamental woodwork.

By World War I, they lost popularity and the ornate cabinets were often converted into desks and other pieces of furniture by dealers. I suggest you hold onto your organ for now and perhaps interest will return, although when I look into my crystal ball the future outlook is dim. I think it would be a lucky day to get \$500 for the organ.

Dear John: I am wondering if you could please steer me in the right direction to have a stamp collection evaluated. We inherited my mother's collection and need to evaluate its worth, and possibly sell it as well. We are in the Hernando area. Thank you so

much. — C.S., internet

Dear C.S.: I suggest you contact Heritage Auctions in Dallas, Texas. They are one of the big boys on the block and have a dedicated department specializing in stamps. The website is www.ha.com. Then click on stamps.

Dear John: I have a painting of a beautiful baby I received from my grandparents several years ago that I am interested in knowing more about. I believe it is in its original frame. It is titled "Awakening" and signed Bessie Pease Gutmann. I would appreciate any information you can give me on its value and where I could possibly sell it. — F.W., internet

Dear F.W.: I am sure you have a print, not a painting. Bessie Pease Gutmann, 1876-1960, was an American artist who

specialized in illustrations of children and babies. Her prints are of specific collector interest. Gutmann's paintings appeared in numerous magazines and books. Prints of her paintings were produced in massive quantities due to their huge popularity during the times. Since your piece has been passed down from your grandparents, it is genuine. Reproductions have been produced for nearly 50 years.

The one you have titled "Awakening" is one of her most popular prints and was produced circa 1918. Her prints generally sell below \$50 each.

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.



Special to the Chronicle

Pump organs such as this were once very popular in homes, but they lost popularity after World War I.

CEILING

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well as the walls, to get coated with an ultra-fine aerosol of cooking grease. You can feel this under the vent hood over your stove. It's a sticky coating that eventually looks quite yellow.

I've had the best success using powdered certified organic oxygen bleach to make this cleaning job quite easy. I mix mine with hot water, stir until it's dissolved and put it in an old spray bottle. I then spray 4-foot by 4-foot sections of the ceiling at a time. You only have to let the solution work on the grease about a minute. I remove the softened grease using a grout sponge soaked with soapy water. The grease comes right off the ceiling with no extra effort. It's magic, I tell you. Just rinse with clear water and the ceiling looks like new. I change my rinse water frequently otherwise you're just putting the grease back on the ceiling.

Roger did make a painting mistake, and he admitted it. He used the right paint, as semi-gloss is the one to use to make cleaning easier. The issue is it's very hard to touch up semi-gloss paint and not see where you made the repair attempt. You often have to repaint the entire ceiling keeping a wet edge as you

go. New drywall needs to have a primer/sealer paint on it before you apply the semi-gloss paint.

Here's the dilemma at this point, and it may have slipped past you. Roger has a greasy semi-gloss paint on his ceiling. He wants to hire a pro to apply a texture. No matter what texture is applied, it's only going to have a chance of surviving if the ceiling is grease-free and the semi-gloss paint is sanded.

Most textured coatings are meant to be applied to new drywall or a rougher surface so they have a great chance of staying bonded to the ceiling. Roger's semi-gloss paint has now become a barrier to success. There are liquid de-glossers that might do the job, but Roger should check with the ceiling texture manufacturer to see what are the ideal conditions to apply the texture.

And you thought it was a simple matter of just hiring a drywaller to come in and install the new coating. At the end of the day, it's all about surfaces being squeaky clean and not glossy smooth. Read the product label and you'll often see the surfaces need to be dust-free. Textures, paints, etc. are simply glue and you need things to be clean to get them to stick.

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Loan rates unchanged from last week; under 3%

Associated Press

McLEAN, Va. — The average long-term mortgage rate was unchanged from last week as the economy continues to show encouraging signs even as hospitalizations from the delta variant of the coronavirus remain elevated.

Mortgage buyer Freddie Mac said Thursday that the average rate for a 30-year mortgage held at 2.87% as demand for homes remained stable. The benchmark rate, which peaked this year at 3.18% in April, stood at 2.93% this time last year.

The rate for a 15-year loan, a popular option for homeowners refinancing their mortgages, ticked up

to 2.18% from 2.17% last week.



There is growing concern that the highly contagious delta variant could cause the current prolific economic resurgence to sputter.

Last week the government reported that U.S. gross domestic product — the total output of goods and services — grew at a booming 6.6% annual rate in the

April-June quarter, but many economists have been downgrading their estimates of growth in the U.S. economy for the current quarter and full year.



In another good sign that the economy is so far outrunning the delta variant, the government reported Thursday that the number of Americans applying for unemployment benefits fell last week to 340,000, a pandemic low.

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JANE'S GARDEN

With the autumn equinox fast approaching, summer heat will be waning. The Florida rainy season continues to reduce the need to water home gardens. Fall annual wildflowers have already sprouted, and vegetable seedlings are for sale at retail outlets. In Florida, September is the right time to plant a fall veggie garden.

Growing your own herbs, vegetables and fruits like tomatoes and peppers is mentally relaxing, with light exercise out in the fresh air and sunshine. Some people are content to grow a few tomatoes, peppers and herbs in containers and pots on a patio or balcony. Others build small raised beds or wooden boxes they can easily reach into and avoid bending too much. Some install drip, pop-up or overhead irrigation; others are content to hand-water. Industrious folks with space and mechanical tools rototill Florida's sandy, well-drained soil, add cubic yards of organic material and re-till to create a humus-rich soil that will naturally be acidic.

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This galvanized steel metal box garden frame is readily available online and from big box stores. It assembles easily. Jane suggests lining the bottom and sides with a sheet of commercial-grade, carbon-black woven groundcover fabric available at agricultural supply stores like Site One on State Road 44 east of Crystal River. Jane finds a manmade, well-draining soil mix of 1:3 ratio of 1/3 decomposed finely milled yard waste mulch and 2/3 plain backyard sand to create a humus-rich garden soil suitable for container and box gardens. If a richer, moister soil is desired, use a half-and-half mixture of fine mulch from Citrus County landfill and backyard sand.

JANE

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Central Landfill on State Road 44 has free finely milled yard waste mulch perfect for enriching soil. I use it by the truckload. The county stockpiles yard debris until it dries and dies then grinds it into coarse mulch and lets it decompose in huge piles for months to heat up and cook any unwanted seeds. After several months, a contractor arrives to re-grind and sift coarse mulch into fine mulch. Citrus County will load trucks and trailers for free from 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesday to Friday and from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

A mix of 1/3 humus to 2/3 backyard sand is sufficient for annual veggies. The unsterilized, natural, decomposing acidic humus releases nutrients for plants to grow well, maintains soil moisture and has plenty of fungi, insects, bacteria and soil organisms necessary for healthy earth and plants.

Veggie soil pH needs to be acidic, between 5.8 and 6.3. Keep in mind that well water from Florida's limestone aquifer is naturally alkaline, while rainwater is slightly acidic. City water produced by about 130 desalination plants in Florida has a neutral pH of 7, but may be altered for taste. Kits are available to test both soil and water. Homeowners can have samples tested at their county extension service for a small fee.

One tip is: Do not add alkaline lime or dolomite (limestone with magnesium) to home garden soil without testing to determine if it is needed. Veggies and most plants will not grow well in alkaline soil. If

your soil contains limestone or shell, then grow veggies in containers and raised beds with man-made acidic soil.

Veggies need about six hours of sun to grow well and flower. Root crops like carrots, turnips and potatoes can be planted, but need a longer time to develop than fruits like peppers, cucumbers, beans and tomatoes. Legumes like beans and peas fix nitrogen in the soil. Good soil can be re-worked, tested and re-used, but gardeners should rotate different species the following growing season. Veggies can be planted among ornamental garden plants.

Plant seeds earlier than potted seedlings. UF has a planting guide of suitable varieties called "Florida Vegetable Gardening Guide." If the soil is humus-rich, chemical fertilizer will not be needed. I have never applied chemical fertilizer in my gardens. Most Florida soils have enough phosphorus — the middle number on a fertilizer

bag. Adding more phosphorus results in run-off that pollutes surface waters.

Plant colorful, nectar-rich flowers with pollen to attract pollinators to a veggie garden. Learn to recognize beneficial insects like bees, all wasps, ladybugs, praying mantis, spiders and assassin bugs. Patrol your veggie patch and pull weeds regularly. Avoid chemical insecticides and herbicides. Harvest just before fruit and veggies are ripe before the wildlife comes to help themselves.

Veggie gardening is a rewarding hobby. The taste and nutrition of fresh, home grown produce is unbeatable. Human gardeners must learn to live and share with rabbits, squirrels, birds and other wildlife that share the Earth. Grow a little extra for them.

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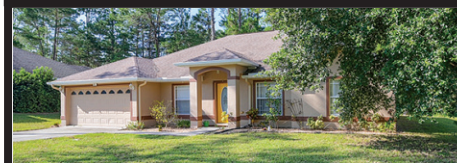


Small tomato plants are readily available at retail nurseries and big box stores in small or large pots. Transplant without damaging the fine feeder roots. Water the hole before installing the plant. Backfill with humus-rich soil and water well but lightly after transplanting to settle the soil around the delicate roots. Do not stamp on or tamp around the roots, as that will break the roots. Severed roots die.

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GAL

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Your letter is quite timely. It has been a while since someone has asked me this question, and I've been itching to vent. Here goes:

At least a couple of times a week, I drive past two homes near Floral Park, each with a row of Leland Cypress trees. One of the homes has had them for a few years, cutting them down one by one as they've succumbed to canker. (They have actually lasted longer than any I've seen.) Unfortunately, these trees inspired the neighbors a little further west to also plant a long row, perhaps 10 or more, of the same. This second batch is following the most familiar scenario, and have already started dying after less than a year. I cringe when I think of the money spent and time planting. It is likely they are still throwing money away trying to treat the untreatable.

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So sorry for the bad news, but a native red cedar nearby (but not too nearby — who knows what other diseases the Cypress attracted to your soil) would be a good Florida-friendly choice.

Dear Gardener Gal: A couple of the leaves on my desert rose look distorted. They are curling for some reason. The plant looks OK otherwise. What do you think happened to those leaves?

Appreciate any answers you can give. — Sarah

Dear Sarah: If you haven't already, look closely at the underside of your curling leaves. Dollars to donuts there is a bug of some sort under there now, or it was there, sucking on your leaf. My best guess would be mealybugs. If you are not seeing lots of cottony

masses under leaves and on stems, I'd say you've caught it early. Put on your best glasses and wipe off just the bugs you see with a cotton ball soaked in soapy water or rubbing alcohol. Rinse. No need to spray pesticide all over plant.

You will need to check your plant often and stay on top of these little critters. Setting your desert rose out in the rain occasionally, if kept under a roof, is helpful for its overall health — just make sure you have good drainage. Write back if you need more information.

Dear Readers: This column's "Favorite Garden Spot" is stunning. Steve has built the best series of ponds, waterfalls and creeks I've ever seen on private property. He tends to add to his waterway while his wife, Gaye, is out of town for her job and then surprises her with his

new additions. I love the way it wraps around their patio for full viewing and listening pleasure. Well done Steve!

Dear Gardener Gal: I'd like to share my "Favorite Garden Spot."

After building a water feature at our home in Illinois, I knew I wanted to build one here in Florida. The slope of our new yard was perfect, and here in Florida we can enjoy it all year. I do all the work myself and started during COVID-19. We love being outside with our dogs, so I included two shallow shelves to give the dogs a spot to cool off. They love the waterfalls as much as we do. I'm now working on a koi pond as a final element. Hope your readers enjoy it. — Steve

"Gardener Gal" Leslie Derrenbacher is a Master Gardener and native Floridian. Send your questions to askgardenergal@gmail.com.

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The S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller 20-city home price index soared 19.1% in June compared with a year earlier, the largest increase on records dating back to 2000. The annual price gains in June were higher in all 20 cities than they were in May. Prices are now at record highs in 19 of the 20 cities, with the exception of Chicago.

"The last several months have been extraordinary not only in the level of price gains, but in the consistency of gains across the country," said Craig Lazara, managing director of index investment strategy at S&P DJI.

There are signs that the high prices are cooling sales a bit. Sales of existing homes rose 1.5% in July from a year earlier, a separate report showed last week. That's a much slower pace than the previous month.

Prices rose in June by the most in Phoenix, where they soared 29.3% compared with a year earlier, followed by San Diego, with a 27.1% increase, and Seattle, at 25%.

The COVID-19 pandemic has driven many Americans to seek homes in suburban areas that provide more space and are not as congested as apartments in big cities. Yet many other homeowners have been reluctant to sell during the pandemic, and the construction of new homes has foundered amid shortages of materials, land and labor.

That left just 1.32 million existing homes for sale in July, down 12% from a year earlier. Yet there are signs that the high prices are encouraging more people to sell, as the number of available homes rose in July compared with the previous month.

Another challenge for would-be homebuyers is competition from investors, including some Wall Street firms, who are purchasing single-family homes for rent. Nearly a quarter of all existing home sales in July were all-cash sales, up from 16% a year earlier.

Dow is tops at Citrus Hills

Denise
Dow has been named the top sales executive for the month of August at the Villages of Citrus Hills.

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Denise Dow
Villages of Citrus Hills.

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Tropic Shores welcomes two new agents

Tropic Shores Realty would like to extend a very warm welcome to two new agents who have just joined their team.

Cheryl Creel can be reached at 352-201-9939, or



Cheryl Creel
Tropic Shores Realty.

by email at cherylcreel@hotmail.com.

Heather Milbourn can be reached at 727-254-0808, or by email heathersouthbeaches@gmail.com.



Heather Milbourn
Tropic Shores Realty.

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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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BACK ON THE MARKET

9494 SE 42 HIGHWAY, SUMMERFIELD
Prime development property in the heart of The Villages. This prime parcel offers 39.27 acres of A1-agricultural land and as per development agreement with Marion County. The subject property has been approved for the development of 256,590 SF of multi-use commercial space, and 78 residential units with endless opportunities await.

MLS #788436 **\$3.5M**
Call Elias Kirallah 352-400-2635 or 352-726-6668 for additional information.

VACANT LAND

6382 W. TANGERINE LN., CRYSTAL RIVER
Make an offer! .24 acres
Property is mobile home zoned.
Just outside of Crystal River, near shopping, fishing, manatee tours, and boating.

\$8,800

Call Listing Agent
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WATERFRONT HOME

5154 S. POINTE DR., INVERNESS
Check out this 2/2/2 with bonus room. Waterfront home that is nestled on a 1.08 acre lot located in the Hampton Point Subdivision. Enjoy miles of lake, boating, fishing, just minutes from the historic downtown Inverness, and enjoy all the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.

MLS #805311 **\$350,000**
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BLACK DIAMOND GEM!

3636 W. WADE
* Golf course views #9 ranch course
* Open, spacious 4/3 / vaulted ceiling
* Gourmet island kitchen
* Split bedroom plan

MLS #801007
Offered for \$379,000
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BACK ON THE MARKET

65 N. SHELTERING OAKS DR., INVERNESS
Check out this adorable 2/2 home nestled on a .43-acre lot, just a few minutes from the boat ramp, and fish the Withlacoochee River. This home has a large covered back patio and fenced backyard.

MLS #804717 **\$175,000**
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WATERFRONT

1465 S. TRANQUIL PT. INVERNESS
Check out this Inverness Lake Henderson Open WATERFRONT 3/2/2 home with wonderful lake views and is nestled on a .34-acre lot located in the Magnolia Beach Park Subdivision. It has its own dock, boathouse, brick patio, has a large wooden deck, concrete patio for BB-Qs, entertaining family, and friends.

MLS #801961 **\$499,900**
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NEW LISTING

3029 N. ANNAPOLIS AVE. HERNANDO
Check out this 3/2/2 screened-enclosed pool/lanai Citrus Hills home nestled on a 1.01-acre lot, is move-in-ready, and most of the furniture is available for purchase.

MLS #805212 **\$374,900**
Call Pamela Miller 352-566-3327 to schedule your private showing today!

WATERFRONT

7616 S. CRESCENT LP. FLORAL CITY
Look at this 2/2/1 lakefront home nestled on a .42-acre lot and located in the Walters Duval Island Subdivision. It has a fenced backyard, screened back porch, a wonderful view of the lake, and a boat dock/house.

MLS #805234 **\$399,900**
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NEW LISTING

4055 S. FERNPARK TER., INVERNESS
Check out this 3/2/2 home located in the Inverness Highlands West Subdivision. It has a screened-in back porch, a covered patio for family BBQs, and is within minutes from historic downtown Inverness. Enjoy all the indoor/outdoor activities and amenities.

MLS #805262 **\$179,900**
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MLS #799155 **\$525,000**
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OPEN HOUSE 10-1PM

835 SWEET PINT POINT, INVERNESS
Check out this 3/2/2 split plan home located in the Pine Grove Subdivision in the City of Inverness which allows for quick access to major stores, restaurants, parks, and trails. This home backs up to 140 acres of privacy so you can sit outside in your screened lanai and enjoy your mornings or evenings.

MLS #802043 **\$233,700**
Call Kimberly Miner 352-586-9549 to schedule your showing appointment today!

NEW LISTING

5910 W. GROVE PARK RD., DUNNELLON
Check out this 3/2/1 detached carport & 2-car detached garage this 2020 manufactured home nestled on a .92-acre lot is fenced/cross-fenced, an 18x35 detached garage/carport, is just minutes from Springs, Gulf of Mexico, and so much more.

MLS #805130 **\$180,000**
Call Skyler Hastings 352-422-6096 to schedule your showing appointment today!

NEW LISTING

2845 N. APPLEDORRE PATH, HERNANDO
Look at this 3/2/2, 2020 built home located in the Citrus Hills - Canterbury Lake Estates. Open floor plan, screen enclosed lanai, and so much more.

MLS #805175 **\$294,900**
Call Michael Cooper 352-697-2610 to schedule your viewing appointment today!

NEW LISTING

233 W. DOERR PATH, HERNANDO
Check out this 3/2/2 home located in the Citrus Hills-Hillside Villas subdivision. It has an Open floor plan, screened-back lanai, and enjoy all the amenities the community has to offer.

MLS #805131 **\$375,000**
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NEW LISTING

1801 KIMBERLY LANE, INVERNESS
Look at this 4/1.5 home nestled on a .34-acre corner lot, is within minutes from historic downtown Inverness, and all the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.

MLS #805177 **\$236,900**
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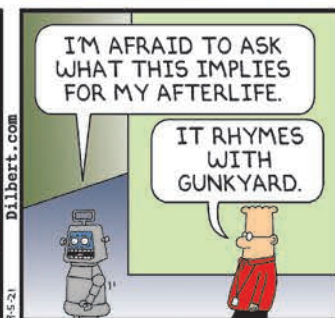
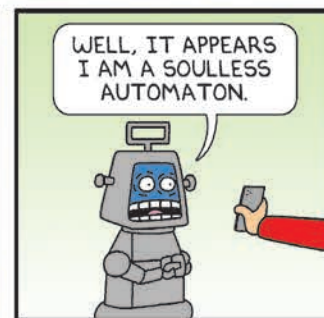
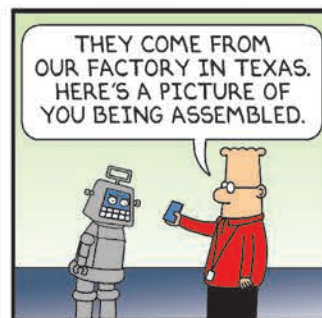
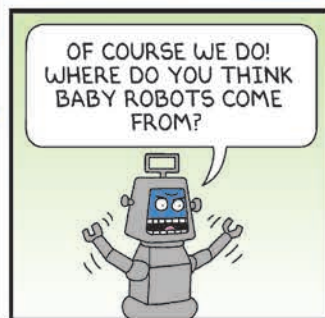
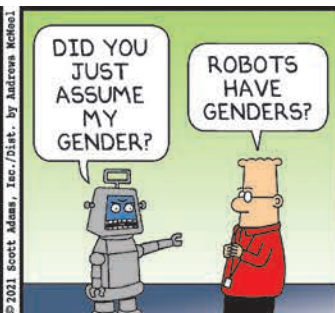
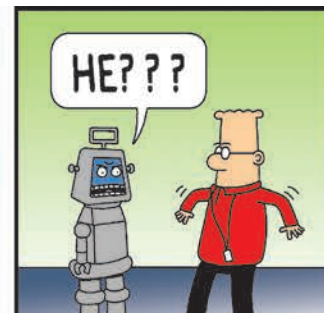
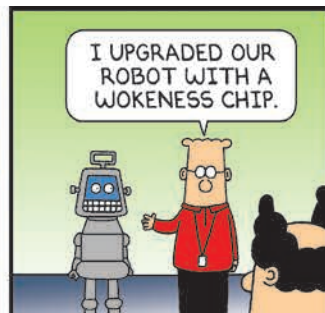
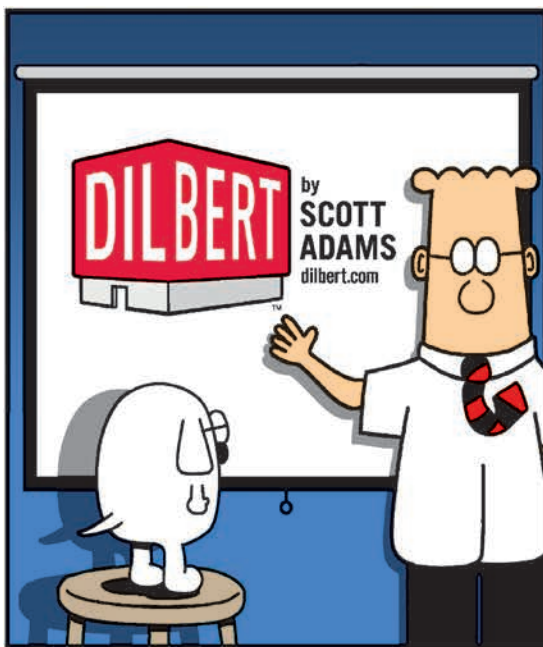
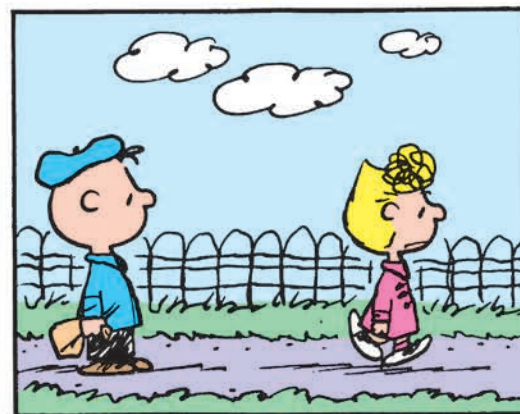
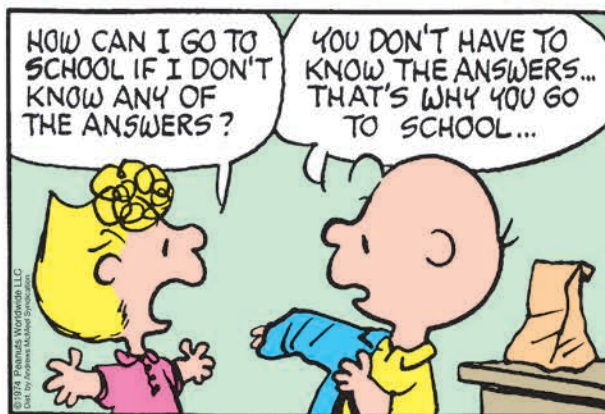
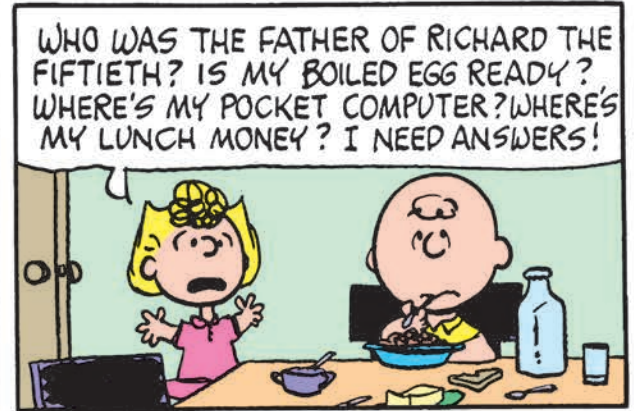
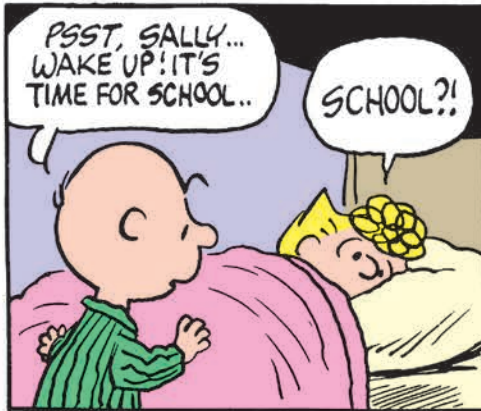
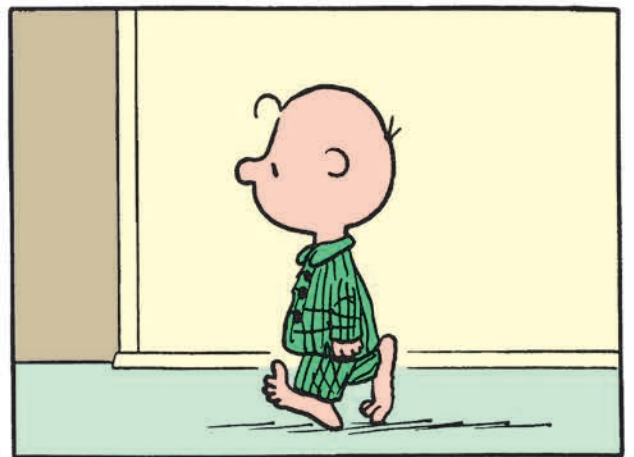
PEANUTS

featuring
"Good ol' Charlie Brown"

by SCHULZ

HOW MUCH? ANSWER!
WHEN? ANSWER!
WHO? ANSWER!
ANSWER! ANSWER!
ANSWER! ANSWER!

TRUE OR FALSE? ANSWER!
FALSE OR TRUE? ANSWER!
ANSWER! ANSWER!
ANSWER! ANSWER!



Marvin

by Tom ARMSTRONG



Count Weirdly is suspected of breaking into a toy store overnight and stealing monster plushies to add to his collection. Before leaving the crime scene, Weirdly molded a figure of Slylock Fox out of Play-Doh to taunt the scarlet sleuth, but to his dismay, it led Slylock directly to Count Weirdly. How?

Solution - Count Weirdly's fingerprints are pressed into and around the Play-Doh figure.

HOW TO DRAW a fearful cat

Bob WEBER JR and SR 9-5

YOUR DRAWING
Today's terrific artist is Charity, age 12

Submit your drawing to www.slylockfox.com

Which of these animals can't stick out its tongue?
a) Gorilla
b) Hedgehog
c) Crocodile
d) Anteater

Answer - c) Crocodiles have their tongue in place on the roof of their mouth preventing it from moving.

Spot six differences between these panels.

Answer - Eyebrows, palm tree, toenail, bush, 'fang and whiskers.

For more Spot Six Differences, Slylock Fox and other puzzles and comics go to www.slylockfox.com

BARNEY GOOGLE and SNUFFY THE DOG BY JOHN ROSE

WHEN I GROW UP I WANNA BE FAMOUS, UNCA SNUFFY !!

WHY ? FOLKS'LL BE BUGGIN' YA ALL TH' TIME AN' ASKIN' YA FER STUFF !!

I KNOW, 'CUZ I'LL BE TH' FURST ONE IN THAT LINE !!

DREAM BODACIOUSLY BIG, JUGHAID !! THAR AIN'T NUTHIN' YA CAN'T DO IF'N YA WORK HARD AN' STAY FOCUSED !!

UGH! IF ONLY SOMEONE HAD GIVEN YORE UNCA SNUFFY THAT KINDA ENCOURAGEMENT WHEN HE WUZ YOUNG !!

WHO KNOWS WHAR HE'D BE TODAY !!

WELL, KNOWIN' UNCA SNUFFY, PROB'LY RIGHT THAR IN THAT ZACT SAME SPOT !!

Mort Walker's beetle bailey

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THAT BEER SURE LOOKS TASTY

BLITZ BEER GOES GREAT WITH CHIPPY CHIPS!

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THEY'RE MAKING ME HUNGRY

UGH! WE'RE ALL OUT OF EVERYTHING

I'M MAKING A SNACK RUN

GRAB A BUCKET OF WINKY WINGS WHILE YOU'RE OUT!

I KNEW I FORGOT SOMETHING!

THE FAMILY CIRCUS®

By Bil Keane

9-5

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BIL and JEFF KEANE

BILLY, WOULD YOU RUN DOWN TO THE BASEMENT AND GET A HAMMER FOR ME?

AND BE CAREFUL--THE LIGHT IS BURNED OUT.

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by Lincoln Peirce

HEY!

Oh, no.

HEY. LEMME USE THAT.

WE'RE ALMOST DONE WITH OUR GAME. THEN THE BALL'S ALL YOURS.

I DON'T NEED THE BALL...

KLIK!

ZING!

I JUST NEED THE TETHER!

SHOVE!

REMEMBER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, WHEN WE WERE THE BIG KIDS?

NOT AT THE MOMENT.

PICKLES

by BRIAN CRANE

WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DOING?

WE JUST FINISHED A GAME OF SCRABBLE.

WHO WON?

IT DOESN'T MATTER WHO WON OR LOST, NELSON.

WE JUST PLAY FOR FUN.

BUT JUST BETWEEN YOU AND ME, I HAD A LOT MORE FUN!

SALLY FORTH

by Francesco Marciuliano

I'VE BEEN THINKING...

ALL THAT TIME AWAY FROM YOU TWO-- THE WHOLE PANDEMIC-- REALLY BROUGHT ME TO A DARK PLACE...

IT MADE ME REALIZE JUST HOW IMPORTANT YOU BOTH ARE TO ME.

JUST HOW MUCH I NEED YOU AND YOUR LOVE IN MY LIFE...

SO LET'S MAKE A PACT TO NEVER, EVER BE APART AGAIN.

WHAT DOES THAT ENTAIL EXACTLY?

I'VE BEEN THINKING WE COULD FACETIME DURING REM SLEEP.

BY MASTROIANNI AND HART

THERE MUST BE A WAY TO GET AROUND FASTER.

TOO LOW...

TOO SLOW.

NOPE.

TOO WEIRD.

TOO SLASHY-BITEY.

HMMMM...

MUNCH MUNCH

AND TO THINK HOW CLOSE YOU WERE...

Frank Ketchum's Dennis the Menace

SLIP-UP!

DENNIS.

YEAH, DAD?

GO TO MY BEDROOM AND SEE IF MY SLIPPERS ARE THERE.

GOTCHA!

YEP!

CURTIS

by RAY BILLINGSLEY

HE WON'T KNOW WHAT I'M UP TO

CAN I HAVE FIVE DOLLARS?

GROANNY

YOU COULD DO SOME CHORES AND EARN IT

GROANNY

I'M ONLY ASKING YOU TO WASH A CUP OR CHANGE A LIGHTBULB, NOT SMELT COPPER!

THAT ISN'T ASKING TOO MUCH

YOU ASK FOR MONEY AND I GROAN...

I ASK YOU TO EARN IT AND YOU GROAN AND ROLL YOUR EYES!

CURTIS, THERE'S NO SHAME IN WORKING FOR WHAT YOU WANT, ESPECIALLY IF IT HELPS THE FAMILY--

OKAY, OKAY, WHAT CAN I DO?

PUT NEW SOAP IN THE BATHROOM SOAP DISH

YOU'RE MEAN!!

IT'S LIKE PULLIN' TEETH WITH A SALAD TONG

Luann.
by
Greg Evans

YOU EAT BANANAS IN HOT DOG BUNS

YOU FOLD YOUR UNDERWEAR INTO NEAT LITTLE PACKETS

YOU WALK ON YOUR TOES WHEN YOU'RE BAREFOOT

YOU HOLD YOUR BREATH AFTER SOMEONE SNEEZES

YOU SQUEEZE THE TOOTHPASTE TUBE IN THE MIDDLE

YOU HAVE TO HAVE THE TV VOLUME ON AN EVEN NUMBER

YOU BLOW YOUR BANGS

YOU PLAY WITH YOUR EARLOBES

YOU LIKE TO LICK ENVELOPES

YOU CHW PENCILS

YOU SAY "VERY UNIQUE"

WHAT'RE YOU TWO DOING?

SEEING WHO'S WEIRDEST

YOU SNIFF BOOKS!

CONGRATULATIONS. YOU BOTH WIN

HAGAR
the horrible
by
Dik Browne

HAGAR, HOW DID YOU BECOME A VIKING?

ARE YOU KIDDING? MY DAD WAS A VIKING, MY GRANDDAD A VIKING, GREAT-GRANDDAD, ETC. ETC. BACK TO FOREVER!

HOW DO I GET TO BE A VIKING?

IS YOUR PEP-PEP A VIKING? NO? THEN NEPOTISM WON'T WORK!

NOW I'M OUT OF IDEAS.

I WOULDN'T TRADE MY JOB WITH ANYONE!

I LOVE BEING A VIKING!

THERE'S AN OLD SAYING...

"CHOOSE A JOB YOU LOVE AND YOU WILL NEVER WORK A DAY IN YOUR LIFE!"

UNLESS YOU ALSO CHOOSE TO GET MARRIED!

Wizard of ID
by Hart, Mastroianni and Parker

MORNING

MORNING

YOU'RE IN A GOOD MOOD TODAY

I'M ABOUT TO FINISH A PROJECT

TAP TAP TAP

CRACK

COME ON!

IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S READY...

PUSH, LITTLE BUDDY... COME ON!

USE THAT BEAK OF YOURS

I'M NEVER AGREEING TO ANOTHER ONE OF YOUR EXPERIMENTS

FASCINATING!

BLONDIE
by DEAN KUNZ & JOHN MARSHALL

ARE YOU THE MANAGER OF THIS DEPARTMENT?

YES, I AM...

I'D LIKE TO EXCHANGE THESE PAJAMAS

I WISH YOU WOULDN'T

WHY NOT?

BECAUSE I'VE GONE 29 DAYS WITHOUT ACCEPTING A RETURN FROM A CUSTOMER

SO WHAT?

LOOK, IF I CAN GET THROUGH THE DAY WITHOUT HAVING A CUSTOMER RETURN SOMETHING, I'LL SET A NEW STORE RECORD!

YOU CAN'T IMAGINE HOW IMPORTANT SETTING THAT RECORD IS FOR ME

PLEASE, I'M BEGGING YOU!

I COULDN'T RUIN A CHANCE TO SET A NEW RECORD!

Hi and Lois
by BRIAN and GREG WALKER

MY DAD SAYS YOU KNOW A LOT ABOUT BIRDS, MR. WAVING.

I SURE DO.

LISTEN, THERE'S A NORTHERN CARDINAL!

WOIT WOIT CHEW CHEW

JAAAY! TOOLILI!

THOSE ARE BLUE JAYS

AND THAT'S A COMMON GRACKLE.

KH-SHEE KH-SHEE

GRAXX SNAW

WHAT'S THAT?!

A BACKYARD BEER-BELLIED THURSTON.

THE
LOCKHORNS

BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER

"I CALLED DR. BLOG... HE SAID JELLY DOUGHNUTS DON'T COUNT AS FRUIT."

"THE GRASS ISN'T TOO TALL... I CAN STILL SEE THE LAWN MOWER."

"WHEN IT COMES TO AROUND-THE-WORLD TRIPS, LEROY IS A FLAT-EARTHER."

"I WARNED YOU ABOUT LETTING HER TAKE A TEST DRIVE."

"REMINDS ME OF A WILDLIFE DOCUMENTARY I SAW ABOUT HOWLER MONKEYS."



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