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## NEWS BRIEFS

### SO YOU KNOW

The Florida Department of Health has ceased the daily COVID-19 reports that have been used to track changes in the number of coronavirus cases and deaths in the state.

### Chronicle calendar changes

The Chronicle's community calendar solution changed on Monday, June 7, to better serve our readers and event-goer audience.

To submit events on the new Evvnt system, visit [www.chronicleonline.com/local-events/](http://www.chronicleonline.com/local-events/) and click on "promote your event" and follow the prompts. All areas with an asterisk (\*) must be filled.

Any future event previously submitted before June 7 is no longer in the Chronicle system and will need to be resubmitted. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

For more information, email [community@chronicleonline.com](mailto:community@chronicleonline.com) or call 352-563-5660.

### Equality Caucus to meet

The Democratic Equality Caucus of Citrus County (Citrus Equality Caucus) will have their monthly general meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, July 12, via Zoom. To register, visit [tinyurl.com/mt639p5e](https://tinyurl.com/mt639p5e).

— From staff reports

## LOTTERY



Due to earlier production deadlines for the Sunday Chronicle, final lottery numbers are not printed. Visit [www.flalottery.com](http://www.flalottery.com) for final numbers.



## Despite the weather, celebration



JEFF BRYAN/Chronicle

Robert Stover props himself against a wall Saturday, July 3, at Liberty Park in the city of Inverness' Depot District as he waits for the start of the city's annual Patriotic Evening. A spectacular barrage of fireworks lit the night sky as residents gathered in the Depot District and other key viewing areas as the city of Inverness celebrated the Fourth of July. Today marks the 245th birthday of the United States.

## 'Elsa' plods on, still soaking

DANICA COTO AND EVENS SANON  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Hurricane Elsa fell back to tropical storm force as it brushed past Haiti and the Dominican Republic on Saturday and threatened to unleash flooding and landslides before taking aim at Cuba and Florida.

The storm was centered about 195 miles east of Kingston, Jamaica, and was moving west-northwest at 28 mph. It had maximum sustained winds of 70 mph as the tropical storm, which had been a Category 1 hurricane earlier on Saturday, weakened during its approach to Hispaniola and Cuba, according to the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

See STORM/Page A10

### STAY SAFE, STAY INFORMED

■ To read what Citrus County officials have to say about potential storm plans, see Page A10.

## Community saddled with median costs

MIKE WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Someone at Oak Village had an idea. With the Suncoast Parkway coming through and more people moving to Citrus County, what better way to showcase the Sugarmill Woods community than by beautifying the U.S. 98 highway leading there?

So in 2019, community leaders approached the county with an offer: The state has landscape grants available. If the county applied for one, received it, and hired a contractor to landscape a mile section of the median, the Oak Village homeowners association would assume annual maintenance, according to county documents.

That's what happened. The county received a \$350,411 grant, hired a Homosassa company to do the work, and the landscaping was installed a year ago.

And that's about when the complaints started.

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WEEK  
IN REVIEW

PHOTO OF THE WEEK

MMA ATHLETE



While many teenage girls do not choose to become involved in combat sports, Julia Falcone, 14, has embraced it. Falcone handles her workout partner Aidan Parker, 14.

MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

GOOD NEWS OF THE WEEK

In this age of email, texting and posting messages on social media, County Commissioner Ruthie Schlabach is bucking the trend. Every check she receives for the funding of a new animal shelter, she writes a personal thank you note to the donor.

She said most of the checks come with a note or personal story about why the care of dogs and cats is so important, which she finds touching.

“I’m so appreciative of people spending money. They’re showing that our community really is loving and caring. It’s really moving,” she said. “I don’t care if they send a \$5 check, they get a thank-you note from me.”



HOT TOPIC OF THE WEEK

Citrus County Sheriff Mike Prendergast support of the governor’s plan to deploy Florida law enforcement officers to the U.S. border with Mexico and his waiting for more information from Gov. Ron DeSantis and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) on how it can assist the state with controlling illegal immigration drew several hundred comments on Facebook. Here are some of them:

■ **Carrie Gardner:** “... Miami has the largest passenger port in the world and one of the largest cargo ports in the country. Maybe DeSantis should be focusing law enforcement there as an illegal point of entry then sending our officers to different states that are politicizing problems that have always existed.”

■ **Porter Ricks:** “So we are heading into a busier than normal hurricane season with one (named storm) already headed toward Florida, a catastrophic condo collapse in South Florida ... the busiest boating weekend of the year coming up, and we’re sending our resources to Texas? Maybe we have too many if we can spare them under these circumstances. We should at least take their oil fields.”

■ **Carol Frick:** “More drugs move through Florida than Texas. But maybe it is about being afraid of the three and four year olds coming across.”

■ **Suzanne Hannan:** “Ummmmmm ... Don’t we have an entire contingency of federal officers tasked with handling the border? And, isn’t that exactly what they’re doing, day after day, even as we speak? So, basically, this exercise is a complete farce, and a large waste of taxpayer money for no apparent reason whatsoever.”

■ **Alicha Hughes-Yankee:** “I don’t care what side of the political fence anyone falls on, the fact is, we have plenty of valid, ongoing needs right here at home for every law enforcement officer that the county employs.”

THE MOST POPULAR STORIES FROM THE WEEK THAT WAS



Citrus County hits the big screen

Beloved Citrus County landmarks such as the Roller Barn, Chicken King, Oscar Penn’s Restaurant and Big Blue Springs recently hit the big screen in the new indie thriller, “Feral State” that was released in May.

Set in Citrus County, the film is a modern spin on “Oliver Twist.” It follows an ex-Marine, played by Ronnie Gene Blevins, who takes in orphans and run-aways and instructs them in the art of crime.

Local residents Nick and Marianne Tamposi were the executive producers of the film. The couple owns Dragonville Studios, located on their 32-acre horse ranch in the county, where “Feral State” was filmed.

An open casting event was held at the Crystal River Mall in June 2019. “We had 500 people show up,” Nick said. Some of the major speaking roles from the film feature Citrus residents. “A lot of the cast in the movie had never acted before.”

Former CCSO detective Gary Atchison dies

For 29 years, Gary Atchison rose through the ranks within the Citrus County Sheriff’s Office, serving as a patrol deputy, detective and School Resource Deputy.

Atchison, who retired from the sheriff’s office in July 2015, was found dead Monday, June 28, by the son of a former colleague while vacationing in the Florida Keys. He was 64.

He will most likely be remembered for his work alongside Detective Scott Grace on the Jessica Lunsford case, which received international attention.

Their investigations into the February 2005 kidnapping and murder of the 8-year-old Homosassa girl, led to the arrest and March 2007 conviction of John Couey.

Atchison’s death sent a shock-wave throughout the law enforcement community, and throughout the community he protected.

“He was extremely committed and devoted to whatever case he was on; not just that one case, but any case,” said James Martone, a close friend and former colleague of Atchison’s at the sheriff’s office. “I knew he was someone who was going to find justice for Jessica.”

“Most importantly, we lost an advocate for Citrus County,” he said about Atchison, a graduate of Citrus High School. “He was just a great, great friend, Citrus County lost a dear friend.”

Steel plate saves man from axe blows to head

A steel plate in the back of a man’s skull may have saved him after a Hernando woman allegedly struck his head with a double-sided medieval axe.

On June 26, Citrus County Sheriff’s Office authorities arrested 30-year-old Casandra Brooke Hallmark on a charge of attempted premeditated murder with a deadly weapon.

Deputies questioned the man, who said he and another man were working on a water pump when he felt a thump on the rear of his head, stunning him before he felt a second impact.

Deputies noted an inch-long cut to the back of the man’s head, a couple inches away from the top of his spinal cord.

“It was later discovered that the victim had a steel plate inserted into the back of his skull,” Hallmark’s arrest report states, “which may have contributed to him becoming dazed.”



Duke breaks ground on Crystal River solar plant: now hiring

Duke Energy Florida has broken ground on its new \$113-million Bay Trail Solar Power Plant on 500 acres at its energy complex north of Crystal River.

Clearing activity is in progress and Duke will begin installation of the “racking system” (metal poles to support the solar panels) in July and solar panels in August, Duke spokeswoman Ana Gibbs said.

Duke Energy Florida plans to invest about \$1 billion in its new solar power plants across Florida in the next three years through its Clean Energy Connection program.

The Bay Trail Solar Power Plant is one of 10 facilities, which will each be just under 75 megawatts (MW). The first plants will go online in 2022 and more will follow through 2024.

Wanzek Construction, the project contractor, is now hiring for one of the 200-300 temporary jobs. Applicants can apply at <https://www.wanzek.com/careers>. Wanzek is also set up with the local Citrus County job centers.



Comings & Goings: New eateries in Homosassa

Last week, Chronicle business reporter Mike Bates reported on possible plans for a Dunkin’ Donuts, Taco Bell and Wendy’s in Homosassa, but what readers were really interested in — what about an Aldi? Especially since one in Dunnellon just opened.

Bates writes, “Two weeks ago, the latest inquiry brought this response from Matt Thon, Haines City division vice president for ALDI. ‘At this time, we do not have any information to share about a potential ALDI store opening in Citrus County,’ Thon said. ‘As soon as there are any updates regarding ALDI stores in that area, we will reach out.’

“And the Chronicle will do the same. Keep your fingers crossed.”

“If you can’t hear it in another county, I’m not buying it.”

— DAVID GREEN, COMMENTING IN A CHRONICLE STORY ASKING “TO BOOM OR NOT TO BOOM?” ABOUT FIREWORKS ON THE FOURTH OF JULY.

— compiled by Nancy Kennedy

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## Around the COUNTY

### SO YOU KNOW

■ Looking for something to do to celebrate the Fourth of July? See some in the Veterans Notes on **Page A11** in today's Chronicle.

### Recovery group hosting alcothon for Fourth

Club Recovery is hosting a 36-hour alcothon for the July Fourth weekend. The alcothon is from 10 a.m. Saturday, July 3 through 10 p.m. Sunday, July 4 at Club Recovery, 2322 E Her- cala Lane, Hernando.

The alcothon will include Alcoholic Anonymous meet- ings every two hours, along with food, soft drinks and coffee.

### Citrus Writers to meet in Citrus Springs

The Citrus Writers will meet at 11 a.m. July 10 at Hope Lutheran Church, 9425 N. Citrus Springs Blvd.

Author, J.J. Clark, will talk about writing crime novels. Clark is the author of the "Kate Anderson Mysteries," "Dared to Run," "Dared to Fly" and "Dared to Return." "Dared to Run" won a first place ribbon in the Interna- tional Chanticleer Clue Awards.

All are welcome to at- tend. For additional infor- mation, contact Jim Meyer at 352-205-5302.

### Attend an ABC of Dementia workshop

The Homosassa Sev- enth-day Adventist Church will host an ABC of Deme- tia workshop from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 10, at 5863 W. Cardinal St.

The workshop will be conducted by Debbie Sel- savage, Coping with De- mentia president. She will explain Alzheimer's disease and other forms of demen- tia in plain language, sug- gest techniques for becoming a better and less stressed care partner and provide useful resources to families living with dementia.

The event is free, and the public is invited. Those who wish to attend should make a reservation

Call 352-422-3663 or email deb@coping.today.

### Learn to choose best plant for you at workshop

Citrus County Utilities Florida-Friendly Landscap- ing Program will have a free virtual gardening workshop from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 22.

To register, visit ccuffl program.eventbrite.com. For additional information, call Steven Davis at 352-527-5708.

— From staff reports

# 1 injured, family displaced after fire

**BUSTER THOMPSON**  
*Staff writer*

A house in Citrus County outside of Inglis caught fire, injuring a per- son and displacing its residents.

Citrus County Fire Rescue (CCFR) crews were dispatched at 4:17 a.m. Thursday, July 1, to an ad- dress off of North Clamdigger

Terrace, according to a CCFR news release.

Firefighters from CCFR's De-Rosa station arrived first at 4:34 a.m. along with a battalion chief a couple minutes later to find heavy smoke coming from the eaves and front door of a double- wide mobile home.

Its occupants had evacuated

earlier.

Other CCFR crews from stations in Connell Heights, Homosassa and Citrus Springs also responded to assist in controlling the blaze by 4:46 a.m.

Nature Coast EMS transported a person to hospital to be treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

According to CCFR, the

homeowner said he woke up to smoke, prompting him to evacuate his family. He said he later found the laundry room engulfed in flames.

Authorities with the Florida State Fire Marshal also responded to investigate the fire, and the American Red Cross was contacted to help the displaced occupants.



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle file

**LifeSouth, along with the FDA, urges donors to donate blood now and pleads for organizations to host blood drives. Blood donors are needed every day, and anyone who is in good health is encouraged to donate.**

# Can you give the gift of life?

**HANNAH SACHEWICZ**  
*Staff writer*

A national blood shortage is im- pacting the country and news of the shortage has been covered on a na- tional level. Locally, LifeSouth is also experiencing shortages and blood donors of all types are needed.

According to LifeSouth, a de- crease in donations during sum- mer months historically causes the blood supply to drop to emergency levels. There is also an increase in

need as hospitals resume elective surgeries and patients who did not seek medical care during the COVID-19 pandemic do so.

LifeSouth blood donors help pa- tients at local hospitals such as Oakhill, Bayfront, Citrus Memorial, Shand's, the VA, Moffitt and others. A growing concern for hospitals has been expressed as blood trans- fusions increase.

Maintaining a stable blood sup- ply makes sure blood is available when needed for victims of acci- dents, those having surgery or

patients being treated for cancers and other illnesses.

LifeSouth urges the community to donate blood soon. Those who received the COVID-19 vaccine, in- cluding Johnson & Johnson, Pfizer and Moderna, are eligible to do- nate blood if they are symptom-free and feeling well at the time of donation.

All donors receive a thank-you gift and a mini physical, including blood pressure, temperature, iron level and cholesterol screen.

Donors must be at least 17, or 16

years of age with parental permis- sion, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and be in good health. A photo ID is needed.

LifeSouth's donor center in Cit- rus County is at 1241 S. Lecanto Highway. Bloodmobiles will also be out at many locations in the coming days.

Centers and mobile buses oper- ate seven days per week.

For additional information about donations, call LifeSouth toll-free at 888-795-2707 or visit lifesouth. org.

# Hernando woman arrested for neglecting animals

## Potbellied pig, dogs reportedly suffering from overgrown nails, infestations

**BUSTER THOMPSON**  
*Staff writer*

A Hernando woman was arrested on accusations she let a potbellied pig and two dogs suffer from sores and overgrown nails.

Citrus County Sheriff's Office deputies on Wednesday, June 30, booked 21-year-old Austin Nicole Harper into the county jail on a third-degree-felony charge of aggra- vated animal cruelty. Harper was jailed on a \$2,000 bond.

According to Harper's arrest re- port, a sheriff's office deputy and animal control officer went to

Harper's home off of North Sarah Point after getting a report of animal abuse.

When the authorities ar- rived, they found Harper standing on the front porch with a black potbellied pig nearby and walking in pain because of overgrown hooves.

A container of aquatic plants and dirty water ap- peared to be the pig's sole water source, according to Harper's arrest report.

Authorities then found a dog with very little hair; bug bites throughout



**Austin Nicole Harper**  
faces charges of cruelty.

its body, a skin disease and overgrown nails.

When the deputy en- tered Harper's home to get a second dog, he found piles and puddles of ca- nine feces and urine cover- ing its floors, according to the arrest report. There were also several empty food and water bowls covered with bugs throughout the house.

Authorities discovered the re- maining dog in a bedroom. Its body was covered in either bug bites or a skin disease, and it had several

sores on its left leg.

Pain and overgrown nails kept the dog from walking on its own, forcing the deputy and animal control officer to carry the canine to the officer's transport truck to be taken, along with the pig and other dog, to Citrus County Animal Services for treatment.

According to her arrest report, Harper told the deputy in a Miran- dized statement she had been back home for roughly two weeks.

She said she would feed and water the animals, but didn't seek medical care for the injuries she was aware of.

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Today's  
HOROSCOPES

**Birthday:** Sit up and take note of what's going on around you. It's time to make a change that will help you dump bad habits and replace them with better ones. Rethink your future.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22):** An open mind will encourage new beginnings. Adapting to a lifestyle that allows you to fulfill your dreams will pay off.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22):** Stick to your plan, regardless of what others do. Choose the path that brings you joy and keeps you safe from financial loss or health risks.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Recognize the changes that will make your life less stressful, then put your plans in motion. Being accountable for your happiness and comfort will lift your spirits.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23):** Keep your thoughts clear. Refuse to let anyone mess with your mind or push you in a direction you don't like. Put your energy into something meaningful.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22):** Take matters into your own hands and do only what you feel comfortable doing. Poor judgment will leave you at odds.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21):** Steer clear of overindulgent people or those trying to tempt you to get involved in something that will cause emotional or financial frustration.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Leave nothing to chance. Size up what's doable and what isn't. Don't give in to pressure.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19):** Go about your business. Don't invite others to disrupt your plans. Concentrate on what's important to you.

**Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20):** Let the past be a useful reminder. Being with people who make you feel good will improve your state of mind and encourage positive changes.

**Aries (March 21-April 19):** Put a unique spin on the way you do things. Make plans with someone who brings out the best in you.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20):** Emotional situations will escalate if you deal with professional matters. Try to kick back and enjoy the day.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20):** Be explicit about what you can do and how you feel to avoid a difficult situation. Rely on the information you accumulate to encourage stronger relationships.

ENTERTAINMENT

Las Vegas is  
bouncing back, but  
virus is on rise too

LAS VEGAS — Fifteen months after the pandemic transformed Las Vegas from flamboyant spectacle to ghost town, Sin City is back. Tourists are streaming in again, gambling revenue has hit an all-time high, the Las Vegas Strip has its first new casino in a decade, and big concerts are starting at a gleaming new stadium. Plexiglass panels installed to separate gamblers at the poker and blackjack tables have largely been removed, the world-famous buffets are re-opening, and nightclub dance floors are packed.

Vice President Kamala Harris was set to visit Saturday for what the White House is calling the "America's Back Together" tour celebrating progress against the virus.

But that progress is threatened: Nevada this week saw the highest rate of new COVID-19 cases in the country, hospitalizations are on the rise again, and the highly contagious delta variant has become the most prevalent form of the virus in the state, adding urgency to the campaign to get more people vaccinated.

Still, in a place where the economy runs on crowds and uninhibited behavior, a return to pandemic-related restrictions and mask requirements seems to be off the table.

Inside the casinos, guests are not required to wear masks if they are fully vaccinated, but employees do not appear to be asking anyone for proof.

Las Vegas fully reopened and lifted restrictions on most businesses June 1, though many casino-resorts had already



Associated Press

**An oversized mask adorns the face of a replica Statue of Liberty at the New York-New York hotel and casino Thursday, July 16, 2020, in Las Vegas. Tourists are streaming in again, gambling revenue has hit an all-time high, the Las Vegas Strip has its first new casino in a decade, and big concerts are starting at a gleaming new stadium.**

returned to 100% capacity before that with approval from state regulators. Visitor numbers, while not at their pre-pandemic highs, have grown by double digits four months in a row.

Shows and fireworks are scheduled for the July 4 weekend, and the new 65,000-seat Allegiant Stadium where the NFL's relocated Raiders will kick off their season this fall was set to host its first major concert Saturday, by electronic dance music star Illenium.

It will be followed by a full-capacity show from Garth Brooks next weekend.

Over the past two weeks, Nevada's diagnosis rate of 190 new cases per 100,000 people was higher than that of Missouri, Arkansas and Wyoming — all

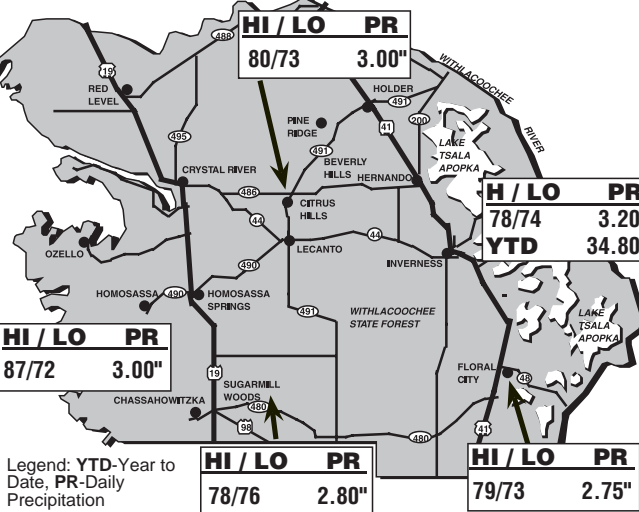
states with lower vaccination levels — and the state public health lab found the delta variant in almost half the COVID-19 cases it analyzed.

Also, the number of patients hospitalized with the virus has grown 33% over the past week, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, though the levels are far below what they were in December, when hospitals were near capacity.

State biostatistician Kyra Morgan said Friday that the spike in cases might be attributable to the full reopening of the state and city in June and that the return of crowds and big events on the Strip could cause the increase to continue.

— From wire reports

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



THREE DAY OUTLOOK

**TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING**  
High: 88° Low: 73°  
Mostly cloudy, scattered showers and storms

**MONDAY & TUESDAY MORNING**  
High: 90° Low: 74°  
Partly sunny, scattered showers and storms

**TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY MORNING**  
High: 88° Low: 73°  
Partly sunny, scattered showers and storms

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<b>TEMPERATURE</b>		<b>DEW POINT</b>			
Yesterday	78/74	Yesterday at 3 p.m.	75°		
Record*	99/66				
Normal	92/71				
Mean temp.	82	Yesterday at 3 p.m.	98%		
Departure from mean	-6				
<b>PRECIPITATION</b>		<b>POLLEN COUNT**</b>			
Yesterday	0.15"	<b>Today's active pollen:</b>			
Total for the month	0.78"	ragweed, grasses, palm			
Total for the year	15.63"	<b>Today's count: 2.7/12</b>			
Normal for the year	24.30"	<b>Monday's count: 4.6</b>			
*Official record values from Tampa International		<b>Tuesday's count: 2.3</b>			
<b>UV INDEX:</b> 10		<b>AIR QUALITY</b>			
0-2 minimal, 3-4 low, 5-6 moderate, 7-9 high, 10+ very high		Yesterday observed	Good		
<b>BAROMETRIC PRESSURE</b>		Pollutant	PM2.5		
29.96					

SOLUNAR TABLES					Provided by ezfshn.com	
DATE	DAY	MINOR (MORNING)	MAJOR (MORNING)	MINOR (AFTERNOON)	MAJOR (AFTERNOON)	
07/04	SUNDAY	6:35	9:20	8:31	9:42	
07/05	MONDAY	6:36	10:03	8:31	10:26	

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK				
Jul 9	Jul 17	Jul 23	Jul 31	
<b>SUNSET TONIGHT</b> ..... 8:31 pm				
<b>SUNRISE TOMORROW</b> ..... 6:36 am				
<b>MOONRISE TODAY</b> ..... 2:43 am				
<b>MOONSET TODAY</b> ..... 4:04 pm				

**BURN CONDITIONS**

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

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

WATERING RULES			
For established lawns and landscapes, irrigation may occur during only one (1) of the specified time periods, 12:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., or 4:00 p.m. - 11:59 p.m., on the allowable watering days below:			
<b>Addresses with house numbers ending in:</b>			
0 - 1	Monday	6 - 7	Thursday
2 - 3	Tuesday	8 - 9 or- Common Areas	Friday
4 - 5	Wednesday		

Questions, concerns or reporting violations, please call: City of Inverness at 352-726-2321; City of Crystal River at 352-795-4216, Ext. 313; Incorporated Citrus County at 352-527-7669. For more information, visit: [https://www.citrusbocc.com/departments/water\\_resources/watering\\_restrictions.php](https://www.citrusbocc.com/departments/water_resources/watering_restrictions.php)

TIDES			
*From mouths of rivers	**At King's Bay	***At Mason's Creek	
SUNDAY			
<b>City</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>Low</b>	
Chassahowitzka**	1:58 a.m.	0.3 ft 2:47 p.m.	0.5 ft 8:42 a.m. 0.2 ft 10:49 p.m. 0.1 ft
Crystal River**	12:28 a.m.	1.5 ft 12:34 p.m. 1.9 ft 7:10 a.m. 0.8 ft 8:16 p.m. 0.4 ft	
Withlacoochee*	10:15 a.m.	3.3 ft 11:52 p.m. 2.6 ft 4:48 a.m. 1.6 ft 6:17 p.m. 0.7 ft	
Homosassa***	1:50 a.m.	0.7 ft 1:32 p.m. 1.3 ft 6:59 a.m. 0.2 ft 10:14 p.m. 0.2 ft	

FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

City	H	L	F'cast	City	H	L	F'cast
Daytona Bch.	86	75	sh	Miami	88	79	s
Fort Lauderdale	89	77	s	Ocala	87	72	sh
Fort Myers	91	76	pc	Orlando	88	75	sh
Gainesville	85	72	sh	Pensacola	87	75	t
Homestead	91	77	s	Sarasota	89	75	pc
Jacksonville	86	73	t	Tallahassee	86	72	sh
Key West	90	81	pc	Tampa	90	75	t
Lakeland	91	74	t	Vero Beach	89	76	t
Melbourne	88	76	sh	W. Palm Bch.	86	80	s

MARINE OUTLOOK

Today: West winds around 10 knots. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland waters a light chop. Isolated thunderstorms early in the afternoon. Tonight: North winds around 10 knots then becoming northeast after midnight. Seas 2 feet.

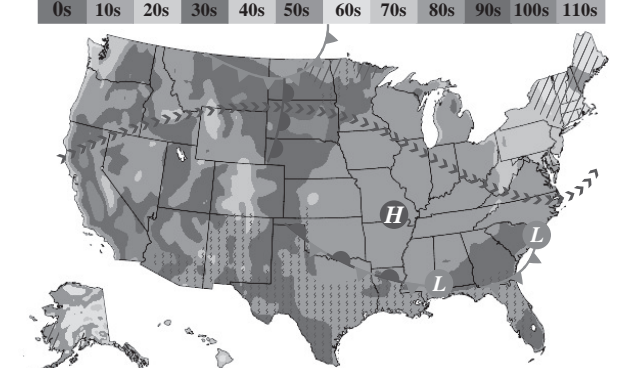
**Gulf water temperature**  
**80°**  
Taken at Crystal River

LAKE LEVELS

Location	SAT	FRI	Full
Withlacoochee at Holder	28.57	28.23	34.64
Tsala Apopka-Hernando	37.54	37.46	38.66
Tsala Apopka-Inverness	38.76	38.50	39.73
Tsala Apopka-Floral City	39.64	39.44	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

Saturday														
City	SAT			SUN			City	SAT			SUN			
	H	L	Pcp.	H	L	Fest		H	L	Pcp.	H	L	Fest	
Albany	65	55	0.21	74	57	sh	New Orleans	85	78	0.38	86	75	sh	
Albuquerque	90	64	Trace	95	67	pc	New York City	66	59	0.62	76	67	mc	
Asheville	77	59	0.00	86	61	s	Norfolk	80	68	0.00	89	70	s	
Atlanta	83	64	0.00	89	69	s	Oklahoma City	84	69	0.00	86	67	pc	
Atlantic City	76	62	0.93	75	68	pc	Omaha	90	69	0.00	92	71	s	
Austin	92	76	0.00	90	75	t	Palm Springs	11190	0.00	10983	s			
Baltimore	81	59	0.01	83	67	sh	Philadelphia	76	64	0.62	81	65	sh	
Billings	100	69	0.00	100	69	t	Phoenix	10888	0.00	10487	t			
Birmingham	84	66	0.00	88	67	s	Pittsburgh	76	57	0.01	85	65	mc	
Boise	103	72	0.00	101	68	sm	Portland, ME	61	55	0.01	63	54	sh	
Boston	61	57	1.24	67	57	sh	Portland, OR	88	62	0.00	84	57	s	
Buffalo	75	57	Trace	79	65	s	Providence, RI	63	57	0.92	71	57	sh	
Burlington, VT	63	57	0.13	72	58	sh	Raleigh	81	59	0.32	90	65	s	
Charleston, SC	87	69	Trace	88	73	s	Rapid City	96	91	0.00	94	68	s	
Charleston, WV	79	55	0.00	90	67	pc	Reno	10064	Trace	94	63	hz		
Charlotte	84	63	Trace	88	68	s	Rochester, NY	76	61	0.29	77	62	pc	
Chicago	86	57	0.00	92	71	s	Sacramento	92	57	0.00	91	57	s	
Cincinnati	81	54	0.00	92	69	pc	Salt Lake City	10073	0.00	10273	s			
Cleveland	75	66	Trace	84	72	pc	San Antonio	95	77	0.00	89	75	t	
Columbia, SC	85	66	0.02	94	68	s	San Diego	74	66	0.00	75	65	mc	
Columbus, OH	81	55	0.00	91	70	sh	San Francisco	75	61	0.00	68	56	pc	
Concord, NH	59	55	0.39	68	52	sh	Savannah	82	73	0.27	88	73	pc	
Dallas	86	77	Trace	90	73	pc	Seattle	83	61	0.00	79	59	mc	
Denver	91	61	Trace	93	63	t	Spokane	97	64	0.00	95	59	s	
Des Moines	88	68	0.00	91	71	s	St. Louis	84	57	0.00	90	67	s	
Detroit	83	57	0.00	91	70	pc	St. Ste Marie	79	55	0.02	85	66	pc	
El Paso	93	70	0.00	93	75	t	Syracuse	74	61	0.09	79	59	pc	
Evansville, IN	81	57	0.00	90	69	s	Topeka	90	66	0.00	91	69	pc	
Harrisburg	79	57	0.22	79	62	pc	Washington	81	63	0.00	83	67	sh	

Today in  
HISTORY

**Today in History**  
Today is Sunday, July



## Obituaries

### Madeline McClanahan, 85

HOMOSASSA

Madeline Violet McClanahan, 85, passed away peacefully on June 26, 2021, at her home in Homosassa, Florida.

She was born in Princeton, West Virginia on September 7, 1935, to Bessie Mae and Fred Oliver Johnston.



Madeline McClanahan

Madeline lived in West Virginia until 1987, when she moved to Homosassa, Florida with her family.

Madeline's interests included caring for her family, her two dogs, and her flowers. She loved listening to music and dancing at The Shed in Homosassa. Madeline loved shopping for bargains at local thrift stores.

Madeline is survived by her six children, Patricia Jones, Shirley Hodge, Robert (Teresa) Jones, Diana (Bobby) Proffitt, Coy McClanahan, and John McClanahan, her brother, John (Geraldine) Johnston, numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Madeline is preceded in death by her parents, Bessie Mae and Fred Oliver Johnston, stepmother, Lena Johnston, sisters, Etheline Goff (her twin) and Gladys Tibbs, brothers, Melvin Farmer and David Johnston, half-brothers, Edward Johnston, and Carl Johnston. She was also preceded in death by her husbands, Howard Jones, and Coy McClanahan.

Funeral Services will be held at a private family ceremony (family graveyard) near Princeton, West Virginia on Black Oak Mountain, at an undetermined date in the future.

Sign the guest book at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).

### Arthur Ward, 85

HOMOSASSA

Arthur J. Ward, 85 of Homosassa, FL, passed away on June 29, 2021 in Hernando, FL. He was born on November 12, 1935 in Lewiston, Maine, the son of George and Evelyn Ward.

He played football for Bridgton High School in Maine. He retired from Die Electric where he worked as a tool and die maker. Arthur enjoyed woodworking and doing ceramics. He loved his family and spending time with his dog Roxie. He was a member of the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness in Homosassa.



Arthur Ward

He is preceded in death by his parents, brother, George, wife, Elaine Margaret Ward in 2014, and dogs, Jimmy, Sushi and Chipper.

Survivors include his wife, Deborah; son, Kelly Ward of Peabody, MA; daughters, Ivy Ward-Spencer of Conway, NH, Wanda Ward of Turner, ME, Robin Burton of Naples, ME, Terry Llanos of Lewiston, ME, Darcy Ward of Revere, MA and Tina Hosack of Lewiston, ME; siblings, Dale, Nancy and Carol; and 11 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and 5 great great grandchildren.

My darling one, you are on a great journey now I know that you will be healthy and happy once again when you are resurrected at the end of this earth, in our paradise earth. There you will find all your friends and loved ones and I will be there too and hopefully get to see you play football that you liked and spoke about so well, when you were in your high school days. No more pain and sorrow we will live forever in the sun and shade of a beautiful earth together. See you not too soon, I'll love you forever.

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### Alfred Slaska, 80

HERNANDO

Al Slaska passed away June 29, 2021 at home under hospice care.

Al was born in New Jersey July 13, 1940 and spent the first half of his life there. He served in the USMC as a young man and worked for almost 15 years as a police officer, retiring in 1981 from the Parsippany - Troy Hills Police Department with a work related disability.



Alfred Slaska

After retirement he moved to Key West where he met his wife Karen. After living together there for 10 years they relocated to Citrus County in 2000.

Al enjoyed playing golf with his buddies and biking on the Withlacoochee State Trail. He was a member and past officer of the Inverness Moose Lodge and served as a Master Gardener with the Citrus County Extension Office for over 15 years.

Al is survived by his wife Karen and his 2 children from his first marriage, Ann Margaret Heck and Michael Slaska, both of New Jersey.

No formal services will be held. Memorial donations can be made to the USO or other military support organization in his honor.

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### Barbara Landwehr, 72

HOMOSASSA

Barbara L. Barrett Landwehr, 72, of Homosassa, FL, passed away on June 12, 2021.

She was born in Fargo, ND, graduated from Benson High School in Benson, MN, and in October of 1977 married Richard C. Landwehr. Known as Barb and Dick to a large circle of family and friends, they were married for 43 years, living in Golden, CO, Memphis, TN, and Homosassa, FL.



Barbara Landwehr

While in Colorado Barb was employed by the IRS for 12 years in Taxpayer Services.

Barb is survived by her husband, two sons, Rick (Sheree) and Ryan (Greg), four grandchildren, Tyler (Megan), Lauren (Slava), Ava Louise, and Barrett, one great grandchild, Corbin, two brothers, George (Joyce) and Bob (Ruth Ann), one sister, Laurie, and many nieces and nephews. She was also a devoted Grandmother figure to the children of Debbie and Steve Shaner: Katelyn, Christopher, Kyrie, Conner, and Kayleigh.

Barb was preceded in death by her parents, Avis and George Barrett, Jr., sisters Donna and Trish, and brother Mike. Barb loved the Colorado Mountains, puzzles & games, but she especially loved nurturing her family.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 10, 2021, 9:00 a.m., at Glory of God Lutheran Church, 12200 W. 38th Ave., Wheat Ridge, CO 80033. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the American Heart Association (<https://www.heart.org>).

Sign the guest book at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).

### Alice Belanger, 92

HERNANDO

Alice Lorraine McBride Belanger, 92, of Hernando Florida and Skowhegan, ME went to be with the Lord on June 30. She was born in Bridgeport, CT on May 11, 1929. She graduated from Wethersfield HS and became a registered nurse which she enjoyed for many years. She married Theodore J Belanger on Oct 20, 1951. They were together for 58 years until his passing.

Alice is survived by her children, David (Suzanne) of Skowhegan, ME, Theodore Jr (Wendy) of Skowhegan, ME, Daniel Belanger (Ellen) of Madison, ME and Cathy Hoyer (Eric) of Hernando, FL, 12 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren, her sister Carol Palmero of Kennebunk Maine and brother John McBride of Connecticut.

Alice is predeceased by her husband, Ted, grandson Adam Belanger, great-grand daughter, Annabelle Poissonnier and brother Eddie McBride.

Alice was a member of Our Lady of Grace Parish and the Community of Catholic Women. She enjoyed visiting the residents of Diamond Ridge and bringing them Communion and making lunch

for the homeless people.

She supported the Pregnancy Center in Lakeland for many years and sponsored children in Africa for 40 years. Alice had a great love for her family and loved playing cards and Yahtzee. She loved everyone and never thought of herself. She loved to pray the Rosary.

A funeral Mass will be held on July 9, at 11 AM. at Our Lady of Grace Church in Beverly Hills. Memorial donations can be made to Food Pantry at Our Lady of Grace, or the homeless lunch program 6 Roosevelt Blvd. Beverly Hills, FL 34465

Many thanks to the Vitas Hospice team for their wonderful care and love.

Sign the guest book at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).

### OBITUARIES

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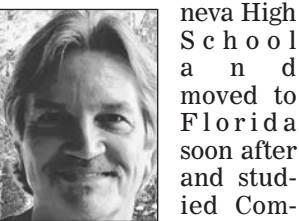


Obituaries

Terry Taylor, 64  
PEACH TREE CITY, GA

Terry Lee Taylor, 64, of Peach Tree City, GA, Passed away unexpectedly on May 31, 2021.

Terry was born in Geneva, OH on July 14, 1956. He graduated from Geneva High School and moved to Florida soon after and studied Computer Science at College of Central Florida. He loved Florida and the beautiful waterfront sunsets.



Terry Taylor

Terry later moved to Georgia and was a Local 479 Union Graphic Artist in TV and Movie productions. He enjoyed painting, drawing, woodworking, boating and he loved traveling to Thailand.

He is survived by brothers "Mike" Taylor (Donna), Debra "Debi" Taylor, Charles "Chuck" Taylor (Brenda), Corrine "Corky" Lucas (Danny), Pamela "Pam" Sturdivant (Randy), half-brother Richard "Rich" Taylor Jr. (Kim), and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in Death by his parents Richard "Jim" Taylor & Ruby "June" Giambra (Mike), Brothers Richard "Richie" Taylor Jr & Theodore "Ted" Taylor.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 3pm on July 17, 2021 at Pecks Old Port Cove, 139 N. Ozello Trail, Crystal River, FL 34429.

Sign the guest book [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).

Linda Fairburn, 69  
HOMOSASSA

Mrs. Linda J. Fairburn, 69, of Homosassa, FL died on Sunday, June 27, 2021 in Inverness, FL. She was born on July 31, 1951 in Newark, OH and was the daughter of the late Forrest and Juanita (Bolton) Rose.



Linda Fairburn

She enjoyed bowling and bowled in leagues when she was younger. She enjoyed sewing and tending to her flowers and gardening. She liked to birdwatch and yell at the squirrels.

She is survived by her husband Bruce Fairburn, 3 daughters; Linda, Melinda and Amy, a son Charles along with 3 brothers; Thomas, Roy and Glenn. She is also survived by numerous grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date. The family requests that those wishing to send flowers to have them sent to the daughter's home at 16034 Country Acres Loop, Brooksville, FL 31614.

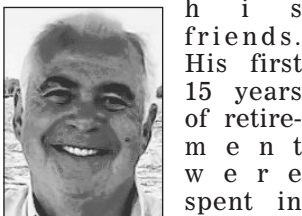
Private cremation arrangements are under the direction of the Homosassa Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes & Crematory.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.hooperfuneralhome.com](http://www.hooperfuneralhome.com).

Robert Kerr, 74  
HOMOSASSA

Mr. Robert Kerr, age 74, passed away after a short battle with brain cancer on Friday, June 25, 2021, with his daughter Adrienne and his companion Victoria by his side.

Bob moved to Homosassa, FL in 2017 where he enjoyed his "second retirement" fishing and boating with Victoria and his friends. His first 15 years of retirement were spent in the mountains near Durango, CO ranching, hunting, and socializing with his neighbors.



Robert Kerr

Bob was an Industrial Engineer with a 38-year career at General Motors and Delphi, working in the US and abroad. He traveled the world for professional and personal pursuits and loved meeting people wherever he went. Those who knew and loved him will remember his boundless energy, the sparkle in his eyes, and his quick wit.

He is survived by his daughter Adrienne (Scott) Beckett, companion Victoria Conklin, sister Carolyn Foster and his brother Lamar (Doris) Kerr; he was predeceased by his brother Allen Kerr.

In accordance with his wishes, no formal services will be held.

Sign the guest book at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).

Stephen 'Steve' Carroll, 69  
CRYSTAL RIVER

Stephen "Steve" J. Carroll, 69, of Crystal River, Florida passed away June 17, 2021. He was born March 18, 1952 in Fall River, Massachusetts to the late James and Phyllis Carroll.

Steve was a retired Correctional Officer and had moved to this area 14 years ago from Fall River, Massachusetts, he was a former member at Seven Rivers Golf and Country Club, The Plantation Golf and Country Club in Crystal River, and the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge #2013 in Homosassa and was an avid New England Patriots and Boston Red Sox fan.



Stephen 'Steve' Carroll

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brother in law Jay Connor. He is survived by his son Nathan Carroll, brothers, Brian (Eileen) Carroll and Paul (Lisa) Carroll, sisters, Patricia (Patrick) Carroll Fingliss and Joanne Carroll Connor, and several nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of his Life will be at a later date. Private Cremation arrangements were under the care of Strickland Funeral Home and Crematory, Crystal River.

Sign the guest book at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).

Francis Marcoux, 78  
BEVERLY HILLS

Francis Joseph Marcoux, 78, of Beverly Hills, FL passed away on June 29, 2021 under the care of Vitas Healthcare in Beverly Hills, FL. He was a US Air Force Veteran. Arrangements by McGan Cremation Service LLC, Inverness, FL.

OBITUARIES

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Barbara Gendron, 79

Barbara A. (Noseck) Gendron, 79, of Keene and Florida, died June 26, 2021 surrounded by her family.

She was born the daughter of the late Esther (McCarthy) and Bernard Noseck on August 6, 1941. Barbara was a 1959 graduate, and valedictorian, of Our Lady of Monnock Academy in Jaffrey. She received both a B.Ed. in Secondary Education Math/Science and a M.S. in Elementary Education from Keene State College.



Barbara Gendron

She was a lifelong educator, beginning her teaching career as a Science and World History teacher for grades 7 and 8 at Antirim High School. She taught earth science and general math at Bassick High School in Bridgeport, CT. She then began teaching kindergarten locally at schools in Fitzwilliam, Winchester, the former South Lincoln School, Roosevelt and lastly, for twenty years at Fuller School in Keene. She retired in 1999 after 37 years of teaching.

Barbara had many interests and talents. She was a marvelous cook, seamstress, knitter/crocheter, artist and craftsperson. Barbara was a savvy card game player and enjoyed entertaining friends and family at Silver Lake in Harrisville. She was a devout Catholic and a communicant of St. Bernard's Church in Keene and St. Thomas the Apostle in Homosassa, FL. She volunteered her time and skills and supported both their efforts.

Barbara was a member of the Catholic Women of Charity and Prayer Shawl knitters and both the Cheshire County Retired Educator's Association and the Retired Teacher's Association in FL.

She is survived by her daughter, Suzanne and son-in-law, John Hodgkins, of Walpole, daughter, Jennifer Fitzgerald of Lecanto, FL and sister-in-law, Barbara Gendron of Bristol. She leaves three beloved grandchildren, Maxwell Pierce, of Philadelphia, Amanda Hodgkins, of Walpole, and Emma Fitzgerald, of Lecanto, FL. In addition, she is survived by one cherished great-granddaughter, Kaiya Pierce of Philadelphia as well as many special cousins, nieces, nephews, extended family, and dear friends.

Barbara was predeceased by her husband, Ernest Gendron, her parents, her sister-in-law, Marie Fabrizio and brother-in-law, John Gendron.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, July 7, 2021 at 10:00 am at St. Bernard Church, 185 Main St. Keene, NH.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Barbara's memory to the Fuller School Association's Bi-Annual Book Fair to honor her love of books and reading and provide students' with book and literary options. Fuller Elementary School, FSA Book Fair, 422 Elm St. Keene, NH 03431.

All services are under the care of Cheshire Family Funeral Home and Crematories, 46 S. Winchester St. Swanzey, NH. 03446. [WWW.cheshirefamilyfh.com](http://WWW.cheshirefamilyfh.com)

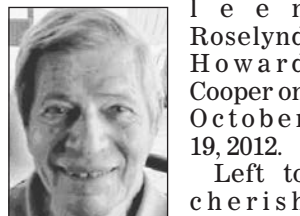
SO YOU KNOW

Death notices are \$25, and may include: full name of deceased; age; hometown/state; date of death; place of death; date, time and place of visitation and funeral services and, for members of the military, the branch of the armed services in which they served.

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Frank Cooper Jr., 87  
INVERNESS

Frank Perrin Cooper, Jr. age 87, died on June 21, 2021, at Citrus Memorial Hospital in Inverness, FL following a lengthy illness. Frank was born in Elizabeth, New Jersey on December 16, 1933, to the late Gladys Duderstadt and Frank P. Cooper, Sr. He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Kathleen Roselynd Howard Cooper on October 19, 2012.



Frank Cooper Jr.

Left to cherish his memory are his three children: Linda Cooper Gray (Thomas Tuite) of Hernando, FL; David (Karen) Cooper, Sr. of Snellville, GA; and Robert Cooper of Inverness, FL. He will also be dearly missed by his brother, John "Jack" (Shannah) of Gloucester, VA; his five grandchildren who felt their grandfather was one of the kindest, most generous and funniest grandpas of all time: David (Nicole) Cooper Jr; Jillian Gray (Cameron) Smith; Jonathan (Heather) Cooper, Matthew Cooper; Peter Michael (Briana) Gray and two great grandchildren: Collins Kathleen Cooper and Ellie Rose Gray.

Frank grew up in Cranford, New Jersey spending summers at the Jersey shore. He graduated from Cranford High School and then from Davis & Elkins College in Elkins, WV with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting.

He played baseball at both institutions with dreams of making it to the majors. In addition to baseball, he was President of the Intra-Fraternity Council and Chapter President of Tau Kappa Epsilon while at Davis & Elkins.

Upon college graduation, Frank married his high school sweetheart, Kathy, on July 23, 1955 and soon moved to Youngstown, OH to begin his 30+ year career with Republic Steel and to start a family. He began his career in accounting with stints in other areas before retiring as the Director of Administration, Manufacturing Division. Frank also had his own tax preparation/bookkeeping business for over 30 years.

While living in Youngstown, Frank and Kathy were very involved in their community. Frank was instrumental in the growth of the Wedgewood Park Baseball Association, where he helped to build both the field and program from the ground up. Friends of his children all loved him as he was a light in their childhood and has remained so to this day.

His love for the game of baseball continued when Frank and Kathy moved to Inverness, FL in 1994 and he quickly became a devoted fan of the Tampa Bay Rays.

Frank jumped into Florida life right away by playing golf and enjoying social activities at Inverness Golf and Country Club. The mild Inverness weather vs. Ohio winters found him enjoying wearing his shorts in December, often saying "The Chamber of Commerce pays me to wear shorts in the winter."

Throughout the years, Frank has enjoyed family beach trips, cruising and traveling with his good friends, fishing, golfing, boating, reading, and keeping abreast of the daily news. He attended the sporting and school events of his children and grandchildren with enthusiasm and great support.

Frank will be remembered for his great sense of humor and quick wit. Frank could set up a joke and wait months before you knew you had been had.

Recognized as a conservative, sincere and thoughtful thinker, he was very generous and appreciative. "Fun loving" with a tremendous smile, he gave BIG hugs to his family and friends.

A Celebration of Life for Frank is scheduled for Saturday, July 10th at the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home in Inverness, FL. Friends may visit with the family from 10:00 AM until the service begins at 11:00 AM. Pastor Paul Giglio will officiate along with close family and friends. Burial will follow later at Oak Ridge Cemetery.

Sign the guest book at [www.chronicleonline.com](http://www.chronicleonline.com).

James Gillespie, 81  
FLORAL CITY

James A. Gillespie, 81, of Floral City, FL passed away on July 1, 2021 at his home.

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

James A. Gillespie, 81, of Floral City, FL passed away on July 1, 2021 at his home.

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Betty Harrison, 68  
INVERNESS

Betty L. Harrison, 68, of Inverness passed away June 29, 2021, at Citrus Memorial Hospital. Betty was born on March 5, 1953 in Headland, Alabama, to the late Eugene and Mattie (McKee) Ward. She came to Citrus County in 1972 from Winter Garden, FL.

Betty was the Seafood Manager at Winn Dixie Grocery Store, and was a member of the Redemption Point Assembly of God Church.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband, Mark Harrison, Sr.; her sons: Mark Harrison, Jr. and his wife Lindsay of Lake Butler, FL, David Brian Harrison and his wife Monica, of Murphy, NC, her daughters: Kimberly Morris and her husband Joseph, of Alaska and Ashley Harrison of Inverness; her brothers: Carlton Ward of Woodfin, NC, Stancel Ward of Slocumb, AL; her sister, Annette Ulry of Marianna, FL; nine grandchildren and one great grandchild.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her grandson Drew Morris, her brother, David Ward, and her sister, Betty G. Ward.

Celebration of Life Services for Betty will be conducted on Monday, July 5, 2021, at 2:00 PM from the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home in Inverness, with Pastor Tim Rose and Mr. Mark Harrison, Jr. officiating. Burial will follow at the Hills of Rest Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home from 1:00 PM until service time.

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Parker McCurry, 80  
LECANTO

Mr. Parker Merl McCurry, age 80, of Lecanto, Florida, died Tuesday, June 29, 2021 in Hudson, FL. Arrangements are under the direction of the Homosassa Chapel of Hooper Funeral Home & Crematory.

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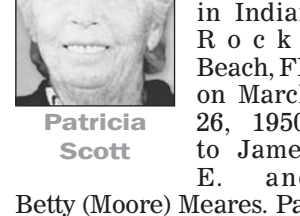
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Patricia Scott, 71  
CRYSTAL RIVER

Patricia G. Scott, 71, of Crystal River, FL, passed away June 28, 2021 at Bayfront Seven Rivers Hospital.

Patricia, known to her friends and family as Pat, was born in Indian Rocks Beach, FL on March 26, 1950, to James E. and Betty (Moore) Meares. Pat and her late husband, Mike, moved to Citrus County in 1977, and established Mike Scott Plumbing in 1987.



Patricia Scott

Together with their children, they expanded the business and supported many youth programs, organizations and founded a scholarship program. Pat enjoyed tremendous success in business, but she was most proud of her family. In addition to spending time with her family, Pat also enjoyed fishing and playing cards.

Left to cherish her memory are her children: Shawn Scott and his wife Samantha, of Floral City, Jason Scott and his wife, Heather, of Beverly Hills, and Tracy Hinde and her husband Mike, of Hernando; her mother Betty Holcomb; brother Michael Meares; sisters: Cheryl Dykstra and Nancy Kelly; her grandchildren: Sabrina, Mercedes, Jacob, Evan, Aubree, Michael, and Savannah; great grandchildren: Brayden and Brixton.

In addition to her husband of 51 years, Mike, Pat was preceded in death by her father, James Meares.

Cremation with Care is under the direction of the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness. With respect to Pat's wishes, there are no funeral services planned.

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Monica Nielsen, 47  
CRYSTAL RIVER

Monica C. Nielsen, 47, of Crystal River, FL, died on Tuesday, June 29, 2021 in her home. Private cremation arrangements are under the direction of the Cremation Center of the Nature Coast, Crystal River.

OBITUARIES

Obituaries must be verified with the funeral home or society in charge of arrangements.

For more local obituaries, see Page A5 of today's Chronicle.

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MEDIAN

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David Quinn, a former Oak Village property owners association president who has been thrust back into the same role during the median controversy, said residents were up in arms when the plants began dying, or were stolen, or run over by vehicles skipping off the pavement.

Then they learned the annual maintenance costs were estimated at \$37,000 — a hefty amount for a community of about 3,000 residents who pay \$135 annual dues.

Quinn said he knew nothing about the project until about a year ago when his neighbors noticed the condition of the landscaping and the cost, and asked him about it.

“What they were in the dark about was all the dead plants out there they were going to be paying for,” he said.

The arrangement called for the contractor to maintain the landscaping for one year before turning it over to Oak Village. The year was up Friday, July 2, but county officials said the contractor is replacing plants lost and they expect the maintenance turnover to occur by August.

Quinn and the Oak Village property owners association tried to stop it. They, the county and contractor agreed to ditch the landscaping altogether by ripping it out and re-seeding the

median.

FDOT officials signed off on the plan and said the county would not need to repay the grant.

County commissioners, however, would not go along.

When the matter came up during the Tuesday, June 22 meeting, commissioners said Oak Village made a promise and should uphold its end of the arrangement.

“I’m quite perturbed by this whole thing,” Commissioner Ron Kitchen Jr. said.

Commissioners said removing the landscaping would place the county in a difficult position in applying for more state grants.

“Maybe they’ll never give another one of these,” Kitchen said. “It looks bad. Put taxpayers’ money in the ground and plow it over. It just turns my stomach.”

Commissioner Jeff Kinnard said he saw for himself what happened in the months after the landscaping was planted.

“It was equally shocking how fast and how many of those plants died over a relatively short period of time,” he said. “It went from beautiful green landscaping to a sea of dead plants down the median of 98.”

Quinn, in an interview, said he doesn’t know how Oak Village will handle the maintenance.

“I can’t have our residents straddled like this financially,” he said.

Then, though, he added: “We have no choice.”



MIKE WRIGHT/Chronicle

A grant paid for the county to landscape a portion of the U.S. 98 median near Sugarmill Woods, but the Oak Village homeowners association is tasked with annual maintenance.



# Independence Day

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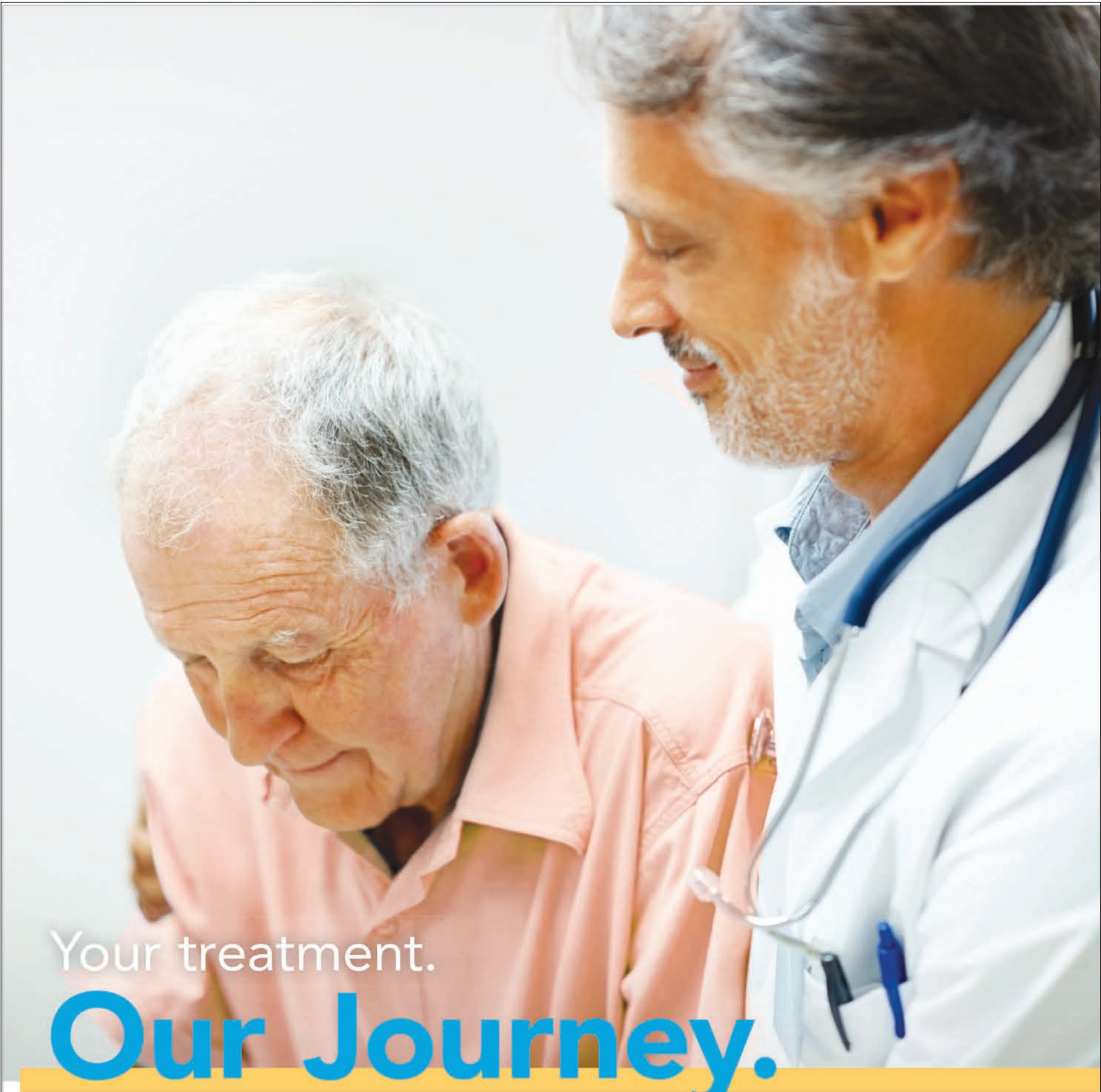
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# STORM

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The long-term forecast track showed it heading toward Florida as a tropical storm by Tuesday morning, but some models would carry it into the Gulf or up the Atlantic Coast. A tropical storm watch was in effect for the Florida Keys from Craig Key westward to Dry Tortugas.

At least one death was reported in St. Lucia, according to the Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency.

In Haiti, authorities used social media to alert people about the storm and urged them to evacuate if they lived near water or mountain flanks.

"The whole country is threatened," the Civil Protection Agency said in a statement. "Make every effort to escape before it's too late."

Haiti is especially vulnerable to floods and landslides because of widespread erosion and deforestation. In addition, a recent spike in gang violence has forced thousands of people to flee from their homes, so the civil protection agency is running low on basic items including food and water, director Jerry Chandler told The Associated Press.

"It's been three weeks that we've been supporting families who are running away from gang violence," he said. "We are working at renewing our stocks, but the biggest problem is logistics."

He said officials are still trying to figure out how to deliver supplies to Haiti's southern region, which braced for Elsa's impact.

Meanwhile, people bought water and food before the storm approached.

"I'm protecting myself the best that I can. Civil protection is not going to do that for me," said Darlene Jean-Pierre, 35, as she bought six jugs of water along with vegetables and fruit. "I have other worries about the

street ... I have to worry about gangs fighting. In addition to this, we have a hurricane. I don't know what kind of catastrophe this is going to cause."

A hurricane warning remains in effect from the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince to the southern border with the Dominican Republic. A hurricane watch was issued for the Cuban provinces of Camaguey, Granma, Guantánamo, Holguín, Las Tunas, and Santiago de Cuba. Some of those provinces have reported a high number of COVID-19 infections, raising concerns that the storm could force large groups of people to seek shelter together.

"Anticipating is the key word," said Cuban President Miguel Díaz-Canel, adding that vaccination efforts would continue. "Let's take care of lives and property."

In the neighboring Dominican Republic, which shares the island of Hispaniola with Haiti, authorities opened more than 2,400 shelters as forecasters warned of heavy rains. Officials also ordered evacuations ahead of the storm as people kept stocking up on supplies.

Some worried about the state of their homes, with many living under corrugated roofing.

"I have a lot of leaks in my zinc," said María Ramos. "What are we going to do? Only God knows."

The storm already had ripped off roofs, destroyed crops and downed trees and power lines in the eastern Caribbean on Friday, with damage reported in Barbados, St. Lucia and in St. Vincent and the Grenadines, which also suffered massive volcanic eruptions that began in April.

At least 43 homes and three police stations were damaged, said St. Vincent Prime Minister Ralph Gonsalves.

"We expect that this number will increase as reports keep coming in," he said. "We have some damage, but it could have been far worse."

# Local emergency officials to make Elsa decisions Sunday

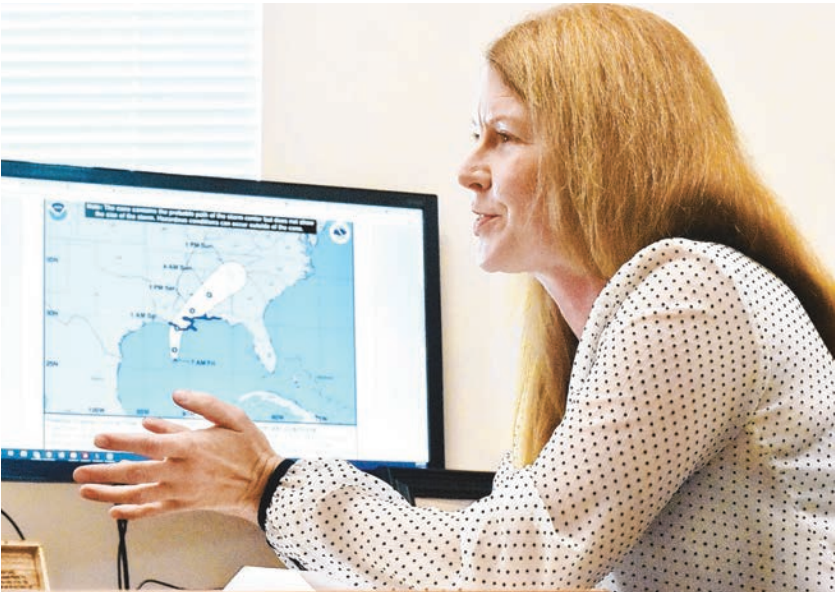
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Staff writer

Local emergency officials will hold off until after morning Sunday to make any additional preparedness decisions regarding Tropical Storm Elsa after it was downgraded from hurricane status on Saturday.

Citrus County Emergency Management Director Amanda Woodward told the Chronicle Saturday afternoon the county's executive policy group will meet at 11:45 a.m. Sunday and members will discuss if there's a need for further action such as opening shelters or handing out sand bags.

Although the hurricane was downgraded to a tropical storm for now, Woodward said she is waiting for surge modeling data to help make crucial decisions. While it was still early to make any decisions Saturday, it's likely the Nature Coast will get some buffeting, it's just a matter of precisely where and how much, Woodward said.

Meanwhile, it's best that county residents take precautions and ensure they have a 72-hour supply of food and water, she said; however, Woodward also emphasized there's



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle file photo

Newly appointed Emergency Management Director Amanda Woodward has spent much of her career in the field of emergency management. Woodward said Saturday afternoon the county's executive policy group will meet at 11:45 a.m. Sunday and members will discuss if there's a need for further action such as opening shelters or handing out sand bags.

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According to the National Hurricane Center Saturday, Elsa was expected to hit the Florida Keys

Monday about 8 p.m. and the Florida west coast area around Tampa mid Tuesday, but that could change in the coming days.



An electrical pole felled by Hurricane Elsa leans on the edge of a residential balcony, in Cedars, St. Vincent, Friday, July 2. Elsa strengthened into the first hurricane of the Atlantic season on Friday as it blew off roofs and snapped trees in the eastern Caribbean, where officials closed schools, businesses and airports.

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#### Fourth of July celebration with VFW Post 4252

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Max, the '06 red, white and blue Superglide, will be on display for the Fourth of July weekend at Plaza Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram of Inverness, 2077 Highway 44 West.

#### VFW Post 4864 to have Fourth of July picnic

VFW Post 4864 will host a Fourth of July picnic at the post, 10199 N Citrus Springs Blvd. Music will be provided by one man band, Charly Petra.

#### VFW Post 4864 to have spaghetti dinner

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

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

#### Elks to host Purple Heart breakfast

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

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

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

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

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

## GOOD TO KNOW

### WTC scholarships available to vets

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

The funds may be used for the purchase of books, manuals, tools of the trade or uniforms. Veterans can receive grants through the VA for course tuition, but incur many other expenses in the course of their education. These funds are specifically intended to ease the financial hardships of veterans in their continuing education.

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

#### Female Veterans Network has monthly meetings

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

Masks and social distancing are strongly encouraged.

The mission of the (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 femaleveteransnetwork.org.

#### American Legion Post 155 invites the public to breakfast

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



# Celebrating America

I can honestly and emphatically state I am sick of coronavirus isolation, store shortages, social distancing, those dreaded choking masks, toilet paper issues, constant news bulletins telling me I could die from exposure and a zillion other subjects relating to the pandemic.

I'm sure you join me in that statement. But happiness has arrived. The pandemic appears to be slowing and our nation is able to celebrate Independence Day.

It is a day of parties, cookouts, family gatherings, friendships renewed and nonstop fireworks lighting up the sky. We deserve it and more importantly, our country deserves it. Because America, despite all the negative comments and problems lately, is still the greatest country on God's almost green earth and that fact needs to be celebrated.

As veterans, our sacrifices for America and our willingness to die for her binds us with invisible cords to great patriots who fought at Gettysburg, Ardennes, Pork Chop Hill, Iwo Jima and Khe Sanh. I was proud to have served this wonderful country for nearly 27 years in the military and have attempted, perhaps poorly, to continue that service to our community since retiring from a military service I truly, truly cherished.

This Fourth of July, I intend to join you in celebration for a country having unbelievable freedoms brought to us by our forefathers and by many, many great citizens throughout history since that grand day of our country's birth.

Over the years I've seen two subjects discussed on social media regarding military veterans during our Independence Day celebrations. The first being whether it is, or is not, also a day to thank us. The second subject is the possibility July 4 celebrations are a horrific day for us because of the fireworks. Let me attempt to cover those two areas.

#### Honoring veterans, country's beginnings

Obviously, we have special days to honor and remember our military

veterans' sacrifices, most notably being our Memorial Day and Veterans Day, and for nearly every American veteran and citizen, July 4 is primarily designated to celebrate our nation's freedom; a wonderful country where veterans were proud to serve in order to maintain that independence and freedom.

I firmly believe there are few citizens celebrating the Fourth of July who do not appreciate the fact that our independence was born and survived for 245 years because of the service and sacrifice of veterans and their families.

We who served our country in uniform love July 4 and nearly all of us do not think of it as a day to honor us. Veterans Day and Memorial Day are somber occasions to openly reflect on our service, to honor us and to remember our brothers-in-arms lost in battle.

The Fourth of July celebrates America's history, our origin, and our founders. It is a day to remember what life was like when restrained, regulated and controlled and how brave

citizens rose to establish the greatest country on earth.

I've never forgotten the last letter written by Thomas Jefferson about this day, one of our authors of the Declaration of Independence. He wrote in part, "For ourselves, let the annual return of this day forever refresh our recollections of these rights, and an undiminished devotion to them." Just days later, Jefferson passed away on Independence Day (coincidentally, the same day as his fellow Founding Father John Adams). But the words he wrote in his last letter should continue to serve as an inspiration and a challenge to all Americans who care about the foundation of freedom on which this country was built.

So, to everyone I say, please celebrate our independence. But while doing so keep in your memory the thousands and thousands and thousands who gave all for that celebration to exist.

Independence Day is a day unlike any other. It is a day of freedom. That, my fellow citizens, is what we must

surely be thankful for and to celebrate. And, by doing so, we are also essentially thanking without personal fanfare those who served in uniform for freedom's sake.

#### Fireworks and their impact

The second subject always surfacing on July 4 is fireworks celebrations and the impact on military veterans, especially those suffering from post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

Personally suffering from PTSD for decades and trying my best to comfort others along the way, I believe I am able to speak a little on this subject.

The Fourth of July is a day when the sky lights up in celebration as we enjoy freedom. But for many veterans in America, the explosions and bangs and flashes over us in the sky are very traumatic. When it occurs, I have seen combat veterans drop to their knees, cover their ears, have uncontrollable trembles, yell, even cry uncontrollably. Unfortunately, in some, that situation can continue long after the event being experienced.

The Anxiety and Depression Association of America says that PTSD is diagnosed after a person who has experienced a traumatic event and continues to experience symptoms of anxiety and depression at least one month after the event. Symptoms can include flashbacks, nightmares, avoidance of people and activities as well as difficulty sleeping.

Although fireworks do not trigger symptoms in all veterans, there is a fairly significant impact to many. They can remind us of what might sound like an incoming rocket or mortars or gunfire, which can cause us to be frightened or have extreme anxiety as we deal with PTSD.

According to the Veterans Administration, the number of veterans with PTSD varies by service era. Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom have between 11-20%, Gulf War (Desert Storm) about 12% and Vietnam War veterans have about 15% currently diagnosed with PTSD.

A National Vietnam Veterans Readjustment Study found the number for Vietnam veterans with PTSD in their

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## VFW places 400 flags at Homosassa cemetery



Prior to Memorial Day, VFW Auxiliary 8189 placed more than 400 flags on the graves of veterans at the Fountains Memorial Park in Homosassa. "It's our honor to do this for men and women who have served," Joel Steele said. Steele's grandfather, Anthony Marino, a World War II veteran, and his grandmother, Myrtle Marino, are both buried at the cemetery.

Special to the Chronicle

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

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

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

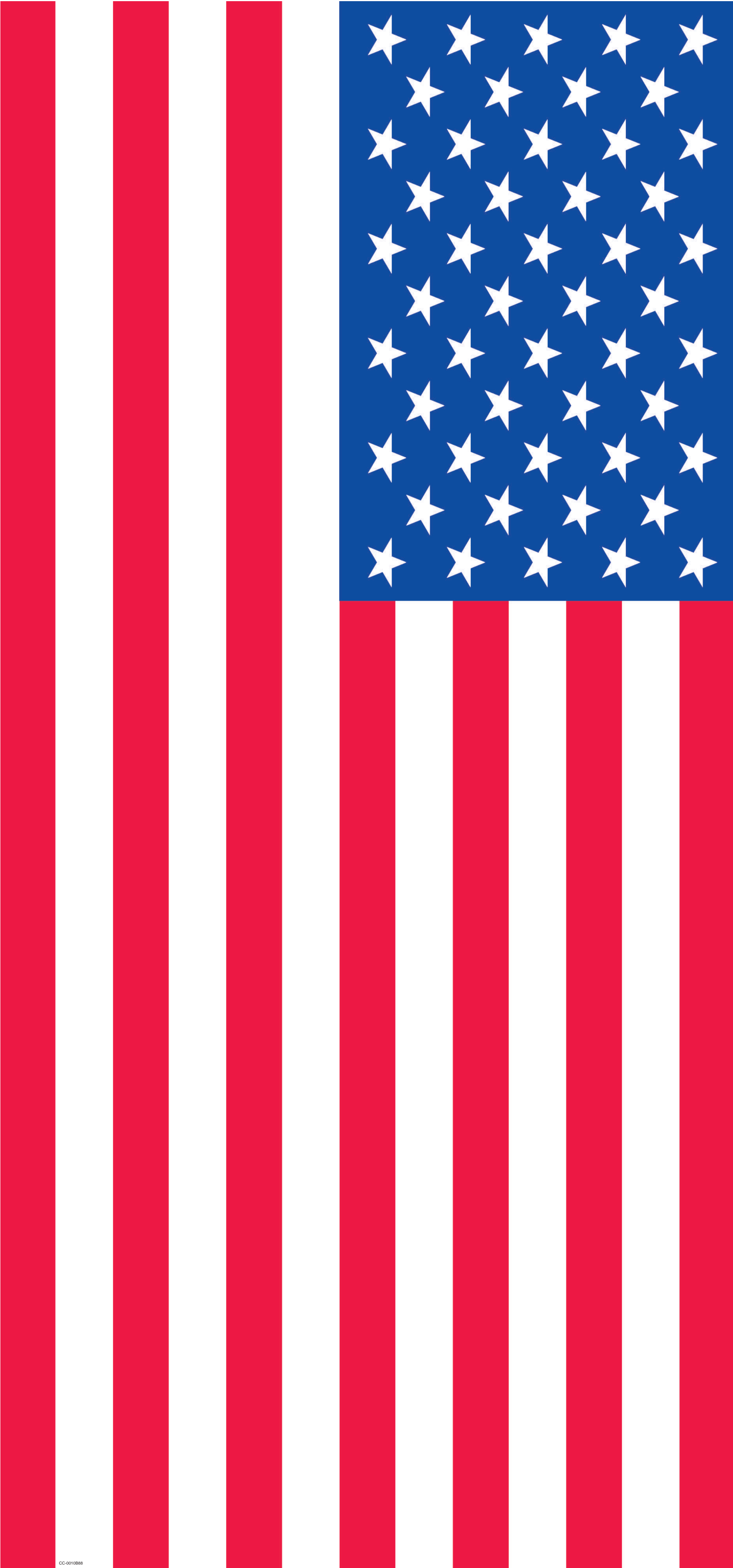


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5 (WUFT) PBS	5		5			Grantchester		Fanfares		A Capitol Fourth 2021 (N) 'G' 			A Capitol Fourth 2021 'G' 			Professor T '14' 			
8 (WFLA) NBC	8	8	8	8	8	News	Nightly News	College Bowl "Qualifiers 2" 'PG' 		Macy's 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular (N) (In Stereo) Live) 'PG' 			Macy's 4th of July Fireworks			NewsChannel 8 Super Sports			
9 (WFTV) ABC	20	7	20			News	World News	America's Funniest Home Videos 'PG' 		Celebrity Family Feud (In Stereo) '14' 		The Chase 'PG'  (DVS)	To Tell the Truth 'PG'  (DVS)			News Sunday	C. FL Spotlight		
10 (WTSP) CBS	10	10	10	10	10	Weekend News	10 Tampa Bay	60 Minutes (N) (In Stereo) 		The Equalizer "Reckoning" '14' 		NCIS: Los Angeles '14'  (DVS)	NCIS: New Orleans '14'  (DVS)			10 Tampa Bay	In Touch Bay		
13 (WTVT) FOX	13	13		13	13	FOX13 6:00 News (N) (In Stereo) 		Duncanville '14' 		HouseBroken '14' 		Bob's Burgers	Family Guy '14' 		FOX13 10:00 News (N) (In Stereo) 	FOX13 11:00 News (N) (In Stereo) 			
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23 (WYKE) FAM	16	16	16		15	Bible Say?	Nature Coast	YTA Movie of the Week					YTA Movie of the Week				Vegas Unveiled		
23 (WFTS) ABC	11	11		11	11	ABC Action News	World News	America's Funniest Home Videos 'PG' 		Celebrity Family Feud (In Stereo) '14' 		The Chase 'PG'  (DVS)	To Tell the Truth 'PG'  (DVS)			ABC Action News	Joel Osteen 'PG' 		
62 (WMOR) IND	12	12		5		Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Nightwatch "Guardians of the City" '14' 	Matter of Fact Listening Tour			Soledad O'Brien	Greta Van Susteren		
63 (WTTA) MNT	6	6	6	9	9	Funny	Funny	FamFeud	FamFeud	NewsChannel 8		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Murdoch Mysteries		Born Ride	Relief		
40 (WACX) TBN	21		21			In Touch		Rejoice in the Lord		Divine	Bill W. Barclay	Chris	Jentezen	Jim Raley	Paula	Life			
43 (WTOG) CW	4	4	4	12	12	Mike & Molly '14' 	Mike & Molly '14' 	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	DC's Legends of Tomorrow 'PG' 		Penn & Teller: Fool Us 'PG' 		NCIS: New Orleans "X" (In Stereo) '14' 		NCIS: New Orleans "Tick Tock" '14' 			
50 (WVEA) UNI	15	15	15	15	14	Politica	Noticiero	Aqui y ahora (N)		�� Qui��n es la m��scara? (N) 'PG' 					Dr.	Maria	Noticiero		
51 (WOGX) FOX			13	7		Extra (N) 'PG' 		Duncan	House	Simpsons  The-North	Burgers	Fam. Guy		FOX 51 News		TMZ (N) 'PG' 			
53 (WXPX) ION	17					Chicago Fire '14' 		Chicago Fire '14' 		Chicago Fire '14' 		Chicago Fire '14' 		Chicago Fire '14' 		Chicago Fire '14' 			
(A&E)	54	48	54	25	27	Jeff Dunham: Talking Heads 'PG, L' 		Jeff Foxworthy: Stand-Up Guy 'PG' 		Garth Brooks: The Road I'm On "Part 1" A look into Garth Brooks' life. 'PG' 				Garth Brooks: The Road I'm On "Part 2" A look into Garth Brooks' life. 'PG' 					
(ACCN)		99				College Football From Nov. 14, 2020. 'G' 								College Football Miami at Virginia Tech. (Taped)					
(AMC)	55	64	55			*** <i>"The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies"</i> (2014) Ian McKellen. 'PG-13' 				A Discovery of Witches (N) 'MA' 		Kevin Can F... Himself (N) '14' 		A Discovery of Witches (N) 'MA' 		Kevin Can F... Himself (N) 'MA' 			
(ANI)	52	35	52	19	31	North Woods Law (In Stereo) 'PG' 		North Woods Law (In Stereo) 'PG' 		North Woods Law: "Circle of Life" 'PG' 		North Woods Law: Protect and Preserve		North Woods Law (In Stereo) '14' 		North Woods Law "On the Loose" 'PG' 			
(BET)	96	71	96			*** <i>"Uncle Drew"</i> (2018, Comedy) Kyrie Irving, Lil Rel Howery. 'PG-13' 				*** <i>"Boo! A Madaea Halloween"</i> (2016, Comedy) Tyler Perry, Cassi Davis, Patrice Lovely. 'PG-13' 			Tyler Perry	Martin 'PG' 	Martin 'PG' 	Martin 'PG' 			
(BIGTEN)	742	809				College Softball	College Softball	College Softball From April 18, 2014. 		B1G Video Recall 			College Softball From May 13, 2018. 			College Softball			
(BRAVO)	254	51	254			*** <i>"American Pie"</i> (1999) Jason Biggs. World Poker				*** <i>"American Pie 2"</i> (2001) 'R' 				*** <i>"American Wedding"</i> (2003) 'R' 					
(BSFL)	35	39	35			World Poker	World Poker			World Poker				World Poker		World Poker			
(CC)	27	61	27		33	*** <i>"We're the Millers"</i> (2013, Comedy) Jennifer Aniston, Jason Sudeikis. 'R' 				*** <i>"Just Go With It"</i> (2011) Adam Sandler. less lie spins out of control. 'PG-13' 				South Park 'MA' 	South Park 'MA' 	South Park 'MA' 			
(CMT)	98	45	98	28	37	*** <i>"Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls"</i> 		*** <i>"Ghostbusters"</i> (1984) Bill Murray. Four paranormal investigators battle mischievous ghouls. 'R' 		*** <i>"Ace Ventura: Pet Detective"</i> (1994, Comedy) Jim Carrey. 'PG-13' 						*** <i>"Ace Ventura"</i> 			
(CNN)	40	29	40	41	46	CNN Newsroom		The Fourth in America (N) (Live) 											
(ESPN)	33	27	33	21	17	Baseball Tonight		MLB Baseball New York Mets at New York Yankees. (N) (Live) 											
(ESPN2)	37	38	34	43	49	Lacrosse		MLB Baseball: Statcast Edition (N) (Live) 											
(FBN)	106	149	106	99	41	Maria Bartiromo		Return: Apollo 13		Kennedy 		History of Socialism							
(FLIX)		118	170			*** <i>"The Legend of Bagger Vance"</i> (2000) Will Smith. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' 				*** <i>"The Adjustment Bureau"</i> (2011) Matt Damon. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' 				*** <i>"Salmon Fishing in the Yemen"</i> (2011) Ewan McGregor. 'PG-13' 					
(FNC)	44	37	44		32	Fox Report	Sunday Night			Life, Liberty & Levin		The Next Revolution		Sunday Night		Life, Liberty & Levin			
(FOOD)	26	56	26			Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive			Diners, Drive		Food Truck Race		Diners, Drive					
(FREEFORM)	29	52	29	20	28	*** <i>"Toy Story 2"</i> (1999) Voices of Tom Hanks. Animated. Toys rescue Woody from a collector. 'G' 				*** <i>"Toy Story 3"</i> (2010, Children's) Hanks, Tim Allen, Joan Cusack. 'G' 						*** <i>"The Parent Trap"</i> (1998) 'PG' 			
(FS1)	732	112	732			Major League Rugby				Motorcycle Race		MotoAmerica Rewind		Major League Rugby					
(FX)	30	60	30		51	*** <i>"Captain America: The First Avenger"</i> (2011) Chris Evans. 'PG-13' 				*** <i>"Captain America: The Winter Soldier"</i> (2014, Action) Chris Evans, Scarlett Johansson. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' 						*** <i>"Captain America: The Winter Soldier"</i> 			
(GOLF)	727	67	727			LPGA Golf		Golf Central (N) 'G' 		PGA Tour Golf Rocket Mortgage Classic, Final Round. 'G' 									
(HALL)	59	68	39	45	54	<i>"The Secret Ingredient"</i> (2020) 'NR' 		<i>"You're Bacon Me Crazy"</i> (2020, Romance-Comedy) Natalie Hall. 'NR' 		<i>"Love, Romance &amp; Chocolate"</i> (2019, Romance) Lacey Chabert. 'NR' 				Golden Girls		Golden Girls			
(HBO)	302	201	302	2	2	*** <i>"Independence Day"</i> (1996) Will Smith, Bill Pullman. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' 				*** <i>"Wonder Woman 1984"</i> (2020, Action) Gal Gadot, Chris Pine, Kristen Wiig. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' 				*** <i>"Tenet"</i> (2020) John David Washington. 'PG-13' 					
(HBO2)	303	202	303			*** <i>"How to Be Single"</i> (2016) Dakota Johnson, Rebel Wilson. (In Stereo) 'R' 				In Treatment		In Treatment		*** <i>"Disaster Movie"</i> (2008) Matt Lantier. 'PG-13' 		*** <i>"Sunshine Cleaning"</i> (2008) Amy Adams. 'R' 			
(HGTV)	23	57	23	42	52	Home Town 'G' 		Home Town "A Second Chance" 'G' 		Home Town "A New Beginning" 'G' 		Home Town "The Cafe House" 'G' 		Home Town 'G' 		Home Town "Moving to Main Street" 'G' 			
(HIST)	51	54	51	32	42	America the Story of Us "Civil War" 'PG' 		America the Story of Us "Cities" 'PG' 		America the Story of Us "Boom" 'PG' 		America the Story of Us "Bust; WWII" 'PG' 		America the Story of Us "The U.S. becomes a global superpower." 'PG' 		America the Story of Us 'PG' 			
(LIFE)	24	38	24		21	<i>"A Date With Danger"</i> (2021, Suspense) Lara Jean Chorostecki. 'NR' 				*** <i>"Sleeping With the Enemy"</i> (1991, Suspense) Julia Roberts. 'R' 				*** <i>"The Boy Next Door"</i> (2015, Suspense) Jennifer Lopez. 'R' 					
(LMN)	119	50	119			<i>"Revenge Delivered"</i> (2021, Suspense) Olunike Adediji, Mary Antonini. 'NR' 				<i>"Daddy's Perfect Little Girl"</i> (2021, Suspense) Hattie Kratten, Matt Wells. 'NR' 				*** <i>"Kidnap"</i> (2017, Action) Halle Berry, Sage Correa, Chris McGinn. 'R' 					
(MSNBC)	42	41	42			American Voices	American Voices			Mehdi Hasan		Week-Johnson		American Voices		Mehdi Hasan			

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(NBCSN)	448	26	730			NASCAR-Post	Coffee With Kyle	2021 Tour de France Stage 9. Cluses to Tignes, 145 km, mountain stage. 				Track and Field Diamond League. From Stockholm, Sweden. (N Same-day Tape) 				American Ninja Warrior 'PG' 																	
(NGED)	109	65	109			Wicked Tuna "Quota Killers" '14' 		Wicked Tuna (N) '14' 		Wicked Tuna "Hot or Not" (N) '14' 		Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted (N) '14' 		Breaking	Breaking	Gordon Ramsay: Uncharted '14' 																	
(NICK)	28	36	28	35	25	Sponge.	SpongeBob	SquarePants 'Y7' 		*** <i>"Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted"</i> 				Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends																
(NWSNTN)	18	18	18	18	20	Last Man	Last Man	NewsNation Prime		NewsNation Prime		Bandfield 		Bandfield 		NewsNation Prime																	
(OWN)	125	24	103			Iyanla, Fix My Life		20/20 on OWN '14' 		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN '14' 		20/20: Homicide		20/20: Homicide																	
(OXY)	123	44	123			Snapped 'PG' 		Snapped 'PG' 		Snapped 'PG' 		Snapped 'PG' 		Snapped 'PG' 		Accident, Suicide																	
(PARMT)	37	43	37	27	36	Yellowstone "Blood the Boy" 'MA' 		Yellowstone "Resurrection Day" 'MA' 		Yellowstone "Behind Us Only Grey" 'MA' 		Yellowstone (In Stereo) 'MA' 		Yellowstone "Sins of the Father" 'MA' 		*** <i>"Open Range"</i> (2003) 'R' 																	
(SEC)	745	72				College Baseball SEC Tournament -- Tennessee vs Arkansas. Final. 						College Football Ole Miss at Arkansas. (Taped) 																					
(SHOW)	340	241	340			<i>"Indiana Jones"</i> 	*** <i>"Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull"</i> (2008) Harrison Ford. 'PG-13' 			<i>"The One and Only Dick Gregory"</i> (2021, Documentary) Dave Chappelle. 'NR' 				*** <i>"Born on the Fourth of July"</i> 																			
(SUN)	36	31	36			Fight Sports: Boxing	Reel Animals 'G' 	Sport Fishing		Sportsman	Sportsman	Addictive Fishing	Flats Class 'G' 	Sport Fishing	Dreamboat	Heliconia Reels (N) 	Chad Hoover																
(SYFY)	31	59	31	26	29	*** <i>"Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire"</i> (2005) Daniel Radcliffe. 'PG-13' 				*** <i>"Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix"</i> (2007) Daniel Radcliffe. Harry prepares a group of students to fight Voldemort. 				*** <i>"Harry Potter and Half-Blood"</i> 																			
(TBS)	49	23	49	16	19	<i>"Ant-Man and The Wasp"</i> 		*** <i>"Thor: Ragnarok"</i> (2017) Chris Hemsworth. 						*** <i>"Thor: Ragnarok"</i> (2017) 'PG-13' 																			
(TCM)	169	53	169	30	35	*** <i>"The Music Man"</i> (1962, Musical Comedy) Robert Preston. 'G' 				*** <i>"Yankee Doodle Dandy"</i> (1942, Musical) James Cagney. 'NR' 				*** <i>"1776"</i> (1972, Musical Comedy) William Daniels, Howard da Silva. 'PG' 																			
(TDC)	53	34	53	24	26	Expedition Unknown (In Stereo) 'PG' 		Expedition Unknown (In Stereo) 'PG' 		Expedition Unknown (In Stereo) 'PG' 		Expedition Unknown (In Stereo) 'PG' 		Expedition: Back to the Future '14' 		Expedition: Back to the Future '14' 																	
(TLC)	50	46	50	29	30	90 Day Fianc��		90 Day Fianc��		90 Day Fianc��		90 Day Fianc��		90 Day Fianc��		90 Day Fianc��																	
(TMC)	350	261	350			*** <i>"The Art of War"</i> (2000, Suspense) Wesley Snipes. (In Stereo) 'R' 				*** <i>"1917"</i> (2019, War) George MacKay, Mark Strong. (In Stereo) 'R' 				*** <i>"Summerland"</i> (2020) Aiterton. (In Stereo) 'PG' 		*** <i>"The Master"</i> 																	
(TNT)	48	33	48	31	34	*** <i>"Star Wars: Return of the Jedi"</i> (1983) Mark Hamill. 'PG'  (DVS)				*** <i>"Star Wars: The Force Awakens"</i> (2015) Solo and his allies face a new threat from Kylo Ren. 				Harrison Ford. Han		*** <i>"Star Wars: Return of the Jedi"</i> (1983) 																	
(TOON)	38	58	38	33		Gumball	Gumball	Gumball	Gumball	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Rick	Tuca-Bert																
(TRAV)	9	106	9		44	UFOs: The Lost Evid		Mountain Monsters		Mountain Monsters		Mountain Monsters		Mountain Monsters		Mountain Monsters																	
(truTV)	25	55	25	98	55	<i>"Impractical Jokers"</i> 		Jokers	Jokers	Big Trick	Big Trick	Jokers	Jokers	Impractical Jokers		Foodies	Foodies																
(TVL)	32	49	32	34	24	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two and a Half Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men																
(USA)	47	32	47	17	18	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14' 		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14' 		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14' 		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14' 		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14' 		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14' 																	
(WE)	117	69	117			To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced																	

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

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lifetime increased to an estimated 30%. Sadly, I think you will see percentages also increase for those serving or who have served in wars since 9/11 as they grow older.

Most veterans won't say anything about fireworks bothering us because we want your July 4 celebrations to be holiday fun, but I hope you will be aware of our problem and perhaps use some discretion when lighting off your fun near us.

If you have neighbors who served, let them know what time you will be celebrating in the sky. If you are standing near a combat veteran at a public fireworks event,

enjoy it but show a little comfort if they seem distressed.

To you veterans out there that may have difficulties with fireworks, I suggest you prepare for this celebration by putting on some soothing music, use ear protection, put that pet in your lap for some loving, do some breathing exercises, or try some meditation techniques.

Recognizing triggers before they happen can be a strong deterrent to bad reactions. The VA's National Center for PTSD recommends the smartphone PTSD Coach app, which I found on the Google Play Store, and it is favorably reviewed by users.

Of course, one thing you might consider is to go and watch the fireworks so you are not

surprised by unexpected  
flashes and explosions  
and, having a crowd  
near you, perhaps those  
around you will provide  
comfort if you do feel  
distressed.

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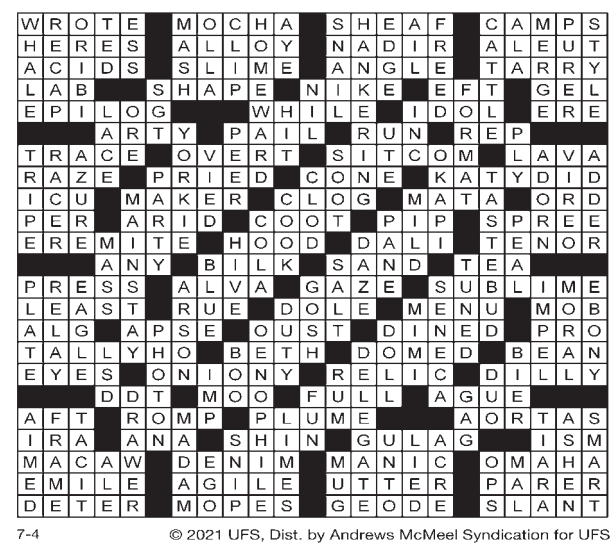
Let us celebrate together in peace as citizens, veterans and families of all races, creeds and colors.

We are the people of America and may God bless her and us forever and ever.

*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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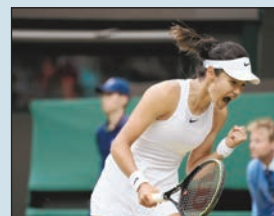


Eric Haase

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# Kucherov, Bolts at brink of repeat

*Star has returned to lead Lightning*

STEPHEN WHYNO  
AP hockey writer

It's impossible for Nikita Kucherov to fly under the radar while leading the Tampa Bay Lightning to the verge of a second consecutive Stanley Cup championship.

Just how much he's producing can still come as a surprise.

"I didn't even realize he had 32 points," coach Jon Cooper said Saturday.

Despite not playing all regular season while rehabbing from hip surgery, Kucherov leads all scorers in the playoffs with those 32 points on eight goals and 24 assists and has five points through three games of the Cup final against the Montreal Canadiens. It's no coincidence given Kucherov's impact that the Lightning won all three. With a victory in Monday's Game 4, Tampa Bay would sweep the series and hoist the Cup for a

second time in 10 months.

"Obviously it helps us win games, most importantly," defenseman Ryan McDonagh said of Kucherov's play. "He can score in different fashions, power play and 5-on-5, and I think when he's on his game he just lets the game come to him and take what's given and is just in the right spots."

Tampa Bay could not be in a better spot right now, having never trailed in the final and having seemingly wrestled the will to win away from Montreal. The Canadiens look like a defeated team, and much of that is thanks to Kucherov.

"That line is good, but I think they have been scoring on all four lines, so I don't think it's a matter of one player or one line right now," coach Dominique Ducharme said. "I'm not saying that we're doing a perfect job right now on him."

Not even close to perfect.

Kucherov had another goal and assist in a 6-3 win in Game 3 Friday that kept open the possibility of a sweep. Afterward, he

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Associated Press  
Montreal Canadiens goaltender Carey Price (31) makes a save on Tampa Bay Lightning right wing Nikita Kucherov (86) during the second period of Game 3 of the NHL Stanley Cup Final, Friday in Montreal.

# Rays stay on skid



Associated Press  
Toronto Blue Jays first baseman Vladimir Guerrero Jr., right, scores from third on a fielder's choice single by Lourdes Gurriel Jr. as Tampa Bay Rays catcher Mike Zunino, left, chases the ball on a throwing error by third baseman Joey Wendle during the sixth inning of a game on Saturday, in Buffalo, N.Y.

*Springer homers again, Blue Jays hand Tampa Bay 5th straight loss*

MIKE HAIM  
Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — George Springer homered for the second straight day, Santiago Espinal hit his first career home run and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Tampa Bay Rays 6-3 Saturday.

The Blue Jays won for the 10th time in 13 games. Tampa Bay has lost five straight overall and 10 in a row on the road.

Espinal, who entered the game with a .283 average in 71 career games, connected for a two-run drive off reliever Matt Wisler to cap a five-run sixth inning that made it 6-1.

It was 1-all when Vladimir Guerrero Jr. doubled in the sixth and later scored on a throwing error by third baseman Joey Wendle. Cavan Biggio hit a two-run single and Espinal homered, prompting the Blue Jays dugout to explode with excitement.

"This one I'll remember forever," Espinal said.

Espinal said he couldn't recall his last professional home run. In fact, it came on Aug. 27, 2019, for the Triple-A Buffalo Bisons at the same Sahlen Field that is currently Toronto's home park.

"I was excited to see my teammates pumped up. It was an awesome moment. To be in the lineup with a lot of

talented players, it's a special one," he said.

Blue Jays manager Charlie Montoyo agreed.

"It was actually one of the best moments of the year," Montoyo said. "The situation, with who we're playing and who did it. Everybody loves Espy. He works every day, and he was a big part of this win."

Rays manager Kevin Cash chalked up the rally as an unfortunate turn of events.

"I thought Wisler threw the ball really good," Cash said. "He got some weak groundballs that we unfortunately couldn't convert into outs, then Espinal comes up and hits the big home run. We felt good about the matchups. It just didn't go our way."

Adam Cimper (2-2) got the win in support of Ryan Stripling, who allowed two hits and three walks in 5 2/3 innings with five strikeouts.

Manuel Margot homered and Kevin Kiermaier had a two-run single in the ninth for Tampa Bay. The Rays' road losing streak is the sixth in team history of 10 or more games, and their first since a 10-game skid in 2016.

"We're all frustrated," Cash said. "It's a winning group that sticks together really, really well and we're in a tough patch."

Springer led off the second inning with his fifth homer, going deep on a first-pitch fastball from Shane Bieber (3-3).

Springer, signed to a six-year, \$150 million contract by Toronto in the winter, has missed most of the season with injuries and is batting .245 in 14 games.

"Having George Springer in the lineup makes a big difference," Montoyo said. "That's what everybody was expecting at the beginning, but he missed 2 1/2 months."

Margot led off the fourth with his ninth homer.

McClanahan struck out five and allowed three hits and two walks over 5 1/3 innings.

## TRAINER'S ROOM

**Rays:** SS Taylor Walls (right wrist tendinitis) was reinstated from the 10-day injured list and struck out in a pinch-hitting appearance. ... Cash said LHP Josh Fleming (calf strain) has bounced back well and expects him to return on Tuesday against Cleveland.

## UP NEXT

Tampa Bay LHP Ryan Yarbrough (4-3, 4.48 ERA) will face Toronto LHP Robbie Ray (6-3, 3.43) in the series finale Sunday.

Playoff chase on for Busch  
*While facing an uncertain future*

STEVE MEGARGEE  
AP sports writer

ELKHART LAKE, Wis. — Kurt Busch has welcomed the uncertainty of this season as he chases a playoff berth while pondering his future in NASCAR.

Busch posted the fastest practice time Saturday as NASCAR's Cup Series returned to Road America for the first time since 1956. His younger brother, Kyle Busch, had the second-fastest practice time but crashed and will have to start Sunday at the back of the pack in a backup car.

There's plenty at stake for Kurt Busch the rest of the year as he heads into Sunday's race 14th in the points standings.

"I haven't really been in this situation much," Busch said. "Usually there's a win or really good points that give us a cushion. I've embraced this year in a whole different level just because of all the challenges that have come our way."

Busch's contract with Chip Ganassi Racing expires at the end of the year, and Ganassi sold his NASCAR team to Trackhouse Racing owner Justin Marks this week and will leave the Cup Series at the end of the season.

Busch said the news broke when he was inside a simulator. He stepped out and saw he had a couple hundred text messages.

"You drive harder and push deeper and push harder when news like that comes out," Busch said. "It was a surprise to me. All of us at Ganassi looked at each other and said, 'We've got a playoff berth right in front of us. Let's go get it. Let's win and let's push as hard as we can here right now in 2021.'"

Busch prepared for Road America on the simulator for a refresher on a course he last raced 2012 when he finished eighth in an Xfinity Series race. He said he attended an IndyCar race at the track as a fan in 1997.

Road America, located on 640 acres about halfway between Milwaukee and Green Bay, has hosted an Xfinity Series race each year since 2010. But this weekend marks the first time Road America has hosted NASCAR's premier series since Tim Flock won a

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Toronto	43	38	.531	8	3	7-3	W-2	19-19	24-29	
New York	41	40	.506	10	5	3-7	L-2	22-21	19-19	
Baltimore	27	55	.329	24½	19½	4-6	L-1	12-26	15-29	
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Cleveland	42	37	.532	5½	3	3-7	L-4	21-17	21-20	
Detroit	37	46	.446	12½	10	6-4	W-1	20-22	17-24	
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Minnesota	33	48	.407	15½	13	3-7	L-5	17-23	16-25	
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Houston	50	33	.602	—	—	5-5	W-2	26-16	24-17	
Oakland	48	36	.571	2½	—	4-6	L-2	26-21	22-15	
Seattle	44	39	.530	6	3	7-3	W-3	25-16	19-23	
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East Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
New York	42	36	.538	—	—	5-5	W-1	24-11	18-25	
Washington	40	40	.500	3	6½	6-4	L-2	24-20	16-20	
Atlanta	40	42	.488	4	7½	5-5	L-1	23-22	17-20	
Philadelphia	39	41	.488	4	7½	5-5	W-2	24-15	15-26	
Miami	35	46	.432	8½	12	4-6	W-1	18-18	17-28	
Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
Milwaukee	51	33	.607	—	—	10-0	W-1126-18	25-15		
Cincinnati	42	40	.512	8	5½	6-4	W-3	22-20	20-20	
Chicago	42	41	.506	8½	6	2-8	L-8	26-13	16-28	
St. Louis	41	42	.494	9½	7	5-5	W-1	23-18	18-24	
Pittsburgh	29	53	.354	21	18½	3-7	L-6	16-24	13-29	
West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
San Francisco	51	30	.630	—	—	6-4	W-1	26-11	25-19	
Los Angeles	51	31	.622	½	—	7-3	W-7	28-13	23-18	
San Diego	49	36	.576	4	—	6-4	L-3	30-15	19-21	
Colorado	35	48	.422	17	13	5-5	L-1	19-27	6-31	
Arizona	23	61	.274	29½	25½	2-8	L-1	23-15	10-36	

ROUNDUP/MATCHUPS

**Yankees 8, Mets 3:** Taijuan Walker took a no-hitter into the sixth inning, Brandon Nimmo provided a spark in his return from the injured list. **Tigers 11, White Sox 5:** Eric Haase hit a three-run, inside-the-park homer and later cleared the fence for an another three-run drive, and Detroit snapped Chicago's five-game winning streak. **Reds 3, Cubs 2:** Joey Votto and Tyler Naquin homered and Cincinnati handed Chicago its eighth straight loss. **Royals 6, Twins 3:** Hunter Dozier drove in three runs and Edwards Olivares hit a two-run shot. **Marlins 3, Braves 2:** Sandy Alcantara pitched six strong innings, Garrett Cooper homered and drove in two runs. **Brewers 11, Pirates 2:** Omar Narváez had five hits, Avisail Garcia drove in five runs and Jace Peterson added four RBIs as Milwaukee rolled

to its 11th straight victory. **Phillies 4, Padres 2:** Bryce Harper homered and drove in two runs, Rhys Hoskins also went deep. **LATE** Boston at Oakland Houston at Cleveland Baltimore at L.A. Angels Texas at Seattle L.A. Dodgers at Washington St. Louis at Colorado San Francisco at Arizona **TODAY'S GAMES** **AMERICAN LEAGUE** Tampa Bay (Yarbrough 4-3) at Toronto (Ray 6-3), 1:07 p.m. Chicago White Sox (Giolito 6-5) at Detroit (Manning 1-2), 1:10 p.m. Houston (Greinke 8-2) at Cleveland (Quantrill 0-2), 1:10 p.m. Minnesota (Maeda 3-3) at Kansas City (Keller 6-8), 2:10 p.m. Baltimore (Eshelman 0-1) at L.A. Angels (Sandoval 2-2), 4:07 p.m.

Boston (Pivetta 6-3) at Oakland (Kaprielian 4-2), 4:07 p.m. Texas (Foltynewicz 2-7) at Seattle (Flexen 6-3), 4:10 p.m. **NATIONAL LEAGUE** L.A. Dodgers (TBD) at Washington (Ross 5-7), 11:05 a.m. Milwaukee (Peralta 7-2) at Pittsburgh (Anderson 3-8), 1:05 p.m. San Diego (TBD) at Philadelphia (Velasquez 3-2), 1:05 p.m. Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 10-4) at Cincinnati (Miley 6-4), 1:10 p.m. Miami (Thompson 2-2) at Atlanta (Morton 7-3), 1:20 p.m. St. Louis (Martínez 4-9) at Colorado (Márquez 7-6), 3:10 p.m. San Francisco (DeSclafani 8-3) at Arizona (Smith 2-4), 9:10 p.m. **INTERLEAGUE** N.Y. Mets (Stroman 6-6) at N.Y. Yankees (Cole 8-4), 2:05 p.m., 1st game N.Y. Mets (TBD) at N.Y. Yankees (Cortes Jr. 0-0), 7:08 p.m., 2nd game



Associated Press

Philadelphia Phillies first baseman Rhys Hoskins (17) and right fielder Bryce Harper, right, celebrate after the Phillies defeated the San Diego Padres 4-2 on Saturday, in Philadelphia.

BOX SCORES

Toronto 6, Tampa Bay 3

Tampa Bay		Toronto							
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Lowe 2b	3	0	0	0	Semien ss	4	0	0	0
Brosseau 2b2	0	0	0	0	Bichette dh	3	0	0	0
Margot rf	4	1	1	1	Guerrero Jr. 1b	4	1	1	0
Franco ss	4	0	1	0	Springer cf-rf	3	2	1	2
Choi dh	1	0	1	0	Hernández rf-lf	4	1	1	0
Walls ph-dh	1	0	0	0	Gurriel Jr. lf	4	0	0	0
Arozarena lf	3	1	0	0	Davis cf	0	0	0	0
Diaz 1b	3	1	0	0	Biggio 2b	3	1	1	2
Wendle 3b	4	0	1	0	Espinal 3b	3	1	2	2
Zunino c	4	0	0	0	McGuire c	3	0	0	0
Kiermaier cf	3	0	1	2					
Totals	32	3	5	3	Totals	31	6	5	5
Tampa Bay		000		100		002		—3	
Toronto		010		005		00x		—6	
E—Lowe (4), Wendle (5). LOB—Tampa Bay 7, Toronto 3. 2B—Wendle (20), Guerrero Jr. (16). HR—Margot (9), Springer (5), Espinal (1).									
IP H R ER BB SO									
Tampa Bay									
McClanahan L, 3-35	1/3	3	3	2	2	5			
Wisler	2/3	3	3	1	0	1			
Fairbanks	1	0	0	0	0	0			
Feyereisen	1	0	0	0	0	0			
Toronto									
Stripling	5	2/3	2	1	1	3	5		
Cimber W, 1-0	1	1	0	0	0	0			
Mayza	1	1/3	1	0	0	0	3		
Romano	1	1	2	2	2	0			
Cimber pitched to 3 batters in the 7th. Umpires—Home, Hunter Wendelstedt; First, Nick Mahrley; Second, Tripp Gibson; Third, Quinn Wolcott.									
T—2:45. A—9,189 (21,050).									

N.Y. Mets 8, N.Y. Yankees 3

New York (N)	New York (A)							
	ab	r	h	bi	ab	rh	bi	
Nimmo cf	6	2	3	0	LeMahieu 2b3	4	0	0
Lindor ss	4	2	2	1	Judge rf	4	1	1
Do.Smith 1b5	2	3	3	3	Sánchez c	4	0	0
Alonso dh	4	0	0	0	Stanton dh	4	1	0
McCann c	5	0	1	1	Voit 1b	3	1	0
Conforto rf	4	0	0	0	Torres ss	2	0	0
Pillar lf	5	0	1	2	Urshela 3b	4	0	1
McNeil 2b	4	1	2	0	Andújar lf	4	0	0
Peraza 3b	5	1	2	0	Gardner cf	3	0	0
Totals	42	8	14	7	Totals	31	3	3
New York (N)	000 035 000 —8							
New York (A)	000 003 000 —3							
E—Peraza (1), Do.Smith (1), Torres (12). LOB—New York (N) 12, New York (A) 5. 2B—Do.Smith (10). HR—Judge (19).								
IP H R ER BB SO								
New York (N)								
Walker W,7-3	5	2/3	2	2	2	2	5	
Castro	0	1	1	1	1	0		
Familia	1	1/3	0	0	0	0	3	
Dr.Smith	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	
New York (A)								
Montgomery L,3-3	4	1/3	6	3	3	3	6	
Luetge	2/3	1	0	0	0	0		
Wilson	0	4	5	5	1	0		
King	4	3	0	0	1	9		
Castro pitched to 3 batters in the 6th, Wilson pitched to 5 batters in the 6th.								
HBP—Castro (Voit). WP—Luetge.								
Umpires—Home, Fieldin Cumbreth; First, Bruce Dreckman; Second, Ryan Blakney; Third, D.J. Reyburn.								
T—3:40. A—40,047 (47,309).								

Detroit 11, Chicago White Sox 5

Chicago	Detroit								
	ab	r	h	bi	ab	r	h	bi	
Anders ss	4	2	2	0	Baddoo cf	4	1	0	0
Sheets 1b	3	0	0	0	Schoop 1b	4	3	2	3
Abreu dh	4	2	2	2	Candelario 3b	4	1	1	1
Vaughn lf	4	0	1	0	Cabrera dh	3	1	2	0
Garcia rf	3	1	2	3	Cameron dh	1	0	0	0
Burger 3b	4	0	0	0	Haase lf	4	2	3	6
Hamilton cf	4	0	1	0	Grossman rf	2	0	0	0
Collins c	4	0	0	0	Short ss	2	0	0	1
Mendick 2b	3	0	0	0	W.Castro 2b	4	1	1	0
					Rogers c	4	1	1	0
Totals	33	5	8	5	Totals	32	11	10	11
Chicago	200 030 000 —5								
Detroit	000 340 31x —11								
DP—Chicago 1, Detroit 2. LOB—Chicago 4, Detroit 5. 2B—Anderson 2 (15), Hamilton (5). HR—García (2), Haase 2 (11), Schoop (16).									
IP H R ER BB SO									
Chicago									
Keuchel, L, 6-3	4	7	7	7	3	2			
Burr	1	0	0	0	2	2			
Fry	1	1/3	2	3	3	3			
Foster	1	2/3	1	1	1	0			
Detroit									
Skubal, W, 5-7	5	8	5	5	1	6			
Jiménez, H, 1	1	0	0	0	0	3			
Cisneros, H, 10	1	0	0	0	1	0			
Funkhouser	1	0	0	0	1	0			
Farmer	1	0	0	0	0	2			
Keuchel pitched to 5 batters in the 5th.									

WP—Keuchel, Burr. Umpires—Home, Tom Hallion; First, Mark Ripberger; Second, Phil Cuzzi; Third, John Bacon. T—3:07. A—17,230 (41,083).

Cincinnati 3, Chicago Cubs 2

Chicago				Cincinnati					
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Pederson lf	5	0	0	0	India 2b	4	0	0	0
Bryant 3b-cf-rf	1	3	1	0	Winker lf	3	0	0	0
Báez ss	3	0	0	0	Castellanos rf	4	0	0	0
Rizzo 1b	4	0	1	0	Votto 1b	2	2	2	1
Contreras c	2	0	1	0	Stephenson c	3	0	1	0
Heyward rf	3	0	0	0	Naquin cf	3	1	1	1
Marisnick cf	1	0	0	0	Suárez 3b	3	0	1	1
Happ 2b	3	0	0	0	Farmer ss	3	0	0	0
Kimble p	0	0	0	0	Mahle p	1	0	0	0
Ortega cf	2	1	1	0	Akiyama ph	1	0	0	0
Wisdom 3b	2	0	0	0	Doolittle p	0	0	0	0
Altolay p	3	0	0	0	Hendrix p	0	0	0	0
Wieck p	0	0	0	0	Osich p	0	0	0	0
Sogard 2b	1	0	1	0	Lopez ph	1	0	0	0
					Hembree p	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	2	7	1	Totals	28	3	5	3
Chicago	011 000 000 —2								
Cincinnati	000 110 10x —3								
E—Votto (3), DP—Chicago 1, Cincinnati 1, Cincinnati 1. LOB—Chicago 9, Cincinnati 3. 2B—Ortega (2), Contreras (9), Stephenson (12). HR—Bryant (16), Votto (11), Naquin (13).									
IP H R ER BB SO									
Chicago									
Altolay, L, 4-8	7	5	3	3	1	6			
Wieck	2/3	0	0	0	1	2			
Kimble	1/3	0	0	0	0	1			
Cincinnati									
Mahle	5	5	2	1	4	7			
Doolittle	1	0	0	0	0	2			
Hendrix, W, 4-1	1 1/3	1	0	0	0	0			
Osich, H, 1	2/3	0	0	0	0	2			
Hembree, S, 3-3	1	1	0	0	0	2			
Doolittle pitched to 1 batter in the 7th. WP—Mahle.									
Umpires—Home, Nestor Ceja; First, Sam Holbrook; Second, Cory Blaser; Third, Jim Wolf.									
2:—2:58. A—36.815 (42,319).									



NASCAR

Xfinity Henry 180

Saturday  
At Road America  
Elkhart Lake, Wis.  
Lap length: 4.05 miles  
(Start position in parentheses)  
1. (5) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 45 laps, 0 points.  
2. (4) Daniel Hemric, Toyota, 45, 48.  
3. (12) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 45, 37.  
4. (3) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 45, 53.  
5. (10) Harrison Burton, Toyota, 45, 34.  
6. (20) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 45, 0.  
7. (34) Riley Herbst, Ford, 45, 32.  
8. (2) Austin Cindric, Ford, 45, 41.  
9. (36) Noah Gragson, Chevrolet, 45, 34.  
10. (13) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 45, 41.  
11. (19) Brandon Brown, Chevrolet, 45, 26.  
12. (6) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 45, 38.  
13. (15) Andy Lally, Chevrolet, 45, 24.  
14. (8) Jeb Burton, Chevrolet, 45, 31.  
15. (33) Tommy Joe Martins, Chevrolet, 45, 22.  
16. (16) Preston Pardus, Chevrolet, 45, 21.  
17. (30) Josh Williams, Chevrolet, 45, 20.  
18. (7) Kaz Grala, Chevrolet, 45, 0.  
19. (21) Brandon Jones, Toyota, 45, 23.  
20. (29) Timmy Hill, Toyota, 45, 0.  
21. (22) Alex Labbe, Chevrolet, 45, 16.  
22. (26) Ryan Sieg, Ford, 45, 15.  
23. (27) Myatt Snider, Chevrolet, 45, 14.  
24. (17) Cody Ware, Chevrolet, 45, 13.  
25. (25) Kris Wright, Toyota, 45, 0.  
26. (31) Stephen Leicht, Toyota, 45, 11.  
27. (32) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 45, 10.  
28. (9) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 44, 9.  
29. (14) Josh Bilicki, Chevrolet, accident, 42, 0.  
30. (28) Ryan Ellis, Toyota, accident, 42, 7.  
31. (24) Brett Moffitt, Chevrolet, accident, 41, 6.  
32. (35) Natalie Decker, Chevrolet, accident, 38, 5.  
33. (1) Ty Gibbs, Toyota, transmission, 34, 8.  
34. (11) Jade Buford, Chevrolet, suspension, 16, 3.  
35. (23) Sam Mayer, Chevrolet, accident, 12, 2.  
36. (18) Spencer Pumpelly, Chevrolet, accident, 11, 1.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 74.967 mph.  
Time of Race: 2 hours, 25 minutes, 47 seconds.  
Margin of Victory: 3.522 seconds.  
Caution Flags: 7 for 11 laps.  
Lead Changes: 12 among 8 drivers.  
Lap Leaders: T.Gibbs 0-2; A.Allmendinger 3-10; A.Cindric 11-12; D.Hemric 13-15; J.Allgaier 16-17; A.Allmendinger 18-20; J.Allgaier 21-23; A.Cindric 24-26; B.Jones 27-30; A.Cindric 31-35; N.Gragson 36-39; A.Allmendinger 40; K.Busch 41-45  
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): A.Allmendinger, 3 times for 12 laps; A.Cindric, 3 times for 10 laps; K.Busch, 1 time for 5 laps; J.Allgaier, 2 times for 5 laps; N.Gragson, 1 time for 4 laps; B.Jones, 1 time for 4 laps; D.Hemric, 1 time for 3 laps; T.Gibbs, 1 time for 2 laps.  
Wins: A.Cindric, 4; A.Allmendinger, 2; J.Allgaier, 2; T.Gibbs, 2; J.Burton, 1; M.Snider, 1; J.Berry, 1.  
Top 16 in Points: 1. A.Cindric, 721; 2. A.Allmendinger, 632; 3. D.Hemric, 616; 4. J.Allgaier, 570; 5. H.Burton, 546; 6. J.Burton, 524; 7. J.Haley, 499; 8. B.Jones, 485; 9. N.Gragson, 471; 10. M.Annett, 450; 11. J.Clements, 416; 12. B.Brown, 383; 13. M.Snider, 380; 14. R.Herbst, 373; 15. J.Berry, 348; 16. T.Gibbs, 330.  
NASCAR Driver Rating Formula  
A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.  
The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish.

SOCCER

Euro Cup

Friday's Matches

Switzerland 1, Spain 1, Spain advances 3-1 on penalty kicks  
Belgium 1, Italy 2  
Saturday's Matches  
Czech Republic 1, Denmark 2  
Ukraine 0, England 4  
Tuesday's Match  
Italy vs. Spain, 3 p.m.  
Wednesday's Match  
England vs. Denmark, 3 p.m.  
Sunday's Match  
Final, 3 p.m.

TENNIS

Wimbledon

Saturday  
At All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club  
London  
Surface: Grass  
(seedings in parentheses):  
Men's Singles  
Third Round  
Hubert Hurkacz (14), Poland, def. Alexander Bublik, Kazakhstan, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.  
Matteo Berrettini (7), Italy, def. Aljaz Bedene, Slovenia, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.  
Lorenzo Sonego (23), Italy, def. James Duckworth, Australia, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.  
Ilya Ivashka, Belarus, def. Jordan Thompson, Australia, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.  
Felix Auger-Aliassime (16), Canada, def. Nick Kyrgios, Australia, 2-6, 6-1, 0-0, ret.  
Alexander Zverev (4), Germany, def. Taylor Fritz (31), United States, 6-7 (3), 6-4, 6-3, 7-6 (4).  
Roger Federer (6), Switzerland, def. Cameron Norrie (29), Britain, 6-4, 6-4, 5-7, 6-4.  
Daniil Medvedev (2), Russia, def. Marin Cilic (32), Croatia, 6-7 (3), 3-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-2.  
Women's Singles  
Third Round  
Angelique Kerber (25), Germany, def. Aliaksandra Sasnovich, Belarus, 2-6, 6-0, 6-1.  
Karolina Muchova (19), Czech Republic, def. Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (16), Russia, 7-5, 6-3.  
Ajla Tomljanovic, Australia, def. Jelena Ostapenko, Latvia, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.  
Emma Raducanu, Britain, def. Sorana Cirstea, Romania, 6-3, 7-5.  
Coco Gauff (20), United States, def. Kaja Juvan, Slovenia, 6-3, 6-3.  
Paula Badosa (30), Spain, def. Magda Linette, Poland, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4.  
Barbora Krejickova (14), Czech Republic, def. Anastasija Sevastova, Latvia, 7-6 (1), 3-6, 7-5.  
Ashleigh Barty (1), Australia, def. Katerina Siniakova, Czech Republic, 6-3, 7-5.  
Men's Doubles  
Second Round  
Rajeev Ram, United States, and Joe Salisbury (6), Britain, def. Stefano Travaglia, Italy, and Marton Fucsovics, Hungary, 6-3, 6-4.  
Fabrice Martin and Jeremy Chardy, France, def. Nicolas Mahut and Pierre-Hugues Herbert (2), France, 6-4, 0-0, ret.  
Nikola Cecic, Serbia, and Tomislav Brkic, Bosnia-Herzegovina, def. Philipp Oswald, Austria, and Marcus Daniell (15), New Zealand, 6-3, 1-6, 13-12 (6).  
Luke Saville and Max Purcell (16), Australia, def. Dominic Inglot and Luke Bambridge, Britain, 6-2, 6-4.  
Oliver Marach, Austria, and Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi, Pakistan, def. Alexei Popyrin, Australia, and Lloyd Harris, South Africa, 7-6 (6), 3-6, 6-3.  
Andrey Golubev, Kazakhstan, and Robin Haase, Netherlands, def. Bruno Soares, Brazil, and Jamie Murray (7), Britain, 6-7 (3), 6-3, 6-2.  
Raven Klaasen, South Africa, and Ben McLachlan (14), Japan, def. Ricardas Berankis, Lithuania, and Dominik Koepfer, Germany, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.  
Gonzalo Escobar, Ecuador, and Ariel Behar, Uruguay, def. Matthew Ebden and John-Patrick

Florida LOTTERY

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

PICK 2 (early) 0 - 2  
PICK 2 (late) 1 - 3  
PICK 3 (early) 8 - 0 - 6  
PICK 3 (late) 3 - 7 - 8  
PICK 4 (early) 5 - 7 - 4 - 2  
PICK 4 (late) 9 - 2 - 9 - 3  
PICK 5 (early) 5 - 7 - 6 - 2 - 6  
PICK 5 (late) 3 - 0 - 4 - 4 - 3  
FANTASY 5 Unavailable  
LOTTO Unavailable  
POWERBALL Unavailable  
POWER BALL Unavailable  
CASH 4 LIFE 5 - 14 - 28 - 39 - 40  
CASH BALL 2

Friday's winning numbers and payouts:

Jackpot Triple Play: 10 - 15 - 34 - 36 - 40 - 46  
6-of-6 No winner  
5-of-6 31 winners \$303  
4-of-6 974 \$23.50  
3-of-6 16,182 \$1  
Combo 10+ 1 \$10,000  
Combo9 7 \$500  
Combo8 62 \$50  
Combo7 414 \$20  
Combo6 2,204 \$10  
Combo5 8,617 \$5  
Mega Millions: 8 - 31 - 32 - 34 - 45  
Mega Ball: 19  
5-of-5 MB No winner  
5-of-5 No winner  
4-of-5 MB 1 winner \$10,000  
4-of-5 10 winners \$500  
3-of-5 MB 43 \$200  
3-of-5 1,028 \$10  
2-of-5 MB 840 \$10  
Fantasy 5: 16 - 23 - 27 - 29 - 31  
5-of-5 2 winners \$106,593.03  
4-of-5 304 \$113  
3-of-5 9,218 \$10  
Cash 4 Life: 1 - 9 - 12 - 13 - 20  
Cash Ball: 1  
5-of-5 CB No winner  
5-of-5 No winner  
Players should verify winning numbers by calling 850-487-7777 or at www.flalottery.com.

On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S SPORTS  
AUTO RACING

8:55 a.m. (ESPN) Formula 1 Austrian Grand Prix (Same-day Tape)  
12 p.m. (8 NBC) IndyCar Honda Indy 200 at Mid-Ohio  
2:30 p.m. (8 NBC) NASCAR Cup Series Jockey Made in America 250  
11 p.m. (ESPN2) Formula 1 Austrian Grand Prix (Same-day Tape)  
MLB  
6 a.m. (FS1) Houston Astros at Cleveland Indians (Taped)  
8 a.m. (FS1) Boston Red Sox at Oakland Athletics (Taped)  
11 a.m. (MLB) Los Angeles Dodgers at Washington Nationals  
1 p.m. (BSFL) Miami Marlins at Atlanta Braves  
1 p.m. (SUN) Tampa Bay Rays at Toronto Blue Jays  
1 p.m. (TBS) San Diego Padres at Philadelphia Phillies  
4 p.m. (MLB) Boston Red Sox at Oakland Athletics or Baltimore Orioles at Los Angeles Angels  
7 p.m. (ESPN) New York Mets at New York Yankees  
10:30 p.m. (MLB) San Francisco Giants at Arizona Diamondbacks  
WNBA  
6 p.m. (NBA) Atlanta Dream at Las Vegas Aces  
9 p.m. (NBA) Seattle Storm at Los Angeles Sparks  
BICYCLING  
7:30 a.m. (NBCSPT) Tour de France Stage 9  
CHEERLEADING  
3 p.m. (ESPN2) UDA College Championship, pom events (Taped)  
3:30 p.m. (ESPN2) UDA College Championship, jazz events (Taped)

EQUESTRIAN

1 p.m. (FS1) America's Day at the Races  
5 p.m. (NBCSPT) Breeders' Cup Challenge Series: John A. Nerud Stakes

GOLF

8 a.m. (GOLF) European PGA Tour Dubai Duty Free Irish Open, Final Round  
1 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Rocket Mortgage Classic, Final  
2 p.m. (10 CBS) The John Shippen Invitational (Taped)  
3 p.m. (10 CBS) PGA Tour Rocket Mortgage Classic, Final Round  
3 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Champions Dick's Sporting Goods Open, Final Round  
5:30 p.m. (GOLF) LPGA Tour Volunteers of America Classic, Final Round  
LACROSSE  
12:30 p.m. (NBCSPT) Premier Lacrosse League Whipsnakes LC vs Archers LC  
RUGBY  
6 p.m. (FS1) Major League Rugby Old Glory DC at Toronto Arrows  
10 p.m. (FS1) Major League Rugby LA Giltinis vs NOLA Gold  
TRACK AND FIELD  
9 p.m. (NBCSPT) Diamond League (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.

Smith, Australia, 7-6 (5), 6-7 (4), 6-4.  
Harri Heliovaara, Finland, and Lloyd Glasspool, Britain, def. Aidan Mchugh and Alastair Gray, Britain, 4-6, 6-3, 8-6.  
Robert Farah and Juan Sebastian Cabal (3), Colombia, def. Thiago Monteiro and Rafael Matos, Brazil, 6-2, 7-6 (5).  
Simone Bolelli, Italy, and Maximo Gonzalez, Argentina, def. Edouard Roger-Vasselin, France, and Henri Kontinen (11), Finland, 7-6, 6-2.  
Cameron Norrie, Britain, and Jaume Munar, Spain, def. Ivan Dodig, Croatia, and Filip Polasek (5), Slovakia, 7-6 (10), 1-6, 7-5.  
Women's Doubles  
Second Round  
Sharon Fichman, Canada, and Giuliana Olmos (9), Mexico, def. Jelena Ostapenko, Latvia, and Marta Kostyuk, Ukraine, walkover.  
Storm Sanders, Australia, and Caroline Dolehide, United States, def. Monica Niculescu and Cristina-Andreea Mitu, Romania, 6-2, 6-3.  
Latisha Chan and Hao-Ching Chan (7), Taiwan, def. Elixane Lechemia, France, and Ingrid Neel, United States, 6-4, 6-1.  
Aleksandra Krunic and Nina Stojanovic, Serbia, def. Mona Barthel and Julia Wachaczyk, Germany, 7-5, 6-3.  
Elena Vesnina and Veronika Kudermetova, Russia, def. Bethanie Mattek-Sands, United States, and Sania Mirza, India, 6-4, 6-3.  
Shuko Aoyama and Ena Shibahara (5), Japan, def. Tereza Martincova and Marketa Vondrousova, Czech Republic, 6-1, 6-2.  
Asia Muhammad and Jessica Pegula (14), United States, def. Lyudmyla Kichenok, Ukraine, and Makoto Ninomiya, Japan, 6-4, 6-4.  
Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan, and Elise Mertens (3), Belgium, def. Misaki Doi, Japan, and Viktorija Golubic, Switzerland, 6-1, 5-7, 6-0.  
Vera Zvonareva, Russia, and Laura Siegemund (11), Germany, def. Kaitlyn Christian, United States, and Nao Hibino, Japan, 6-2, 6-2.

Lucie Hradecka and Marie Bouzkova (16), Czech Republic, def. Anna-Lena Friedsam, Germany, and Anna Blinkova, Russia, 6-3, 6-3.  
Caty McNally and Coco Gauff (12), United States, def. Sara Sorribes Tormo and Paula Badosa, Spain, 6-4, 6-4.  
Heather Watson and Harriet Dart, Britain, def. Petra Martic, Croatia, and Shelby Rogers, United States, 3-6, 7-6 (6), 6-1.

BASKETBALL

NBA Playoffs

CONFERENCE FINALS  
(Best-of-7)  
x-if necessary  
Sunday, June 20  
Phoenix 120, L.A. Clippers 114  
Tuesday, June 22  
Phoenix 104, L.A. Clippers 103  
Wednesday, June 23  
Atlanta 116, Milwaukee 113  
Thursday, June 24  
L.A. Clippers 106, Phoenix 92  
Friday, June, 25  
Milwaukee 125, Atlanta 91  
Saturday, June 26  
Phoenix 84, L.A. Clippers 80  
Sunday, June 27  
Milwaukee 113, Atlanta 102  
Monday, June 28  
L.A. Clippers 116, Phoenix 102  
Tuesday, June 29  
Atlanta 110, Milwaukee 88  
Wednesday, June 30  
Phoenix 130, L.A. Clippers 103, Phoenix wins series 4-2  
Thursday, July 1  
Milwaukee 123, Atlanta 112, Milwaukee leads series 3-2  
Saturday, July 3  
Milwaukee at Atlanta, late  
Monday, July 5  
x-Atlanta at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Citrus Springs Horseshoe Club

June 26 results  
Won 3 Games: Jack Fathman  
High Series: Jack Fathman 236, Ed Durham 222  
High Game: Jack Fathman 82 & 81, Ed Durham 80  
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.

Kyle Busch makes it 4 for 4 in Xfinity with 101st win

ELKHART LAKE, Wis. — Kyle Busch continued his perfect NASCAR Xfinity Series season Saturday at Road America.  
After spinning off course twice, Busch rallied in the final stage and led the final five laps in the No. 18 Joe Gibbs Racing Toyota for his fourth victory in four starts this year and 101st in the series.  
NASCAR only allows Cup Series drivers to compete in five Xfinity and five Truck Series races a year. Busch is scheduled to enter his final Xfinity event of the season next week at Atlanta.  
Busch edged teammate Daniel Hemric by 3.522 seconds, with Michael Annett third, AJ Allmendinger fourth and Gibbs driver Harrison Burton fifth. Road America has had a different winner in each of its 12 Xfinity events.  
Allmendinger won the first two stages, giving up the lead when Busch went past him on the right in the closing laps.  
Austin Cindric, the 2020 winner on the 4.048-mile course, led Saturday, but his Ford suffered damage in a wreck that began when Myatt Snider spun off course coming out of a restart. Cindric ended up in eighth.  
This Xfinity Series race capped an eventful day for Busch.  
Although he had the second-fastest time in practice for the Cup race Sunday, Busch crashed his Toyota and will have to use a backup car Sunday. That means he will start Sunday's race in the back of the pack.  
Pogacar takes command after big climb in the Alps  
LE GRAND-BORNAND, France — Tadej Pogacar wagged his head and grinned, his blond hair slick from sweat and rain, his cheeks ruddy from the mountain cold and a colossal effort from smashing his remaining rivals at the Tour de France.

As he cooled down on the stationary bike, the defending champion seemed to have even surprised himself.  
“Ah, what a ride. What a day,” he said, unable to wipe the smile of satisfaction off his face.  
Pogacar dealt a demoralizing blow on the first day of the Tour in the Alps on Saturday, when cycling's precocious star claimed the yellow jersey after what was a grueling eighth stage to everyone else.  
Pogacar started the day 3 minutes, 43 seconds off the lead of Mathieu van der Poel. Five mountain passes and nearly four hours later, Van der Poel finished more than 20 minutes off the pace. The Dutchman relinquished the lead he had held for six days when he faded fast midway through the brutal stage.  
Wout van Aert remained in second place but fell from 30 seconds behind at the start of the stage to 1 minute, 48 seconds behind Pogacar.  
Richard Carapaz finished more than three minutes behind Pogacar, slipping to five minutes back overall in sixth.

Nationals' Schwarber out with hamstring strain

WASHINGTON — Kyle Schwarber limped into the Washington Nationals' dugout on Saturday with a heavy wrap poking out of the right side of his shorts.  
Schwarber was in shower shoes and trying to be upbeat when meeting with reporters after being placed on the 10-day injured list because of a right hamstring strain. There is no timetable for his return.  
“It's not the best, but not the worst,” Schwarber said. “Just got to take it for what it is.”  
He was among the hottest hitters in the majors, bashing 16 home runs in June, seven of them leading off games. All were critical for the Nationals, who went 19-9 in the month to turn their season around.  
Schwarber said he does not need a procedure to repair damage to his hamstring. Instead, he will use compression treatment to reduce swelling. Rest and strengthening exercises will follow.  
Schwarber said he heard a pop right before he reached first base in the second inning on Friday night. He hit a line drive into the right-center field gap and thought he could make it to second base. Dodgers center fielder Cody Bellinger cut the ball off, preventing it from rolling to the warning track, and forced Schwarber into an abrupt stop. He immediately reached for his hamstring on the way back to first.  
An MRI on Saturday revealed what the team called a “significant” strain.  
— From staff and wire reports

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was more eager to talk about the team's success than his own.  
“We have game plan, right, and everybody's buying in and everybody's doing their job,” Kucherov said. “And when everybody's doing their job, it makes it easier and we all play a full 60 minutes the right way and that's what we're doing right now.”  
Kucherov is averaging 18 minutes a game and playing at an elite level despite not skating a single game between the 2020 Cup clincher in the Edmonton bubble Sept. 29 and the first game of the first round May 16. While there have been complaints about Tampa Bay stashing Kucherov and his \$9.5 million salary cap hit on long-term injured reserve all season and activating him for the playoffs when the cap is not in effect, the NHL investigated and found no impropriety with taking advantage of that loophole.  
“Nothing inappropriate was done here, and at the end of the day all the

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rainy Grand National event back in 1956.  
This is the fourth of seven road-course races on this year's Cup Series schedule, and red-hot Kyle Larson thinks it's the toughest yet.  
“There's just not much room for error here,” Larson said.  
Kyle Busch discovered that Saturday when he spun across the track until the left side of his Toyota hit the concrete. Ryan Preece also will start at the back of the pack Sunday after being forced to go to a backup car.  
Drivers have debated whether the competitors with Xfinity Series experience at Road America could have an edge.  
Sure enough, Austin Cindric posted the third-fastest practice time after winning the Xfinity Series race here last year. AJ Allmendinger, who won here in 2013 and finished second last year, had the seventh-fastest time.  
“Beautiful track — very narrow, very fast, very technical, obviously a lot of turns,” Martin Truex Jr. said. “I think the guys with more experience are the faster guys right now. We've got some catching up to do. But we got faster literally every single lap in practice.”

ODDS AND ENDS

Chase Elliott is a 12-5 favorite to win Sunday, according to FanDuel Sportsbook. ... Four drivers have already clinched a berth in the playoffs with seven races remaining to set the field. ... Drivers have cited Turn 11 — an area known as the “kink” — as the part of the track that could cause the most trouble Sunday. “That's certainly looking to be the calamity corner of the track this weekend,” Brad Keselowski said. ... Larson, Kyle Busch, Truex and Alex Bowman are locked into playoff berths based on multiple victories this season. William Byron, Joey Logano, Chase Elliott, Ryan Blaney and Keselowski can clinch with a win Sunday. ... Daytona 500 winner Michael McDowell, Ross Chastain and Josh Bilicki have the most experience at Road America with five Xfinity starts each. Previous winners of Xfinity Series events at Road America in Sunday's field include Allmendinger (2013), McDowell (2016), Christopher Bell (2019) and Cindric (2020). ... Hendrick Motorsports had its six-race winning streak snapped last weekend when Kyle Busch won at Pocono for Joe Gibbs Racing. Hendrick drivers have combined for nine wins through 19 races this season. HMS in 2007 set the modern-era record for most wins in a single season with 18. JGR broke the mark in 2019 with 19 victories.



# Merritt, Niemann lead in Rocket Mortgage Classic

Associated Press

DETROIT — Troy Merritt took off his cap and briefly bowed his head to acknowledge a roaring crowd after the first ace of his PGA Tour career. He didn't get to enjoy the moment for long.

Merritt's hole-in-one gave him a three-shot lead, but he gave a stroke back on the next hole with a bogey and shot a 5-under 67 on Saturday. Joaquin Niemann took advantage of the opening to share the third-round lead at the Rocket Mortgage Classic.

Niemann, who shared the 36-hole lead with Tom Lewis, pulled into a tie by two-putting from 46 feet at 17. He parred the final hole, the toughest one on Detroit Golf Club, for a 68.

Hank Lebioda (66) and Cam Davis (67) were a stroke back, and Brandon Hagy (68) was another shot behind. Lewis (71) was among six players three shots back with a legitimate shot on the relatively short course with receptive greens.

"The mindset will be make a few birdies, but don't give any away," Merritt said. "Make them work to come and get us and hopefully it's good enough in the end."

Rickie Fowler (68) was in a pack of 10 five shots back, while first-round leader Davis Thompson (72) was six shots back. After opening with a course-record tying 63, Thompson has played the last 36 holes in 1 over with rounds of 73 and 72.

The 35-year-old Merritt made his first hole-in-one on the PGA Tour — from 219 yards with a 5-iron off one bounce — to give him a three-stroke advantage.

Merritt was fired up, and the fans were, too, a year after no spectators were allowed to attend the 2020 Rocket Mortgage Classic due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It's awesome to have the fans

back out here, whooping and hollering the good shots," he said. "Commiserating with the bad shots and even hearing some of the comments you probably don't want to hear."

After his bogey, he closed with six straight pars.

Merritt, who is from Iowa, won his second PGA Tour title at the 2018 Barbasol Championship. The next year, he missed two months of competition due to a surgery that removed a rib after he had blood clot that ran from his chest to his left elbow.

He entered this week with three top-10 finishes this year — including a pair of them in May — to put him within one of matching the most he has had in a year since making his PGA Tour debut in 2010.

Merritt moved atop the leaderboard quickly after starting his round Saturday at 9 under, one shot off the lead. He had four birdies through seven holes and lamented not having another, missing a 14-foot putt on the ninth hole.

His ace on the par-3 11th put him at 6 under for the day and he may have had a hard time composing himself.

"We had time to settle down before the next tee shot," Merritt insisted.

Merritt, though, missed the fairway to the right on the 493-yard, par-4 12th. Then, he was long on a chip and 14-foot putt, giving him a bogey and cutting his lead to a stroke.

The 22-year-old Niemann had two birdies over his last five holes to put him in a position to win for the second time on tour. He became the first player from Chile to win on the PGA Tour at The Greenbrier in 2019.

"Everybody's going to have their own moment and I had my moment pretty early," said Niemann, who has four top-10 finishes this season.

Defending champion Bryson DeChambeau missed the cut and left Detroit without



Associated Press

Troy Merritt drives off the fourth tee during the third round of the Rocket Mortgage Classic golf tournament, Saturday at the Detroit Golf Club in Detroit.

speaking with reporters, leaving lingering questions about making a caddie change on the eve of the tournament that he didn't address in an Instagram post. "Did not have my best this week, but that is golf sometimes," DeChambeau wrote.

## Herbert eyes wire-to-wire win at Irish Open

THOMASTOWN, Ireland — Australian golfer Lucas Herbert stayed on course for a wire-to-wire victory at the Irish Open after shooting 2-under 70 in the third round for a one-stroke lead.

Herbert led by three shots after making four birdies in his opening 10 holes, but bogeys at Nos. 11 and 14 brought the field back into contention at Mount Juliet.

Johannes Veerman was the nearest challenger, the No. 350-ranked American shooting 67 to move

onto 14 under par for the event.

Justin Harding was a further two strokes back after a 65, the lowest round of the day, and there were three players on 11 under: Dale Whitnell (71), Francesco Laporta (68) and Rikard Karlberg (67).

Rory McIlroy could shoot only 1-over 73 and was out of contention, 11 shots off the pace.

Herbert is seeking his second European Tour title, after the Dubai Desert Classic last year.

He is bidding to become the third Australian winner in the Irish Open's 94-year history, and the first wire-to-wire winner since Mikko Ilonen in 2014.

"In one aspect, it's kind of frustrating. I could have really put a good one away and felt like I got too far away from the majority of the field, but 15 (under) probably has just left the door open a touch," Herbert said. "So still going to have to really be on it tomorrow. ... If I can get to 20 under, I feel like it's going to be pretty hard to catch, and if I am caught, someone has played really good golf and they probably deserve to win it."

## Els shoots 65 to take 3-shot edge at En-Joie

ENDICOTT, N.Y. — Ernie Els opened a three-stroke lead in the Dick's Sporting Goods Open, reeling off five straight birdies on the front nine in a 7-under 65.

Els birdied Nos. 2-6 at windy and rainy En-Joie Golf Club, added another on the par-4 ninth, made eight straight pars and closed the bogey-free round with a 15-foot birdie putt on the par-4 18th to get to 11-under 133.

"I hit a lot of greens and when I hit the greens, I made some putts, so that was a good key for me," Els said. "The conditions were quite tough. Rain and wind kind of came and went so you kind of had to keep the ball in front of you. Finishing on 16 making a good par save and making a birdie on 18 was big."

Making his first appearance in the event, the 51-year-old South African star is in position for his third PGA Tour Champions victory after

winning twice last season. He has four major titles, the last in the 2012 British Open.

"It depends on conditions," Els said. "We had it all today, a bit of rain, a bit of wind, a bit of everything, so hopefully it gets a little better tomorrow. But I've got to score well tomorrow. The guys are going to come out of the pack, there's going to be guys shooting low, so just kind of got to do what I can do."

Cameron Beckman was second after a 69. He's winless on the 50-and-over tour after winning three times on the PGA Tour.

"You never want to play in the rain, but we had a couple spots where it was raining pretty good," Beckman said. "Especially, on the par 5s. It kind of affected how far the ball was going off the tee and we weren't able to get to some of them. Tomorrow's going to be a good day and hopefully we crank 'em up."

Darren Clarke (68) and Miguel Angel Jimenez (69) were 7 under, and 63-year-old Bernhard Langer (71) was another stroke back with Alex Cejka (69), Paul Goydos (69) and Tom Byrum (70).

The U.S. Senior Open is next week at Omaha Country Club in Nebraska.

## Ko in front at Old American after long day

THE COLONY, Texas — Jin Young Ko chipped in for eagle on the par-4 15th and finished a bogey-free 32-holes in near darkness with a one-stroke lead in the Volunteers of America Classic.

Ko returned to overcast and breezy Old American early Saturday, playing the final 14 holes for a 1-under 70 in the suspended second round. After a rest break at her nearby home in Frisco, the 25-year-old South Korean star shot 66 in the third round. She got up-and-down for par on the par-4 18th, chipping close after hitting over the green.

Germany's Esther Henseleit and Finland's Matilda Castrén were tied for second. Henseleit also eagled the 15th in her 64. Castrén shot 68. They both finished their second rounds Friday.

### Rocket Mortgage Classic

Saturday  
At Detroit Golf Club  
Detroit, Mich.  
Yardage: 7,370; Par: 72  
Purse: \$7.5 Million  
Third Round

Troy Merritt	67-68-67—202	-14
Joaquin Niemann	65-69-68—202	-14
Hank Lebioda	67-70-66—203	-13
Cam Davis	68-68-67—203	-13
Brandon Hagy	65-71-68—204	-12
Jason Kokrak	69-69-67—205	-11
Kevin Kisner	67-69-69—205	-11
Richy Werenski	68-68-69—205	-11
Pat Perez	67-69-69—205	-11
Chris Kirk	67-68-70—205	-11
Tom Lewis	65-69-71—205	-11

### Dick's Sporting Goods Open

Saturday  
At En-Joie Golf Club, Endicott, N.Y.  
Purse: \$2 million  
Yardage: 6,994; Par: 72  
Second Round

Ernie Els	68-65—133	-11
Cameron Beckman	67-69—136	-8
Darren Clarke	69-68—137	-7
Miguel Angel Jimenez	68-69—137	-7
Alex Cejka	69-69—138	-6
Paul Goydos	69-69—138	-6
Tom Byrum	68-70—138	-6
Wes Short, Jr.	66-72—138	-6
Bernhard Langer	67-71—138	-6
Vijay Singh	71-68—139	-5
Fran Quinn	71-68—139	-5
Duffy Waldorf	70-69—139	-5
Doug Barron	70-69—139	-5
Ken Tanigawa	69-70—139	-5
Billy Andrade	68-71—139	-5
David Toms	68-71—139	-5

### Dubai Duty Free Irish Open

Saturday  
At Mount Juliet Estate - Thomastown  
Kilkenny, Ireland  
Purse: \$3.56 million  
Yardage: 7,250; Par: 72  
a-amateur  
Third Round

Lucas Herbert, Australia	64-67-70—201	-15
Johannes Veerman, United States	65-70-67—202	-14
Justin Harding, South Africa	69-70-65—204	-12
Rikard Karlberg, Sweden	71-67-67—205	-11
Francesco Laporta, Italy	68-69-68—205	-11
Dale Whitnell, England	67-67-71—205	-11
Andrew Johnston, England	67-70-69—206	-10
Richie Ramsay, Scotland	67-69-70—206	-10
Jason Scrivener, Australia	67-69-70—206	-10
Grant Forrest, Scotland	66-67-73—206	-10
Andy Sullivan, England	67-66-73—206	-10

### LPGA Volunteers of America Classic

Saturday  
At Old American Golf Club  
The Colony, Texas.  
Purse: \$1.5 million  
Yardage: 6,459; Par: 71  
Third Round

Jin Young Ko	63-70-66—199	-14
Esther Henseleit	66-70-64—200	-13
Matilda Castrén	66-66-68—200	-13
Jeongeun Lee6	64-70-69—203	-10
Angela Stanford	69-70-65—204	-9
Ana Belac	68-68-68—204	-9
Stacy Lewis	68-69-68—205	-8
Paula Reto	68-69-68—205	-8
In Gee Chun	64-72-69—205	-8
Gaby Lopez	69-66-70—205	-8

## Bowling SCORES

### Parkview Lanes

ANNUAL CENTER CLOSING: Parkview Lanes will be closed from Sunday, July 4 through Sunday, July 11. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday week!

8-WEEK LEAGUE: The next session of the Tuesday morning 7-9-8 NoTap league will start July 20 and end Sept. 7. The teams are three-persons, the 100% handicap is based on 275 and the weekly fee is \$14 (includes \$5 prize money).

### LEAGUE SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 27:

**MONDAY NIGHT SPECIAL**  
Handicap: John Welter 271; Charlie Stein 267; Travis Hirsch 267; John Saltmarsh 740; Kevin Smith 731; Wendy Smith 271; Carol Anderson 266,741; Peggy Boyajian 734. Scratch: Charlie Stein 258; Chris Carr 243; Terry Rummier II 667; Tony Hyatt 646; Wendy Smith 226,539; Anne Fish 213; Carol Anderson 552.

### PARKVIEW 7-9-8 NOTAP

Handicap: Larry Ferguson 342; Joe Dennison 335; Don Demers 927; Billy Kidney 882; Tony Hyatt 882; Linda Ferguson 406,885; Carol Roberts 374,929. Scratch: Tony

Hyatt 300,858; Sam Bass 300,841; (men: five 300's); Linda Madison 300,727; Jette Hansen 300,719; Glenda Johnston 719. (women: four 300's).

### YOUNG & RESTLESS

Handicap (adult): Jordan Kusnierz 384,697; Chris Carr 250,714; Laura Welzel 240,671; Lisa Larios 225,657. Scratch (adult): Jordan Kusnierz 225; Chris Carr 224,636; Wes Foley 562; Marla Carr 148,421; Bridget Foley 147,404. Handicap (youth): Tre Jones 264; Cameron Radabaugh 262,726; John Egan 721; Megan Allen 264,753. Scratch (youth): Cody Underwood 210,616; Justin Rose 183,544; Megan Allen 203,570; Mackenzie Scordato 178,490.

### MILITARY CHALLENGE

Handicap: Greg Dawidowicz 292,803; George Livermore 281; Tony Hyatt 745; Donna Morris 276,727; Trina Paliwoda 256,692; Sharon Ericson 256. Scratch: Greg Dawidowicz 267,728; Tony Hyatt 248,685; Sharon Ericson 201,504; Donna Morris 185; Marilyn Seymour 476.

### WEDNESDAY SCRATCH TRIO

Rich Koller 289,772; Chris Carr 276,751; Tony

Thompson 727; Scott Brown 708; Tim Lawrence 707; Will Bemis 701; Dorine Fugere 240,655; Marla Carr 183,508.

### PARKVIEW NOTAP

Handicap: Roger Cherry 355,905; Tony Hyatt 306; Dick Newhall 873; Jette Hansen 336,854; Patty Krombach 312,902. Scratch: Tony Hyatt 300; Roger Cherry 297,731; Dick Newhall 720; Jette Hansen 268,650; Kathie Weaverling 256; Susan Fabbre 611.

### HOLDER HOTSHOTS

Handicap: Jeff Richitt 301,827; Dusty Kelly 262; Richard Hickey 718; Hattie Chives 256,690; Kaylee Honegger 255,688. Scratch: Jeff Richitt 242,650; Robbie Yoakam 237; Richard Hickey 592; Vicki Jeffers 192,491; Kem Hammontree 162,419.

### FBC DUNNELLO

Handicap: Arta Norris 322,848; Jerry Ness 299,801; Valerie Schaem 261; Carol Spinelli 258,710; Vonnie Emery 708. Scratch: Arta Norris 257,653; Jerry Ness 245; Paul Mast 673; Kem Hammontree 170; Melissa Widerman 169,472; Michele Wexler 470.

### BOWLERS OF THE WEEK

Adults: Arta Norris, 188 pins over his average, and Patty Krombach, 152 pins

over her average. Youth: Cameron Radabaugh, 69 pins over his average, and Megan Allen, 84 pins over her average.

### Sportsmen's Bowl

Senior Fun Bowl, Thursdays at 1 p.m. Prizes for high game and series for both men and women, colored pins, mystery frames, mystery game, Bingo, side pots, 50/50. Also money is put aside each week for the Split-Pot which is held three times each year. To win the Split-Pot a bowler must first convert a split in any of the three games bowled. After completion of the three games each bowler who has converted a split must roll three balls. The winner is the one who scores exactly 21 pins. If there are ties the money is split between winners. Refreshments and fun for all each week. Entry Fee \$10. High Scratch Game: Susan Sheehy 182, Rich Murdoch 170. High Scratch Series: Nick Montalvo Jr 538, Susan Sheehy 493.

### Youth Summer Dynamic Duos, 9 Pin No-Tap

Boys Scratch: Cody Underwood 287-838, Justin Rose 278-704, Evan Posey 266-709

Boys Handicap: Cody

Underwood 303-886, Trevor Zuppa 297, Trent Baumes 295, Alex Telesford 784, Evsn Posey 778

Girls Scratch: Kaitlyn Perrine 138-326, Destiny Snyder 125-340, Angel Taylor 117, Bobby Germal 117, Tasha Cornwell 297

Girls Handicap: MacKenzie Wrightson 243-637, Alli Buchanan 225-637, Tasha Cornwell 223, Destiny Snyder 583

Mixed Singles Match, Fridays 1 p.m. Pay only if you bowl. Prizes paid each week. Number of prize winners is dependent on number of entries. Handicap is 100% of 210. Entry Fee \$10. High Handicap Scores: Sandy Smith 703, Bonnie Kato 677, Nancy Aycock 655.

### Manatee Lanes

#### Midweek Mixers

Looking for bowlers to join the league come fall. Start date is Aug. 23. Meeting is on Aug 14 at 7 p.m. If you are interested, leave your name and phone number at Manatee Lanes. If you have a full team advise the lanes. This information will be given to the secretary of the league. The teams from last season will be contacted by the secretary.

#### TUESDAY ODD BALLS

Men's High Game

Hdcp, 297, Brian Tiesmeyer Men's High Series Hdcp, 760, Ken Smith

Men's High Game Scratch, 266, Mike Harrison Men's High Series Scratch, 637, Seth Phillips

Women's High Game Hdcp, 257, Krissy Koller Women's High Series Hdcp, 681, Tiffany Hair

Women's High Game Scratch, 211, Kim Mullis Women's High Series Scratch, 546, Amber Mullis

### FRIDAY FUN BUNCH

Men's High Game Hdcp, 290, John Beatty Men's High Series Hdcp, 723, Ronald Friedman

Men's High Game Scratch, 220, David Pearson Men's High Series Scratch, 597, Preston Koller

Women's High Game Hdcp, 260, Lectoria Huffman Women's High Series Hdcp, 688, Crystal Wiseman

Women's High Game Scratch, 194, Brooke Wharton

Women's High Series Scratch, 522, Patty Brennan

We also have drop-in leagues stop in and check them out, such as PBA; experience different oil patterns each week and fun bowl Monday/Wednesday.



# Kane carries England into Euro 2020 semifinals

*Denmark beats  
Czechs to also  
reach next round*

*Associated Press*

ROME — England is going back home — with something to play for.

Harry Kane scored twice and England overwhelmed Ukraine 4-0 Saturday to reach the European Championship semifinals.

It was the only match of Euro 2020 that England had to play away from Wembley Stadium and it was the team's most dominant performance of the tournament.

"I've said it all along it's all about peaking for the right time," Kane said. "We are on the right track."

Harry Maguire and Jordan Henderson also scored as England kept a clean sheet for the fifth straight match of the competition.

It marked the first time that England scored four goals in the knockout stage of a major tournament since beating West Germany 4-2 in the 1966 World Cup final.

England now goes back to London to face Denmark on Wednesday. The Danes beat the Czech Republic 2-1 in Baku.

"We haven't done nothing yet," Kane said. "We've got a semifinal at Wembley. ... What a moment for us as a team, as a nation. It's there for us, it's an opportunity for us. We have to grab it with both hands."

Italy will face Spain in the other semifinal match on



England's Harry Kane celebrates after scoring his side's third goal during the Euro 2020 soccer championship quarterfinal match between Ukraine and England on Saturday at the Olympic stadium in Rome.

Tuesday, with the final next weekend also to be played at Wembley.

The last time England made it to the last four of the European Championship was in 1996. But the bigger goal at this point is to duplicate the success of the 1966 England team that won the World Cup on home soil.

Kane scored on England's first opportunity in the fourth minute, using one touch to redirect a through ball from Raheem Sterling for his second goal in as many matches. The ball went in off the shoulder of goalkeeper Georgiy Bushchan inside the

near post.

England also scored early in the second half after Kane was fouled about 10 seconds. A free kick from Luke Shaw set up a header from Maguire. Four minutes later, Kane got his second by heading in another cross from Shaw on a play that included a backheel pass from Sterling as England dazzled.

After failing to score in the group stage, Kane now has three goals in two matches after also scoring in the 2-0 win over Germany in the last 16.

"Sometimes as a striker it falls your way, sometimes it doesn't,"

Kane said. "That's just part and parcel of being a striker."

## Denmark 2, Czech Republic 1

BAKU, Azerbaijan — Denmark's journey at the European Championship is headed to London.

The Danes, who have developed into a surprise contender after their tournament began with midfielder Christian Eriksen suffering cardiac arrest on the field, advanced to the Euro 2020 semifinals by beating the Czech Republic 2-1.

Following the usual tributes to the

recovering Eriksen from UEFA and fans — a giant No. 10 shirt laid out on the field and a "For Christ10an" banner in the stands — Denmark quickly took control against the Czechs on a hot and humid night in Azerbaijan.

Jens Stryger sent an outswinging corner in the fifth minute to Thomas Delaney, standing in space by the penalty spot. Delaney's bouncing header went in past the outstretched hand of goalkeeper Tomáš Vaclík.

Denmark doubled the lead just before halftime. Joakim Maehle hit a cross from the left using the outside of his right foot. The ball eluded Martin Braithwaite's attempt at a header but Kasper Dolberg got past his marker and beat Vaclík in the 42nd.

"What we've been through, it's hard to describe. It wasn't our best game but maybe it was about that time that we struggle," Delaney said. "We have a great atmosphere within the team, so why not take the next step again?"

The place in the semifinals is the farthest Denmark has progressed at a major tournament since winning the European title in 1992. The team will next face England on Wednesday at Wembley Stadium.

"We make history that we achieved the semifinal now," Stryger said. "It's been many, many years ago since Denmark was there. ... We know Denmark is going crazy right now."

Czech Republic forward Patrik Schick scored his fifth goal at the beginning of the second half, putting him even with Cristiano Ronaldo as the tournament's leading scorers. Schick was given plenty of space by defender Jannik Vestergaard to hit a first-touch shot off Vladimir Coufal's curled pass.



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# Raducanu, 18, joins Gauff, 17, in Week 2

**HOWARD FENDRICH**  
*AP tennis writer*

WIMBLEDON, England — Here’s how hushed the crowd at No. 1 Court was before points Saturday: You could hear Emma Raducanu’s palm slap her thigh while she waited to receive serves.

Here’s how loud the place got after points: You could close your eyes and monitor the collective reactions that followed each — the “Awwwwwww!” of disappointment or the on-their-feet roar of joy — as the 18-year-old became the youngest British player, female or male, to reach Wimbledon’s fourth round in more than a half-century.

Yes, Coco Gauff now has some company when it

comes to being a teen in Week 2 at the All England Club. Shortly before Gauff, a 17-year-old American, made her way to the fourth round at the grass-court Grand Slam tournament for the second time in a row by beating 102nd-ranked Kaja Juvan of Slovenia 6-3, 6-3 at Centre Court, Raducanu dropped her racket and knelt on the grass as she finished off her 6-3, 7-5 win over 45th-ranked Sorana Cirstea of Romania.

“Right now, I’m on such a buzz and such a high,” said Raducanu, the 338th-ranked wild-card entry who is still waiting to find out the grades of her high school exams.

“When I heard the crowd just roar for the first time, I was like, ‘Wow, they’re so behind me.’ I

was just feeding off of their energy,” she said after displaying both slick groundstrokes, often on the run, that helped produce 30 winners, and a resiliency when things got tight. “I’m just so excited I get to play in front of them again.”

After Sunday’s traditional middle-of-the-fortnight day of rest — which is being done away with in 2022 — Raducanu faces Ajla Tomljanovic in the round of 16 Monday.

Tomljanovic got into a bit of a kerfuffle with Jelena Ostapenko after eliminating the 2017 French Open champion 4-6, 6-4, 6-2 and accusing her of lying about needing to leave the court for a medical timeout to address an abdominal issue.

Men’s fourth-rounders



Associated Press  
**Britain’s Emma Raducanu celebrates winning a point against Romania’s Sorana Cirstea during the women’s singles third round match on day six of the Wimbledon Tennis Championships on Saturday, in London.**

established Saturday include eight-time champion Roger Federer against No. 23 seed Lorenzo Sonego, No 2 against No. 16 Felix Auger-Aliassime, and No. 14 Hubert Hurkacz, No. 7 Matteo Berrettini against Ilya Ivashka. No. 4 Alexander Zverev

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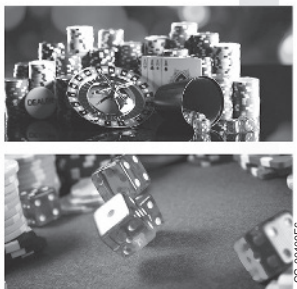
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# Finding truth often takes time



Gerry Mulligan  
**OUT THE WINDOW**

I mentioned a few weeks back in a column that I had never prepared or eaten oatmeal. It was no big deal, there are a lot of things I've never done. I have not flown an airplane. Have never been to a baseball game in Chicago and never tasted a veggie burger. But it was "not eating" oatmeal that captured the attention of a kind reader. I go to the YMCA several times a week to work out in the fitness center and I am always greeted by

Mrs. Mulligan. She is well into her '80s and needs the assistance of a walker to get around. But she still visits the YMCA five days a week and works out. She is intense. For the record, we are not related as far as I know. But here's the rub, she grew up in the same neighborhood as my parents in the Bronx, New York. And yes, we share the same last name. She is Mrs. Mulligan. No first

name. She is very Irish. Very opinionated and very sarcastic. Those are all similar traits that many of my family members possess, so there has to be some DNA connection. During a recent workout at the Y, Mrs. Mulligan directed a staffer to come over and tell me that my form on one of the workout machines was terrible. She included some descriptive words that can not be repeated in a family newspaper.

But in truth, Mrs. Mulligan has a heart of gold. Sarcastic gold, but gold. After reading my column on never tasting oatmeal, Mrs. Mulligan felt compelled to purchase a large container of "McCann's Irish Oatmeal" and present it to me during one of my visits to the Y. She made sure there was a crowd around to laugh. It was "imported" Irish Oatmeal in a very large container. See **WINDOW/Page C3**

# Man vs. nature



**Matthew Beck/Chronicle file**  
This whitetail doe, one of several in a group together, stands motionless along East Rosehill Drive in southern Citrus County in November 2018.

It's a banner year for building as Citrus County continues to grow. Local residents are passionate about untouched wildlife living on Florida's Nature Coast, and are recently pondering, how much development is too much? Chronicle readers Sound Off their thoughts on the changing landscape:

■ What is happening with all the trees in Citrus County? Everywhere I go and I drive, there's trees down for, you know, one development or another. When I first moved here, I moved here because it was country, because it was quiet, because it was easy to get around and folks knew one another. Now it's getting so crowded. I don't know anybody anymore. People are moving in faster than I can blink.

■ I believe I speak for many residents in the area along Gulf-to-Lake Highway who daily witness yet more destruction of Florida's natural habitat due to development. The proposed site for new homes in Inverness, which is tragically misnamed since the definition of "preservation" is to save what currently exists. How much wildlife is being irrevocably destroyed, especially the gopher tortoises

and nesting birds at this time of the year? See for yourselves at this highly visible assault to your senses. ■ Yesterday afternoon I was watching this raccoon wandering in the middle of the day looking for her destroyed home. No place for her and her children to live. I could almost see the tears in her eyes. I

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Courtney Stewart  
**SEEING BEYOND**

## We need to keep our promises

July Fourth makes us look back to the 1700s and think about the Revolutionary War, the Declaration of Independence, and the Constitutional Convention — the start of our country. It's important, though, to remember that the Fourth of July isn't just historical. It also presents us with a very significant reality: what it takes to keep us free. In May we honor Memorial Day, a time to reflect back and remember the soldiers we've lost in combat and faithful service to maintain our freedom. In November we celebrate Veterans Day, a time to say thank you and honor those who have served and are currently serving in the military. And while today, July 4, 2021, many of us will celebrate the 245th birthday of the United States of America with fireworks and a cookout, I think it is only appropriate to take a moment and be reminded of all those who sacrificed so much to guarantee that this celebration occurred. See **BEYOND/Page C3**

## Separation of powers vital



Gregg Dalton  
**GUEST COLUMN**

The term "separation of powers" brings me back to my middle school years when I was learning about the three branches of government: Legislative, Executive, and Judicial. These three branches all have their own distinct separate powers and duties within our government to ensure there is no abuse of power by any branch. This same separation of powers holds true in our local government, as well with our separate taxing authorities. The taxing authorities in Citrus

County are the Citrus County School Board, the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), the City of Crystal River, the City of Inverness, the Homosassa Special Water District, Mosquito Control and Southwest Florida Water Management District. I'm sure you are probably asking yourself at this point: Why is the Citrus County Property Appraiser talking about separation of powers in today's guest column? By the end of my column today, my goal is

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## A string of pearls



Lynne Farrell Abrams  
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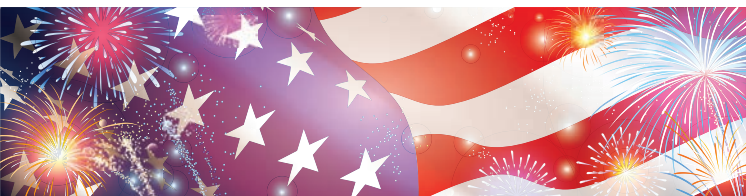
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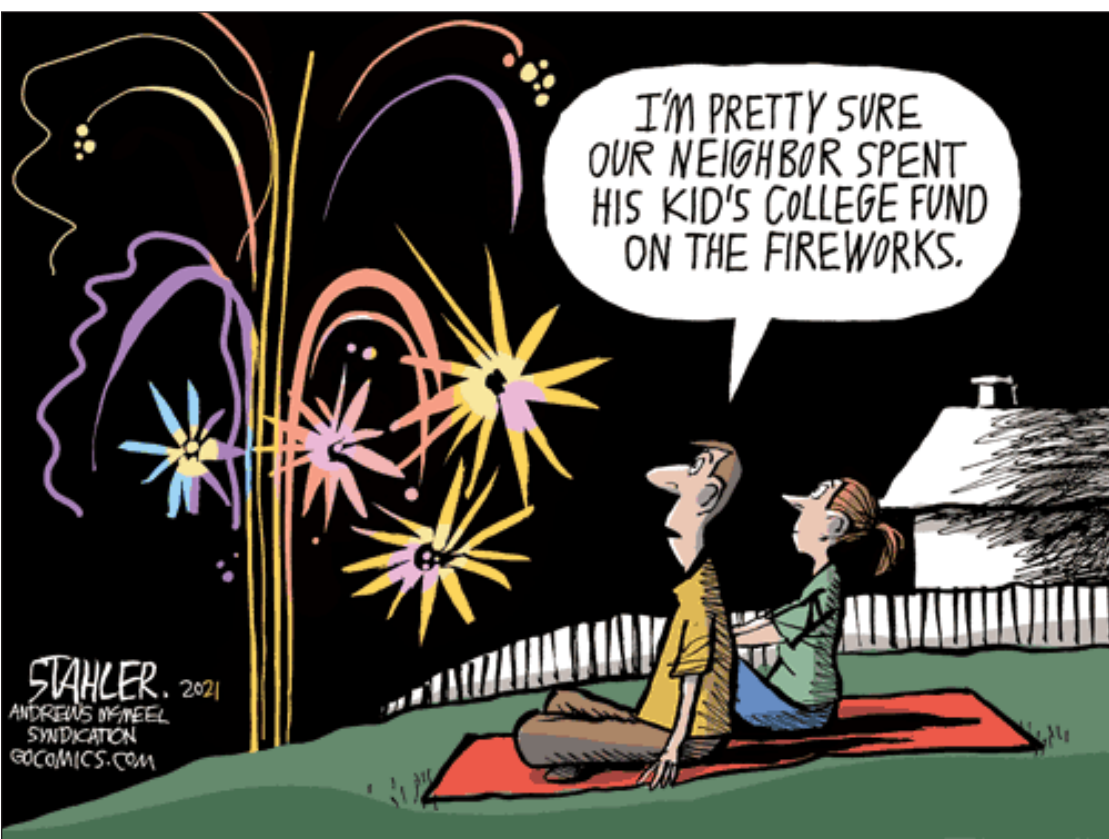
Fourth of July the spirit of America

On this day 245 years ago, the original 13 colonies claimed independence from Great Britain. The Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, the historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson, voicing that all men are created equal — that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, among which are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That day led to the formation of the United States of America as we know it today. Through the Revolutionary War, early American colonists fought for independence against the British rule for a free country. And they did not stop until they won it. Battle upon battle was fought for the noblest cause — our country. After the war ended, a new government was formed with the creation of the U.S. Constitution; the 13 colonies became the first 13 states. Since 1776, Americans have celebrated the iconic holiday with fireworks, parades, gathering with family and friends, barbecues, concerts and abounding patriotism.

It's a day to celebrate freedom and country with immense pride. The Fourth of July is a national holiday for commemoration. It reminds Americans that freedom is not free — that we must work every day to uphold the vision of the Founding Fathers — that together, we are one country and that we must not ever lose sight of the intent of the founding documents of our country. We honor July Fourth as the day the United States vowed and claimed to be a free and independent nation. And all these years later, through generations and generations of American families, we remain free. We fly our star spangled banner with patriotism, to honor history and hope for the future of our country. Today, we reflect on our great founding days with gratitude, and keep abreast of those past events to ensure growing generations know their significance; that we remain unfailingly committed to that vision of a free and independent United States. Celebrate your country today, and every day — happy Fourth of July. God bless America.

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A powerful story of perseverance

I'm going to share one of the most powerful stories of human perseverance in overcoming defeat in American history. This is the story of one of the most influential American presidents in our nations history. His many accomplishments, especially at a most critical of time in American history set the destiny and course of America, and we as Americans remain grateful that he became a beacon of hope during one of the darkest hours of American history. I hope his story will not only bring you hope and inspiration, but also allow you to maintain the courage to keep going in the face of today's toxic political atmosphere. I assure you that nothing he faced caused him to give up — not even when all seemed hopeless did he stop or turn back. All of us need to reach out and gain strength from his perseverance. This awesome man lost eight elections — at various state and federal levels — on his journey to becoming president of the United States, but was never deterred. He

became the right man at the helm of America for the leadership that was needed during one of the most troubled periods in the history of America. I keep asking myself: What if he had given up after his first political defeat? What then — would America now be a confederation of three maybe four separate

countries? Thank God that he remained loyal to his ideals, his beliefs, and his vision for America. We are blessed for the legacy of Abraham Lincoln — our 16th president — still lives on today. And I'm positive that if he was with us today he would urge us to never stop defending, our core beliefs, our American traditions, and our American way of life — no matter what the circumstances were. I firmly believe that reflecting upon Lincoln's legacy will only strengthen our resolve to remain true to our principles, and together we will prevail.

Bill Claustre  
Inverness

Constant political letters a drag

Personally, I think the politically slanted letters written by the same people are boring. They were always negative and way too long. No more than a six inch column letter should be accepted by the paper. These same people ought to take up a new hobby and "get a life."

David Kennedy  
Crystal River

Hope fireworks are made in USA

I'm just calling in my 2 cents about the fireworks opinions and I'm reading some of the opinions that some folks are saying (Thursday, July 1, Page A2, under "Boom"): "Oh, it's a wonderful way to celebrate our freedom and to celebrate our country." Well, I just want to say I hope everybody's buying American-made fireworks because if you're buying fireworks from China, you're just supporting their economy and celebrating China. Have a good day.

Keep up the good Safety Patrol work

(Re the Saturday, June 12, Page A3 story, "Safest in the state," "Crystal River Primary student named 'AAA Safety Patroller of the Year'"): I just want to congratulate Hunter Eichhorn for receiving that "Safety Patroller of the Year." That is just as important — or more so — than winning a race, a ballgame or whatever. I tell you right now as a mother, a grandmother and a great-grandmother, it's people like you that make us feel safe for our families to go to school. Be so proud of what you've done and keep it up, son, the rest of your life. Thank you.

Hernando school worthy of preservation

I agree with the Sound Off in today's paper that the old Hernando school project should be completed (Monday, June 21, titled "Commissioner Kitchen

‘against everything’"). So much money has already been put into it and it's such a worthy project, it would be a shame to just drop it now when it only needs \$100,000 to finish the thing. Why can't Ron Kitchen see that?

No time to get point across

I am calling in about the Sound Off itself and what has happened to the Sound Off. Now when you call in, you barely have time to get your message across to let them know what you're even talking about. You end the conversation before you can know what the degree of it is all about, so no one knows what you're talking about. All you have time to do is basically say, "Hello, don't build a dog shelter," and then it cuts you off. You have to rattle it off like 90 minutes an hour and it's just too slow. I mean, you can't get anything across, so no one gets the information of what you're trying to tell someone because there's not long enough to know.

Hernando school helps preserve community

I would like to address the "Old school worthy of preservation," in the letters to the editor (Friday, June 11, Page A10). I just wanted to say thank you, Phyllis Smith, for writing your article about "Old school worthy of preservation." Thank you so much. And I'd just like to address any political figure that has a hand in this, that I'd love for them to work on preserving the Old Hernando School

because Hernando's never had a community center and we're holding a community center in there and this is wonderful and so we have a meet-up ukulele group in there and you can do karaoke and games and things.

Alcohol on the water a problem

Good article in the Chronicle about Florida water patrol making BUI arrests over the Memorial Day weekend (Page A3, Thursday, June 3). It's about time. Homosassa Springs, Hunter Springs and Sandy Hook are big problems. Rainbow River and the headspring and Three Sisters Springs are not a problem. Guess what the difference is? Alcohol vs. no alcohol. I'm on the water on average once a week, year round, and I have been to all of these places many times.

More Citrus County news needed

I'm calling about the Chronicle being sold and some people are saying they hope it remains the same and the staff and etc. My thoughts are that I thought, in my 76 years of living in this county, that this Chronicle is supposed to be a small-town, small-county newspaper. It has changed to where we cover hardly anything of our small town when it comes to sports. It also has changed about some of the documentaries and so forth. A lot of the stuff we get is just moved over from the news sources in other cities and so forth. I am glad that someone's bought the paper. I am proud that we still have a paper in Citrus County, but I think it needs to cover our news in Citrus County more...

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# NATURE

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really don't know her story or even if she is a she, but I do know that the densely packed vegetation on about 6 acres on Woodward Park Street was recently cleared to the bare soil and all the trees were either removed or the lower 25 feet were de-limbed. A family of foxes lived there also, as well as the only fox squirrel I have ever seen in the neighborhood. The property was a breeding and roosting area for many native birds, including two barred owls. Have we no regrets about destroying wildlife habitats so we can grow more grass? All is gone for them.

■ I see they're (clearing) the land across from Home Depot on (State Road) 44 and Venable, a beautiful tract of forest and wetlands absolutely bulldozed to be made ugly. Nature's gone. Flood control's gone. You'd think these commissioners would learn after (County Road) 491 and Lecanto Boulevard where they wiped out acres of trees, and what do we have to

look at? More gas stations, more RV parks. Wouldn't it be nice if our commissioners had some vision for this county? That vision should be beauty. If they're going to clear a lot, they should have to keep 150 feet of natural vegetation on the street, make it pretty and have signage legislation.

■ The price of progress. When I arrived in Citrus County in 1972, County Road 486 was an unpaved clay road and watermelons were grown where Citrus Hills now stands. Now the BOCC wants to use it as the backdoor to the Suncoast Parkway instead of the front door of State Road 44. Oh well.

■ I'm calling about an incident that happened on (County Road) 491 the other day. I was driving down (C.R.) 491 and just happened to see, it looked like a dog coming out of the woods off of the opposite side, the left side of the highway. I slowed down and it happened to be a deer, a doe. Out behind her came this little tiny, it looked like barely-hours-old fawn. As she tried to cross the highway, I stopped and a lot of cars



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

The corner of West Venable Street and U.S. 19 has seen the removal of a large group of trees leaving the area barren.

stopped behind me and I said I was so thankful somebody didn't have a hot head and decide to go around me, because they'd have hit and killed her and that baby. So, please be aware of the nature around and watch out for them.

*Have an opinion? Call the Chronicle's Sound Off at 352-563-0579 and leave a message within the time provided, or send a Letter to the Editor to letters@chronicleonline.com. Limit is 400 words per letter.*

## LETTER to the Editor

### Commercial development clear cuts trees in Citrus

During the past two years there have been major commercial developments along U.S. 19 between Crystal River and Homosassa. The commercial properties are being clear cut and stripped of their trees.

What used to look like a sleepy rural community with lush forests now looks like a wasteland of dirt and desert. The Citrus County building codes require residential properties to maintain a certain

percentage of trees when new construction begins. Why aren't the same standards applied to commercial properties?

U.S. 19 between Crystal River and Homosassa looks like a wasteland because the land is being stripped. I don't think commercial property should be allowed to clear cut the land, especially in this wetlands area. They should have to replace the beautiful trees they have stripped out.

**John A. Fonk**  
Homosassa

# WINDOW

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"Maybe this will help with your style on the machines," she suggested. Her friends laughed. Mrs. Mulligan went right back to working out on her exercise bike. She had things to get done. I have been humbled by

legislators, county commissioners, sheriffs and even a governor. But Mrs. Mulligan gave it to me the best. With Oatmeal.

Speaking of discoveries, we were on vacation last week in the mountains of North Carolina with all four children and all of their children. A group of 21 making vacation noise together.

During these moments,

truths often present themselves. One such truth dribbled out this week. It was about 35 years ago the Chronicle ran a photo of our two boys — Jeff and Jeremiah — after they caught a large bass in Lake Tsala Apopka over by Eden Drive.

Our kids were still in elementary school and it was pretty amazing they managed to land such a

large bass. Back in the day, the Chronicle routinely ran such photos so it was not such a big deal to put our kids in the paper.

Thirty-five years later the truth comes out. While sitting around the cabin this week drinking some wine and local beer, the fishing photo came up. Turns out the two boys did not catch the fish.

They admitted they walked around the block to the community boat ramp and had their fishing poles stuck in the water when a serious fisherman pulled up in his boat. Watching the two boys coming up empty, the fisherman asked the boys if they wanted one of his extra bass.

They jumped at the opportunity and made up

the "great fishing" story as they walked back home.

The idea of "fake news" did not exist back in the 1980s, but I'm pretty sure this fishing tale fits nicely in the category.

*Gerry Mulligan is the publisher of the Chronicle. Email him at gmulligan@chronicleonline.com.*

# POWERS

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to give you the answer to that question.

As the Citrus County Property Appraiser, I continually hear comments directed towards our office as a whole — "I hope you don't raise my taxes!" or "Why did you increase my property taxes?"

I have even read some similar comments in the Chronicle's Sound Off section. These comments are understandable when it comes to the financial obligations of our property owners.

The Citrus County Property Appraiser's Office appraises approximately 147,000 properties and 7,200 tangible accounts in our county, placing a fair and equitable market value on the property. Over time, due to the

"Save our Homes" amendment and caps on increases allowed each year, a gap is built between the market value and the assessed value.

Next, our office subtracts the approved property exemptions to reach the taxable value of the property. We examine all applications for exemptions and classifications. We also review all the official records pertaining to property that is recorded at the Citrus County Clerk of Court's Office for ownership changes throughout the year. All properties are maintained and updated on our cadastral records maps. If you have a question about your property at any time, contact our office and speak to a member of our staff.

It is not the job of Citrus County Property Appraiser's Office to raise or lower taxes. In fact, our office is not even a taxing

authority. The property appraiser's office places assessed values on the properties located within these taxing authorities based upon the current market value. The importance of separation of powers when discussing taxing authorities in our county is vital. In Citrus County, as well as the 66 other counties around the state, the Property Appraiser's Office certifies the tax roll that is approved by the Florida Department of Revenue for the tax year. Then taxing authorities will start holding public hearings and discussing millage rates. The Citrus County Clerk of Court's Office begins holding Value Adjustment Board hearings. The Tax Collector's Office starts preparing the tax bills.

In June of every year, the taxing authorities listed above receive separate estimated taxable

values from our office to allow them time to begin preparing their budgets. On July 1 of every year, the taxing authorities then receive their certified taxable values from our office.

After July 1, the taxing authorities will finalize their budget requests, which they each separately create and justify the funding required to provide the necessary services for our community. Based on these budget requests, a millage rate is set for the dollar amount needed to obtain these budgets. The millage rate is multiplied by the taxable value in each taxing authority to determine the taxes due by each property owner.

In August, our office mails our Truth in Millage (TRIM) Notices. If a property owner has a question or concern regarding their property assessment

after receiving their TRIM Notice, they can contact the Citrus County Property Appraiser's office in person or via phone to schedule an informal conference with our staff.

The Citrus County Tax Collector's Office mails the tax bills each November to all property owners. The Tax Collector's Office collects all the tax payments, then their office disburses the money collected to all the taxing authorities.

Additionally, if a property owner does not agree with the assessment placed on their property by our office, they can petition to have a hearing through the Citrus County Clerk of Court. This request must be done before the 25th day following the mailing of the TRIM notice. The Clerk of Court will hold a hearing, known as a "Value Adjustment

Board," which will be controlled by a special magistrate. The special magistrate is a neutral party and will review the property and all the evidence provided — this is similar to any other hearings or trials in our county.

The separation of powers within our governmental agencies and taxing authorities is similar to the separate branches of the government within the United States. Each "power" has specific roles and functions that are clear and distinct. As a result, no single taxing authority or governmental agency can hold all the power or make all the decisions. We must all work together for the common good of our citizens.

*Cregg E. Dalton is the Citrus County Property Appraiser.*

# PEARLS

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get that. Certain pieces are destined to become heirlooms, passed down from one generation to the next.

With my sister's passing two years ago, I inherited her jewelry; some items, strictly costume, others, true treasures in every sense. The one piece

which meant the most to me was a single strand pearl necklace I had sprung for, as a thank you for the invaluable sisterly advice she had provided me over the years.

I could not begin to enumerate the times she was there for me when I needed someone most. When I gave her that necklace, I can still recall her utter surprise. It was an intimate moment, a culmination of the ups

and downs in both of our lives. We were sisters by blood, sweat and tears. We were survivors of what had once been a family of five. We had traveled many roads together through the mucky mud of Woodstock, to boogie boarding at Flagler Beach. We'd gone our separate ways. But now we were back together again. Just her and me.

And now, just me. Many of us have the task of

sorting through a loved one's possessions, now they are gone. It is an awesome, often wrenching undertaking. I am in between this process right now. Speed bumps have halted my efforts. Surgeries, illness and the pandemic, of course. No sooner do we begin one project, when we are up-ended by something else. This is how life has been for me of late.

I know I am not alone. I

know we all seek balance, as the wire gets tauter, and we teeter to steady ourselves. Often, even in group settings, we can feel, oh, so alone. Where are my sister's slender fingers, my mother's warm embrace? That special, all knowing look?

It's times like these when I search for the long blue velvet case, open it up, and retrieve its oyster masterpiece, an incomparably lovely pearl

necklace which bound me forever to a moment in time I will always cherish.

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# BEYOND

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July Fourth is also a day to remember our soldiers and be grateful.

But American soldiers are not the only ones who risked and gave their lives in defense of our country. In fact, there are some who aren't Americans at all.

I worked in Iraq from 2012-2015. I got there right after the majority of U.S. troops had left in 2011. I met dozens of people who had worked alongside our soldiers and diplomats as interpreters and cultural liaisons. They were the eyes and ears for Americans who were trying to understand the vast network of tribes and the complicated rivalries between ethnic groups.

Many of them were branded traitors by their countrymen. They were

forced to relocate their families and use different names. They were threatened. And in 2011 and the years that followed, many of them lost their lives in retaliatory attacks. Entire families were killed. In the neighborhood I lived in, a family of five was murdered in a revenge killing; their bodies left scattered in the front yard.

It was devastating.

They knew the risk when they took on the work. But the cause was that important and that worthy of a goal. Goodwill, however, wasn't the only thing that led these Iraqis to lay everything on the line. The United States military promised visas; a chance to start a new life in America as payment for the absolutely vital services these interpreters offered. The same deal was made in Afghanistan.

So in 2006, Congress approved a visa program for

Afghan and Iraqi interpreters who assisted the U.S. military during the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. In 2009, another Special Immigrant Visa program was created for other foreign nationals who had worked alongside diplomats and troops in other capacities during the wars.

But when troops pulled out of Iraq in 2011, it became increasingly more difficult for Iraqi translators to get their visas. In 2016, 325 Iraqi interpreters received their visas. In 2017, it was 196. In 2018, it was only two. Now the U.S. is pulling out of Afghanistan. Even as President Joe Biden has promised that the thousands of Afghan nationals who risked their lives for the sake of our soldiers and our country "are not going to be left behind," there is a very real fear that the delays and logjams that stranded

so many Iraqis without the promised safety they were recruited under, is going to happen to Afghans as America pulls out of the country.

The visa process takes time. And it should. The extensive background checks conducted by the State Department are absolutely necessary — even though they have already been vetted by the Department of Defense. The due diligence is imperative.

But too many applicants, some having waited over a decade for their promised visa, are getting denied — and often for no stated reason whatsoever. According to the State Department, between October and December 2020, 1,646 Afghans were denied visas even after they had satisfied the application requirements and passed security screenings. Some of them even included letters they had received

from the Taliban threatening their lives and the lives of their families.

Every day more and more American troops are exiting the country, leaving our Afghan partners in a state of panic and despair. As the American presence in Afghanistan dwindles, the shadow of Taliban retaliation just looms larger.

President Biden announced a plan this week to get Afghan translators to safety in a third country while the U.S. tries to get through the bureaucratic backlog keeping these Afghans from getting through the visa process. It isn't a perfect plan, but it's at least an opportunity to keep our partners safe while all the nuts and bolts of securing visas for people from high-risk countries get put into place.

We celebrate our freedom today and we, as a nation, have so many of our

fellow American men and women to thank for their sacrifices on our behalf. But we need to remember that, in some cases, our troops couldn't have done it alone. This Independence Day we must honor our commitments to the Iraqi and Afghan men and women who risked their lives to assist our troops. We must keep our promises.

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Sound OFF

Carrier Ronald is wonderful

Hi, Chronicle! Since everybody's been passing out the compliments, I want to get one in there, too. I want to say thanks to Ronald Wood, who's our Citrus County Chronicle carrier who's been with us since March. He's absolutely wonderful. The paper is there every morning right where it should be, in the driveway where we can see it. He also is there ultra-early. We get up early and it's so nice sometimes to find out our paper's there before 4 a.m. Thank you, Ronald. Keep it up. We're glad to have you. And Christmas is coming and I hope everybody thinks about how often our carriers have to arrive at our doors to drop those papers off 52 weeks a year, so don't be cheap on the tips. Thank you.

New shelter should be near jail

I'm calling about the new dog shelter that needs to be built. I've seen a lot of people saying they don't want it and the ones that don't want it are living in their \$300,000 or \$400,000 homes with these big boats and all they're concerned about are the ramps that they want to put in so they can go out fishing. I think there's people in the neighborhood, the residents, and from other areas that would really benefit by that animal shelter. I think it should be built near the prison. I think the prisoners could help train the dogs. It would also act as a teaching school for people volunteering that may want to become technicians. You could set up something out there like a festival where vendors could

sell pet items, bowls and shirts and sweaters and all that kind of stuff.

No authority in Crystal Oaks

I would like to respond to the person that called in about Crystal Oaks subdivision installing their own speed bumps (in Sound Off, Page A7, Thursday, June 10). Crystal Oaks subdivision does not have a homeowners association. It was a deed-restricted community when it first opened.

They did away with that. They do not have any authority at all. So get your story straight before you call in.

More road details needed

I'm reading today's Chronicle about the county planning for the (County Road) 486 parkway interchange (Thursday, June 10's front-page story). Whatever happened to the interchange at (State Road) 44? And another question:

Is (County Road) 491 going to be finished before the parkway opens? I know that the state had given them money to complete that project, but nothing seems to be happening. Inquiring minds want to know.

Underpass a waste of money

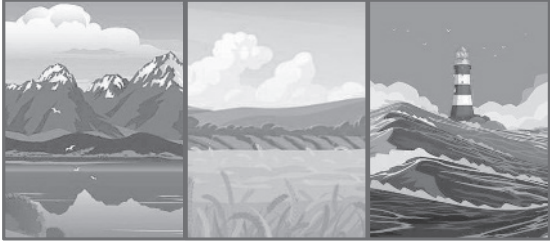
I'm calling Sound Off in reference to the (Friday, June 11, front-page story), "Pedestrian tunnel takes shape," "When finished, underpass will connect trail systems." Big deal. A waste of taxpayers' money. Now, if the bike people paid money for a tag on their bicycles and put some money towards it, I wouldn't have a problem with it. So now you opened Pandora's box and you're going to say, "Well, we can't get through here, it's too dangerous there." Then you're going to want another underpass and another underpass. And who knows all the drug activity that's going to take (place) under these underpasses, let alone how many people are going to do many other things under the tunnel underpass. A waste of taxpayers' money.



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## Groups that differ

**P**ublic charities and foundations, as defined by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), fall under the statutory umbrella as 501(c)(3) non-profit corporate organizations. They are similar in mission or purpose because they both fund worthy causes.

However, they are very different with respect to sources of income and operational rules within their respective IRS category under the 501(c)(3) statutes.

### Public charities

Public charities as defined by the IRS, are "Publicly Supported" nonprofits corporations.

Under this category IRS lists: religious groups, churches, educational associations, research and scientific organizations, hospitals, medical societies, public safety, amateur sports groups, etc., and much more.

The use of the term public charity is often misunderstood to only mean a group doing charitable work.

Public charities are nonprofits that are "publicly supported" because they receive funding from multiple sources. Examples include: personal or public donations, grants, gifts and fundraising events.

### Foundations

Foundations are also nonprofit organizations under the IRS 501(c)(3) code and statutes. IRS refers to this classification as private foundations.

Under Section 508 of the IRS code, all non-profit organizations are automatically classified as private foundations unless they meet one of the exceptions under 509a. A major exception is the source of income.

Private foundations typically have one major source of income. Usually, it represents funding received from a wealthy family or corporation, and not from multiple sources.

For the most part of their activities, foundations make grants to public charities or to individuals.

There are three types of foundations under the

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# 120 years of artistry



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Michael Vascimini uses a nail gun to attach a piece of wood that will be used temporarily from inside of the Vascimini Woodworking in Homosassa. The shop creates custom-made wood furnishings and cabinetry.

## Fourth generation offering fine woodworking in Homosassa family business

**MICHAEL D. BATES**  
*Staff writer*

**M**ichael Vascimini Jr. admits it's somewhat daunting to carry on the traditions of a 120-year-old family business on his 25-year-old shoulders.

Vascimini's great-grandfather Pasquale began Vascimini Woodworking in 1902. He and family members moved to Brooklyn, New York, and now the operation is in Homosassa.

"It's pretty awesome," said Vascimini, representing the fourth generation of woodworkers.

"I wasn't sure I wanted to work here but I would come on weekends," he said. "The more I worked here, the more I was determined this is what I want to do."

Dad Michael Vascimini Sr., 56, said he has allowed his son to assume most of the "heavy lifting" in the shop because he has taken to the job so quickly. He admits it is often hard to hand off some of the duties but the transition is working well.

Vascimini Woodworking is at 5175 U.S. 19 in Homosassa and is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year being in Citrus County.

Vascimini Woodworking is a two-man operation (father and son) and specializes in antique restoring, refinishing and repairing. Father and son specialize in custom building furniture and cabinetry for any area of the house including kitchen, bathroom, bedrooms and dining rooms.

### 'Here it is, make it work.'

Michael Vascimini Sr. remembers when he was 13 years old and in eighth grade living in Brooklyn. His father Frank and uncle were building a backdrop to an altar at a Catholic church and he recalled how they built scaffolding to support the crew while doing their intricate work.

That impressed him so much he was determined to join the family business and even asked his dad for a workbench for his eighth-grade graduation.

There was one problem: Vascimini's dad discouraged his son from entering the woodworking business.

"Dad was totally against this and he (and my uncle) fought me tooth and nail," he said.

Heeding his father's advice, Vascimini attended the New York Institute of



Mike Vascimini is a master woodworker. He and his son Michael work on custom-made wood cabinetry and furnishings from their Homosassa business.

*Legacy*  
tales of  
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& FAMILY BUSINESS

Technology and graduated with an engineering degree. All the while, he kept working in his dad and uncles' shop whenever he could.

After two years of working at an engineering job, Vascimini, then 25 years old, realized he did not have the passion for it.

"I just always liked to work with my hands," he said.

Finally, when he was 25, after "begging my dad," to back me up and set me up in the woodworking business financially, he agreed.

But with this proviso: he would start a branch of the family business in Homosassa.

The family was familiar with Citrus County from numerous vacations and fell in

love with the area.

Said Vascimini: "I was right at my son's age (25) when my dad put the building up and literally said, 'Here it is, make it work.'"

And Vascimini Sr. did make it work. He started the Homosassa operation in 1991 while his dad ran the Brooklyn store. In 1998, his dad retired, moved to Homosassa and worked with his son for 10 years "for zero money."

Vascimini said it was a chance for his retired father to "hang his hat."

### The next level

Vascimini Sr. said the woodworking trade has changed since his grandfather Pasquale opened with only a band saw and lathe.

His son, who has an engineering degree from the University of South Florida, has taken woodworking to the next level by incorporating innovative design and technology into his craft.

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Do you have what you think is a great idea to help put a fire under Citrus County to move our economy forward?

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Then we want you to present it at Fire Up Citrus on October 21st at the Valerie Theatre!

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thinking, "why not?" Who knows? Your idea may help spark something that becomes a game changer for Citrus County. Give it a shot and share your idea!

Applications can be found online at [www.CitrusCountyChamber.com/fire-up-citrus](http://www.CitrusCountyChamber.com/fire-up-citrus). For additional questions contact Ardath Prendergast at

[Ardath@CitrusCountyChamber.com](mailto:Ardath@CitrusCountyChamber.com) or call 352-795-3149.

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■ **Does my idea have to revolve around my business or area of expertise?** Absolutely not. Dream large!

■ **Does it have to be practical?** Not really. But it could be.

■ **Do I have to have a slide presentation?** Yes. You can create your own PowerPoint slide show, or we can help you put your images into a presentation if you like. The requirement is that there must be 20 images that will automatically advance every 15 seconds, and end at a total of five minutes.

■ **Can I work with a partner?** Sure! If you want to do a dog-and-pony presentation with another person, that would be fine. Just keep it to the total of five minutes with 20 slides.

■ **How do I know if I am selected to present?** We limit the number of presentations to 12 so that the evening doesn't run too long. The applications will go before a

selection committee for the purposes of choosing as wide a variety of topics as possible from the applications we receive.

■ **Who will be in our audience?** This is a public event and it will be advertised widely throughout the County. Additionally, all our elected officials and business leaders are invited and encouraged to attend. However, no officials will be presenters — they will be there to hear your ideas.

■ There is no admission cost to the public. Audio visual equipment will be provided for the presentations and an operator will keep your slide show moving along for you. The event will be videotaped so that we can keep track of the great ideas that emerge.

■ The Citrus County Chamber is in charge of the event. If anything negative or mean-spirited is presented, the "hook" will come out — literally. This event is designed to be about constructive thinking.

■ **What happens with the ideas presented?** Who knows? Maybe nothing; maybe everything. But you never know when something sparks and might lead somewhere. That is why we are also asking our local officials and business leaders to be in the audience, and we will videotape the event. Presentations from Fire Up Citrus! have triggered new businesses to open, garnered volunteers to work on other ideas, and started the ball rolling on other major projects.

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This week, host Jade White, Chamber Public Relations & Communication Coordinator, talks with the Chamber's Special Events Manager, Erika Corley, about their upcoming events including the 2021 Business Expo, a fundraiser for local teenager Jeremy, and a quick look at the events coming in 2022. Also joining Jade is Bonnie McMullen and Jack Seeberg of Nature Coast Ministries to discuss their no cost dental clinic, this impacts of this program on our community, and how we can help them be successful. Chamber Report is your ticket to the many happenings in Citrus County!

**Erika Corley**  
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# NONPROFIT

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title private foundation: private operating foundations, exempt operating foundations and grant-making (non-operating) private foundations.

Each of these foundations has rules, tax exemptions and provisions that have operational differences.

The IRS is very specific with respect to granting the private foundation classes. Their determination letter spells out the ruling and operational expectations.

Managing a private foundation requires strict adherence to IRS compliance issues. Breach of IRS compliance can cause revocation of the legal entity.

Note: A future column will discuss particular differences in the private foundation classes.

*Dr. Frederick J Herzog, is founder/executive director of the NonProfitResourceCenter in Citrus County. He can be reached via email at fherzog@tampabay.rr.com, or call 847-899-9000. Visit online at thenonprofitresourcecenter.com.*

# LEGACY

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To remain competitive, the Vascimini's spent \$70,000 on a C&C router, a computer-controlled cutting machine which cuts down on labor and produces precision pieces.

The Vascimini's can also produce a 3-D digital drawing to show customers how their finished product will look.

The new equipment sits in the expansive back workroom, where father and son still have Pasquale's original lathe from the early 1900s.

## Secret of success

Vascimini Sr. attributes his family's 100-plus years in the woodworking business (30 years in Homosassa) to stamina and perseverance. The recession of 2008 almost sank the business, but he managed to stay afloat.

"(It's) the passion to keep going," he said. "This business is tough to do to achieve the quality and work by hand."

And living in Citrus County is an added bonus. Father and son foresee many more years ahead.

"It's where I grew up," Vascimini Jr. said. "I love it here."

He joked he'll stay here until

his dad "throws me out."

For more information about Vascimini Woodworking, call 352-628-9010 or visit <https://vasciminiwoodworking.com/index.php>.



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

**Vascimini Woodworking has been a fixture in Homosassa for 30 years. The family woodworking business has been established since 1900.**

**Some of the tools of the trade hang on the wall at Vascimini Woodworking and Cabinetry in Homosassa. The business has been operating in the same location along U.S. 19 for 30 years.**



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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.

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**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.**

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• **Toss offers that ask you to pay for a prize. If it's free, you shouldn't have to pay to get it.**

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the following, at last known address:  
**Joshua E Nieves**  
**1896 W Rutland Dr**  
**Citrus Springs, FL**  
You are hereby notified that your eligibility to vote is in question. You are required to contact the Supervisor of Elections in Crystal River, Florida, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this publishing. Failure to respond will result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor and your name will be removed from the statewide voter registration system. If further assistance is needed, contact the Supervisor of Elections at the below listed address or call 352-564-7120.  
Maureen "Mo" Baird  
Citrus County Supervisor of Elections  
Physical Address: 1500 N Meadowcrest Blvd, Crystal River, FL 34429  
Mailing Address: PO Box 1870, Lecanto, FL 34460  
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1540-0704 SUCRN  
PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE OF ACTION:** ORDERS TO VACATE AND DEMOLISH - VIOLATION OF CITRUS COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 20 ARTICLE V UNSAFE STRUCTURES AND/OR CONDITIONS  
  
CASE NUMBER: 258428  
  
Description of property: Altkey: 3486025; TOWN OF HOLDER PB 1 PG 26 LOT 8 LESS N 20 FT BLK 9 TITLE IN OR BK 532 PG 1636 & OR BK 672 PG 247 OR BK 2348 PG 1716; Parcel ID: 19E17S300010 00090 0080  
  
**RUTH THOMAS**  
**6981 N. Smith Ter.**  
**Holder, Florida**  
  
On **June 30, 2021**, orders were issued by the Citrus County Code Compliance Director to vacate and demolish the structure(s) on the property located at: **6981 N. Smith Ter., Holder, FL.** If the property owner(s) fail to comply with this order, the Code Compliance Division will issue a work order to abate the nuisance condition.  
  
Any person(s) having a legal interest in this property may contact the Code Compliance Office within 30 days of this publication. Board of County Commissioners, Dept. of Growth Management, Code Compliance Division, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Lecanto, FL. 352-527-5350. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 341-6580.  
  
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CASE NUMBER: 281364  
  
Description of property: Altkey: 1051118; CRYSTAL RIVER OAKS PB 3 PG 115 LOTS 23, 24, 25 & 26 BLK B (LR-96-31 OR BK 1166 PG 329-330 ACCEPTED 01-07-97); Parcel ID: 17E18S070010 000B0 0230  
  
**GLENN CANETTI**  
**11389 W. Yellow Oak Ln.**  
**Crystal River, FL 34428**  
  
On **June 30, 2021**, orders were issued by the Citrus County Code Compliance Director to vacate and demolish the structure(s) on the property located at: **11389 W. Yellow Oak Ln., Crystal River, FL.** If the property owner(s) fail to comply with this order, the Code Compliance Division will issue a work order to abate the nuisance condition.  
  
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CASE NUMBER: 278066  
  
Description of property: Altkey: 1601215; APACHE SHORES UNIT 11 PB 5 PG 36 LOT 17 BLK 37; Parcel ID: 19E18S140110 00370 0170  
  
**BRUCE J. GOODWIN**  
**4172 E. Fargo Lane**  
**Hernando, Florida**  
  
On **June 30, 2021**, orders were issued by the Citrus County Code Compliance Director to vacate and demolish the structure(s) on the property located at: **4172 E. Fargo Ln., Hernando, FL.** If the property owner(s) fail to comply with this order, the Code Compliance Division will issue a work order to abate the nuisance condition.  
  
Any person(s) having a legal interest in this property may contact the Code Compliance Office within 30 days of this publication. Board of County Commissioners, Dept. of Growth Management, Code Compliance Division, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Lecanto, FL. 352-527-5350. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 341-6580.

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CASE NUMBER: 275802  
  
Description of property: Altkey: 2580364; W 417.42 FT OF N 208.71 FT OF SW1/4 OF SW1/4 SEC 29-17-19 TITLE IN OR BK 816 PG 663 & OR BK 940 PG 486 & OR BK 2268 PG 1614 & OR BK 2292 PGS 1030 TO 1033; Parcel ID: 19E17S29 33110  
  
**TERRY SMALL**  
**TRACY SMALL**  
**7249 N. Florida Ave.**  
**Dunnellon, FL**  
  
On **June 30, 2021**, orders were issued by the Citrus County Code Compliance Director to vacate and demolish the structure(s) on the property located at: **7249 N. Florida Ave., Dunnellon, FL.** If the property owner(s) fail to comply with this order, the Code Compliance Division will issue a work order to abate the nuisance condition.  
  
Any person(s) having a legal interest in this property may contact the Code Compliance Office within 30 days of this publication. Board of County Commissioners, Dept. of Growth Management, Code Compliance Division, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Lecanto, FL. 352-527-5350. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 341-6580.  
  
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1547-0711 SUCRN  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that on 7/23/2021 at 10:30 am, the following mobile home will be sold at public auction pursuant to F.S. 715.109 1956 GENA HS 56350093 . Last Tenants: JOHN LESLIE DAVIDSON, MARY ELLEN RICHARDSON, & ALL UNKNOWN BENEFICIARIES, HEIRS, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS AND DEVEISES OF JOHN LESLIE DAVIDSON AND OF MARY ELLEN RICHARDSON and all unknown parties beneficiaries heirs . Sale to be at LIBERTY HOUSING GROUP, LLC, 412 N APOPKA AVE, INVERNESS, FL 34450. 813-241-8269.  
  
**Published July 4 & 11, 2021**

1548-0711 SUCRN  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that on 7/23/2021 at 10:30 am, the following mobile home will be sold at public auction pursuant to F.S. 715.109 1956 LIBE HS 20048 . Last Tenants: RAMONA R KAN, WILLIAM J POTTER and all unknown parties beneficiaries heirs . Sale to be at SUNCOAST RV PARK, LLC, 6049 S SUNCOAST BLVD, HOMOSASSA, FL 34446. 407-739-1466.  
  
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1537-0704 SUCRN  
PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the **CITRUS COUNTY AVIATION ADVISORY BOARD** will meet at **2:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 8, 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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1538-0704 SUCRN  
07/14/21 Regular Meeting CC Tourist Development Council  
PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the **CITRUS COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL** will hold a Regular meeting on **Wednesday, July 14th at 9:00 a.m.** at the Lecanto Government Building, Room 166, Lecanto, FL 34461.  
  
Any person desiring further information regarding this meeting may contact the Executive Offices of the Board of County Commissioners, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida, 34450 - (352) 341-6560.  
  
Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the Lecanto Government Building, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Lecanto, FL 34461- (352) 527-5207, at least one day before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 341-6580.  
  
SCOTT E. 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 286.0101, Florida Statute).  
  
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**SECTION 00020 - INVITATION TO BID**  
**CITY OF CRYSTAL RIVER - INDIAN WATERS PHASE I**  
**SEPTIC TO SEWER**  
  
DATE: July 4th, 2021 Bid Number: 21-B-08  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Crystal River will receive sealed bids for construction of the **Indian Waters Phase I Septic to Sewer Project**. All qualified contractors licensed by the State of Florida are hereby invited to submit a bid on the above referenced project. Bids will be received until 11:00 am E.T. on July 30th, 2021 at the City of Crystal River City Hall, 123 US-19, Crystal River, FL 34428. The last day for questions is 5:00 PM E.T on July 19th, 2021. Bids will be opened on the steps of the City Hall Council Chambers at 11:10 am E.T. on July 30th, 2021. For more information, contact Stacy Boney, Kimley-Horn and Associates at (352) 438-3000.  
  
**DESCRIPTION OF WORK:** All work for the Project shall be constructed in accordance with the Drawings and Specifications prepared by the Engineer. Bids shall be submitted for furnishing, deliv-

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ering and installing all materials, equipment and services, including labor for the Work, which generally involves the following activities:

The base bid consists of the construction of approximately 5,000 LF of 2" low pressure force main, the installation of 77 grinder stations, connection to identified existing manholes, installation of long and short sewer service laterals, installation of grinder station control panels, and the associated restoration of ROW, Resident lots, and roadways.

**CONTRACT TIME:** Construction time to achieve Substantial Completion is 180 consecutive calendar days from the date of the Notice to Proceed, with an additional 45 consecutive calendar days to achieve Final Completion.

**PROJECT MANUAL AND DRAWINGS:** Copies of the Project Manual and Drawings are available for review at the City of Crystal River City Hall or the Office of the Engineer. Bid packages may be obtained by contacting the office of the Engineer:  
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.  
101 E Silver Springs Boulevard, Suite 400 Ocala, Florida 34470  
Phone: (352) 438-3000, E-mail: [stacy.boney@kimley-horn.com](mailto:stacy.boney@kimley-horn.com)

All bids shall be prepared using the Project Manual and Drawings. Addenda will be sent via e-mail to all plan holders up to seventy-two (72) hours before the Bid closing time. The Owner/Engineer is not responsible for delivery of addenda to prospective bidders.

Electronic Bid Documents are no charge; however, a payment will be required for each paper hard copy set of Bid Documents. This payment represents reproduction and handling costs and is non-refundable. Payment shall be in the form of cash or money order only.

Electronic (.pdf) Bid Documents No Charge  
Hard Copy Bid Documents \$100.00 (pick up at Engineers Office)  
\$200.00 (Fed Ex 2-day Delivery)

**PRE-BID MEETING:** A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held for this project at 1:00 PM on July 13th at Crystal River City Hall.

**BID SECURITY:** A 5% bid security will be required for this project.

**PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BOND:** The Owner will require that the Contractor furnish a Performance and Payment Bond in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract Price. All Payment and Performance Bonds shall be secured from or countersigned by an agency or surety company recognized in good standing and authorized to do business in the State of Florida.

The City of Inverness reserves the right to waive formalities, waive any technical defects, reject any and all bids, and accept any bid which represents the lowest and best offer to the City.

**END OF SECTION**

**Published July 4, 2021**

1546-0704 SUCRN  
PUBLIC NOTICE

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**  
**RFQ NO. 21-096**  
**Continuing Contract for Professional Services**  
**Water, Wastewater, and Reclaimed Water Utility Systems**  
  
In accordance with Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, Citrus County, Florida ("County") is requesting interested firms to submit Statement of Qualifications providing qualifications and experience with various professional Engineering services associated with public water, wastewater and reclaimed water systems. Each consultant selected should also be able to provide the services sub-noted within the disciplines either through in-house services or with sub-consultants.  
  
**Minimum Requirements & Timeliness**  
  
Respondents shall demonstrate in their Response that they meet the following minimum requirements. If any Respondent is found not to meet these requirements, their Response will be rejected.  

- Firms and personnel within those firms shall be qualified and meet requirements for the professional discipline for which they are applying.
- Firms shall be registered with the State of Florida to conduct business in the State.
- Key Personnel within the firm shall possess a valid and current professional license or certification issued by the State of Florida for the professional discipline for which they are applying.
- Firms must have been in the business of providing professional services for the discipline(s) for which they are applying for a minimum of five (5) years.
- If a Firm has a history of less than five years, the principal individual within the Firm must demonstrate that they were previously employed with another firm who provides professional services for the discipline(s) for which they are applying for a minimum of five (5) years in order to meet this minimum requirement.
- Key Personnel within the Firm must have a minimum of five (5) years of experience in their discipline of expertise.
- Project Managers proposed by the Firm must have a minimum of three (3) years of project management experience.
- Sub-consultants and sub-contractors that Firms may propose must also meet the above minimum requirements.

**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](http://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](mailto:support@evendorlink.com).  
  
**SEALED Responses are to be submitted on or before August 5, 2021, at 2:00 PM (EST).** The County will now receive proposal submittals through the online solicitation management portal, [www.myvendorlink.com](http://www.myvendorlink.com).  
  
**SEALED Responses shall be opened on August 5, 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](http://www.myvendorlink.com). The only information conveyed at the Public Opening will be the names of the Respondents.  
  
**Public Tally** Individual Scorers review of the Proposals will publicly be opened and read aloud on **August 19, 2021, at 10:00am** (subject to Change). Public opening shall be held via MICROSOFT TEAMS phone conference call. See Solicitation document for detail information on [www.myvendorlink.com](http://www.myvendorlink.com).  
  
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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To obtain a copy of the Request for Proposal Document for this announcement, please visit the Citrus County Website at [www.myvendorlink.com](http://www.myvendorlink.com) and [www.demandstar.com](http://www.demandstar.com). Copies can also be obtained by calling the Department of Management & Budget/Purchasing at (352) 527-5457.  
  
CITRUS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Scott Carnahan, Chairman  
  
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1545-0704 SUCRN  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
Fictitious Name

Notice under Fictitious Name Law. pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes.  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:  
**KIERNAN TRANSPORTING**  
located at 9703 E. Goldfish Lane, Inverness, FL 34450 in the County of Citrus, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, FL.  
Dated at Inverness, FL, this 1st day of July, 2021.  
/s/ Shawn Kiernan  
Owner  
**Published July 4, 2021**



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2017 Kia Forte LX R0233A.....	<b>\$15,991</b>	2018 Kia Sorento L R0099A.....	<b>\$19,594</b>	2019 Kia Sportage LX RT0469A.....	<b>\$23,991</b>	2021 Kia Sportage EX R0421A.....	<b>\$30,992</b>
2017 Kia Soul Base RT0455A.....	<b>\$15,991</b>	2020 Kia Soul LX R0236A.....	<b>\$19,892</b>	2020 Kia Sportage LX R0368A.....	<b>\$23,991</b>	2018 Kia Stinger Premium R0349A.....	<b>\$32,993</b>
2018 Kia Soul Base R0485A.....	<b>\$17,998</b>	2018 Kia Optima S R0351A.....	<b>\$20,991</b>	2017 Kia Sportage EX RT0465A.....	<b>\$23,993</b>	2018 Kia Stinger Premium R0364A.....	<b>\$32,993</b>
2021 Kia Rio S R0003A.....	<b>\$18,991</b>	2019 Kia Soul Exclaim RT0446A.....	<b>\$21,494</b>	2019 Kia Optima EX R0312A.....	<b>\$24,991</b>	2019 Kia Sorento EX R0388A.....	<b>\$33,991</b>
2019 Kia Forte LXS R0081A1.....	<b>\$18,992</b>	2019 Kia Sportage LX R0396A.....	<b>\$22,991</b>	2020 Kia Sportage LX R0390A.....	<b>\$24,991</b>	2018 Kia Stinger GT RT0498A1.....	<b>\$36,991</b>
2020 Kia Soul LX RT0379A.....	<b>\$19,494</b>	2020 Kia Soul EX R0132A.....	<b>\$22,991</b>	2020 Kia Sportage EX RT0526A.....	<b>\$27,991</b>	Plus Many More to Choose From	



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**2016 Hyundai Sonata Limited**  
#RT0413B  
**\$17,991**



**2016 Jeep Renegade Latitude**  
#15R1034  
**\$23,491**



**2020 Kia Sportage EX**  
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# HomeFront

SUNDAY, JULY 4, 2021

This female King Sago has a few pups growing around its trunk base and seeds still attached below the current year's flush of new leaves. The owners spray annually and as needed to kill any Asian cycad scale that drifts in on the wind. The frost-tender cycad is tucked into a corner between the home and garage where the radiant heat in winter creates a warmer microclimate to ward off winter frosts.

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Inside this week:

Jane's Garden

Japanese King Sago and scale insects./Page E6



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# Home prices jumped at fastest pace in more than 15 years

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — U.S. home prices soared in April at the fastest pace since 2005 as potential buyers bid up prices on a limited supply of available properties.

The S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller 20-city home price index, released Tuesday, jumped nearly 15% in April from the previous year. That is up from a 13.4% annual gain in March.

Many Americans have sought more living space since the pandemic began, seeking larger homes in suburbs rather than apartments or smaller homes in cities. Historically low mortgage rates, restrained in part by the Federal Reserve's low-interest rate policies, have also spurred demand, just as the large millennial generation ages into a peak home-buying period. The price gains have been so dramatic that home sales have started to slow as more would-be buyers are priced out of the market.

Still, economists said there is little sign that the housing market's blistering price increases are likely to cool off soon.

"The forces that have propelled home price growth to new highs over the past year remain in place and are offering little evidence of abating," said Matthew Speakman, an economist at real estate data provider Zillow.

All 20 cities that make up the index reported higher year-over-year price gains in April than the previous month. Five cities — Charlotte, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, and Seattle — had the largest 12-month price increases on records dating back 30 years.

Even as demand rose during the pandemic, fewer Americans were willing to sell their properties, perhaps reluctant to have waves of potential buyers troop through their homes. That sharply reduced the number of houses available, setting off bidding wars for most properties. Last month, nearly half of homes sold were selling for above their asking price, according to realty company Redfin.



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# Planting a window box

MIRANDA CROWELL  
Tribune Content Agency

## Living SPACE

Window boxes give gardeners an affordable outlet to do what they love most: experiment. Known as one of the first living walls, window boxes have been a longtime favorite of gardeners. Window boxes continue to be a popular landscape element today and often stand in for front yards at homes that open to the sidewalk. Although there is a lot of creative freedom with planting window boxes, there is a right way to do it. Window boxes show off the wide range of possibilities a few feet of soil can offer, so use our tips to create a floral creation of your own. Here's how to plant a window box.

The first step is to choose your box and where you want to hang it. Don't underestimate how heavy a window box can be—it is filled with soil and plants, and gets even heavier when watered. We recommend buying a sturdy box made of a hardwood like redwood or cedar rather than pine (which rots

quickly), and then securing the box with a window box bracket.

Always make sure your window box has drainage holes. To aid drainage, place 2 inches of nonbiodegradable packing peanuts or old wine corks in the bottom of the box, and then cover with landscape fabric to prevent soil from seeping out.

Next, fill the box halfway with potting soil, and add your plants. Make sure your plants are placed a few inches apart to give them room to fill out. If you want immediate impact, you can plant closer; of course, but know that you will need to pinch or prune your plants to prevent overcrowding. Once your plants are in place, fill in the gaps with more soil and lightly pat down around the plants.

As with all container plantings, choose plants with similar water and light needs, and expect to water them more often than those in the ground. Water thoroughly once the soil has dried out.

## Selecting plants

Most successful window boxes contain a mix of these three primary plant types. These are some of our favorites in each category.

## Thrillers

They are your hero plants — the ones that command attention and drive the rest of the design.

■ "Katrina" African iris: Exotic flowers top long, spiked leaves.

■ "Sallyfun Deep Ocean" salvia: Fragrant and a butterfly magnet.

■ "Frydek" alocasia: Big, emerald green leaves anchor a tropical look.

■ "Kong Red" coleus: Massive, upright leaves; prefers shade.

## Spillers

Trailing over the side of the container, these plants add softness and a little romance.

See LIVING/Page E5

# Letter opener is ivory, could date to early 19th century

**Dear John:** I have enjoyed reading your articles in the Citrus County Chronicle for years. The no-nonsense honest answers and opinions you get are much appreciated. Here are a couple of photos, hopefully clear enough for you to tell me if the item is made of ivory. I bought it at a garage sale for 50 cents. This price made me think it was certainly not ivory but some sort of plastic or perhaps bone. I am not sure what it was used

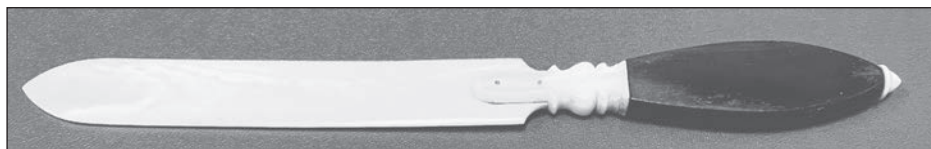


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for, maybe a letter opener. I am interested to know if it is made of ivory; if so, what is its value? Thank you. It is 8 1/4 inches long and three-quarter inches wide. — F.R., internet

**Dear F.R.:** Thank you for the kind words and the good photographs. The item is, as you suspect, a letter opener. The close-up photograph of

the blade is quite clear. The blade, connectors, and the little knob at the top of the wood handle are made of ivory. I think it



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**This letter opener is probably made from ivory, and may date from the early 19th century.**

was made in America in the New England area by a talented craftsman in the early 19th century. I think it would sell for well over 100 times what you paid for it — good find!

**Dear John:** My husband recently bought the contents of a storage unit. There are six really old dial telephones. We have no interest in keeping them and realize they probably have some collector value. They are all black in color, very heavy

and in pretty good condition. Can you give us a resource where we can sell them? Thank you for any information you can provide. — H.N., internet

**Dear H.N.:** I suggest you contact the specialists at the Old Phone Shop in Franklin, Wisconsin. They buy, sell and restore all categories of old telephones. The website is [www.oldphoneshop.com](http://www.oldphoneshop.com). Good luck.

**Dear John:** My wife and I have lots of sterling and

coin tableware, hand-painted dishes, teacups, cut glass and other items from my parents and grandparents. We have one daughter in her 40s and we are both 73. We would like to know which, if any, of these items might have the most value since my daughter, who is single, cannot possibly house them all. We might be looking for someone or somehow to evaluate many of these things either by pictures online or in person.

Thanks for any help you might provide. — J. & R.R., Homosassa

**Dear J. & R.R.:** It is nice to hear your daughter has an interest in your family heirlooms. Since she cannot house them all it would be good to separate the wheat from the chaff, then she can select the pieces she likes. I offer a private verbal advice appraisal service in your home. If you like, call me at my office in Ocala and we will discuss the details. The phone number is 352-351-1009.

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](mailto:asksikorski@aol.com).



# LIVING

Continued from Page E4

■ “Neon” pothos: Chartreuse leaves are like rays of sunshine.

■ “Blanket White” petunia: Fast grower with cottage charm.

■ “Angelina” sedum: Foolproof plant with fleshy yellow leaves.

■ “Ivy League Deep Pink” geranium: Flowers spring through summer.

## Fillers

Midsize plants bridge the space between thrillers and spillers.

■ “Aaron” caladium: White-center leaves look bright and fresh.

■ “Pink Splash” polka dot plant: Foliage as impactful as any flower.

■ “Mango Tango” agastache: Peach-color flowers go with everything.

■ “Impreza Violet” impatiens: Tidy mounds of long-blooming flowers.

## Things to remember

Keep in mind a few basic design principles, then unleash your creativity.

1. Use repetition in your planting. Repetition is a foolproof way to create a cohesive look in a window box. Try planting a 15-foot-long box with repeating groups of ivy ball topiary, chartreuse coleus and white caladium for a sense of flow and order.

2. Choose a focal point. Choosing the centerpiece first means the rest of your plant picks will fall into place. For example, start with a lemon cypress topiary. Use coleus to bridge the colors of the foliage

and the brick, and creeping wire vine to loosen the design.

3. Think about texture. An arrangement can achieve masses of texture by mixing wispy purple fountain grass, croton and spilling sweet potato vine. The form differences ensure each plant stands out even though the box is tightly packed.

4. Take cues from the landscape. For a garden door container, red-orange copperleaf and variegated sea hibiscus tie into the color of a nearby Japanese maple. It's filled it out with English ivy, which also grows in the backyard, plus Spanish moss.

5. Stay consistent. Try choosing a single color palette for plantings all around your house. One window box planting uses green and white, with hints of yellow. If your window box hangs near an outdoor dining table, tuck in fragrant herbs like thyme, oregano and mint as fillers.

## Plant with confidence

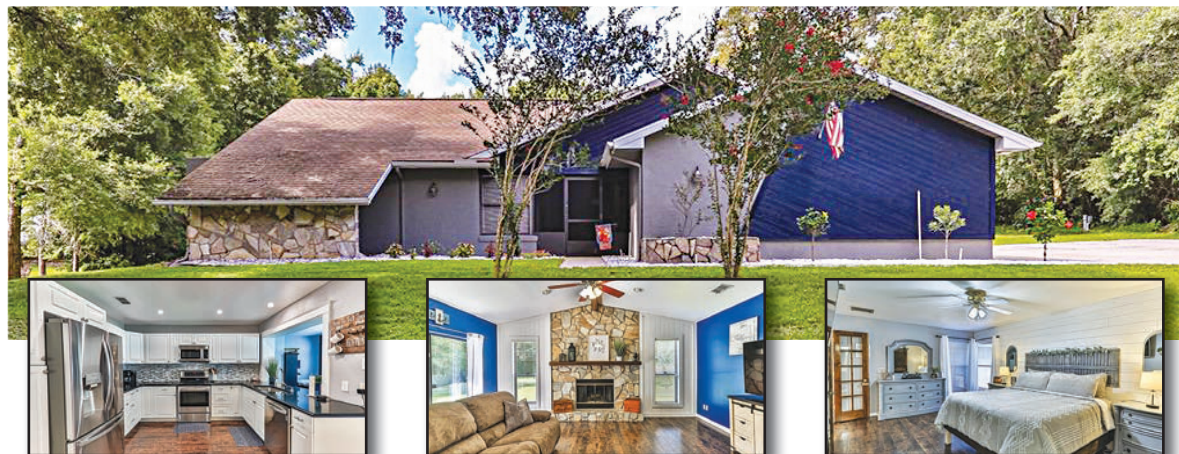
As long as you remember to include a thriller, spiller and filler that all have the same light requirements, you can assemble a full, colorful window box. Keep garden design elements in mind on a smaller scale, and give your box plenty of water to keep the plants happy all summer long.

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Here it is! The modern farmhouse of your dreams! This 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home sits on 1.02 acres in lovely Citrus Hills and features everything you've been wanting! Nearly the entire house has been recently remodeled. The kitchens and baths are absolutely gorgeous! Kitchen features new cabinets and countertops, new appliances, new flooring, and new backsplash. Bathrooms features new cabinets, flooring and sinks. Master bedroom is straight out of your favorite farmhouse Instagram page with shiplap, barn door and wood tile floors. Master bathroom features a large shower with new tile. Porch has been enclosed, adding extra square footage and a flex space that can be used as a home office, play room, or exercise room. The real working fireplace is perfect for those cool nights and was just inspected in 2020. The entire property has an irrigation system. You will love the spacious front yard and back yard. There is plenty of room inside and out for entertaining friends and family. Put this one at the top of your list! Citrus Hill Membership is not available. \$338,000



### 3804 N Muscadine Path Beverly Hills, FL 34465

This is the beautiful, spacious home you have been looking for! You will absolutely love the layout of this 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home. Fresh interior paint in June 2021 and brand new carpet in June 2021! The kitchen is a good size and has lots of cabinet space. The living room and family room offer lots of space for entertaining. Layout offers a formal dining room and a breakfast area. There are plenty of windows which allow the Florida sunshine to naturally illuminate the home. The enclosed porch is perfect for creating a flex space for a play room, exercise equipment or home office. New AC in 2017 and new Roof in 2010. The neighborhood is conveniently located close to shopping and restaurants and just 10-15 minutes from beautiful Crystal River, where you can enjoy fishing, boating, kayaking and more. Golf courses are also in close proximity. Put this one at the top of your list. \$225,000

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Pups cut off a female Japanese King Sago were infested with Asian cycad scale, as was their parent. Pups are identical to the parent in appearance and sex. The scale insects can be killed with insecticide such as synthetic bifenthrin. Follow label instructions and mix only as much as needed for immediate and imminent application. Check your neighbor's cycads and treat them as well to prevent spread and repeated infestations.

# Japanese King Sagos and insects

**J**apanese King Sago, *Cycas revoluta*, is a popular evergreen ornamental garden plant in warm climates globally. It dates from the "Age of Cycads and Dinosaurs," the mid-Mesozoic and Jurassic periods, some 280 million years ago. Ancient cycad species are cone-bearing (gymnosperm) plants, as are pines, spruces and juniper cedars. They are not flowering plants like palms nor spore-bearing ferns.

Besides being frost-tender and needing winter protection in USDA cold hardiness zone 9a and colder zones further north, this attractive cycad is susceptible to Asian Cycad Scale, *Aulacaspis yasumatsui*.

The stiff, prickly, evergreen leaves may become covered in thousands of tiny, white-covered sucking scale insects.

Aulacaspis scales live about 75 days. Females lay about 100 eggs under their armor that hatch after seven days. From egg to adult scale insect is about 35 days. For some 30 days, hatched nymphs, called crawlers, move up before becoming adults that anchor to

feed on plant sap. Blown by wind and flushed by rain, the buoyant, lightweight nymphs land on the ground, among the cycad roots and on the lower trunk.

Female adults are orange but covered in a hard, oval, shell-like waxy white armor that is difficult for topical insecticides



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## Controlling insects

Homeowners can use the systemic insecticide bifenthrin to kill scale and all other insects. The concentrated creamy chemical is readily available at retail outlets, farm stores and agricultural supply outlets. It takes only a quarter ounce of the powerful concentrate in a gallon of water to be effective. Always follow the label directions. Insects can be killed on contact, but bifenthrin is primarily a systemic insecticide, entering green growing leaves and staying there for weeks to poison sucking insects. Respray within four weeks as needed.

to penetrate. adult males are smaller than females, have wings and can fly.

When scales suck sap, the plant cannot photosynthesize, so leaves turn yellow and die over a few months. Prune off only severely infested lower leaves. Cycads usually produce a single set of new leaves per year in May or June in Central Florida. Removing all the cycad leaves will stunt the growth of new leaves as the plant cannot photosynthesize to feed itself. In my garden, I spray insecticide in March after the

last winter frost and then again in late May or early June when I notice new leaves emerging. This helps prevent the spread of scale to emerging leaves. Once the summer rainy season arrives, I check the weather forecast before choosing a dry early morning to respray within 30 days before crawlers become adult scale.

A tiny black lady beetle, *Rhyzobius lophanthae*, that preys on cycad scale can be a biological control strategy. For information on control of Asian Aulacaspis

scale by two introduced ladybug beetles, *Rhyzobius lophanthae* and *Cryptolaemus montrouzieri*, see the University of Florida digital collections, at <https://tinyurl.com/2eh2ean2>.

Cycads are either male or female. Seedlings growing together may be of different sex and may appear to be one plant. In Florida, native Coontie, *Zamia integrifolia*, is the only primordial ancient cycad left. It can be planted in cold zones 8b to 11. Hard freezes will kill leaves to the ground, but it grows a flush of new leaves in spring. It has a Mexican relative, the Cardboard plant or Cycad, *Zamia furfuracea*, that is not as frost-tolerant.

Related to King Sago, the more tropical, tree-like Queen Sago, *Cycas circinalis*, evolved in southern India and Sri Lanka so can be grown in South





Jane grows thousands of coonties, sagos and cardboard cycads, so she mixes bifenthrin in a 2-gallon sprayer. Asian cycad scale can infest different species of cycads as well as Asian shrubs like camellias and native magnolia trees. Nurseries constantly look for any sign of scale on their plants and treat problems promptly.



Jane harvested these King Sago pups from a scale-infested female King Sago. She immediately doused the mother and babies with bifenthrin insecticide spray. Seven days later, after any eggs should have hatched, the pups were sprayed again. Two days later, the pups and leaves were soaked in a sink full of cool tap water and dish detergent to help remove the waxy protective shells where females lay eggs. The leaves were rinsed, scrubbed with a nail brush to dislodge dead debris of adult bodies, eggs and crawlers then re-rinsed.

## JANE

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Florida. Central American Dioon cycads grown in Florida include Chestnut Dioon, *Dioon edule*, cold-tolerant in zones

8-11 and the large Giant Dioon, *Dioon spinulosum*, zones 9b-11. Giant Dioon can develop several trunks and reach 8 feet tall. These four cycads have stiff, prickly, feathery (pinnate) leaves with sharp leaflet tips. Baby pup offsets with the same

sex as the parent may grow on the trunk or around the trunk base.

If Asian scale is controlled, ancient cycads are easy to grow. Cycads are attractive evergreen perennials in mild-climate Florida gardens. In colder climates, cycads

are used as potted houseplants and in indoor malls and conservatories.

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# Home contract signings see big rebound in May



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SILVER SPRING, Md. — More Americans signed contracts to buy homes in May, a surprising rebound after months of cooling in the housing market, where lack of inventory has pushed prices to record levels.

The National Association of Realtors' index of pending home sales rose 8% to 114.7 in last month, the highest reading for May since 2005. That's up from 106.2 in April. An index of 100 is equal to the level of contract activity in 2001.

Contract signings, considered a barometer of purchases that will take place in the next one-to-two months, are 13.1% ahead of where they were one year ago with the country in the throes of the coronavirus outbreak. It's just the second month-over-month increase so far in 2021 but potentially foretells a strong finish to the summer season.

While there's no shortage of people in the market to buy, many have been forced out by the lack of

properties for sale, which along with rising material costs, have sent new and existing home prices to record highs.

Last week, the Commerce Department reported that sales of new homes fell for the second straight month. The 5.9% decline in May

followed a 7.8% retreat in April. The median price of a new home sold in May jumped to \$374,400, up 18.1% from a year ago.

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## Real Estate DIGEST

### Dow is tops at Citrus Hills

**Denise Dow** has been named the top sales executive for the month of June at the **Villages of Citrus Hills**. Denise helped seven happy new homeowners find their dream homes within the gates of Citrus Hills.



**Denise Dow**  
Villages of  
Citrus Hills.

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### Kenworthy gets results at Home Finder

**Gary Kenworthy** is a Vietnam veteran. A Bronze Star and Air Medal recipient, he served as an infantry squad leader and participated in over 40 combat air attacks and/or extractions. He was honorably discharged in 1970 with the rank of E-6.

During his life after the military, Gary worked in the corporate world becoming national director of Sales for a specialty adhesive manufacturer. He later left that position to accept the position as director governmental issues at the Carpet and Rug Institute in Dalton, Georgia, where he spent most of his time in state

capitals or Washington, D.C. When he finally retired from corporate life in 2002, Gary devoted his time helping his wife, Wanda, with whom he's now been married 54 years, run their horse breeding business she started in 1994.

When they sold their farm and their remaining horses to move to Florida four years ago, Gary couldn't stand sitting still, so he got into real estate. He loves it, and he's good at it. Since joining **Home Finder Realty**, he's sold over \$1 million in his first six months, even while taking a month-long vacation. He says he doesn't want to sell every home in Citrus County, just yours.

### Miller joins Plantation Realty

Plantation Realty Inc. is proud to welcome **Lindsey K. Miller**.

Lindsey descends from a legacy of stellar real estate professionals who have served the west coast of Florida from Tampa Bay north to the Withlacoochee River and all points between.

After completing her education, Lindsey used her many talents to become a cosmetologist. Next, she

worked in the medical field handling surgical scheduling. Her love of helping people eventually led her to the family business and she has spent the last three years in property management serving numerous rental clients and working the fast-paced Airbnb rental market.

Lindsey also assists buyers and sellers in the Citrus County market. She plans to continue that experience for two years and then become a licensed real estate broker. In her spare time, Lindsey enjoys being a mother to her

daughter Ava, spending time with friends, attending church, boating and appreciating all the natural beauty

this area offers.

Give Lindsey a call today. She can be reached on her cell at 352-586-8973 cell, at

the Plantation office at 352-795-0784, or by email at plantationlindseym@gmail.com.

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**5479 N. WESTERN DRIVE HERNANDO**  
Check out this 3/2 detached garage & carport doublewide mobile home nestled on a 1.25 acre lot located in the Forest Lake North Subdivision with NO restrictions or HOA with plenty of room for your four-legged friends. This home just needs a little TLC.

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Look at this cute 2/1 home nestled on a .69-acre lot with plenty of privacy. This is within minutes from historic downtown Inverness and all the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.

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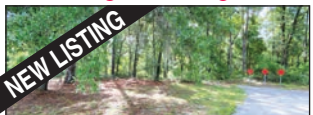
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**1 TEA ROSE ST., HOMOSASSA**

Look at this 3/3.5/3, 2 story pool home located in the Sugarmill Woods-Oak Village Subdivision. This home has 3,038 of sq. ft. living with lots of appeals with a screened lanai pool area all done with pavers and great for entertaining family/friends.

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**10760 W. WYANDOTTE ST., HOMOSASSA**  
.91-acre lot, located in the Town of Homosassa Subdivision. MLS #802723 \$15,000

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**9530 E. MISTWOOD COURT, INVERNESS**  
Look at this 3/2/2 home nestled on a .31-acre lot on a cul-de-sac located in the Almeida Est., subdivision on Gospel Island, just minutes from historic downtown Inverness, and the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.

MLS #802748 \$228,500

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**6183 N. SILVER PALM WAY, BEVERLY HILLS**  
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MLS #802700 \$149,900

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**705 HEMLOCK ST., INVERNESS**  
Check out this 3/2/2 home located in the Inverness highlands South subdivision and just minutes from Historic Downtown Inverness and all the indoor/outdoor amenities it has to offer.

MLS #802897 \$209,000

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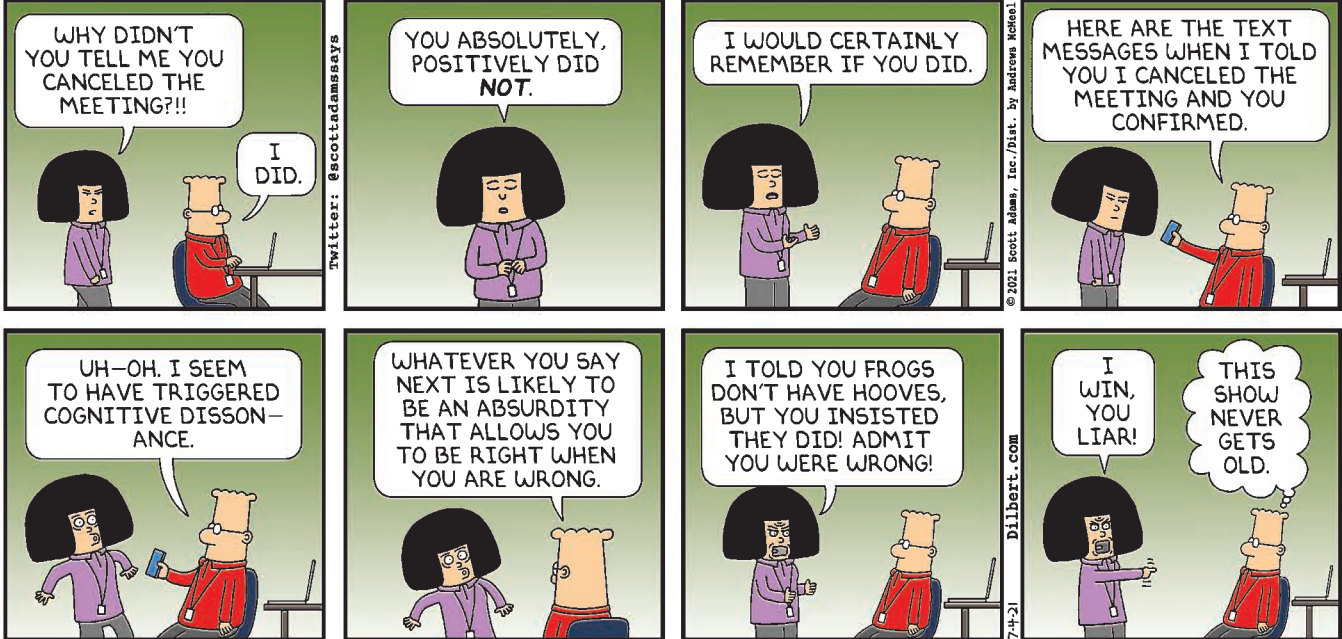
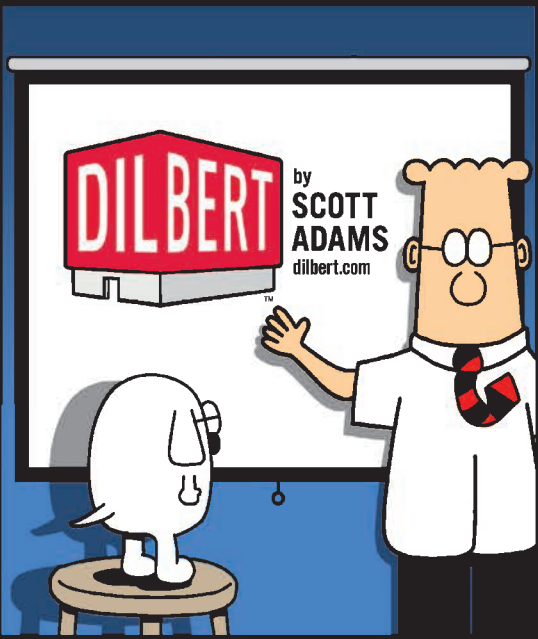
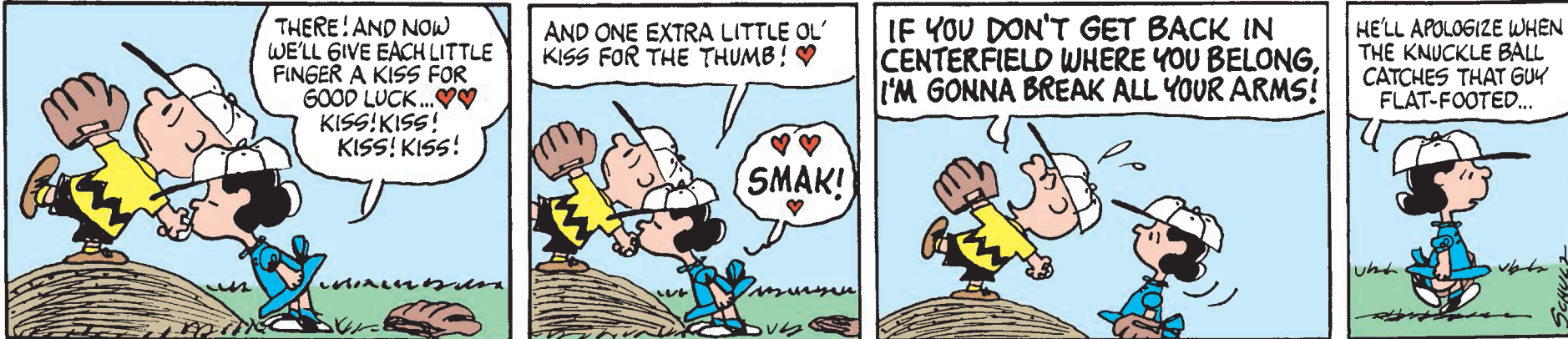
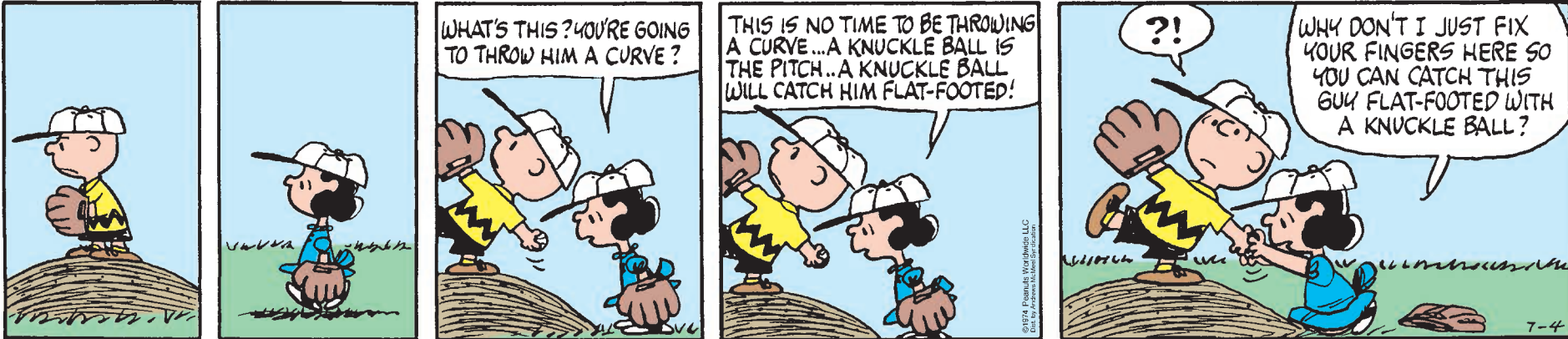
# COMICS

## PEANUTS

featuring  
"Good ol' Charlie Brown"

by SCHULZ

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## MARVIN

by Tom Armstrong



## Bob Weber Jr.'s SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS

Daria Duck says Count Weirdy zapped her with his rooftop laser blaster ten minutes ago. Weirdy insists he's innocent. He claims he has been dozing in his bath for the past hour. What evidence did Slylock Fox observe that led him to doubt Count Weirdy's alibi?

Solution -- Count Weirdy's alibi is that he was in the tub for an hour. But the tub is empty. Slylock Fox observed the tub shortly after zapping the duck.

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Scorpions do not lay eggs. They give live birth to tiny baby scorpions called ...

a) Stingers  
b) Scorplings  
c) Pinchies  
d) Venomies

Answer -- (b)

### Spot six differences between these panels.

Answer -- Stone, steering wheel, cactus and turtle.

For more Spot Six Differences, Slylock Fox and other puzzles and comics go to [www.slylockfox.com](http://www.slylockfox.com)







BARNEY GOOGLE and SNUFFY THE BY JOHN ROSE

UNCA SNUFFY, WHAT'S TH' BEST THING T'BRING TO A PICNIC ?

AN EMPTY STOMACH !!

WHEW !! THIS IS A TOUGH CLIMB, UNCA SNUFFY !!

WHY DO WE HAFTA HAVE OUR FOURTH OF JULY PICNIC UP ON TOP OF MOUNT TIPPY-TOP ?

BECAUSE FROM WAY UP HERE...

WE CAN SEE AMERICA TH' BEE-YOO-TI-FUL !!

Mort Walker's beetle bailey

SARGE SAYS HE'S ON A NEW DIET

I'VE HEARD THAT ABOUT A HUNDRED TIMES

I THOUGHT YOU WERE ON A DIET

I CREATED A NEW DIET!

I CALL IT THE "HALF DIET"

THE THEORY IS INSTEAD OF COUNTING CALORIES, YOU JUST CUT YOUR INTAKE

EAT ONLY HALF OF WHAT'S ON YOUR PLATE AND CUT CALORIES IN HALF!

HAPPY 7-4!

IT'S SO SIMPLE AND YET SO EFFECTIVE

YOU ATE THE WHOLE THING

WELL, YOU DISTRACTED ME!

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MY, HOW LOVELY!

OH! WELL, THANK YOU!

I MEAN IT! YOU'RE VERY TALENTED!

THAT'S KIND OF YOU TO SAY, BUT I'M JUST A BEGINNER!

I WAS LOOKING FOR A HOBBY TO ENJOY, AND PAINTING SEEMS TO SUIT ME!

I ENJOY ALL SUBJECTS, BUT SEASCAPES ARE MY FAVORITE!

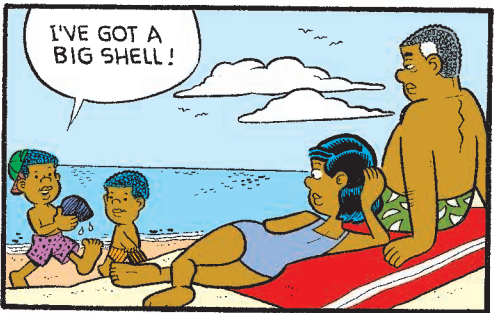
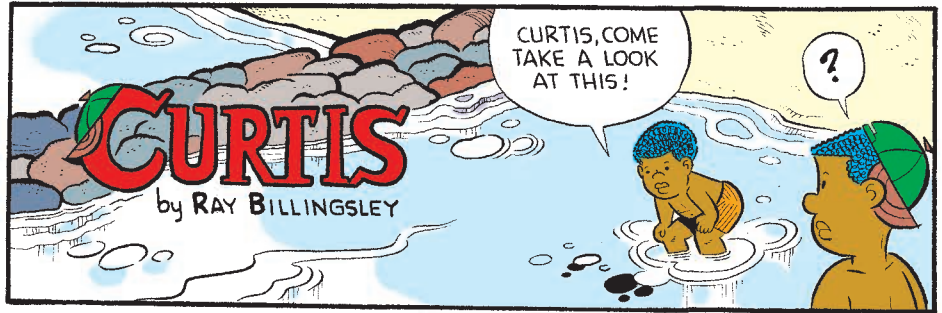
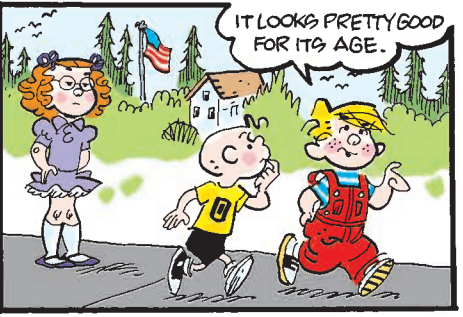
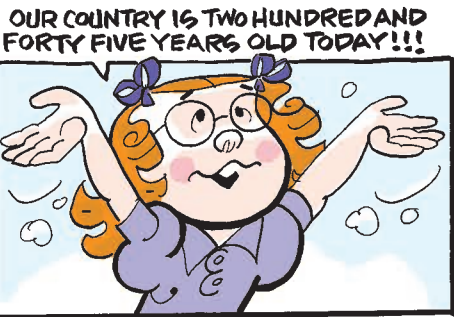
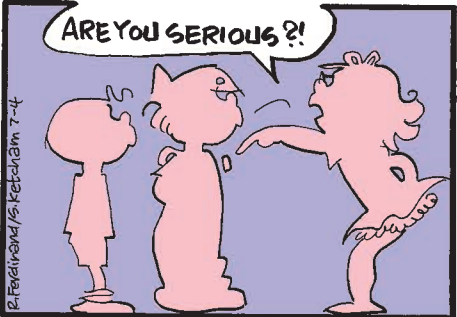
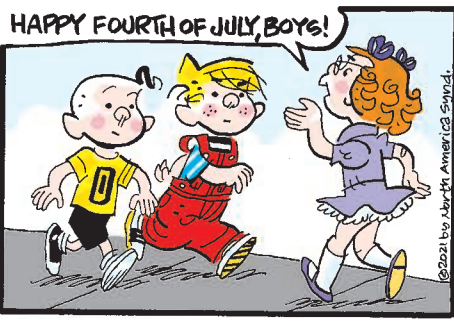
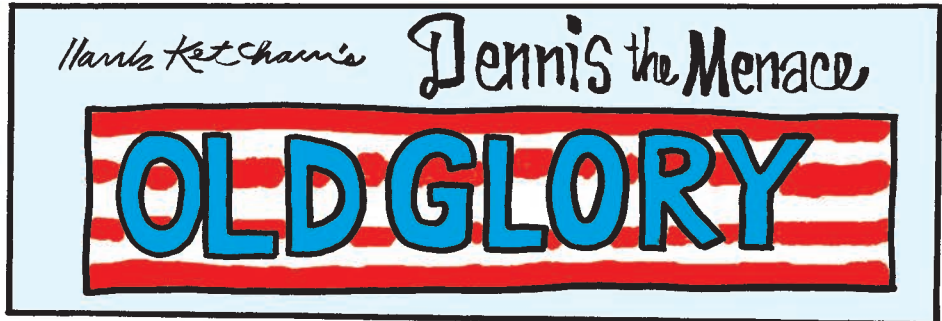
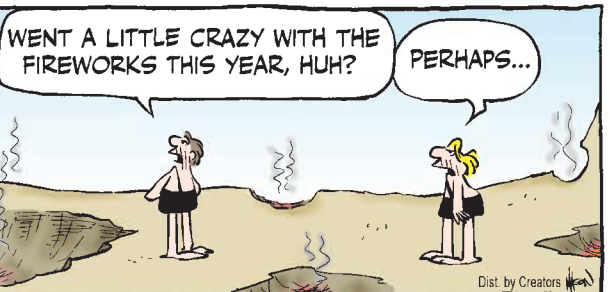
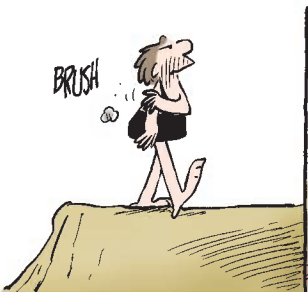
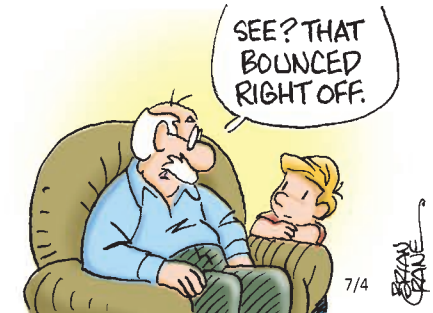
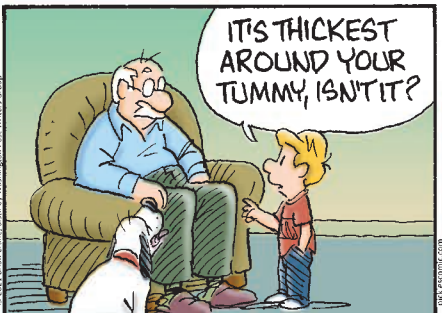
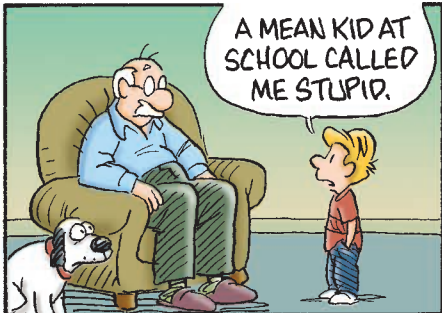
THERE'S JUST SOMETHING ABOUT THE OCEAN! THE WAY IT KEEPS CHANGING!

YES, AND YOU'VE CAPTURED ITS GRANDEUR! YOU REALLY HAVE!

WHO'S THE KID?

NO IDEA.







Luann?  
by  
Greg Evans

TONI, I HATE TO ASK THIS, BUT DO YOU KNOW HOW TO SEW ON A BUTTON?

NO. NO ONE EVER TAUGHT ME. YOU COULD DO JUST AS WELL AS I COULD

CRIPES, DON'T YOU TWO KNOW ANYTHING? GIMME THE SHIRT. GIMME THE BUTTON

CHONK

AND WE HAVE DUCT TAPE IF YOU RIP YOUR PANTS

HAGAR  
the horrible  
by  
Dik Browne

SO, WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT HAVING PETS?

WHINE

I ENJOY THEM IF THEY'RE OFFERED!

LUCKY EDDIE! COME INSIDE! HAPPY HOUR HAS STARTED!

NO THANKS

I'M BONDING WITH A SWEET STRAY CAT!

BEOWINE

GO HAVE A PINT! I'LL STAY WITH THE CAT WHILE YOU'RE GONE!

I'M ALLERGIC TO CATS, BUT YOU'RE JUST TOO CUTE TO RESIST!

PURRR

SNIFFLE

I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO HAVE A PINT!

I CAN'T ENJOY A PINT WHILE YOU'RE BONDING WITH THE CAT!

WIZARD OF ID  
by Hart, Mastroianni and Parker

YOU'VE BEEN AT IT FOR 12 HOURS! TAKE A BREAK

CAN'T! THE PEOPLE ARE COUNTING ON ME

I CAN'T LET THEM DOWN!

FOR THE GLORY!

SLAM

I'M READY

POOOOW

HAPPY 4TH

BLONDIE  
by DEAN ROBERTS & JOHN MARSHALL

DAD, I'M GOING TO THE PARADE WITH PEYTON

OKAY, SON, SEE YOU LATER

BYE, HONEY, I'M LEAVING FOR THE JULY 4TH PICNIC EVENT I'M CATERING

OKAY, BYE, DEAR

BYE, DADDY, I'M LEAVING FOR KELLY'S SLUMBER PARTY

BYE, SWEETHEART

WOW! IT'S A MIRACLE! A WHOLE AFTERNOON OF PEACE AND QUIET TO NAP IN

BAM!  
BOOM! BOOM! BLAM! BAM! BOOM!  
BANG BANG BAM!  
POP! POP! BANG!

Hi and Lois  
by BRIAN and GREG WALKER

HEY, FLAGSTON! COME HERE FOR A SEC.

IT'S TOO BAD THEY CANCELED THE TOWN FIREWORKS.

DON'T WORRY, I'VE GOT IT COVERED.

I HAVE A WHOLE BOX OF LEGAL FIREWORKS.

THE SHOW STARTS AT SUNDOWN.

I'LL GET THE FAMILY READY.

GOOD PYROS MAKE GOOD NEIGHBORS.

AS LONG AS HE DOESN'T BLOW UP THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

FOOMP!



THE  
LOCKHORNS

BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER

"WHY IS THIS GUY DRIVING SO CLOSE IN FRONT OF ME?"

"I DO EDIBLE, LEROY... I DON'T DO DELICIOUS."

"WE'VE GOT TO STOP MEETING LIKE THIS."

"GO WITH THAT ONE... THE GRAVY STAIN MATCHES YOUR SUIT."

"NOT QUITE WASHBOARD ABS... MORE LIKE WASHING MACHINE ABS."

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