

TUESDAY

TODAY & next morning

HIGH

54

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Mostly sunny and cold. Freeze possible at night.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Citrus COVID-19 update

According to the Florida Department of Health, 22 positive cases were reported in Citrus County since the latest update. No new hospitalizations were reported; three new deaths were reported. To date in the county, 4,753 people have tested positive (including 25 non-residents), 413 have been hospitalized and 171 have died.

Entries needed for Cutest Elf Photo Contest

Do you have an Elf visiting your home this holiday season? Share the creative, funny adventures of your elf in the Chronicle's Cutest Elf Photo Contest.

- Enter a picture of your Elf getting into spirited mischief now thru Dec. 8.
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- To enter, visit <https://tinyurl.com/y3a3j3b7>.

DeSantis says schools remain open in spring

Florida schools will remain open in the spring, offering educations in both brick-and-mortar and virtual classrooms. Gov. Ron DeSantis made the announcement during a news conference Monday, Nov. 30, 2020, expanding original state orders on how schools reopen during the fall amid COVID-19. DeSantis said there are changes to the initial order, like requiring school districts to notify parents if a student is struggling with distance learning. Students will also have to return to in-person schooling if parents don't work with school districts to create an education plan.

5-year-old dies from injuries in wreck

A young girl who was critically injured in a Monday, Nov. 23, 2020, wreck on County Road 491, north of West Hampshire Boulevard, died from her injuries Friday, Nov. 27, 2020, according to the Florida Highway Patrol. According to a Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) report, the noontime crash occurred Monday, Nov. 23, 2020. A 17-year-old girl from Ocala was driving a sedan south on C.R. 491 while a 60-year-old woman from Ocala was stopped ahead of her in an SUV, according to the FHP report, which doesn't ID involved motorists due to Marsy's Law. FHP's report states the teen didn't slow in time for the SUV, which led to her sedan striking the SUV's rear. Neither the teen, nor the woman were injured.

— From staff reports

City to eye beach options

Inverness council to look at adding shoreline amenities to downtown parks

FRED HIERS
Staff writer

People might soon have the chance to get their feet wet at either Liberty or Wallace Brooks parks in Inverness.

City Manager Eric Williams will ask his council bosses Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020, to approve hiring a Lecanto engineering firm

to review the possibility of a beach at one of the two parks, developing a watercraft management plan to protect the shoreline and how to best use the shoreline for watercraft.

The cost of the study by Michael Czerwinski, P.A. of Environmental Consultants, would be \$28,910. Inverness Council will meet for its regularly scheduled

public hearing at 5:30 p.m. at city hall, 212 West Main St. Inverness.

"There's great pressure to have access to the water at the parks system," Williams told the Chronicle.

Williams said that boaters are mooring their boats along the shore of Big Lake Henderson at Wallace Brooks Park and swimmers use the water

along the shore line.

In addition, visitors to Liberty Park climb over the concrete wall to get to the water, he said.

"It's pretty clear what they want," Williams said, "We don't have to do a survey to figure that out."

Mooring boats at Wallace Brooks Park has been happening for the past 20 years and the erosion is

evident, along with the effects of erosion due to boat wakes, Williams said.

"What steps does the city need to take to manage the situation?" would be a question for the study, Williams said. "We can't turn away. ... You can't allow that level of erosion to continue."

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Food pantry: Help us help others



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Beverly Hills resident David Desautell dons Kris Kringle gear as he helps other volunteers pass out food and drink Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020, at the We Care Food Pantry's mobile food pantry near the Beverly Hills Civic Center. The mobile food pantry will continue its stop in Beverly Hills each Tuesday for the foreseeable future, providing dry goods, milk, water and some meats for those gathering for the drive-through pantry. Volunteers begin distributing food at approximately 9 a.m.

Pandemic means more people than ever need help this holiday season

Special to the Chronicle

The holidays are upon us once again, but this year has been different. 2020 has been a year of ups and downs, of loss and hope, of bending but never breaking. Citrus County, like the rest of America, has been hit hard and we are still desperately looking for a light at the end of this very long tunnel.

While the We Care family has seen its share of struggles, they have also seen what makes Citrus County shine. When this pandemic hit in March, Citrus County stepped up. They made a plea for donations and

volunteers, and as has been the case many other times, the county came through and allowed We Care to bring in additional food and household items, increase their mobile pantries, and helped them serve their neighbors in need as they have never done before.

In addition to their 2,600 monthly clients from all over Citrus County, they were able to add mobile pantries and bring truckloads of food into neighborhoods that needed it the most.

In October alone, We Care added an additional 17 mobile pantries serving an additional 2,522 families.

They worked with their neighbors and agency partners to distribute an additional 218,203 pounds of product, which equates to 2,182,030 meals. This is a record-breaking number of meals served by We Care in a single month.

They were able to bring their trucks to Homosassa, Chassahowitzka, Ozello, Crystal River, Hernando and Beverly Hills.

The need in Beverly Hills was great enough that they have made it a permanent mobile pantry location.

This is all wonderful news. However, the fight is not over. Holidays are already a time in

which their clients struggle to put food on the table and keep up with their monthly bills, leaving very little left for Thanksgiving turkeys, Christmas trees and presents for their children.

We Care is calling upon Citrus County again to not only help them maintain their current schedule but add more mobile pantries throughout the county.

Please find it in your heart to donate to We Care, any and all donations make a difference. If you are unable to donate, they are always in need of volunteers. Mail donations to 5259 W. Cardinal St., Homosassa, FL 34446, or call 352-503-2079.

Pandemic policy, relief funds on county agenda

MICHAEL D. BATES
Staff writer

From COVID to CARES, county commissioners have a packed agenda for their Tuesday, Dec. 1, meeting.

County Commissioner Ruthie Schlachach will ask about amending the county's emergency declaration to allow for gatherings greater than 50 people as long as the square footage is sufficient to allow for it and the action maintains Centers for Disease Control and Prevention social distancing guidelines.

Currently, county gatherings are limited to 50 people or less. Tito Rubio, administrator of the Florida Department of Health in Citrus County, will be available at the meeting for questions.

County commissioners on March 16 declared a state of general emergency in Citrus County due to the COVID-19

pandemic and have extended that emergency declaration over successive months.

Also on Tuesday's agenda:

■ Citrus County has about \$4.7 million remaining from the first two phases of the CARES Act funding and commissioners are recommending \$1 million go to the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce, \$450,000 to the local United Way and \$550,000 to other worthy nonprofits as determined by the Board.

Commissioners have provided CARES grants to more than 500 businesses, plus making rent, mortgage and utility payments for individuals facing economic hardships due to COVID-19.

■ Commissioners will discuss using the property it purchased by donation in 2003 at 3406 North Turkey Oak Dr. in Crystal River (the Betz Farm) for

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COVID cases rise at jail, countywide

BUSTER THOMPSON
Staff writer

COVID-19 cases within the Citrus County Detention Facility inmate population spiked over the week, leading to more quarantined cellblocks.

Since the pandemic's onset, the CoreCivic-managed jail in Lecanto has documented 137 positive cases of the infectious disease, according to County Administrator Randy Oliver on Monday, Nov. 30, 2020.

There were 97 infections reported Monday, Nov. 23, and 95 total cases recorded

a week before then.

Oliver said 84 inmates have since recovered from the virus as of Nov. 30, and a total 225 COVID-19 tests were completed with four results pending.

A dozen housing pods out of the facility's 30 were under quarantine Nov. 30, according to CoreCivic spokesman Ryan Gustin, an increase of three since Nov. 23.

Gustin said the suspension on jail visits is expected to stop by the end of the week, but jail staff and the county will decide whether or not to extend postponing visitations.

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Inverness Council to get update on annexation feud

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Staff writer

A year and a half after Inverness City Council annexed 206 acres slated for an upscale RV park and the Citrus County Commission started fighting the move in court, the issue will again go before city lawmakers.

The city attorney, Robert Batsel, will give the council members a letter from Joe Brannan, of Brannon Bank, who lives near the annexed property bordered by Lake Spivey on the east.

The letter includes a 1986 Florida attorney general opinion to Avon Park when the city's council wanted to annex

property on the other side of its lake. In both the case of Avon Park and Inverness, the annexation was a voluntary one, meaning the property owner wanted to be annexed into the city.

The Florida attorney general opinion to Avon Park more than 30 years ago was that the city could not annex the property separated from the municipality by a lake. Attorney General Jim Smith said the annexation would create a municipal enclave surrounded by unincorporated property.

In the Inverness case, the 206 acres owned by John Eden is about a mile from the city over the lake and 1.5 miles by road. The council will meet for its

regularly scheduled public meeting 5:30 p.m. at the Inverness City Hall, 212 W. Main St., Inverness.

Inverness city manager Eric Williams told the Chronicle he would not discuss the issue because it was ongoing litigation, but the city's legal team had already been aware of the 1986 opinion and annexation laws had changed since the opinion.

The letter will also give Batsel an opportunity to update the council on the annexation that has been mired in court for more than a year.

In 2019, soon after annexation, the city hired Pennsylvania-based GAI Consultants to review the annexation issue.

"The subject property satisfies all the perquisites necessary for an annexation approval and this memorandum represents a reasoned, competent and substantial analysis of this situation," the consultants wrote in their report.

As for the lake that separates the Eden property from the city, GAI wrote, "the Legislature has expressly not specified that direct physical contact of land masses is necessary to achieve its defined requirements of contiguity. While contiguity might be physical other conditions or features may exist that accomplish the same connection."

"In overly simple terms, the

presence of a railroad, creek, park wooded conservation area, canal or lake that would separate two otherwise adjacent holdings do not pose a direct barrier to annexation," the GAI report states.

■ Also in city business, the city's fire chief, Steve Marfongella, will give the city council an update about its mostly volunteer fire department and his work to better work and coordinate with the county's larger fire department.

■ The mountain bike trail volunteers will also give the council an update about Whispering Pines popular bike trail that is being overhauled.

Around the COUNTY

Fire evacuates Homosassa home of occupants, cats

A blaze within a Homosassa home was contained to a bedroom after it fired off ammunition and threatened those inside, including several cats.

Citrus County Fire Rescue (CCFR) firefighters were dispatched at 1:54 a.m. Friday, Nov. 27, 2020, to a house off of South Spring Song Terrace, where CCFR crews from Homosassa first arrived at 2:02 a.m. to find smoke coming from a single-story, wood-framed building.

Firefighters later spotted flames coming from a bedroom window, and heard fire-arm rounds discharging, according to CCFR.

Occupants told emergency responders the house was vacant except for several cats, which had either escaped or were rescued after the fire was controlled by 2:05 a.m.

No dead cats were discovered, and no injuries were reported, according to CCFR.

CCFR crews from Connell Heights, Sugarmill Woods, Kensington and Pine Ridge also responded to assist.

— Buster Thompson/Staff writer

WREC donates to Sandra Ingram



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Gary Steele, left, Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, Crystal River District manager, stands with WREC Member Relations Manager David Lambert and Sandra Ingram, right, Monday morning outside Ms. Ingram's Homosassa home. After the power was hooked up and turned on at her home, the two representatives from WREC made a \$10,000 donation to Ms. Ingram through the WREC's Operation Round Up program. Operation Round Up program is offered to all WREC members who voluntarily round up their electric bill to the next dollar to assist co-op members in need. The money is collected, needy families vetted and assistance offered to those cooperative members, "who have suffered a catastrophic event, through no fault of their own," Lambert said. "We knew she needed a better place to live to raise her grandchildren." Recently, Ms. Ingram's daughter died from cancer, leaving two children to be raised by Ingram. Until recently the family was living in a travel trailer that became unsafe for them to live, prompting a community-wide effort from companies and individuals alike to assist. Through generous donations, the family has been given a new mobile home with many furnishings and appliances and will be moving in this week. Ms. Ingram said the money will be used to pay for things around her home such as yard work that is still in need of repair. "I'm just so happy that I'm able to do it," she said.

County BRIEFS

Water district to host virtual workshop

The Southwest Florida Water Management District (District) will hold a virtual public workshop at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, to discuss updates to the district's land use and management rules and processes.

The purpose of this workshop is to update outdated rules and processes governing the use of district lands to create efficiencies. One of the major changes includes an annual limit on the number of nights campers can reserve per year, which will provide more fair opportunities for all users. Updating these rules and processes will also create greater consistency with other water management districts.

Members of the public may join the workshop via Microsoft Teams through this link: <https://bit.ly/3eAg6ML>. The Google Chrome browser is

recommended for best compatibility with Microsoft Teams. For telephone-only participation, dial 1-888-585-9008 and when prompted enter the conference code ID: 346-054-201.

The updated land use rules are posted on the district's website, and the district will be accepting public comment from Nov. 24 to Dec. 7 at <https://tinyurl.com/y44msugg>.

Annual Hometown Toy Drive returns Dec. 12

The fourth annual Hometown Toy Drive is being held now through the Christmas party at 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, at the Elegant Pelican, 7395 W. Pinebrook St., Crystal River. There will be a "Fill the Trailer" bicycle drive which donates new bikes to the event. The Christmas party will have music, food, games, crafts for kids and a visit from the Fire Department. Proceeds will go to toys for

Citrus County children, Jessie's Place and YFA of Citrus.

For information, call 352-453-9364, email mstephens@yahoo.com or visit @Hometowntoydrive on Facebook.

Silent auction for Christmas trees to start Dec. 2

The Women of Sugarmill Woods will host a Silent Auction of decorated Christmas trees Wednesday, Dec. 2, through Friday, Dec. 4. The

trees will be on display at the Sugarmill Woods Country Club. The person with the highest bid will need to pick up their tree on Saturday, Dec. 5. Stop by the club to submit a bid. For information, call Roxanne Soden at 630-212-7173.

League of Women Voters to host 'Laugh it Off' event

The League of Women Voters of Citrus County will host a holiday celebration via Zoom at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8. To register, visit

<https://www.lwvcitrus.org> and complete the form. Wear an ugly Christmas sweater or favorite robe and floppy slippers.

Mix a holiday drink, a glass of wine or even a cup of cocoa.

For information, call 613-563-4282 or email lwvcc2013@gmail.com.

Meadowcrest paving improvements set

The parking area for the Meadowcrest government

building, 1540 N. Meadowcrest Blvd., Crystal River, will be repaved in sections beginning Monday, Dec. 7, (prep work Saturday, Dec. 5) with the project scheduled for completion Monday, Dec. 14, weather permitting.

Public parking will be available at all times, although limited. During this improvement project, visitors to Meadowcrest are asked to use caution in the parking area and be patient.

For information, call 352-527-7610.

— From staff reports

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Today's
HOROSCOPES

Birthday — Take action and focus on your pursuits. Handle relationships with enthusiasm and the desire to work as a team player. The contributions you make this year will enrich your life and your relationships with loved ones.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Spend time fixing up your surroundings and nurturing meaningful relationships. Judicious research will help eliminate any misconceptions.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Visualize what you want to accomplish, and make alterations that will help you achieve your goal. Look for an opportunity, and seize the moment.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Show passion in all you pursue, and progress will follow. Refuse to let others sway you in a direction that benefits them instead of you.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) — Call in favors and ward off an emotional altercation. Doing the right thing could lead to a gift.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Don't hold back if someone gets in your way. Stand up and push forward. Look over your options and negotiate on your behalf.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Be wary of passing along dubious information. Getting to the bottom of a nettlesome situation will depend on the facts.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Set a high standard. Speak up and share your plans. Handle sensitive issues with compassion and understanding.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Take care of personal matters before someone steps in and takes charge. Personal improvement is favored.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Lend a helping hand, and someone will offer the same courtesy. Focus on doing a good job and making a memorable impression.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Sit tight, listen and assess what's going on around you before you decide to make a move. Share a special moment with a loved one.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Follow your heart and intuition. Take action, make a statement and do your best to bring people together.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Opportunities will come and go. It's up to you to take advantage of what's going on around you. Tie up loose ends to avoid being at a disadvantage.

ENTERTAINMENT

Word of the year: Pandemic

Associated Press

NEW YORK — In the land of lexicography, out of the whole of the English language, 2020's word of the year is a vocabulary of one.

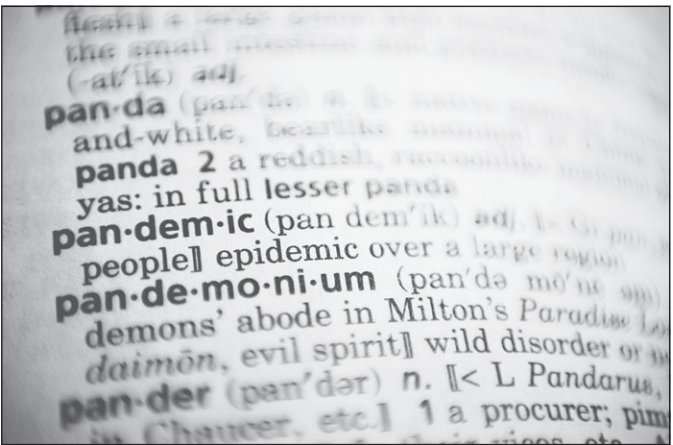
For the first time, two dictionary companies on Monday — Merriam-Webster and Dictionary.com — declared the same word as their tops: pandemic. A third couldn't settle on just one so issued a 16-page report instead along the same lines, noting that a world of once-specialized terms entered the mainstream during the COVID-19 crisis.

The year, Oxford Languages said in the report last week, "brought a new immediacy and urgency to the role of the lexicographer. In almost real-time, lexicographers were able to monitor and analyze seismic shifts in language data and precipitous frequency rises in new coinages."

Its Oxford English Dictionary and others found themselves madly updating well beyond routine schedules to keep up. Such publication updates are usually planned far in advance. Because the coronavirus pandemic brought on gargantuan language changes, according to Oxford Languages, "2020 is a year which cannot be neatly accommodated in one single 'word of the year.'"

Not so at Merriam-Webster and Dictionary.com, both of which also noted enormous shifts toward many other related words but announced just one nonetheless.

Pandemic "probably isn't a



Associated Press

The word pandemic is displayed Saturday, Nov. 21, 2020, in a dictionary in Washington. For the first time, two dictionary companies on Monday — Merriam-Webster and Dictionary.com — declared the same word as their tops: pandemic.

big shock," Peter Sokolowski, editor at large for Merriam-Webster, told The Associated Press ahead of the announcement.

"Often the big news story has a technical word that's associated with it and in this case, the word pandemic is not just technical but has become general. It's probably the word by which we'll refer to this period in the future," he said.

John Kelly, senior research editor at Dictionary.com, told the AP before breaking the news that searches on the site for pandemic spiked more than 13,500% on March 11, the day the World Health Organization declared an outbreak of the novel coronavirus a global health emergency.

The daily spike, he said, was "massive, but even more telling is how high it has sustained significant search volumes throughout the

entire year."

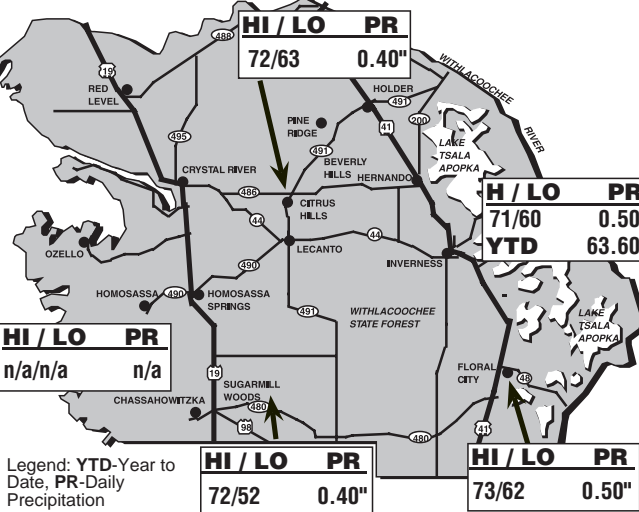
Month over month, lookups for pandemic were more than 1,000% higher than usual. For about half the year, the word was in the top 10% of all lookup on Dictionary.com, Kelly said.

Similarly, at Merriam-Webster.com, searches for pandemic on March 11 were 115,806% higher than spikes experienced on the same date last year, Sokolowski said.

Pandemic, with roots in Latin and Greek, is a combination of "pan," for all, and "demos," for people or population, he said. The latter is the same root of "democracy," Sokolowski said. The word pandemic dates to the mid-1600s, used broadly for "universal" and more specifically to disease in a medical text in the 1660s, he said.

That was after the plagues of the Middle Ages, Sokolowski said.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



THREE DAY OUTLOOK

TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING
High: 54° Low: 32°
Mostly sunny, cold and breezy. Brief freeze possible overnight.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY MORNING
High: 61° Low: 39°
A cold start then warmer by the afternoon.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY MORNING
High: 72° Low: 55°
Increasing clouds. Not as cold.

ALMANAC				Data from Crystal River Airport	
TEMPERATURE		DEW POINT			
Yesterday	69/58	Yesterday at 3 p.m.	51°		
Record*	88/28	HUMIDITY			
Normal	76/48	Yesterday at 3 p.m.	61%		
PRECIPITATION		POLLEN COUNT**			
Yesterday	0.04"	Today's active pollen:			
Total for the month	1.21"	ragweed, grasses, composites			
Total for the year	22.37"	Today's count: 4.4/12			
Normal for the year	49.43"	Wednesday's count: 2			
*Official record values from Tampa International		Thursday's count: 3.5			
UV INDEX:		AIR QUALITY			
0-2 minimal, 3-4 low, 5-6 moderate, 7-9 high, 10+ very high		Yesterday observed	Good		
BAROMETRIC PRESSURE		Pollutant	Ozone		

SOLUNAR TABLES					Provided by ezfshn.com	
DATE	DAY	MINOR (MORNING)	MAJOR (MORNING)	MINOR (AFTERNOON)	MAJOR (AFTERNOON)	
12/01	TUESDAY	7:05	12:59	5:31	1:24	
12/02	WEDNESDAY	7:06	1:50	5:31	2:16	

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK			
Dec 7	Dec 14	Dec 21	Dec 29
SUNSET TONIGHT		5:31 pm	
SUNRISE TOMORROW		7:06 am	
MOONRISE TODAY		6:38 pm	
MOONSET TODAY		8:08 am	

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TIDES				
*From mouths of rivers		**At King's Bay		***At Mason's Creek
TUESDAY				
City		High		Low
Chassahowitzka	6:09 a.m.	0.6 ft 7:00 p.m.	0.2 ft 2:20 p.m.	0.0 ft 11:20 p.m. 0.1 ft
Crystal River**	4:18 a.m.	2.4 ft 5:24 p.m.	1.7 ft 11:38 a.m.	-0.1 ft 11:17 p.m. 0.8 ft
Withlacoochee*	1:27 a.m.	3.4 ft 3:15 p.m.	2.8 ft 9:28 a.m.	-0.6 ft 9:17 p.m. 1.3 ft
Homosassa**	4:49 a.m.	1.5 ft 6:59 p.m.	0.6 ft 2:06 p.m.	-0.1 ft 11:34 p.m. 0.3 ft

FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

City	H	L	F'cast	City	H	L	F'cast
Daytona Bch.	55	41	s	Miami	68	58	s
Fort Lauderdale	67	52	s	Ocala	53	33	s
Fort Myers	62	42	s	Orlando	56	38	s
Gainesville	52	32	s	Pensacola	54	36	s
Homestead	68	49	s	Sarasota	62	42	s
Jacksonville	53	34	s	Tallahassee	51	30	s
Key West	72	61	pc	Tampa	59	39	s
Lakeland	57	37	s	Vero Beach	60	46	s
Melbourne	59	45	s	W. Palm Bch.	65	54	s

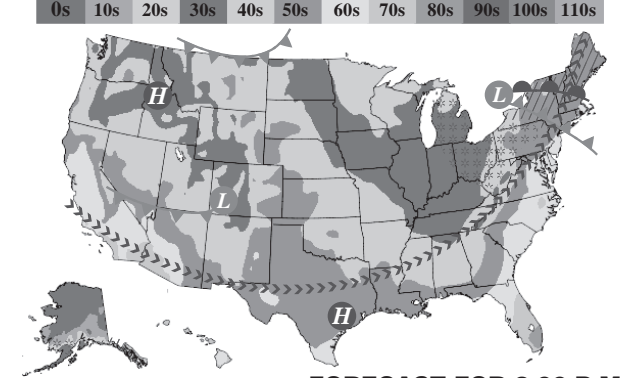
MARINE OUTLOOK

Today: North winds around 20 knots diminishing to 10 to 15 knots in the afternoon. Seas 5 to 7 feet. Bay and inland waters choppy. Tonight: Northeast winds around 15 knots. Seas 3 to 5 feet.

LAKE LEVELS			
Location	MON	SUN	Full
Withlacoochee at Holder	29.78	29.73	34.64
Tsala Apopka-Hernando	37.82	37.84	38.66
Tsala Apopka-Inverness	39.10	39.10	39.73
Tsala Apopka-Crystal City	40.35	40.32	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. Tuesday

City	MON			TUE			City	MON			TUE		
	H	L	Pcp.	H	L	Fcst		H	L	Pcp.	H	L	Fcst
Albany	52	27	1.18	54	31	sh	New Orleans	54	52	0.00	55	42	s
Albuquerque	46	25	0.00	52	20	s	New York City	63	50	0.96	53	36	sh
Asheville	48	36	0.91	34	22	pc	Norfolk	76	63	0.36	49	35	s
Atlanta	54	37	1.17	42	27	s	Oklahoma City	47	26	0.00	55	33	s
Atlantic City	65	42	1.43	52	38	mc	Omaha	40	17	0.00	45	24	s
Austin	58	38	0.00	62	44	s	Palm Springs	78	50	0.00	80	51	s
Baltimore	63	49	2.74	46	32	mc	Philadelphia	67	46	0.98	49	35	sh
Billings	53	36	0.00	41	22	mc	Phoenix	74	50	0.00	71	43	s
Birmingham	46	35	0.23	46	27	s	Pittsburgh	47	37	0.42	34	28	sn
Boise	35	21	0.00	40	20	s	Portland, ME	54	27	0.98	56	38	sh
Boston	59	38	0.40	61	38	sh	Portland, OR	52	40	0.36	46	36	pc
Buffalo	45	39	0.74	36	33	rs	Providence, RI	59	34	1.11	59	36	sh
Burlington, VT	51	31	0.38	59	36	sh	Raleigh	69	55	1.71	45	27	s
Charleston, SC	72	49	0.17	49	33	s	Rapid City	57	17	0.00	41	21	mc
Charleston, WV	50	34	0.42	33	24	ss	Renov	63	23	0.00	48	23	s
Charlotte	64	48	1.18	43	27	s	Rochester, NY	45	35	0.97	40	33	sh
Chicago	37	30	0.01	37	27	s	Sacramento	65	33	0.00	63	36	s
Cincinnati	48	34	1.04	34	24	mc	Salt Lake City	47	21	0.00	40	22	pc
Cleveland	48	40	0.46	36	32	sn	San Antonio	59	41	0.00	62	46	s
Columbia, SC	68	48	0.53	46	26	s	San Diego	75	48	0.00	73	50	s
Columbus, OH	43	32	0.83	32	24	ss	San Francisco	62	41	0.00	63	45	s
Concord, NH	58	24	1.02	57	33	sh	Savannah	68	51	0.95	49	30	s
Dallas	51	33	Trace	59	42	s	Seattle	51	41	0.38	46	36	s
Denver	57	23	0.00	37	18	ss	Spokane	40	28	0.06	37	20	fg
Des Moines	32	18	0.00	41	22	s	St. Louis	36	30	Trace	42	25	s
Detroit	43	32	0.20	34	28	sn	St. Ste Marie	36	24	Trace	34	24	pc
El Paso	55	33	0.00	61	35	s	Syracuse	49	37	0.28	47	33	sh
Evansville, IN	43	33	0.12	40	24	s	Topeka	42	22	0.00	49	26	s
Harrisburg	63	45	0.99	42	30	ra	Washington	65	50	2.28	46	32	mc

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Today in
HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 1, the 336th day of 2020. There are 30 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:
On Dec. 1, 1955, Rosa Parks, a Black seamstress, was arrested after refusing to give up her seat to a white man on a Montgomery, Alabama, city bus; the incident sparked a year-long boycott of the buses by Blacks.

On this date:
In 1860, the Charles Dickens novel "Great Expectations" was first published in weekly serial form.
In 1969, the U.S. government held its first draft lottery since World War II.

Ten years ago: LPGA players meeting in Orlando, Florida, voted to allow transgender players to compete on tour.

Five years ago: The Philadelphia 76ers ended the longest losing streak in the history of major professional sports in the United States, topping the Los Angeles Lakers 103-91 to snap a 28-game skid.

One year ago: "Frozen 2" set a record for the five-day period starting on the day before Thanksgiving, taking in \$132.7 million at the box office.

Today's Birthdays: Actor-director Woody Allen is 85. World Golf Hall of Famer Lee Trevino is 81. Singer Dianne Lennon (The Lennon Sisters) is 81. Rock singer-musician Eric Bloom (Blue Oyster Cult) is 76. Rock musician John Densmore (The Doors) is 76. Actor-singer Bette Midler is 75. Singer Gilbert O'Sullivan is 74. Former child actor Keith Thibodeaux (TV: "I Love Lucy") is 70. Actor Treat Williams is 69. Sen. Rick Scott, R-Fla., is 68. Country singer Kim Richey is 64. Actor Charlene Tilton is 62. Actor-model Carol Alt is 60. Actor Jeremy Northam is 59. Actor Katherine LaNasa is 54. Actor Golden Brooks is 50. Actor-comedian Sarah Silverman is 50. Actor Ron Melendez is 48. Actor Nate Torrence is 43. Actor Charles Michael Davis is 36. Actor Ifenesh Hadera is 35. Actor Ashley Monique Clark is 32. Actor Zoe Kravitz is 32.

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recreation and conservation areas.

County staff is recommending listing the property, which has a market value of \$5.38 million, with the conditions it be used for specific purposes,

including: a clubhouse for social gatherings, court-related sporting facilities, swimming facilities, multi-purpose trails and dog parks.

The 357-acre tract was once planned for development by the Tamposi family, but those plans stalled. The county received the property in a land exchange.

“We believe that residential is the

highest and best use for the property as it is immediately adjacent to the city of Crystal River,” County Administrator Randy Oliver said. “The conditions are to insure quality development.”

Oliver said the property is now served by sewer and water, which was not the case when the Tamposi family owned it. While the Development of

Regional Impact entitles the property to a number of units, a developer will need to determine the number that can reasonably be built, Oliver said.

Citrus County commissioners meet at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020, at the county courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Ave., Inverness.

To view the entire agenda, visit <https://tinyurl.com/ypotn2h>.

VIRUS

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A pair of CoreCivic personnel also contracted COVID-19 since Nov. 23, Gustin said, bringing the total tally of infected staff up to 11. Of those cases, seven employees have been cleared to return to work.

Those with questions about someone in the jail’s custody can contact CoreCivic’s Operations Concern Center by either calling 877-834-1550 or emailing Operations@CoreCivic.com.

For information about CoreCivic’s response to COVID-19, visit corecivic.com/covid-19-response.

According to the Florida Department of Health (FDOH) on Monday, 197 cases were reported for inmates housed at correctional centers in the county, and for staff who live locally but could also work at an outside facility. It’s an increase of 43 since Nov. 23.

Across Citrus County, according to the FDOH’s COVID-19 update on Monday, 4,753 cases have been recorded, increasing 395 cases since Nov. 23 at an average of 56 cases a day.

Another 13 people were hospitalized with the novel coronavirus over the week in the county, totaling 413, and 13 more people died, bringing the death count to 171.

COVID-19 data on the

FDOH dashboard is subject to change as epidemiological investigations reveal new information about a case.

According to the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) on Monday, the county had 57 people in hospital with a primary diagnosis of COVID-19, down three from Nov. 23.

There was also 31% of hospital beds available in the county, according to AHCA, and 13% of local adult intensive care units were open.

As of Nov. 25, since the 2020-21 academic year began Aug. 20, there have been 187 COVID-19 cases on Citrus County School District campuses, up 18 since Nov. 20. Of those cases, 121 were students and 66 were school staff.

Long-term care facilities in the county have documented a total 842 cases, up 60 since Nov. 23, according to the FDOH.

Here are the number of COVID-19 cases ranked by Citrus County’s 15 zip codes that were reported on Nov. 30:

34452 (Inverness, Floral City, Inverness Highlands North and Inverness Highlands South): 667, an increase of 25 since Nov. 23.

34461 (Black Diamond, Citrus Hills, Homosassa Springs, Lecanto, Pine Ridge and Sugarmill Woods): 552, up 68.

34429: (Crystal River, Ozeello, Homosassa Springs, Lecanto and

Black Diamond): 478, up 37.

34465 (Beverly Hills, Black Diamond, Citrus Springs, Lecanto and Pine Ridge): 462, up 36.

34446 (Homosassa, Homosassa Springs, Lecanto and Sugarmill Woods): 452, up 33.

34442 (Citrus Hills, Citrus Springs, Hernando, Lecanto and Pine Ridge): 386, up 38.

34453 (Inverness, Citrus Hills, Hernando, Inverness Highlands North and Lecanto): 348, up 49.

34428 (Crystal River, Red Level and Inglis): 288, up 19.

34434 (Dunnellon, Citrus Springs, Hernando and Pine Ridge): 286, up 19.

34450 (Inverness and Inverness Highlands South): 210, up 16.

34448 (Homosassa, Homosassa Springs, Sugarmill Woods, Lecanto and Crystal River): 201, up 16.


34433 (Dunnellon, Citrus Springs and Pine Ridge): 188, up 21.

34436 (Floral City): 155, up 10.


34445 (Holder, Citrus Springs, Hernando and Pine Ridge): Seven, no change.

34449 (Inglis and Yankeetown): Less than five, no change.

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We frequently get asked about costs and payments for Assisted Living and how it is different from Nursing Homes. Here is a brief summary.

Question: Both Assisted Living Facilities (ALFs) and Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) are considered “Long Term Care” facilities. So what’s the difference?

Answer: Nursing Homes are reserved for those who NEED skilled nursing staff 24 hours a day and cannot be cared for at home or in an ALF. ALFs are for those people who might have some needs for assistance with bathing, dressing, incontinence, or taking their medications correctly, but are also for those who are independent, or simply want to be in a place where there are nursing staff available 24 hours a day in case they have a fall, a heart problem, or other issue. The ALF can serve as a safety net for those living alone or whose spouse can no longer safely help.

Question: Does Medicare pay for these?

Answer: Generally, not. If you are at a Nursing Home for Rehabilitation only, most of the cost is paid for by Medicare or your Medicare replacement plan, and you (or your insurance) pay a portion for up to about 100 days. If you need to stay long term (months or years) Medicare does not pay. Medicaid (the insurance for those with no assets and less than about \$2,000 a month income) will pay for your care, provided you are sick enough to qualify.

For Assisted Living, Medicare does not pay for your stay and Medicaid is not accepted by most facilities. You are responsible for the costs unless you have a special insurance called “Long Term Care Insurance”. Long Term Care Insurance will pay for most of the cost of Assisted Living as long as you can prove that you need

assistance with at least 2 Activities of Daily Living (ADL’s) which are bathing, dressing, eating, transferring, and toileting. People with Alzheimer’s disease or other types of dementia typically automatically meet this requirement.

Another coverage for Assisted Living is available for Veterans who were in the service during a time of war, such as WWII, Korea, or Vietnam. Even the widow of a veteran can get some assistance. There are some income requirements, and you must need some ADL assistance (similar to Long Term Care Insurance), but it can provide monthly assistance of about \$1,000 to \$1,900 a month.

Assisted Living ranges greatly in terms of services and the quality of meals, staff, and accommodations. Some provide for basic needs of having unlicensed help available 24 hours a day if help is needed. Others, like Canterfield, have licensed nurses on staff 24 hours, have beautiful accommodations, and a wide variety of chef prepared meals with plenty of choices. All are monitored by the Department of Health and are regularly inspected.

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Obituaries

Nancy Crusan, 70

Nancy Hayden Cressey Crusan

A limb has fallen from the Family Tree. I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me. Remember the best times, the laughter, the song. The good life I lived while I was strong. Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you. Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through. My mind is at ease, my soul at rest. Remembering all, how I truly was blessed."



Nancy Crusan

Nancy Hayden Cressey Crusan passed away Sunday, January 12, 2020.

Born in Worcester, Massachusetts, August 4, 1949 to the late Lois Hayden Cressey and Warren Ashton Cressey. She grew up in Groveland, Florida, where she graduated from High School and attended Lake Sumter Junior College in Leesburg, Florida.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 35 years, Jerrold Stanford Crusan (he was in the Air Force and served in Vietnam). They traveled all over the world for United Artist (Europe, Russia, Australia, the Orient, Canada, South America and every state in the United States) before retiring to Inverness, Florida.

Nancy was a Wildlife Rehabilitator for the State of Florida. She became "a last home" for many rescued, homeless and injured animals — parrots, raccoons, emus, a blind pony, cats, dogs, tortoises, pigs and many more. She was a Charter Member of "Great Pigs of Fortune" taking in, supporting and finding safe homes for "her pigs."

Nancy leaves behind a sister, Carol Cressey

Adams (Terrence) of Otto, North Carolina; three brothers, Warren Ashton Cressey II (Christine) of Gulfport, Mississippi, Gary Cressey (Debbie) of Monteverde, Florida and Fred A. Cressey of Groveland, Florida. She also leaves behind four nieces, one nephew, two great nieces, two great nephews, one great-great niece and many cousins.

Nancy and Jerry will be interred at the VA Cemetery in Bushnell, Florida, Friday, December 4, 2020, at 11:30 a.m. Come Family and Friends to see Nancy off for her next great adventure!

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to your local rescue leagues.

"Say not in grief — she is no more but live in thankfulness that she was!" (Ancient Hebrew Proverb)

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

Ellen Jones, 78

CITRUS SPRINGS

Ellen Ann Jones, 78, formerly of Citrus Springs, Florida, Cary, Illinois, and Belpre, Kansas, passed away on Monday, November 23, 2020 in Citrus Springs, Florida. Ellen was born at St. Anthony's Hospital in Dodge City, Kansas and was the youngest of two children. After graduating from high school, she attended Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana. Ellen founded the Ellen Ann Jones School of Dance in 1970 and inspired a generation of professional dancers with her passion for ballet and all forms of dance. Also of note was her enthusiasm for gardening, playing cards, visiting with friends, and anything to do



Ellen Jones

with water, including both swimming and boating. Quite often she would regale us with tales of the Kansas Farm that painted a picture of days gone by. Ellen was an amazing woman who loved life and was a bright spot for those who knew her. She has shared with us her last "toodle-loo".

Ellen was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Elva Breitenbach; husband, Everett Jones; son, Kamren Jones; step son, David Jones, and brother, Garman Breitenbach. Ellen is survived by her second husband, Alfred Jones; three children, Nina Schenck (Jones), Emrick Jones and Ghita Jones. She is also survived by grandchildren, Ashley, Ryan, Travis, Collin, Kaylee, Riley, Jacob, Rhiana, Cyrus, Kyala, and Lazrin and great grandchildren, Hollis, Kayden, Kaesi, Jayden, Grayson, Emma, Keegan, Nikolas and Natalia. Also survived by step daughters, Monica Blum and Carol Dulceak, 4 step grandchildren and 4 step great grandchildren. Celebration of Life will be held at 11:30AM on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at Old World Restaurant 8370 S. Florida Ave, Floral City, Florida. The Jones family would like to extend our gratitude to Friends for Life and the Hand and Foot card players of Citrus Springs Community Center for the cherished gatherings and friendships.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Ellen's name to:

■ The CHARGE Syndrome Foundation <https://tinyurl.com/y4k5y9yg>

Checks can be sent to: 318 Half Day Rd., #305, Buffalo Grove, IL 60089

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Eugene 'Gene' Woessner, 84

CRYSTAL RIVER

Eugene R. "Gene" Woessner of Crystal River, FL passed away at his home on November 24, 2020 at the age of 84. Gene was born to the late John and Mary (Foti) Woessner in Elmhurst, NY on January 2, 1936. He proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army and was a Veteran of the Korean War. Following his military service, Gene went on to become a Detective with the Nassau County, New York Police Department. Following his retirement in 1978, he relocated to Worcester, N.Y., and in 1987 made Citrus County, FL his home. He was a Catholic by faith and a parishioner of St. Scholastica Catholic Church in Lecanto. Gene was a member of VFW Post #15010, the Police Benevolent Association, American Legion Post 1050, and a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association.



Eugene 'Gene' Woessner

Those left to mourn Gene's passing include: his sons: Vincent Woessner of Jefferson, NY,

Joseph Woessner of Crystal River, FL, John Woessner and his wife Kelly and their son and Gene's Grandson Bradley Woessner of Oneonta, NY; daughter, Deb Woessner of Homosassa, FL; brother, Robert Woessner of Smithtown, NY; and sister, Irene Kacinski of Centereach, NY.

Gene was preceded in death by his brother Richard Woessner, of Arizona, in 2007 and his loving wife of 50 years, Patricia (Farrell) Woessner on February 29, 2008.

A Funeral Service of Remembrance is scheduled for Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 11:00 AM from the Chas E. Davis Funeral Home and will be conducted by Father Jose Tejada of St. Scholastica Catholic Church. Friends are invited to join the family in visitation beginning at 10:00 AM until the hour of service. Following the chapel service, Gene will be laid to rest at Florida National Cemetery where full military honors will be provided by Floral City VFW #7122 Honor Guard. Arrangements are under the care of the Chas E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL.

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Michael Gahley, 48

CRYSTAL RIVER

Michael Paul Gahley, 48 of Crystal River passed away Friday November 27, 2020. A graveside service will be held at 11 AM on

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DEATHS

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James 'Jim' Spiller, 77 HERNANDO

The Service of Remembrance for Mr. James "Jim" Edward Spiller, age 77, of Hernando, Florida, will be held 5:30 PM, Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at the Inverness Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes with Pastor Greg Kell officiating.

The family will receive friends from 4:30 PM until 5:30 PM, Wednesday at the Chapel.

The family requests expressions of sympathy take the form of memorial donations to the American Cancer Society 21754 State Rd 54 Lutz, FL 33549. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.HooperFuneralHome.com.

Jim was born August 24, 1943 in Mazon, IL, son of Oliver and Thelma (Taylor) Spiller. He died November 9, 2020 in



James 'Jim' Spiller

Lecanto, FL. In 1987 Jim moved to Hernando, Florida from Morris, Illinois. He was a farmer and also worked for the school system in the Maintenance department. Jim enjoyed woodworking, especially building bird houses, Antique Cars, Racing, working in the "Pit Crew" for both his daughter Jameen's and his Grandson's race cars and loved his family. Mr. Spiller was a member of the Moose Lodge in Morris, Illinois and attended Cornerstone Baptist Church in Inverness.

He was preceded in death by his parents, loving wife, Marilyn J Spiller and Step Son, Stanley G. Hanson. Jim is survived by daughters, Jameen Shahid of Silver Springs, FL and Janet Spiller of Hernando, FL, step daughter, Robin D. Spiller of Decatur, AL, step sons, Michael L (Carla) Hanson and David M (Pam) Hanson all of Morris, IL, brother, Cliff Spiller of Floral City, FL, sister, Donna Binion of Mazon, IL, 27 grandchildren, many great grandchildren and good friend Steven Sullivan and his son Aiden.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Hooper Funeral Homes & Crematory.

PARKS

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The goal would be to drive boaters to the boat slips and away from the shore, he said.

Liberty Park could be a good location for a beach because it has more shoreline than Wallace Brooks but there could be underwater problems. The park was once a cement plant and production materials could be in the water and hazardous for a beach, Williams warned.

Wallace Brooks Park has about 200 visitors daily. Liberty Park has 50-75 people, but most come for the children's playground.

The park could also be suited for a beach because of its location to the rest of downtown and the existing infrastructure at the park, Williams said.

A shoreline attraction such as a beach would help bring additional attention and usage of Liberty Park, he said.

"We need to have a strategy and business plan in place," he said.

The Depot District development and park overhauls cost the city \$12 million.

But Williams said that the request for a plan to review the parks and shoreline shouldn't be construed as the city planning to build a beach. That would be many steps away and may not be practical. But the city owes itself to look into the matter to

maximize usage and best maintain the parks, he said.

In a letter to the council, Williams wrote, "It is important to understand that this is a first step in feasibility/diligence and does not bring the project to full design."

"Rather (it) provides the city with options/concepts for better access and management of the lakefront for further consideration," he wrote.

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Vol. (in mil.)	5,437	7,321
Pvs. Volume	2,364	3,008
Advanced	679	1,140
Declined	1,869	2,059
New Highs	74	243
New Lows	1	6

	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	YTD
DOW	29,854.51	29,463.64	29,638.64	-271.73	-0.91%	+3.86%
DOW Trans.	12,619.28	12,371.34	12,450.17	-111.26	-0.89%	+14.21%
DOW Util.	872.52	858.60	861.74	-11.44	-1.31%	-1.98%
NYSE Comp.	14,139.62	13,977.05	14,006.20	-192.29	-1.35%	+0.67%
NASDAQ	12,244.64	12,027.16	12,198.74	-7.11	-0.06%	+35.96%
S&P 500	3,634.18	3,594.39	3,621.63	-16.72	-0.46%	+12.10%
S&P 400	2,203.30	2,165.63	2,168.50	-37.42	-1.70%	+5.11%
Wilshire 5000	38,045.27	37,516.94	37,839.65	-217.72	-0.57%	+15.06%
Russell 2000	1,854.87	1,813.56	1,819.82	-35.45	-1.91%	+9.07%

Stocks of Local Interest														
NAME	TICKER	52-WK RANGE			◊CLOSE			YTD			1YR	P/E	DIV	
		LO	HI	CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	WK	MO	QTR	%CHG	%RTN			
AT&T Inc	T	26.08	↗	39.55	28.75	-.28	-1.0	▼	▲	▲	-26.4	-16.6	15	2.08
Ametek Inc	AME	54.82	↗	121.69	118.53	-.124	-1.0	▼	▲	▲	+18.8	+22.1	49	0.72
Anheuser-Busch InBev	BUD	32.58	↗	83.54	66.68	-.175	-2.6	▼	▲	▲	-18.7	-13.3	17	1.10e
Bank of America	BAC	17.95	↗	35.72	28.16	-.83	-2.9	▼	▲	▲	-20.0	-11.1	10	0.72
Capital City Bank	CCBG	15.61	↗	30.95	22.77	-.146	-6.0	▼	▲	▲	-25.3	-14.2	2	0.60f
Citigroup	C	32.00	↗	83.11	55.07	-.160	-2.8	▼	▲	▲	-31.1	-21.9	8	2.04
Disney	DIS	79.07	↗	152.97	148.01	+.88	+0.6	▲	▲	▲	+2.3	+0.2	20	1.76
Duke Energy	DUK	62.13	↗	103.79	92.66	-.194	-2.1	▼	▼	▲	+1.6	+14.1	23	3.86f
EPR Properties	EPR	12.56	↗	73.59	36.02	-.198	-5.2	▼	▲	▲	-49.0	-43.4	11	4.32
Equity Commonwealth	EQC	24.38	↗	30.97	26.51	-.03	-0.1	▼	▼	▼	-8.5	-8.2	27	2.50e
Exxon Mobil Corp	XOM	30.11	↗	71.37	38.13	-.206	-5.1	▼	▲	▲	-45.4	-35.7	9	3.48
Ford Motor	F	3.96	↗	9.58	9.08	-.01	-0.1	▼	▲	▲	-2.4	+2.6	7	...
Gen Electric	GE	5.48	↗	13.26	10.18	-.22	-2.1	▼	▲	▲	-8.8	-9.0	dd	0.04
HCA Holdings Inc	HCA	58.38	↗	155.84	150.11	-.294	-1.9	▼	▲	▲	+1.6	+9.1	23	1.72f
Home Depot	HD	140.63	↗	292.95	277.41	+.142	+0.5	▲	▲	▼	+27.0	+28.1	28	6.00
Intel Corp	INTC	43.61	↗	69.29	48.35	+.90	+1.9	▲	▲	▲	-19.2	-17.8	17	1.32
IBM	IBM	90.56	↗	158.75	123.52	-.83	-0.7	▼	▲	▲	-7.8	-3.9	13	6.50
LKQ Corporation	LKQ	13.31	↗	38.38	35.22	-.76	-2.1	▼	▲	▲	-1.3	+2.4	20	...
Lowes Cos	LOW	60.00	↗	180.67	155.82	+.115	+0.7	▲	▼	▼	+30.1	+34.3	35	2.20
Lumen Technologies	LUMN	8.16	↗	15.30	10.45	-.01	-0.1	▼	▲	▲	-20.9	-21.1	4	1.00
McDonalds Corp	MCD	124.23	↗	231.91	217.44	+.40	+0.2	▲	▲	▼	+10.0	+16.9	33	5.16f
Microsoft Corp	MSFT	132.52	↗	232.86	214.07	-.116	-0.5	▼	▲	▲	+35.7	+42.8	42	2.24f
Motorola Solutions	MSI	120.77	↗	187.49	171.53	-.193	-1.1	▼	▲	▲	+6.4	+5.4	32	2.84f
NextEra Energy	NEE	43.70	↗	83.34	73.59	-.154	-2.0	▼	▼	▼	+23.5	+33.6	5	5.60
Piedmont Office RT	PDM	11.26	↗	24.78	15.63	-.67	-4.1	▼	▲	▲	-29.7	-19.3	7	0.84
Regions FncI	RF	6.94	↗	17.54	15.27	-.35	-2.2	▼	▲	▲	-11.0	-2.8	11	0.62
Smucker, JM	SJM	91.88	↗	125.62	117.20	+.70	+0.6	▲	▲	▲	+12.6	+14.9	15	3.60f
Texas Instru	TXN	93.09	↗	164.63	161.25	+.226	+1.4	▲	▲	▲	+25.7	+35.6	29	3.60
UniFirst Corp	UNF	121.89	↗	217.90	184.88	-.730	-3.8	▼	▲	▲	-8.5	-6.4	21	1.00
Verizon Comm	VZ	48.84	↗	62.22	60.41	-.17	-0.3	▼	▲	▲	-1.6	+5.9	14	2.52f
Vodafone Group	VOD	11.46	↗	20.53	16.58	-.27	-1.6	▼	▲	▲	-14.2	-12.3	0.97e	
WalMart Strs	WMT	102.00	↗	153.40	152.79	+.119	+0.8	▲	▲	▲	+28.6	+29.5	88	2.16f
Walgreen Boots Alli	WBA	33.36	↗	59.92	38.01	-.99	-2.5	▼	▲	▲	-35.5	-32.6	7	1.87f

Dividend Footnotes: a - Extra dividends were paid, but are not included. b - Annual rate plus stock. c - Liquidating dividend. e - Amount declared or paid in last 12 months. f - Current annual rate, which was increased by most recent dividend announcement. i - Sum of dividends paid after stock split. no regular rate. j - Sum of dividends paid this year. Most recent dividend was omitted or deferred. k - Declared or paid this year, a cumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m - Current annual rate, which was decreased by most recent dividend announcement. p - Initial dividend, annual rate not known, yield not shown. r - Declared or paid in preceding 12 months plus stock dividend. t - Paid in stock, approximate cash value on ex-dividendDate date. PE Footnotes: q - Stock is a closed-end fund - no P/E ratio shown. cc - P/E exceeds 99. dd - Loss in last 12 months.

Interestrates

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The yield on the 10-year Treasury was unchanged at 0.83% Monday. Yields affect rates on mortgages and other consumer loans.

TREASURIES	LAST	PVS	NET CHG	1YR AGO
3-month T-bill	.09	.09	...	1.58
6-month T-bill	.09	.10	-0.01	1.61
52-wk T-bill	.11	.11	...	1.59
2-year T-note	.16	.16	...	1.58
5-year T-note	.36	.37	-0.01	1.61
7-year T-note	.62	.61	+0.01	1.73
10-year T-note	.83	.84	-0.01	1.77
30-year T-bond	1.57	1.57	...	2.20

CONSUMER RATES	NAT'L AVG	WK	6MO	1YR
48 month new car loan	4.04	4.04	4.14	4.24
Money market account	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.29
1 year CD	0.41	0.41	0.41	0.57
\$30K Home equity loan	4.97	4.97	5.02	5.18
30 year fixed mortgage	2.94	3.04	3.07	3.51
15 year fixed mortgage	2.42	2.58	2.62	2.83

FUELS	CLOSE	PVS	%CHG	%YTD
Crude Oil (bbl)	45.34	45.53	-0.42	-25.8
Ethanol (gal)	1.40	1.40	...	+1.8
Heating Oil (gal)	1.37	1.38	-0.88	-32.5
Natural Gas (mm btu)	2.88	2.84	+1.37	+31.7
Unleaded Gas (gal)	1.26	1.28	-2.04	-25.7
METALS	CLOSE	PVS	%CHG	%YTD
Gold (oz)	1775.70	1781.90	-0.35	+16.9
Silver (oz)	22.53	22.55	-0.08	+26.4
Platinum (oz)	965.90	964.80	+0.11	-0.6
Copper (lb)	3.42	3.40	+0.62	+22.4
Palladium (oz)	2392.80	2424.40	-1.30	+25.3
AGRICULTURE	CLOSE	PVS	%CHG	%YTD
Cattle (lb)	1.10	1.11	-0.41	-11.7
Coffee (lb)	1.23	1.24	-0.72	-4.9
Corn (bu)	4.20	4.26	-1.35	+8.3
Cotton (lb)	0.71	0.72	-1.52	+2.2
Lumber (1,000 bd ft)	641.50	630.90	+1.68	+58.2
Orange Juice (lb)	1.29	1.29	+0.04	+32.5
Soybeans (bu)	11.69	11.92	-1.95	+23.9
Wheat (bu)	5.80	5.97	-2.72	+3.9

(Previous and change figures reflect current contract.)

Mutual Funds								
FAMILY		FUND	NAV	CHG	YTD	1YR	3YR*	5YR*
American Funds		AmrcnBalA m	30.32	-.13	+8.2	+10.3	+8.3	+9.2
		CptWldGrIncA m	56.86	-.49	+10.2	+14.2	+8.0	+10.0
		CptIncBlDrA m	61.82	-.51	+0.3	+2.8	+3.4	+5.7
		FdmTlncvA m	66.56	-.43	+9.8	+13.5	+10.1	+12.3
		GrfAmrcA m	66.49	-.37	+30.0	+34.0	+17.9	+16.9
		IncAmrcA m	23.20	-.14	+2.3	+4.8	+5.5	+7.4
		InvCAmrcA m	43.16	-.37	+10.9	+14.8	+9.5	+11.6
		NwPrspctvA m	59.18	-.50	+25.2	+29.8	+15.5	+14.7
		WAMtlncvA m	49.45	-.44	+4.3	+7.0	+8.9	+11.3
Dodge & Cox		Inc	14.94	+0.2	+8.8	+9.1	+6.1	+5.4
		Stk	193.25	-.345	+2.9	+6.4	+6.9	+10.8
Fidelity		500IdxInsPrm	125.93	-.56	+14.0	+17.4	+13.2	+14.0
		Contrafund	17.50	-.01	+28.5	+32.2	+17.9	+17.1
		TtlMktIdxInsPrm	104.41	-.59	+15.6	+18.9	+13.1	+13.9
		USBDIdxInsPrm	12.48	...	+7.6	+7.4	+5.5	+4.3
Schwab		SP500Idx	56.31	-.25	+14.0	+17.5	+13.1	+13.9
T. Rowe Price		BCGr	163.49	-.64	+31.5	+34.4	+20.4	+19.0
Vanguard		500IdxAdmrl	335.09	-.149	+14.0	+17.4	+13.1	+13.9
		DivGrInr	33.12	-.17	+9.9	+12.4	+14.4	+12.7
		GrIdxAdmrl	125.40	+.15	+34.5	+38.7	+21.6	+18.8
		InTrTEAdmrl	14.80	...	+4.6	+5.0	+4.5	+3.6
		IntlGrAdmrl	154.19	-.184	+50.0	+58.5	+20.3	+19.7
		MdCpldxAdmrl	247.37	-.99	+13.6	+16.3	+10.9	+11.8
		PrmCpAdmrl	160.75	-.164	+11.5	+15.1	+12.3	+14.8
		STInvmGrdAdmrl	11.01	+.01	+4.9	+5.1	+3.9	+3.2
		TrgtRtr2025Inv	21.82	-.14	+10.0	+12.1	+8.0	+8.9
		TrgtRtr2030Inv	40.22	-.30	+10.3	+12.8	+8.3	+9.4
		TtBMDIdxAdmrl	11.64	...	+7.5	+7.4	+5.5	+4.3
		TtInBldxAdmrl	x23.36	-.05	+4.2	+3.7	+5.0	+4.3
		TtInSlIdxAdmrl	30.97	-.58	+5.1	+9.6	+3.7	+7.4
		TtInSlIdxInv	18.51	-.35	+5.1	+9.5	+3.6	+7.3
		TtISMIdxAdmrl	91.06	-.52	+15.8	+19.1	+13.2	+14.0
		TtISMIdxInv	91.02	-.52	+15.7	+19.0	+13.1	+13.8
		WlgnGrAdmrl	79.62	-.38	+8.3	+10.5	+9.1	+10.1
		WlshIncAdmrl	69.42	-.27	+7.3	+8.5	+7.2	+7.6

* - Annualized; d - Deferred sales charge, or redemption fee. m - Multiple fees are charged, usually a marketing fee and either a sales or redemption fee. x - fund paid a distribution during the week.

Stocks end record month with pause

Associated Press

Stocks pulled back slightly from their record levels Monday as Wall Street put a quiet coda on one of its most rocking months in decades. The S&P 500 fell 0.5%, but the benchmark index still clocked a surge of 10.8% for the month, its biggest monthly gain since April. The Dow Jones Industrial Average, which has far less impact on 401(k) accounts than the S&P 500 does, had its best month since 1987. The market's slide followed reports showing how the worsening pandemic is dragging down the economy in the near term. But most investors are looking beyond that. The market's strong November gains reflect Wall Street latching on to hopes that the economy will get closer to normal next year and strengthen in the long term. That scenario hinges largely on promising coronavirus vaccines being rolled out in coming weeks and, eventually, leading to fewer new virus cases, which have been increasing. "Today's pullback in equities is a sidestep in a market that seems poised to trend higher," said Terry Sandven, chief equity strategist at U.S. Bank Wealth Management. "We still think the market trends higher into the new year."

The S&P 500 lost 16.72 points to 3,621.63. The Dow fell 271.73 points, or 0.9%, to 29,638.64. The Nasdaq composite slipped 7.11 points, or 0.1%, to 12,198.74. The S&P 500 and Dow are close to their record levels, and the Dow crested the 30,000 level last week for the first time. Several big forces are behind this month's surge, beginning with the clearing of some of the uncertainty that had dogged markets leading into the U.S. elections. Now, Democrat Joe Biden is firmly in place as the president-elect in Wall Street's eyes, and investors have avoided their worst-case scenario of weeks or months of limbo with an unknown winner.

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GIVING TUESDAY

Food banks need continued support during these tough times

In a normal year, the Community Food Bank of Citrus County (CFBCC) distributes 2 million pounds of food to those in need.

This year, the Community Food Bank will distribute 4 million pounds of food.

That is really the only measurement you need to understand when looking at what COVID-19 has done to the issue of hunger in Citrus County.

The mission of the food bank is to acquire and distribute nutritious, quality food to the pantries, soup kitchens and shelters in our community. The Food Bank does not provide food directly to the hungry. It collects and then distributes the food to the 52 agencies in Citrus County that in turn provide the food to the hungry.

Groups like DayStar Life Center, Citrus United Basket, Citrus County Harvest, the Path of Citrus County and dozens of churches all depend on the Food Bank getting the job done.

The Food Bank gets its

food from supermarkets such as Publix, Walmart, Winn-Dixie, Save-A-Lot and other distributors and food producers.

These are the behind-the-scenes people who make sure the food is flowing to people in need. No one could have ever imagined what the current health crisis would do to our economic backbone. So many residents are out of work and so many small businesses are closing down that people who never thought they would need help now need help.

We won't be able to build back our economy unless we successfully deal with the food insecurity problems that a good portion of our residents are dealing with.

Bottom line, this holiday season you can help by making a contribution to the Food Bank. You can get information at info@cfbccc.org or by calling 352-628-3663. It takes dollars to keep the Food Bank in the position where it can help. Your help is needed.

THE ISSUE:

People are hungry.

OUR OPINION:

Support the Community Food Bank.

Hot Corner: SIGN

I'm calling about the sign messages in the Nov. 17 paper Wednesday. I disagree with those people that are talking about the message in the sign. The sign in itself is an eyesore, not even thinking about what the message is. Secondly, what you're doing is just like forcing a certain religion down our throat. Not everybody sees it that way. It's just like you're preaching a certain religion that nobody wants to listen to. We all have our own...It's an eyesore. Put something up there positive, you know? Just take it down. ... Gee whiz, I mean, give me a break. Take it down. Just take it down.

I'm calling (about the Friday, Nov. 20, 2020) Sound Off in reference to the "Sign infringes on my beliefs." Really? So you want people to take their sign down that's been there for an eternity because you feel it's against your beliefs? So they don't believe in what you believe. They are entitled to do what they want to do. So if you don't like the sign on (C.R.) 486, don't go down (C.R.) 486. You don't have to use it. And as far as your neighborhood, drive around different streets so you don't have to look at the cups if you feel that they're infringing on your beliefs. Just because they're your beliefs doesn't

mean I have to stop what I'm doing just because you feel that way. If you feel that way, why don't you move somewhere so you can isolate yourself from everyone else and live by yourself? Otherwise, take alternate routes and quit complaining.

I've been reading in the Sound Off about people complaining about that sign, "Eternity in hell." I've been driving by that sign for several years almost every day and it reminds me that God gave me a choice and it makes me want to do something better with my life because I know there is a better place upstairs.

This Sound Off is about the sign. If a person has a solid foundation in what they believe, this sign will not affect them. God bless.

I've been reading the Sound Off in the paper in regards to the sign on the person's property that offends people, apparently. But these people that are offended need to remember that we still live in a constitutional republic and that the very first article in that Constitution guarantees us the right to free speech. We need to remember those things and if they offend you, then you just have to tuck it away and get on with life. That's the way things are in our country. Learn to live with it.

Our system still works

Our dads risked their lives in World War II to save the world from tyrannical rulers.

What would they say now, if they lived in a country ...

Where months before the election, the leader states that the only way he can lose would be by fraud?

Where the current leader refuses to acknowledge that he was not re-elected?

Where the leader and many public figures systematically sow doubt about the elections process, creating distrust for a nearly 250-year-old institution?

Where the leader appeals to other party leaders to reverse the results of the election?

Where the leader and other party members try to surgically negate the votes of citizens from communities of color?

Where elected leaders violate their oath to the Constitution, standing by and encouraging attacks on the will of the people?

No, it's not a banana republic. It's the United States of America in 2020. But not all is lost. There is still good news:

That our democracy permits every legal avenue of inquiry, including recounts and lawsuits, to ensure that election results are legitimate.

That there is zero evidence of voter fraud, anywhere!

That our First Amendment provides freedom of expression, the right to question the results of elections, even the right to lie publicly about the election process.

That our system of checks and balances, through the courts, throws out frivolous lawsuits that lack evidence.

That most Americans still

believe that every legally cast vote should count.

That despite the damage done to the institution of voting — one of our most sacred rights — most Americans still trust the integrity of the election process.

Out of the flames of lies and demagoguery, hope arises:

That our democracy will survive, despite the many hits it has suffered.

That we'll be able to tell our children and grandchildren that our United States of America still came out strong, and that what their grandfathers fought for remains intact.

Rosemary Nilles
Inverness

Jack Burt
Inverness

Hot Corner: VIRUS AND MASKS

(Re Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020, Pages A3 and A8): Why do all your elected officers not wear masks? Here we are, in the midst of a pandemic, and they're not wearing masks. Are they, you know, special people? They're not better than anybody. Why are they not wearing masks? They don't show like they've got much sense to me.

The Chronicle recently posted pictures of our five county commissioners at their first meeting. Only one was wearing a mask. The Chronicle also showed pictures of our school board members being sworn in. I saw no masks. I know it's not the job of the Chronicle to censure and educate these community officials. I wonder, what examples are these community officials giving the rest of the population by their refusal to wear a mask? Thank you, Chronicle, for bringing it to the light.

This is an FYI to the people who own restaurants in Citrus County: When I call and I ask you if you wear masks and you tell me "no," you are scratched off our list for eight people. Start thinking about that. It will multiply. Start wearing masks.

Today (Friday, Nov. 20, 2020) in Citrus County, there are 39 new cases of COVID, two more people hospitalized and two more deaths. I was amazed to read that one women's group will be having their annual Christmas party at the country club — or "let's party like its 2019." ...

It would be nice to know, with the increase in the positive results of testing in Citrus County, if any back tracing was being done on these positive cases to find out where people have been going if they may have picked up the virus, so those of us who don't test positive can stay away from some of these locations. It would be wonderful, but I haven't seen a thing in the paper about any of it.

In today's paper (Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020), it says 125 new cases of the virus are in the county and still going up. Then I

turn to the "Hot Corner: Virus," and I read the (Sound Off titled, "Masks don't work folks, move on") from an individual who says we are a bunch of cowards if we say we want to wear a mask if we're going to wear a mask and that we're cowards and we're chicken of everything and we're just afraid to go out without a mask on. Well, sir, I don't like being called a coward. I listen to the scientists and what they say, not some guy that doesn't even believe in the voting rights of people. ... Well, sir, if I'm a coward, at least I look at it and realize what's going on in the world.

I'm responding to "Hot Corner: Virus," where the person says, "Make masks mandatory." Totally, totally disagree with you because if you wear your mask, it could be in the air vents in any store. It could be on your mask, so when you take your mask off with your hands, now it's on your hands and if you touch your doorknob, it's on your doorknob. Then you go in your house and it's now in your house. You're not going to get rid of it just by wearing a mask. It can come out of an air vent and land on your clothing when you walk into your home or into your car. You still have the virus on you.

(Re the "Hot Corner: Virus" Sound Off titled, "Blame snowbirds for bringing stuff back"): It's the official start of winter the first complaint about those snowbirds. No, they didn't bring anything South with them. I saw all the unmasked, "we want freedom to die" people, who were out and about all summer long.

I want to say to all businesses: Please, if you are not going to mandate that your employees wear masks or wear them properly, then do not post a sign that we have to wear a mask. Many times I have been in establishments ... where none of the employees in there are wearing their masks correctly. Their nose is exposed or they don't have them on at all. They're not following the rules. They're coughing. So why have

It's business as usual

The only voter fraud found in Pennsylvania by officials was two Trump voters. Thirty-five lawsuits have been tossed out and more are expected, all costing judges their time and taxpayer money.

Trump is acting like a spoiled child, and knows he lost. Put on your big boy pants, President Trump, and act decent for once in your life.

Trump has totally ignored the pandemic, and spent all of 65 seconds in a news conference to tout the 30,000 mark in the stock market — how selfish to those in food lines and those suffering.

Meanwhile, where is Gov. Ron DeSantis? He's ignoring his responsibilities, won't hold press conferences and is now taping his news releases so he doesn't have to take questions about why he's doing nothing to protect Floridians.

With no mask mandate and 4,500 cases a day, the Republican senate leader Wilton Simpson blames the virus, without any responsibility on virus management, and his solution is to raise taxes and cut school funding. He's not alone; these people running the state, are clueless and seem to copy cat the president, especially DeSantis, who follows Trump's every word.

The people of Florida deserve better. I even voted for the two women for county commission, and guess what? They appeared in the chamber with no mask.

It looks like business as usual, just different faces.

Moderna seeks vaccine authorization

Asks US, European regulators to OK virus shots for emergency use

LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press

Moderna Inc. said Monday it was asking U.S. and European regulators to allow emergency use of its COVID-19 vaccine as new study results confirm the shots offer strong protection — intensifying the race to begin limited vaccinations as the coronavirus rampage worsens.

Multiple vaccine candidates must succeed for the world to stamp out the pandemic, which has been on the upswing in the U.S. and Europe. U.S. hospitals have been stretched to the limit as the nation has seen more than 160,000 new cases per day and more than 1,400 daily deaths. Since first emerging nearly a year ago in China, the virus has killed more than 1.4 million people worldwide.

Moderna is just behind Pfizer and its German partner BioNTech in seeking to begin vaccinations in the U.S. in December. British regulators also are assessing the Pfizer shot and another from AstraZeneca.

Moderna created its shots with the U.S. National Institutes of Health and already had a hint they were working, but said it got the final needed results over the weekend that suggest the vaccine is more than 94% effective.

Of 196 COVID-19 cases so far in its huge U.S. study, 185 were trial participants who received the placebo and 11 who got the real vaccine. The only people who got severely ill — 30 participants, including one who died — had received dummy shots, said Dr. Tal Zaks, the Cambridge, Massachusetts, company's chief

medical officer.

When he learned the results, "I allowed myself to cry for the first time," Zaks told The Associated Press. "We have already, just in the trial, have already saved lives. Just imagine the impact then multiplied to the people who can get this vaccine."

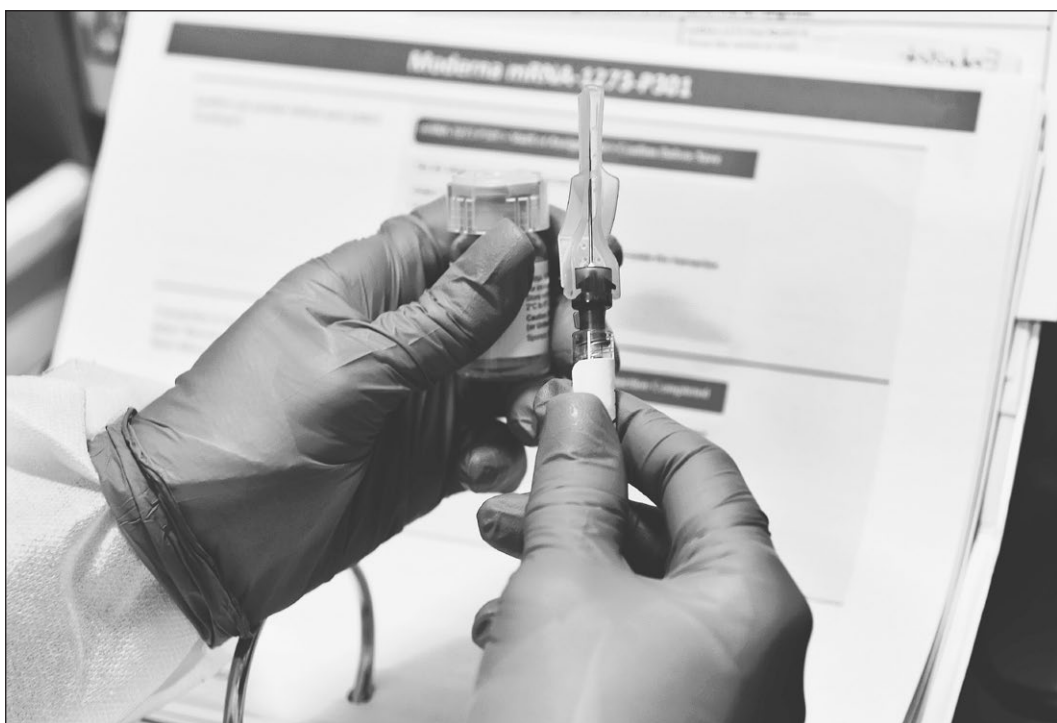
Moderna said the shots' effectiveness and a good safety record so far — with only temporary, flu-like side effects — mean they meet requirements set by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for emergency use before the final-stage testing is complete. The European Medicines Agency, Europe's version of FDA, has signaled it also is open to faster "conditional" clearance.

Dr. Anthony Fauci, the top U.S. infectious disease expert, called that level of protection "extraordinary." But with a grim few months ahead until enough vaccine arrives, he is pleading with Americans to stick with masks and other critical public health measures.

"We've got to continue to do that consistently and uniformly until we get the entire or most of the country vaccinated and have enough herd immunity that we can crush this outbreak," Fauci told the AP. With vaccines, "we've crushed smallpox, we've crushed polio, we've crushed measles," but doing the same for COVID-19 will take time.

WHAT COMES NEXT

The FDA has pledged that before it decides to roll out any COVID-19 vaccines, its scientific advisers will publicly debate whether there's enough evidence behind each



Associated Press

In this July 27, 2020, file photo, nurse Kathe Olmstead prepares a shot that is part of a possible COVID-19 vaccine, developed by the National Institutes of Health and Moderna Inc., in Binghamton, N.Y. Moderna Inc. says it will ask U.S. and European regulators to allow emergency use of its COVID-19 vaccine as new study results confirm the shots offer strong protection.

candidate.

First up on Dec. 10, Pfizer and BioNTech will present data suggesting their vaccine candidate is 95% effective. Moderna said its turn at this "science court" is expected exactly a week later, on Dec. 17.

RATIONING INITIAL DOSES

If the FDA allows emergency use, Moderna expects to have 20 million doses ready for the U.S. by year's end. Recipients will need two doses, so that's enough for 10 million people.

Pfizer expects to have 50 million doses globally in December. Half of them — or enough for 12.5 million people — are earmarked for the U.S.

Shipments are set to begin to states within 24 hours of FDA clearance. And this

week, a different panel of U.S. experts, established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, will meet to decide how those initial supplies will be given out. They're expected to reserve scarce first doses for health care workers and, if the shots work well enough in the frail elderly, for residents of long-term care facilities.

As more vaccine gradually becomes available in coming months, other essential workers and people at highest risk from the coronavirus would get in line. But enough for the general U.S. population isn't expected until at least spring.

Outside the U.S., Zaks said significant supplies from Moderna would be available later, "in the first quarter" of next year.

"Obviously we are doing everything in our power to increase the capacity and

accelerate the timelines," he said.

Britain's government said Sunday it has ordered 7 million doses from Moderna.

The U.K. also has ordered 40 million doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine, although it's not clear how much of the companies' limited December supply could go toward that order — if British health authorities clear the shots. Still, British hospitals are gearing up to receive some doses as early as next week.

Both Moderna's and Pfizer's vaccines are made with the same technology, using a piece of genetic code for the "spike" protein that studs the virus. That messenger RNA, or mRNA, instructs the body to make some harmless spike protein, training immune cells to recognize it if the real virus eventually comes along.

This holiday season, millions shop from home

JOSEPH PISANA
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The viral pandemic is accelerating a transformation of America's holiday shopping season.

Few people showed up at the mall this weekend, with millions of pandemic-wary shoppers staying home to shop online.

The result? Overall holiday sales are projected to rise a slight 0.9% in November and December — and even that modest gain will be due to an explosion in online shopping, according to the research firm eMarketer. It expects online sales to jump nearly 36%, while sales at physical stores fall 4.7%.

The online rush was on fully display Monday, known as Cyber Monday, a day of sales promoted by retailers back in 2005. Once the final numbers are tallied up, this year's Cyber Monday is projected to become the biggest online shopping day in American history.

Here's how this holiday shopping season is shaping up:

'BLEAK FRIDAY'

Black Friday, typically the frenzied kick-off of the holiday shopping season, was eerily quiet this year. Health officials had warned shoppers to stay home, and stores followed suit by putting their best deals online to discourage crowds.

Half as many people shopped



Associated Press

A shopper looks at Macy's window displays Monday in New York.

inside stores this Black Friday than last year, according to retail data company Sensormatic Solutions.

"Black Friday was really Bleak Friday," says David Bassuk, a member of the retail practice at the consulting firm AlixPartners.

Online was a decidedly different story. Sales hit a record \$9 billion on Black Friday — up a sharp 22% from last year, according to Adobe Analytics, which tracks online shopping.

CYBER MONDAY STILL ON TOP

Even though shoppers had access to weeks of online deals, many held out for bargains that they could get only on Cyber

Monday, the Monday after Thanksgiving.

Amazon offered 30% off on board games and discounts on many of its gadgets. Target had 40% off Legos and robot vacuums for \$75 off.

Cyber Monday is expected to generate as much as \$12.7 billion in sales — a 35% jump from a year ago, according to Adobe Analytics.

MORE CURBSIDE PICKUP

Curbside pickup, in which people order online and pick up at a store's parking lot, is becoming a popular option for those who want their gifts right away or who fear that they won't be shipped on time.

Some stores, like Macy's, are offering curbside pickup for the first time this holiday. Others are making more space in their parking lots for people to park and pick up orders.

In the weekend after Thanksgiving, curbside pickup rose 67% from a year ago, according to Adobe Analytics.

ONLINE SMALL BUSINESSES GAIN, TOO

While retail giants Amazon and Walmart are likely to be the biggest winners this holiday season, smaller businesses that have an online presence are racking up sales, too.

Adobe Analytics says online sales at smaller retailers were up 349% on Thanksgiving and Black Friday. And at the more than 1 million businesses that use Shopify to build their websites, sales rose 75% from a year ago to \$2.4 billion on Black Friday, according to Shopify.

Some shoppers are purposefully skipping big stores for smaller ones.

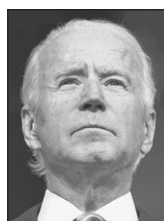
Bernadette Vielhaber, a technical writer in Avon, Ohio, says she bought books, T-shirts and other gifts from small businesses online, instead of giving her money to large companies that she feels don't need it, like Amazon.

"I'm trying to be more supportive of people who are struggling to keep their businesses open," she says.

Nation BRIEF

Wisconsin confirms Biden as winner following recount

MADISON, Wis. — Joe



Joe Biden

Biden's victory in battleground Wisconsin was confirmed Monday following a partial recount that only added to his 20,600-vote margin over President Donald Trump, who has promised to file a lawsuit seeking to undo the results.

Confirmation of the results by the Democratic chairwoman of the Wisconsin Elections Commission started a five-day window for Trump to file a lawsuit.

Trump on Saturday promised to file a lawsuit either on Monday or Tuesday, a long-shot attempt to overturn the results by disqualifying as many as 238,000 ballots. Trump's attorneys have alleged without evidence that there was widespread fraud and illegal activity.

Biden's campaign has said the recount showed that Biden won Wisconsin decisively and there was no fraud. Even if Trump were successful in Wisconsin, the state's 10 Electoral College votes would not be enough to undo Biden's overall victory as states around the country certify results. Earlier Monday, Arizona officials certified Biden's narrow victory in that state.

"There's no basis at all for any assertion that there was widespread fraud that would have affected the results," Wisconsin's Democratic Attorney General Josh Kaul said in a statement Monday. He noted that Trump's recount targeted only the state's two most populous counties where the majority of Black people live.

— From wire reports

Holiday air travel surges despite health warnings

DAVID KOENIG
Associated Press

Nearly 1.2 million people passed through U.S. airports Sunday, the largest number since the pandemic gripped the country in March, despite pleas from health experts for Americans to stay home over Thanksgiving.

The Transportation Security Administration screened at least 1 million people on four of the last 10 days through Sunday. That's still half the crowd recorded last year at airports, when more than 2 million people were counted per day.

With new reported cases of coronavirus spiking across the

country, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention had issued a warning against Thanksgiving travel just a week before the holiday.

The seven-day rolling average for daily new cases in the U.S. has climbed to more than 160,000, according to data from Johns Hopkins University. Public-health experts believe others who are infected don't show signs of carrying the virus.

Previous holidays including Memorial Day, July 4 and Labor Day were followed by increases in new cases. David O'Connor, a virologist at the University of Wisconsin who has studied the role of travel in the

pandemic, expects the same thing to happen after Thanksgiving and leading up to Christmas.

"Travel is going to be contributing to a bigger surge. What we see in the next couple weeks will tell us a lot about what will happen after Christmas," he said. "We're in the midst of a catastrophe as it is. You don't need a surge for it to become horrible. The health care systems are already stretched."

Dr. Anthony Fauci, the nation's top infectious-disease expert, said Sunday that the U.S. could see "surge upon a surge" of coronavirus cases, and he does not expect guidelines advising against travel to be relaxed before Christmas.

It's unclear whether the pleas of experts like Fauci had any effect on travel and large gatherings at Thanksgiving. Some airlines reported a pullback in bookings as virus cases grew in the days before the holiday.

Airlines say the risk of transmission during flights is very low if everyone on board wears a mask. Experts on epidemics say even if that is true, travelers can spread the virus once they get off the plane.

Over a 10-day period ending Sunday, TSA screened about 975,000 people a day on average. That's down 60% from a year ago, when more than 2.3 million people per day went through U.S. airports.

== *Around the* **COUNTY** ==

Stabbing under investigation

Citrus County Sheriff's Office detectives are investigating a stabbing in Floral City that left two people injured. Sheriff's office spokeswoman Jodi Sanders said an argument between the pair of men led to the incident, which occurred at around 12:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 30, 2020.

Sanders would not disclose the address of the scene in case it identifies a victim, who detectives have yet to determine.

Holiday Light Contest

Embrace your inner Clark Griswold with the Citrus County House Holiday Light Contest. The Chronicle invites you to enter into its friendly competition for the most beautiful house on the block through Friday, Dec. 4.

A first-, second- and third-place winner will be announced for the east and

west side of the county. Residents will submit a photo of the exterior of their home and receive a yard sign telling everyone to vote for their entry. Voting runs Saturday, Dec. 5, through Tuesday, Dec. 15. The Chronicle will publish a locator map in print and online so everyone can see the lights in person.

To enter the contest, visit tinyurl.com/y3532nos.

Christmas Trees on the Square

This year marks the 27th anniversary of the Old Courthouse Heritage Museum Christmas Tree Lighting. The trees will be lit at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, in conjunction with the Light up Inverness community event, at 1 Courthouse Square, Inverness. The museum will be open for extended hours during the event, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Stop by to see the trees, visit the Holiday Traditions in Florida exhibit and enjoy an evening of festive fun.

— From staff reports

K-9 finds drugs; couple arrested

BUSTER THOMPSON
Staff writer

A Citrus County Sheriff's Office K-9 sniffed out numerous pills and almost five ounces of methamphetamine during a traffic stop, leading to a couple's arrest.

According to the sheriff's office, Deputy Rudy Danner and K-9 Riggs on

Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020, pulled a vehicle over at the corner of U.S. 19 and Cypress Boulevard West in Homosassa.

Deputies later searched the vehicle, occupied by 28-year-old Richard Dalton and 38-year-old Heather Hammon, after Riggs alerted Danner to narcotics being inside.

They found, according to the sheriff's office,

133 grams of meth, 42 grams of marijuana, 3.7 grams of THC wax, a glass pipe with drug residue, a scale and a variety of pills in various doses: Diazepam, Alprazolam, Clonazepam, Buprenorphine, Hydromorphone and methadone.

Dalton faces charges of trafficking in meth, possessing drug paraphernalia and 10 counts of

possessing a controlled substance. He was jailed under a \$71,000 bond.

Hammon faces charges of possessing drug paraphernalia and two counts of possessing a controlled substance.

Contact Chronicle reporter Buster Thompson at 352-564-2916, bthompson@chronicleonline.com or visit tinyurl.com/yxn2ahso to see more of his stories.

== *For the* **RECORD** ==

Citrus County Sheriff's Office

Domestic battery arrest

■ **Steven Good**, 33, of Floral City, at 5:33 p.m. Nov. 24 on misdemeanor charges of domestic battery and petit theft.

Other arrests

■ **John Ward**, 47, of Homosassa, at 8:02 p.m. Nov. 24 on a felony charge of battery on a law enforcement officer. His bond was set at \$5,000.

■ **Marcel Drouin**, 54, of Hernando, at 4:03 p.m. Nov. 24 on a misdemeanor charge of disorderly intoxication. According to his arrest affidavit, Drouin is accused of yelling and causing a scene at The Party Store in Hernando. His bond was set at \$500.

■ **Jason Riley**, 41, of West Orange Lane, Crystal River, at 3:15 p.m. Nov. 24 on an active warrant for felony violation of probation stemming from an original charge of possession of methamphetamine.

■ **Walter Rogers Jr.**, 39, of Hernando, at 12:50 p.m. Nov. 24 on an active warrant for misdemeanor charges of drug paraphernalia and driving with a suspended license.

■ **Jose Mayol**, 27, of Inverness, at 12:57 a.m. Nov. 24 on felony charges of possession of a controlled substance and fleeing or eluding law enforcement, along with misdemeanor charges of drug paraphernalia, driving with a suspended license, and resisting an officer without violence. Mayol was

also charged with felony violation of probation.

■ **Ryan Smith**, 37, of Homosassa, at 11:59 p.m. Nov. 23 on a misdemeanor charge of violating an injunction for protection.

■ **Sherrie Benson**, 65, of Inverness, at 7:50 p.m. Nov. 23 on an active warrant for felony violation of probation.

■ **Matthew Vanslette**, 29, of Crystal River, at 4:33 p.m. Nov. 23 on a felony charge of possession of a controlled substance. His bond was set at \$4,000.

== *Around the* **STATE** ==

Missing Florida boater found clinging to capsized boat

CAPE CANAVERAL — A 62-year-old boater who had been missing since Friday was found Sunday clinging to his capsized vessel off of Florida's Atlantic coastline, the U.S. Coast Guard said,

The agency had been searching for signs of Stuart Bee and his 32-foot boat since he was reported missing on Friday.

A crew onboard the container ship Angeles spotted Bee some 86 miles off of Cape Canaveral on Sunday, the Coast Guard said in a Twitter post.

A Coast Guard helicopter crew flew to the Angeles to take Bee back to shore.

His condition wasn't immediately known.

Toddler survives fall from 4th floor apartment in Miami

MIAMI — A 2-year-old girl is recovering after falling early Monday from a fourth floor window of an apartment in Miami.

A palm tree under the window helped slow the speed of the fall and the child landed in some bushes, Miami Fire Rescue Capt. Ignatius Carroll told WPLG.

The child was being cuddled by her uncle and was crying when crews arrived at the

scene in Miami's Little Havana neighborhood, Carroll told the television station.

The girl was then taken to a hospital for treatment. No additional details were immediately available.

Mother of slain Florida teen shot during burial service

COCOA — An unknown gunman fired into a crowd gathered at a Saturday afternoon burial service of a teenager who was fatally shot by a Florida sheriff's deputy earlier this month, officials said.

The deceased teen's mother was wounded by the bullet, Florida Today reported.

The shooting happened as guests gathered at Riverview Memorial Gardens to pay their respects to 18-year-old Sincere Pierce. Pierce and 16-year-old Angelo Crooms were killed Nov. 13 by a Brevard County Sheriff's deputy.

The shot rang out as the pastor had just finished his prayers and the teen's friends and loved ones were placing flowers on the casket, the newspaper reported. The loud popping sound was followed by stunned silence before Quasheda Pierce screamed that she'd been hit.

Friends and family members helped Quasheda Pierce into a minivan before ambulances arrived.

— From wire reports



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Prices can range from \$40 to more than \$200, depending on their sophistication.

Let me give you just one example of how they work. One day, just before one of my ABC of Dementia workshops, a young woman approached and said, "I want to apologize in advance. I have brought my mother who has dementia, and I know she cannot possibly sit through

the whole presentation. I will learn what I can, but I am sure we will have to leave before it's over."

I picked up my little breathing cat and said, "May I meet your mother?"

I was introduced to her, and I said, "Would you watch my cat Penny during my presentation?"

The daughter looked shocked and whispered to me, "That's not real!"

I whispered back, "Maybe to you it's not."

In the meantime, mother had broken into a big smile as she took the animatronic cat out of my hands.

Throughout my presentation, the woman sat quietly and gently stroked the soft fur of the little breathing puppet. She remained calm the whole two hours, and after the workshop her daughter said to me in astonishment, "My mother has not sat still that long in her whole life!"

Animatronic pets really work. At my suggestion, many care partners who attend my support groups have acquired one for their loved one living with dementia.

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Coping with cancer during the holiday season, virus pandemic



Dr. C. Joseph Bennett
NAVIGATING CANCER

Thanks to the COVID-19 pandemic, our holidays are going to look and feel different this year.

This can be even more challenging for cancer patients who may be undergoing treatment and concerned about their risk for serious COVID complications.

People going through cancer treatments need to take special care of themselves through the holidays, which can be stressful even in the best of times. Use your treatment as permission to take a break from the normal holiday routine, and try to enjoy yourself.

Set lower expectations for this holiday season. Don't worry about decorating the house, baking, or buying gifts for everyone in your life.

Remind yourself that this is temporary. For a short period, you can relax. With that in mind, let others do things for you. Delegate tasks and errands to others, many of whom may be looking for a way to help you during this trying time in your life.

And, always remember to rest each day. Many people experience fatigue during cancer treatment, and need to find the right balance of rest and activities.



MetroCreative

Dr. C. Joseph Bennett says people going through cancer treatments need to take special care of themselves through the holidays, which can be stressful even in the best of times.

It's OK to allow yourself some depression and self-pity, but then pick yourself up and move on.

Many of my patients have a pity party for a day or two, and that is okay, but too long, such as two weeks, could be a sign of clinical depression.

The rate of depression among cancer patients is 15% to 24%, about twice that in the general population. So if a person in treatment doesn't care about getting out of bed, or is physically unable to get up, it could be clinical depression rather than fatigue, and should be discussed with a doctor and/or social worker.

Don't completely ignore the holidays. Find a way to be festive, but continue scrupulous attention to masking and distancing. If weather permits, eat and gather out-of-doors. If you must be indoors, maintain distance.

Celebrate with your usual household. This is the safest

option. Limit your holiday celebration to the people that live in your home.

And, make no apologies if you need to retire early or skip a gathering that will be tiring. Do so without regret or an elaborate explanation. Simply saying "I don't feel up to it" should be all the explanation needed.

Food doesn't taste right to many people in treatment and rich holiday dishes can intensify feelings of nausea. Focus on family, friends and spirituality now, and look forward to enjoying meals at the next holiday, when treatment will be over.

Eventually, the taste will come back.

People around the cancer patient always want to feed that person. Food represents life and celebration. But love and friendship can easily be the main holiday focus for people with cancer.

Finally, don't concentrate on what may be missing,

what tradition wasn't kept, or what may be different about this year's holiday season from years past. Try to focus on the present moment and enjoy your celebration in whatever form it takes.

Remember what the holidays are truly about — a time for being thankful and sharing with others.

As we launch into this most unique of holiday seasons, colored by fear but tinged with the certainty this pandemic scourge will pass, I wish everyone a (thoughtfully constructed) safe and happy holiday. Let us use this opportunity to physically distance, but emotionally draw even more closely together.

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Nosebleeds: Influences, causes

Nosebleeds are a common problem that affect over 50% of the U.S. population. There are a number of things that influence visits to the doctor's office or the emergency room to control the nosebleed.



Dr. Denis Grillo
EAR, NOSE & THROAT

(sometimes children place foreign bodies up their nose), hypertension, blood disorders, familial and hereditary disorders that cause bleeding, diseases of the liver, autoimmune disease and even leukemia.

Demographics (age-related studies) suggest the peak in life that one encounters nosebleeds is less than 10 years of age and over 70 years of age.

Most nosebleeds are anterior. This means bleeding out the front of the nose. Some are posterior, which is bleeding down the back of the throat. Generally speaking less than 1% of nosebleeds require an ER visit and even less require hospitalization due to blood loss.

Besides age issues, sometimes the time of the year is a contributing factor. Dryness that is noted during the cooler and less humid times of the year is when we see a peak in nose bleeds. Here in Florida, that is usually December through February.

Usually, nosebleeds will stop with tincture of time and applied pressure. Occasionally, cautery and nasal packing is needed.

Going off medications which can promote bleeding is helpful. Those medications include meds like aspirin, fish oil, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatories (NSAIDS) such as Advil or similar meds and anticoagulation/ blood-thinning medication that is frequently prescribed by cardiologists.

Believe it or not, Medicare data suggests that there are even geographic influences as to where nosebleeds occur the most. It appears that Alaska, Colorado, Connecticut, Idaho, Maine, Montana and Wyoming are hotspots.

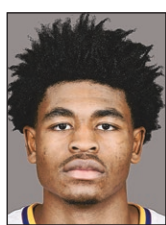
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THE NUMBER:

3

20-plus point games for LSU freshman Cameron Thomas, after scoring 21 in a win Monday night over Louisiana.



Cameron Thomas

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Bucs welcome bye



Tampa Bay Buccaneers quarterback Tom Brady reacts as he walks to the bench after throwing an interception to Kansas City Chiefs cornerback Rashad Fenton during the second half of an NFL game Sunday, Nov. 29, 2020, in Tampa. The Chiefs won 27-24.

Associated Press

Can rest up for season-ending stretch after losing 3 of past 4 games

FRED GOODALL
AP sports writer

TAMPA — Tampa Bay's bye week is coming at a good time. The Buccaneers (7-5) have lost three

of their past four games and will use the break to try to get healthier and set Tom Brady up for a strong stretch run that could produce the franchise's first playoff berth since 2007.

"First and foremost, get healthy and

beat the virus," coach Bruce Arians said of the team's objective for this week's open date.

"Every team that has come back from

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Ravens-Steelers moved again

DAVID GINSBURG
AP sports writer

The Baltimore Ravens' struggle to contain an extended outbreak of the coronavirus forced their rescheduled game Tuesday night against the unbeaten Pittsburgh Steelers to be moved back to Wednesday.

It's the third fix to a matchup originally slated to be played Thanksgiving night.

The NFL announced the most recent switch Monday after the Ravens placed starters Matthew Judon, Willie Snead and Mark Andrews on the reserve/COVID-19 list.

Although Baltimore also had four players return from that list, the team will still be severely short-handed when this game is finally played.

The addition of Judon, a standout linebacker, and Andrews, the leading receiver on the team, brings to seven the number of 2019 Pro Bowl players that Baltimore has placed on the COVID-19 list over the past week.

Cornerback Terrell Bonds, who's on injured reserve, was also added to the expansive list Monday.

There was a bit of good news, however: Baltimore activated linebacker Jayson Ferguson, offensive lineman D.J. Fluker and defensive tackle Broderick Washington from the COVID-19 list. Defensive back Iman Marshall was also activated, although he's been on IR since tearing his right ACL in August.

The contest pitting two longtime rivals was originally scheduled for Thanksgiving night before a rash of coronavirus cases among the Ravens forced the game to be postponed to Sunday. As Baltimore continued to stack up positive tests, the game was moved back to Tuesday night.

Now, perhaps, they'll finally meet on Wednesday in Pittsburgh. Or not.

The Ravens (6-4) will face the Steelers without several of their top playmakers, including quarterback Lamar Jackson, running backs Mark Ingram and J.K. Dobbins, and

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Lecanto's Rice signs with Old Dominion



Lecanto girls soccer standout Ava Rice recently signed to continue her education and playing career at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia. Pictured, front row, from left, Barbara Hadley, Christine Rice, Ava Rice and Richard Rice. Back row, from left, Erin Rice, Riley Rice and Kylie Rice.

Special to the Chronicle

SPORTS BRIEFS

Gators hoops makes schedule swap

With Florida's originally-scheduled men's basketball game at Oklahoma unable to move ahead this week, the Gators have signed on for a trip to Mohegan Sun in Connecticut for two mid-week games in the Basketball Hall of Fame's Bubbleville event on Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 2-3.

Florida will face Army on Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. (ESPN2) and Boston College at 9:30 p.m. on Thursday (ESPN).

Virus forces Gophers to cancel game vs. No. 16 Northwestern

Minnesota announced Monday it has called off this weekend's game against No. 16 Northwestern, the second straight cancellation for the Gophers due to a spike in COVID-19 cases within the program.

University officials made the decision in consultation with the Big Ten after seven additional positive cases were confirmed. The Wildcats, who lead the West Division by one game at 5-1, were scheduled to play Saturday at TCF Bank Stadium. Those Gophers who've contracted the virus have experienced "very, very mild symptoms," according to coach P.J. Fleck.

College football is limping toward the postseason in late December as multiple programs deal with COVID-19 outbreaks and contact tracing protocols. Four games on this week's schedule have been postponed or canceled. Over the last three weeks, 52 games have been called off because of COVID-19 issues out of 179 that were scheduled. Since late August, the total number of canceled or postponed games is 103.

49ers to play 2 home games in Arizona

The San Francisco 49ers will play two home games in Arizona after new coronavirus regulations put in place by officials in Northern California forced the team to find a temporary new home.

The 49ers will host the Buffalo Bills next Monday and Washington on Dec. 13 at State Farm Stadium, home of the Arizona Cardinals.

Mahan helps UCF hold off Auburn 63-55

ORLANDO — Brandon Mahan scored all 12 of his points in the second half, and UCF held off Auburn 63-55 down the stretch to win a season-opener Monday night.

Jamal Johnson led Auburn (1-2) with 18 points, draining five 3-pointers, matching his career high.

— From wire reports

Gonzaga, Baylor stay atop Top 25

*Virginia Tech,
Richmond in*

JOHN MARSHALL
AP basketball writer

The first Associated Press men's college basketball poll of the regular season remained steady at the top.

The rest, predictably, was filled with change as teams exceeded or failed to live up to preseason expectations.

Gonzaga and Baylor remained Nos. 1-2 in the poll released Monday. The Zags received 57 of 63 first-place votes from a media panel and the Bears had six first-place votes. They were the only two teams to hold their places from the preseason poll.

Gonzaga kept the top spot by a commanding margin with impressive wins in Fort Myers, Florida. The Zags (2-0) rolled over Kansas 102-90 and crushed Auburn 90-67 the next day.

"We feel we can score on anybody," said Gonzaga's Drew Timme, who had 28 points and 10 rebounds against Auburn. "We've got great coaching. If we execute our offense and move the ball and not get stymied, we feel we can score on every team."

Baylor was forced to drop out of the "Bubbleville" tournament in Uncasville, Connecticut, after coach Scott Drew tested positive for COVID-19. The Bears (2-0) adjusted their schedule and had no trouble playing under assistant coach Jerome Tang, routing Louisiana-Lafayette and Washington.

Villanova fell nine places to No. 12 after losing to Virginia Tech, which moved into the poll at No. 16. Virginia also took a big



Baylor's Jared Butler (12) attempts a shot over Washington's Riley Sorn (52) during the second half of an NCAA college basketball game Sunday, Nov. 29, 2020, in Las Vegas. The Bears remain No. 2 in the Associated Press men's college basketball poll behind top-ranked Gonzaga.

tumble after losing to San Francisco, dropping 11 spots to No. 15.

The two losses allowed Iowa to move up two spots to No. 3, with Wisconsin and Illinois rounding out the top five. The Illini are in the top five for the first time since reaching No. 1 in 2004-05.

HOKIES MOVE IN

Virginia Tech was picked to finish 11th in the Atlantic Coast

Conference preseason poll.

The Hokies may be better than expected, based on their opening week.

Virginia Tech (3-0) opened the season with an easy win over Radford, then pulled off an upset by knocking off then-No. 3 Villanova in overtime in Bubbleville. The Hokies closed out their week with an 18-point victory over South Florida after their game against Temple was canceled due to

COVID-19 concerns.

JAYHAWKS BREAK RECORD

Kansas dropped a spot to No. 7 after the loss to Gonzaga. The Jayhawks still managed to move atop the all-time consecutive polls list.

Kansas was ranked for the 222nd week, breaking the record set by UCLA from 1966-80.

No. 6 Duke has the second-longest active poll streak at

85 straight weeks.

HAWKEYES CLIMB

Iowa has its highest ranking since the 2015-16 team reached No. 3.

Luka Garza had a lot to do with it.

The preseason All-American kicked off his senior season with 26 points and 10 rebounds in a win over North Carolina Central, then scored 41 points on 14-of-15 shooting in a rout over Southern.

"Whenever I get the ball, I feel like I can score," Garza said. "Sometimes you have those days where you're just making shots. I put enough work into each shot that when I put it up, I have a strong feeling that it's going to go in."

RISING/FALLING

Virginia and Villanova had two of the biggest drops in the opening regular-season poll, but there was plenty of other movement.

Houston climbed seven spots from No. 17 after knocking off No. 17 Texas Tech, which dropped three spots from last week.

No. 8 Michigan State climbed five spots after beating Notre Dame and Eastern Michigan.

No. 20 Kentucky fell 10 spots after losing at home to Richmond. The win was the Spiders' first on the road against a top-10 team and helped them enter the poll at No. 19.

No. 25 Arizona State also fell seven spots following two wins and a loss to Villanova.

MOVING OUT

UCLA dropped out of the poll after losing to San Diego State and needing triple overtime to beat Pepperdine.

Ready or not, NBA opening

*Training camps are
set to begin today*

TIM REYNOLDS
AP basketball writer

For the Los Angeles Lakers and Miami Heat, it was the shortest off-season ever. For the eight teams that haven't played since March, the off-season dragged on for longer than most seasons last. And for all 30 clubs, questions are far more prevalent than answers these days.

Ready or not, the NBA is back.

Training camps open around the league Tuesday, though on-court sessions will be limited to individual workouts and only for those players who have gotten three negative coronavirus test results back in the last few days. Mandatory "group training activities," another way to describe what would otherwise be called practice, will begin in some cities Friday and for most clubs Sunday, the league said.

"I feel like a kid getting excited for the first day of school again," Atlanta guard Trae Young tweeted.

As is the case with school, there will be tests in NBA camps. Lots of them.

Players and coaches will be tested for coronavirus daily around the league, and a positive test at this point would likely derail someone for most of camp and probably into the preseason. The rules are so strict that clubs cannot even hold a team dinner on the eve of training camp; the NBA isn't allowing those to take place until at least Dec. 11, or the start of Phase 4 in the league's five-phase plan for health and safety.

"We're all going to have to be very nimble, first of all keeping guys safe and healthy," Utah general manager Justin Zanik said Monday. "We'll get an idea of the schedule, how travel is, how the pandemic affects us. ... No one in the NBA, other than a three-month bubble, has ever gone through what we're about to go through."

Preseason is less than two weeks away, starting Dec. 11. The regular season starts on Dec. 22, three weeks from Tuesday. A schedule for the first half of the shortened 72-game regular season could be known in the coming days, and many teams are still deciding if they can begin the season with fans in their arenas or not. The NBA champion Lakers have already said they aren't having fans in their building to start the season; Charlotte and Oklahoma City announced Monday that they will begin their home schedules the same way.

"This is going to be a challenging season for us," Phoenix general manager James Jones said. "We're going to do everything in our power to make sure that we try to stay COVID-free and try to stay healthy. With 72 games in a condensed



Los Angeles Lakers' LeBron James celebrates during the second half in Game 6 of basketball's NBA Finals against the Miami Heat Sunday, Oct. 11, 2020, in Lake Buena Vista. The Lakers defeated the Miami Heat 106-93 to win the NBA title, 4 games to 2. Less than two months after the end of the past season, NBA training camps are set to open back up today.

season and more or increased back-to-backs means that we'll have to manage our time appropriately."

For nine coaches — Tom Thibodeau in New York, Steve Nash in Brooklyn, Billy Donovan in Chicago, Doc Rivers in Philadelphia, Nate Bjorkgren in Indiana, Stan Van Gundy in New Orleans, Stephen Silas in Houston, Mark Daigneault in Oklahoma City and Tyrone Lue with the Los Angeles Clippers — this week marks the formal start of their on-court tenures with their clubs.

It'll also be the first training camp as head coach for J.B. Bickerstaff in Cleveland; he took over as coach of the Cavaliers in February.

Some teams haven't played since March 11. Others saw their seasons resume in July, then end in August or September. And for the Lakers and the Heat, the NBA finalists, the season went until mid-October.

Not even two months later, it's time to play again.

"I think it's fair to say that coming into the season, given everything that's going on in the country relative to COVID and the effects that it's having on everybody both locally and nationally, this is going to be a pretty unique season," Oklahoma City general manager Sam Presti said.

"We've never been through a season like this before. No team has."

South Carolina remains No. 1 in women's poll

DOUG FEINBERG
AP basketball writer

NEW YORK — Top-ranked South Carolina jumped into the new season by playing three games in the first five days. The Gamecocks were challenged over the weekend in a tournament in South Dakota but emerged victorious.

They remained the top choice in The Associated Press women's basketball poll released Monday, receiving 29 of 30 first-place votes from a media panel. The top 10 teams stayed the same as in the preseason poll, with Stanford, UConn, Baylor and Louisville rounding out the first five.

South Carolina opened with an 81-point victory over Charleston before topping South Dakota by 10 and then-No. 21 Gonzaga by seven.

"I don't think a whole lot of teams would come out of here undefeated with the talent that was here," Gamecocks coach Dawn Staley said. "Those were challenging opponents. Challenging. Some people won't play teams like this because you're susceptible to losing. It was good that this core group of players found their edge."

Stanford won its first game, moving coach Tara VanDerveer three wins behind Pat Summitt's total of 1,098 victories. It might be a while before the Cardinal play again; Santa Clara County on Saturday announced new COVID-19 rules that include a three-week ban starting Monday on practices and games for contact sports. The Cardinal's game against San Diego that was scheduled for Monday was canceled.

UConn also was waiting to get its season started after the Huskies were put on pause because of a positive coronavirus test in their Tier I group.

Mississippi State, Arizona, North Carolina State, UCLA and Oregon rounded out the top 10.

Texas, under new coach Vic Schaefer, won its first two games and entered the poll at No. 25 for its first ranking since last December. Notre Dame fell out.

Here are other tidbits from the women's Top 25:

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

Iowa State had the biggest drop in the poll, falling eight spots to No. 23 after splitting a pair of games. The Cyclones beat Omaha by 26 points to open the season before falling to South Dakota State 76-69. The team was missing coach Bill Fennelly, who is in quarantine after an exposure to COVID-19. He'll miss games this week against TCU and South Carolina. No. 13 Indiana, No. 18 Gonzaga and No. 21 Missouri State all rose three places in the poll.

COMING UP COLLIER

Charli Collier had a stellar game for newly ranked Texas, scoring 44 points in Sunday's win over North Texas. It was the highest single-game scoring total for a Texas player since 1994 and the fourth-highest total in school history.

She made 14 of her 17 shots from the field and was 14 of 15 from the free-throw line. Add 16 rebounds and two blocks, and it was a complete effort.

WELCOME BACK TIANA

Syracuse guard Tiana Mangakahia played in her first game in 615 days when Syracuse beat Stony Brook 50-39 on Sunday.

She missed last season to undergo chemotherapy and then had a double mastectomy last November.

The native of Australia had 16 points, seven rebounds, four steals and three assists for then-No. 23 Orange.

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40 (WACX) TBN	21		21			Vic Show	The 700 Club	Babers	SkyWatch	P. Stone	Bill W.	Let's Go!		A. Courte	S.Channel	Faith	Prince
44 (WTOG) CW	4	4	4	12	12	Mike & Molly '14'	Mike & Molly '14'	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Swamp Thing "Brilliant Disguise" '14'		Tell Me a Story (N) (In Stereo) '14'		CW44 News (N)	CW44 News (N)	2 Broke Girls '14'	2 Broke Girls '14'
50 (WVEA) UNI	15	15	15	15	14	Noticias	Noticiero	Rosa de Guadalupe	Te doy la vida 'PG'	Amor eterno (N) 'PG'				Como tú no hay dos		Noticias	Noticiero
51 (WOGX) FOX			13	7	7	Fox 51	Fox 51	Big Bang	Big Bang	Cosmos: Possible Worlds 'PG'		NEXT "File 6" '14'		FOX 51 News		Dateline '14'	
66 (WXPX) ION		17				Criminal Minds '14'	Criminal Minds '14'	Criminal Minds '14'	Criminal Minds '14'	Criminal Minds '14'		Criminal Minds '14'		Criminal Minds '14'		Criminal Minds '14'	
(A&E)	54	48	54	25	27	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'	Storage Wars 'PG'
(ACCN)		99				To Be Announced											
(AMC)	55	64	55			** "Fred Claus" (2007, Comedy) Vince Vaughn. 'PG'				*** "The Polar Express" (2004, Children's) Voices of Tom Hanks. 'G'			*** "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" (1971, Children's) Gene Wilder, Jack Albertson. 'G'				
(ANI)	52	35	52	19	31	Alaskan Bush People (In Stereo) 'PG'	Alaskan Bush People (In Stereo) 'PG'	Alaskan Bush People: Wild Life "Surviving the Freeze" (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'		Yukon Men "Running on Empty" (N) 'PG'				Yukon Men "Art of the Eel" (N) 'PG'			
(BET)	96	71	96			*% "Blue Streak" (1999, Comedy) Martin Lawrence. Thief tries to retrieve a cache from a police station. 'PG-13'				** "Bad Boys II" (2003, Action) Martin Lawrence, Will Smith, Jordi Mollá. Two detectives battle a drug kingpin in Miami. 'R'							
(BIGTEN)	742	809				To Be Announced		College Soccer		College Soccer		College Soccer		Ohio State Football Classic			
(BRAVO)	254	51	254			Below	Below Deck '14'	Below Deck (N) '14'		Below Deck '14'		Tardy		Tardy	Watch	Chrisley	Chrisley
(CC)	27	61	27		33	The Office 'Up' 'PG'	The Office 'PG'	The Office 'PG'	The Office 'PG'	The Office 'PG'	The Office 'PG'	Drunk History	Drunk History	Drunk History	Drunk History	The Daily Show With Trevor Noah (N) '14'	
(CMT)	98	45	98	28	37	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders		Mom '14'	Mom '14'
(CNN)	40	29	40	41	46	Situation Room	Erin Burnett OutFront	Anderson Cooper		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight		CNN Tonight			
(ESPN)	33	27	33	21	17	SportsCenter (N)	Top 25	College Basketball: Champions Classic				College Basketball: Champions Classic		SportsC.			
(ESPN2)	37	28	34	43	49	College Basketball	College Basketball			Basket		College Basketball		Top 25			
(FBN)	106	149	106	99	41	The Evening Edit (N)	Lou Dobbs Tonight	Kennedy (N)		The Evening Edit		Lou Dobbs Tonight		Kennedy			
(FLIX)		118	170			** "Rain Man" 'R'	** "S.W.A.T. Firefight" (2011) Gabriel Macht. (In Stereo) 'R'	***% "District 9" (2009, Science Fiction) Sharlto Copley. (In Stereo) 'R'		***% "Courage Under Fire" (1996) Denzel Washington. (In Stereo) 'R'							
(FNC)	44	37	44		32	Special Report	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N)		The Ingraham Angle		Fox News at Night			
(FOOD)	26	56	26			Chopped 'G'	Chopped 'G'	Chopped 'G'		Chopped (N) 'G'		Supermarket		Candy Land 'G'			
(FREEFORM)	29	52	29	20	28	***% "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York" (1992, Macaulay Culkin. (In Stereo) 'PG'				Children's		** "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas" (2000, Children's) Jim Carrey. (In Stereo) 'PG'		The 700 Club (In Stereo)			
(FS1)	732	112	732			NASCAR Race Hub	PBA Bowling			WWE Friday Night SmackDown 'PG'		Breaking		Bowling			
(FSNFL)	35	39	35			Pregame	MLB Baseball			Postgame		Hockey		Marlins			
(FX)	30	60	30		51	***% "Now You See Me" (2013) Jesse Eisenberg. (In Stereo) 'PG-13'				** "Skyscraper" (2018, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Chin Han. (In Stereo) 'PG-13'		** "Skyscraper" (2018, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Chin Han. (In Stereo) 'PG-13'					
(GOLF)	727	67	727			Central	Central	Swing	PGA	Golf's Greatest Rounds (N) 'G'				Central	Central	Golf	
(HALL)	59	68	39	45	54	"Picture a Perfect Christmas" (2019, Romance) Merritt Patterson. 'NR'				"Heart of the Holidays" (2020, Romance) Vanessa Lengies, Corey Sevier. 'NR'		"Good Morning Christmas!" (2020, Romance) Alison Sweeney. 'NR'					
(HBO)	302	201	302	2	2	*** "The Normal Heart" (2014) 'NR'		The Undoing "Trial by Fury" 'MA'		The Undoing "The Bloody Truth" 'MA'		*** "Amistad" (1997, Historical Drama) Morgan Freeman. Africans revolt on a Spanish slave ship in 1839. (In Stereo) 'R'					
(HBO2)	303	202	303			"Crazy, Not Insane" (2020) Psychiatrist Dorothy Otnow Lewis profiles serial killers.				Industry (In Stereo) 'MA'		The Undoing "The Bloody Truth" 'MA'		Murder on Middle Beach 'MA'		*** "Just Mercy" (2019) 'PG-13'	
(HGTV)	23	57	23	42	52	Fixer to Fabulous 'G'	Fixer to Fabulous 'G'	Fixer to Fabulous (N) 'G'		Fixer to Fabulous (N) 'G'		House Hunters		House Hunters Int'l	House Hunters	Hunters Int'l	
(HIST)	51	54	51	32	42	The Curse of Oak Island (In Stereo) 'PG'		The Curse of Oak Island (In Stereo) 'PG'		The Curse of Oak Island: Digging Deeper		The Curse of Oak Island (N) 'PG'		Beyond Oak Island (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'		The Curse of Oak Island (In Stereo) 'PG'	
(LIFE)	24	38	24		21	"Christmas on the Vine" (2020, Drama) Julianna Guill, Jon Cor. 'NR'				"People Presents: Once Upon a Main Street" (2020) Vanessa Lachey. 'NR'		"A Taste of Christmas" (2020, Romance-Comedy) Anni Krueger. 'NR'					
(LMN)	119	50	119			"Deadly Hollywood Obsession" (2019, Suspense) Sarah Roemer. 'NR'				***% "The Bodyguard" (1992) Kevin Costner. falls for the singer-actress he must protect. 'R'		Premiere. A bodyguard		"Psycho Stripper" (2019) 'NR'			
(MSNBC)	42	41	42			The Beat With		The ReidOut (N)		All In With		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		The 11th Hour	
(NBCSN)	448	26	730			Engine Power	Engine Power	Mecum Top 10	Mecum Top 10	Caffeine & Octane	Caffeine & Octane	Carcass	Carcass	Fort Lauderdale Boat Show		Caffeine & Octane	Caffeine & Octane
(NGEO)	109	65	109			Life Below Zero "The Big Catch" '14'		Life Below Zero (N) '14'		Life Below Zero "Inside Out" (N) '14'		Atlas of Cursed Places		Life Below Zero "Bad Bones" 'PG'		Life Below Zero "Inside Out" '14'	
(NICK)	28	36	28	35	25	Loud	Loud	Loud	Loud	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sheldon	Sheldon	Sheldon	Friends	Friends	Friends
(OWN)	125	24	103			Food		Tanya's		The Haves, Notes		Our OWN Christmas		Our OWN Christmas		The Haves, Notes	
(OXY)	123	44	123			Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries		Unsolved Mysteries	
(PARMT)	37	43	37	27	36	Two and Half Men		Two and Half Men		Movie (In Stereo)				Movie (In Stereo)			
(SEC)	745	72				The Paul Finebaum Show (N) (Live)		SEC Now (N) (Live)		SEC Inside		TrueSouth (N)		College Football			
(SHOW)	340	241	340			Shameless "South Side Rules" 'MA'		Shameless "Drugs Actually" 'MA'		Shameless (In Stereo) 'MA'		Inside the NFL (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'		The Best of All the Smoke		Inside the NFL (In Stereo) 'PG'	
(SUN)	36	31	36			Inside Pitch	To Be Announced							Rays All-Access 2020			Rays Prospect
(SYFY)	31	59	31	26	29	"Se7en" (1995) 'R'		** "Hunter Killer" (2018) Gerard Butler. A U.S. submarine captain must rescue the Russian president.				***% "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Action) Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, Ian Holm. PG-13		Dennis			Futurama '14'
(TBS)	49	23	49	16	19	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Misery	Conan	Misery
(TCM)	169	53	169	30	35	** "Crowded Sky" (1965) 'NR'				Women Make Film		*** "Crossing Delancey" (1988, Romance-Comedy) Amy Irving. 'PG'		Women Make Film			
(TDC)	53	34	53	24	26	Moonshiners: Outlaw Cuts (N) '14'		Moonshiners: Outlaw Cuts (N) '14'		Moonshiners "Interstate Alliance" '14'		Moonshiners: Outlaw Cuts "Yuletide Shine" (N) (In Stereo) '14'		Moonshiners "Need For Speed" '14'			
(TLC)	50	46	50	29	30	Long Island Medium		Welcome		Fat Fabulous		Fat Fabulous		Welcome		Christmas Trees	
(TMC)	350	261	350			"Hampstead" (2017, Romance-Comedy) Diane Keaton. (In Stereo) 'PG-13'				*** "Your Sister's Sister" (2011) Emily Blunt. 'R'		***% "Home for the Holidays" (1995) Holly Hunter.		*** "Greenberg" (2010) Ben Stiller. 'R'			
(TNT)	48	33	48	31	34	***% "Mad Max: Fury Road" (2015, Action) Tom Hardy. 'R'				***% "Gladiator" (2000) Russell Crowe. A fugitive general becomes a gladiator in ancient Rome. 'R'		(DVS)		*** "Hercules: The Thracian Wars"			
(TOON)	38	58	38	33		Teen	Teen	Teen Titans Go! 'PG'		Gumball	Gumball	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy
(TRAV)	9	106	9		44	The Dead Files 'PG'		The Dead Files 'PG'		The Dead Files (N) 'PG'				The Dead Files 'PG'		The Dead Files 'PG'	
(truTV)	25	55	25	98	55	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	*** "Ted" (2012) Mark Wahlberg. 'R'			
(TVL)	32	49	32	34	24	Andy G.	Andy G.	Andy G.	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
(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'		Modern Family	
(WE)	117	69	117			Law & Order "Family Friend" '14'		Law & Order "Heart of Darkness" '14'		Law & Order "Magnet" '14'		Law & Order "Choice of Evils" '14'		Law & Order "Cost of Capital" '14'		Law & Order A contractor's murder. '14'	
(WGN-A)	18	18	18	18	20	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation	

Peanuts

Garfield

Pickles

For Better or For Worse

Sally Forth

Beetle Bailey

Dilbert

The Grizzwells

The Born Loser

Blondie

Moderately Confused

Rubes

Dennis the Menace

The Family Circus

Doonesbury Flashbacks

Betty

Big Nate

Frank & Ernest

Arlo and Janis

WJUF-FM 90.1 National Public

WHGN-FM 91.9 Religious

WXCW-FM 95.3 Adult Mix.

WXOF-FM 96.7 Classic Hits

WEKJ FM 96.3, 103.9 Religious

Local RADIO

WSKY 97.3 FM News Talk

WXJB 99.9 FM News Talk

WCXZ 103.3 Country

WCXZ-FM 104.3 Country

WDUV 105.5 FM Hudson

WQJB-FM 106.3 Oldies

WFJV-FM 107.5 Classic Rock

WRZN-AM 720 Religious

Today's MOVIES

LOCAL THEATER INFORMATION

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

VALERIE THEATRE CULTURAL CENTER

NOTE THAT COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS ARE IN PLACE.

Valerie Theatre, Inverness; 352-341-7850

“Home Alone” (PG) Dec. 1, 4 p.m.

“Life Animated” (PG) Dec. 2, 1 p.m.

“The Holiday” (PG-13) Dec. 4, 7 p.m.

“National Lampoon’s Christmas Vacation” (PG-13) Dec. 5, 3 p.m.

“White Christmas” (NR) Dec. 6, 3 p.m.

“Scrooge” (PG) Dec. 7, 1 p.m.

“Polar Express” (G) Dec. 8, 4 p.m.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: T equals V

“UVM ANKEFPBK UVPU BMPTM NK

WELJ SD KUPHHMYELH SL SNY DMMU

PYM UVM SLMK UVPU YMPBBZ YMPFV

DSY P BSU.” BEL APLNMB AEYPLJP

Previous Solution: “Great theatre is about challenging how we think and encouraging us to fantasize about a world we aspire to.” Willem Dafoe

BASKETBALL

Men's AP Top 25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, record, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote.

	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Gonzaga (57)	2-0	1569	1
2. Baylor (6)	2-0	1513	2
3. Iowa	2-0	1410	5
4. Wisconsin	2-0	1287	7
5. Illinois	3-0	1281	8
6. Duke	1-0	1185	9
7. Kansas	1-1	1169	6
8. Michigan State	2-0	1028	13
9. Creighton	1-0	981	11
10. Houston	3-0	949	17
11. West Virginia	3-0	943	15
12. Villanova	2-1	939	3
13. Tennessee	0-0	878	12
14. North Carolina	1-0	591	16
15. Virginia	1-1	581	4
16. Virginia Tech	3-0	570	-
17. Texas	1-0	478	19
17. Texas Tech	2-1	478	14
19. Richmond	2-0	382	-
20. Kentucky	1-1	363	10
21. Oregon	0-0	338	20
22. Florida State	0-0	304	21
23. Ohio State	2-0	282	23
24. Rutgers	3-0	252	24
25. Arizona State	2-1	233	18

Others receiving votes: Michigan 90, San Diego State 86, Saint Louis 69, Louisville 55, Alabama 52, Florida 45, Indiana 38, UCLA 14, Maryland 9, Providence 7, Stanford 7, Connecticut 6, Clemson 4, LSU 3, Arkansas 2, Loyola (IL) 1, TCU 1, Colorado 1, Brigham Young 1.

Women's AP Top 25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, record, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote.

	Record	Pts	Prv
1. South Carolina (29)	3-0	749	1
2. Stanford (1)	1-0	704	2
3. Connecticut	0-0	689	3
4. Baylor	1-0	665	4
5. Louisville	2-0	607	5
6. Mississippi State	1-0	586	6
7. Arizona	1-0	566	7
8. North Carolina State	2-0	564	8
9. UCLA	1-0	494	9
10. Oregon	1-0	477	10
11. Kentucky	2-0	466	11
12. Texas A&M	2-0	412	13
13. Indiana	1-0	342	16
14. Maryland	2-1	327	12
15. Northwestern	0-0	289	17
16. Arkansas	3-1	265	14
17. Oregon State	1-0	256	18
18. Gonzaga	0-1	193	21
19. Ohio State	1-0	189	20
20. DePaul	0-1	187	19
21. Missouri State	2-1	153	24
22. Syracuse	1-0	142	23
23. Iowa State	1-1	128	15
24. Michigan	2-0	110	25
25. Texas	2-0	65	-

Others receiving votes: South Dakota State 31, North Carolina 24, South Dakota 20, Notre Dame 20, Arizona State 10, Wake Forest 9, Ohio 6, South Florida 1, Boston College 1, Tennessee 1, Rutgers 1, Duke 1.

FOOTBALL

NFL standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	East	West
Buffalo	8 3 0 .727	299 282
Miami	7 4 0 .636	284 205
New England	5 6 0 .455	229 255
N.Y. Jets	0 11 0 .000	152 322

	South	North
Tennessee	8 3 0 .727	324 285
Indianapolis	7 4 0 .636	302 253
Houston	4 7 0 .364	268 297
Jacksonville	1 10 0 .091	227 325

	West	North
Pittsburgh	10 0 0 1.000	298 174
Cleveland	8 3 0 .727	265 286
Baltimore	6 4 0 .600	268 195
Cincinnati	2 8 1 .227	230 289

	West	North
Kansas City	10 1 0 .909	348 238
Las Vegas	6 5 0 .545	292 319
Denver	4 7 0 .364	209 298
L.A. Chargers	3 8 0 .273	277 300

	East	South
N.Y. Giants	4 7 0 .364	214 253
Washington	4 7 0 .364	241 243
Philadelphia	3 6 1 .350	220 254
Dallas	3 8 0 .273	251 359

	West	North
New Orleans	9 2 0 .818	326 225
Tampa Bay	7 5 0 .583	344 280
Atlanta	4 7 0 .364	295 281
Carolina	4 8 0 .333	280 300

Florida **LOTTERY**

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

PICK 2 (early) 6 - 1	PICK 5 (early) 9 - 6 - 4 - 8 - 9
PICK 2 (late) 9 - 4	PICK 5 (late) 3 - 1 - 6 - 1 - 4
PICK 3 (early) 8 - 5 - 9	FANTASY 5 2 - 8 - 19 - 24 - 36
PICK 3 (late) 3 - 0 - 3	CASH 4 LIFE 3 - 25 - 35 - 46 - 57
PICK 4 (early) 7 - 9 - 0 - 0	CASH BALL 1
PICK 4 (late) 6 - 7 - 4 - 6	

Sunday's winning numbers and payouts:

Fantasy 5: 19 – 30 – 31 – 32 – 35	5-of-5 CB No winner
5-of-5 No winner	5-of-5 No winner
4-of-5 252 \$555	
3-of-5 6,539 \$18	
Cash 4 Life: 9 – 17 – 18 – 28 – 38	Players should verify winning numbers by calling 850-487-7777 or at www.flalottery.com.
Cash Ball: 3	

On the **AIRWAVES**

TODAY'S SPORTS COLLEGE

1:30 p.m. (ESPN) Maui Invitational, First Semifinal: Teams TBA
2:30 p.m. (ESPN2) Teams TBA
4 p.m. (ACCN) St. Francis (Pa.) at Virginia
4 p.m. (ESPN) Maui Invitational, Second Semifinal: Teams TBA
5 p.m. (ESPN2) Teams TBA
5 p.m. (FS1) Nebraska-Omaha at Creighton
6 p.m. (ACCN) Western Kentucky at Louisville
7 p.m. (ESPN2) Maui Invitational, Game 7: Teams TBA
7 p.m. (FS1) Oklahoma State at Marquette
7:30 p.m. (ESPN) Champions Classic: Duke vs Michigan State
9:30 p.m. (ESPN) Champions Classic: Kansas vs Kentucky
9:30 p.m. (ESPN2) Maui Invitational, Game 8: Teams TBA

GOLF

3 a.m. (GOLF) European PGA Tour Golf in Dubai Championship, First Round

MLS SOCCER

9:30 p.m. (FS1) FC Dallas at Seattle Sounders FC

***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.*

Prep **CALENDAR**

TODAY'S PREP SPORTS BOYS SOCCER

6 p.m. Real Life Christian at Seven Rivers

GIRLS SOCCER

7:30 p.m. Seven Rivers at Gulf

GIRLS BASKETBALL

5:30 p.m. Seven Rivers at Redeemer Christian

7:30 p.m. Central at Lecanto

7:30 p.m. Nature Coast at Citrus

7:30 p.m. Springstead at Crystal River

BOYS BASKETBALL

7 p.m. Seven Rivers at Redeemer Christian

7:30 p.m. Lecanto at Central

7:30 p.m. Citrus at Nature Coast

7:30 p.m. Crystal River at Springstead

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	8	3	0	.727	349	283
Chicago	5	6	0	.455	216	250
Minnesota	5	6	0	.455	292	305
Detroit	4	7	0	.364	252	328

	West					
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	P A
Seattle	7	3	0	.700	318	287
L.A. Rams	7	4	0	.636	263	215
Arizona	6	5	0	.545	304	258
San Francisco	5	6	0	.455	261	254

	Thursday's Games
Houston 41, Detroit 25	
Washington 41, Dallas 16	

	Sunday's Games
Atlanta 43, Las Vegas 6	
Buffalo 27, L.A. Chargers 17	
Cleveland 27, Jacksonville 25	
Miami 20, N.Y. Jets 3	
Minnesota 28, Carolina 27	
N.Y. Giants 19, Cincinnati 17	
New England 20, Arizona 17	
Tennessee 45, Indianapolis 26	

New Orleans 31, Denver 3
San Francisco 23, L.A. Rams 20
Kansas City 27, Tampa Bay 24
Green Bay 41, Chicago 25

	Monday's Game
Seattle at Philadelphia, late	
	Wednesday's Game
Baltimore at Pittsburgh, 3:40 p.m.	

	Sunday, Dec. 6
Cincinnati at Miami, 1 p.m.	
Cleveland at Tennessee, 1 p.m.	
Detroit at Chicago, 1 p.m.	
Indianapolis at Houston, 1 p.m.	
Jacksonville at Minnesota, 1 p.m.	
Las Vegas at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.	
New Orleans at Atlanta, 1 p.m.	
L.A. Rams at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.	
N.Y. Giants at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.	
New England at L.A. Chargers, 4:25 p.m.	
Philadelphia at Green Bay, 4:25 p.m.	
Denver at Kansas City, 8:20 p.m.	
Open: Carolina, Tampa Bay	

BUCS

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the bye has had a virus problem. We can't finish our season with eight, nine or 10 guys staying home," Arians added. "Every game is a big game — 11-5 will do it. One at a time, but the first thing is to get healthy and beat the virus."

It also means getting the Brady-led offense, as well as one of the NFL's stingiest defenses, back on track after a tough four-week stretch.

The Bucs have gone 1-3 on the heels of a 6-2 start that was Tampa Bay's best since 2002.

Slow starts have been part of the problem, with opponents outscoring them 52-7 in the opening quarter of a road win over Carolina and home losses to the New Orleans Saints, Los Angeles Rams and reigning Super Bowl champion Kansas City Chiefs.

Arians said some of the work has already begun.

"We evaluate each week, so it's not really anything to go back and look at because we already have all the self-scout, I call it. Some people call it analytics," the coach said. "I think we're getting better each and every week."

Nevertheless, there is enough inconsistency to be concerned.

Brady and the rest of the offense have not performed nearly as well against most of the stronger teams on the schedule through 12 games.

The defense shoulders some of the responsibility, too, with Sunday's 27-24 loss to the Chiefs just the latest example.

Patrick Mahomes built a big lead in the opening quarter, with Tyreek Hill catching seven passes for 203 yards and touchdowns of 75 and 44 yards.

Kansas City still led by three scores entering the fourth quarter, when Brady cut into a 17-point deficit with a pair of TD passes to Mike Evans.

"We have to start games faster defensively. That was a big emphasis all week, and even the night before the game in talking to them," Arians said. "I said the same thing offensively. We've got to convert those early third downs and get some scores like we did earlier in the season."

WHAT'S WORKING

Running back Ronald Jones has been an effective player — when the

Bucs have been able to get him involved in the offense. Falling behind early, as they did Sunday, limits his opportunity. Once again, though, he showed what type of impact he can have with 103 yards from scrimmage on 10 just touches. He turned a short throw into a 37-yard TD on his only pass reception and had a 34-yard run on his way to rushing for 66 yards on nine attempts.

WHAT NEEDS HELP

The Bucs converted just three of nine third downs against the Chiefs, who were 6 of 12. Arians said an inability to extend drives, especially, is one of the main reasons Tampa Bay finds itself playing from behind week after week.

STOCK UP

The offensive line got a boost Sunday when left guard Ali Marpet returned after missing three games because of a concussion. Left tackle Donovan Smith also made it through the game after not being able to practice last week because of an ankle injury. Smith tested the ankle in pregame warmup and told Arians he could probably play a half. He wound up playing the whole game.

STOCK DOWN

Scotty Miller. While offensive coordinator Byron Leftwich has said the second-year wide receiver's lack of playing time the past month is related to injuries rather than Antonio Brown's additional to the roster, Miller has just two catches for 14 yards in four games since Brown was activated following an eight-game suspension for violating the NFL's personal conduct policy. Prior to Brown's arrival, he had 25 catches for 400 yards and two touchdowns.

KEY NUMBER

80 — as in years old. Arians, 68, joked Sunday that that's how long his Kansas City counterpart, 62-year-old Andy Reid, will be able to coach because of Super Bowl MVP Patrick Mahomes, who lit the Bucs up for 462 yards passing and three touchdowns.

NEXT STEPS

Bye week before finishing regular season with home games against Minnesota and Atlanta and road dates against Detroit and the NFC South rival Falcons.

RAVENS

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defensive linemen Calais Campbell and Brandon Williams.

The loss of Andrews and Snead will further hinder backup quarterback Robert Griffin III, who will be taking snaps from a third-string center after Patrick Mekari and Matt Skura were placed on the COVID-19 list on Wednesday.

Andrews is a Type-1 diabetic, which makes COVID-19 potentially more dangerous. His loss should have an impact in that he leads Baltimore in receptions (38), yards receiving (454) and touchdown catches (6).

Andrews, Judon, Jackson, Ingram, Campbell, fullback Patrick Ricard and long snapper Morgan Cox were all selected to the Pro Bowl last season. Jackson, of course, was the NFL's MVP in 2019.

Judon owns Baltimore's franchise tag. He is tied for the team lead with four sacks and has 34 tackles.

Snead has 17 catches for 230 yards and two touchdowns over the past four games.



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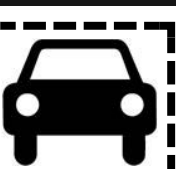
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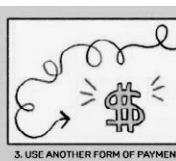
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				2	9	3		
		9						
3	5				1			2
6		4					3	
	1		4		2		9	
	9					4	7	5
7			6				2	4
						8		
			6	1	3			

Solution to Monday's puzzle 12/1/20

1	4	7	9	5	6	3	2	8
3	9	2	8	7	4	1	5	6
6	5	8	2	3	1	7	9	4
7	3	5	6	9	2	4	8	1
8	6	4	7	1	5	9	3	2
9	2	1	3	4	8	5	6	7
4	1	6	5	8	9	2	7	3
5	8	3	1	2	7	6	4	9
2	7	9	4	6	3	8	1	5

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit sudoku.org.uk

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Tuesday, December 1, 2020

KATHLEEN SAXE

WORD GAME

TODAY'S WORD -- INVISIBLE

(INVISIBLE: in-VIZ-ih-bul: Not accessible to view; hidden.)

Average mark 15 words
Time limit 30 minutes

Can you find 22 or more words in INVISIBLE?
The list will be published tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S WORD -- CAJOLED

clad	cola	lace	deal
clod	cold	lade	decal
coal	cole	lead	dole
coda	aced	load	
code	aloe	lode	
coed	jade	dale	

RULES OF THE GAME: 1. Words must be of four or more letters. 2. Words that acquire four letters by the addition of "s," such as "bats" or "dies," are not allowed. 3. Additional words made by adding a "d" or an "s" may not be used. 4. Proper nouns, slang words, or vulgar or sexually explicit words are not allowed. Contact Word Game creator Kathleen Saxe at kzsaxe@gmail.com.

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ACROSS

1 Game officials
5 Corporate suff.
8 Brash songster
11 Farm animal
12 Bleachers cry
13 Victimized
15 Tibet's mountains
17 Measure speed
18 Online info
19 Garbo's homeland
21 Eats fast
24 Summer in Paris
25 Annapolis grad
26 Sapporo sash
27 Spanish city
30 Easy win
32 Groupie
33 Probabilities
37 Comply with
38 Hag's cry
39 Hold up

DOWN

1 Cry of distaste
2 Me, in Paris
3 Tillis or Dawber
4 Personnel

Answer to Previous Puzzle

U	N	D	O		K	I	T		P	O	D	
F	A	R	M		Y	O	R	E		H	W	Y
O	B	I	E		O	N	E	S		O	L	E
	S	P	L	I	T		S	P	A	T	E	S
		E	C	O			R	I	O	T		
Y	O	U	T	H		A	M	I	D			
A	O	K			P	L	A	T	E	A	U	S
W	H	E	E	L	I	E	S			Y	R	S
			I	L	E	S		I	R	E	N	E
	O	K	R	A			W	O				
S	C	H	E	M	E		A	U	D	I	O	
T	E	A		A	M	E	N		E	R	R	S
I	A	N		S	U	E	D		O	O	Z	E
R	N	S		S	O	S		S	N	O	W	

5 Jordan neighbor
6 Opposing vote
7 Criticized
8 Burlap fiber
9 Put — (save)
10 Arab nation
14 Lairs

16 Keep on going
20 Marry
21 Night crawler
22 Bassoon cousin
23 Cement component
24 She loved Lancelot
28 Donations
29 Caveman Alley —
31 School org.
34 Trounce
35 Be too fond
36 Whirlpool locales
41 Liquid meas.
42 Waterless
44 Iowa town
45 Fold-up mattress
46 Needle or rib
49 Looked at impertinently
51 Store away
52 European capital
55 Distinct period
56 Smog monitoring grp.
57 Place
58 Continent divider

12-1

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WORDY GURDY®

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE

Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

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1. Rosa Parks' transport to-do (1)
2. Require a card to own Park Place (1)
3. Tested an amusement park thrill (1)
4. Top hurlers' places to park cars (2)
5. Glimpsing a Park City winter sport (2)
6. Park-Avenue-crosser 42nd's taxi squads (1)
7. Thoroughly soaks city park seats (2)

ANSWERS
1. BUS FUSS 2. NEED DEED 3. TRIED RIDE 4. ACES SPACES
5. SEEING SKIING 6. STREETS FLEETS 7. DRENCHES BENCHES

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

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located at 211 S. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34452 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 24th day of November, 2020.

/s/ Carey Bowen
Owner

Published December 1, 2020

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3500-1201 TUCRN PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners will conduct a **BOCC Retreat** on **Tuesday, December 8, 2020, at 9:00 A.M.** at Citrus County Lecanto Government Building, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Room 166, Lecanto, FL 34461. This meeting will be a goal setting session for the Board.

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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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 Statutes)

Published December 1, 2020

3498-1201 TUCRN PUBLIC NOTICE

The Citrus County School Board will hold a Workshop at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, December 2, 2020 and 8:30 a.m., Thursday, December 3, 2020, in the Upstairs Conference Room of the District Services Center, 1007 West Main Street, Inverness, Florida.

The purpose of the Workshop, which will include breakout sessions, is for the Board to participate in the Florida School Board Association's 75th Annual Joint Virtual Conference that includes keynote speakers, sessions on chairmanship, superintendent training, communications, risk management, FSBA Board of Directors meeting, FSBA General Assembly meeting and more.

If any person decides to appeal a decision made by the Board, with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he may need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record should include testimony and evidence upon which his appeal is to be based.

Sandra Himmel
Superintendent
Citrus County School Board

Published December 1, 2020

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3495-1201 TUCRN Notice of Public Sale

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10:00 a.m. Beginning on December 9th, at 10:00 a.m. bidding will start at Lockerfox.com to the Highest Bidder the contents of the spaces rented at Big Chiefs Storage, located at 1635 NW 27th. Ave., Chiefland, FL 32626. Units rented by:

Jolene Ashley Unit Number 516
Jim Ballengee Unit Number 102
Sherry Nygard Unit Number 235

The contents are Personal items. This sale is being made to satisfy a statutory lien. Dated this 20th day of November, 2020

Published November 24 & December 1, 2020

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3499-1201 TUCRN SWFWMD Permit Application - 813348

Notice is hereby given that the Southwest Florida Water Management District has received Environmental Resource permit application number 813348 from Tetra Resources, Inc. of Citrus County. Application received: 10/27/20. Proposed activity: Professional Offices. Project name: Tetra Resources Deltona Office. Project size: 0.84 acres Location: Section(s) 14, Township 17 South, Range 18 East, in Citrus County. Outstanding Florida Water: No. Aquatic preserve: No. The application is available for public inspection Monday through Friday at 2379 Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34604-6899. Interested persons may inspect a copy of the application and submit written comments concerning the application. Comments must include the permit application number and be received within 14 days from the date of this notice. If you wish to be notified of intended agency action or an opportunity to request an administrative hearing regarding the application, you must send a written request referencing the permit application number to the Southwest Florida Water Management District, Regulation Performance Management Department, 2379 Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34604-6899 or submit your request through the District's website at www.watermatters.org. The District does not discriminate based on disability. Anyone requiring accommodation under the ADA should contact the Regulation Performance Management Department at (352)796-7211 or 1(800)423-1476, TDD only 1(800)231-6103.

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