

SATURDAY

TODAY & next morning

HIGH 91

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Mostly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms.

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Mask mandate in place for legal proceedings

Due to a spike in COVID-19 cases, those attending in-person legal proceedings in a courtroom or hearing room at the Citrus County Courthouse must wear a face mask.

Daniel Merritt Jr., chief judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, signed the administrative order Wednesday, Aug. 25, for the entire circuit, which covers Citrus, Marion, Sumter, Hernando and Lake counties. Merritt's order, which expires the afternoon of Oct. 2, also applies to people gathered in jury assembly rooms. People are encouraged to wear face masks and socially distance in other areas of the courthouse, especially in crowded settings.

Lindsay Tozer, spokeswoman for the Citrus County Clerk of Courts, said clerks are required to wear face masks if they're unable to socially distance, regardless if they're vaccinated.

### Hurricane Ida could produce strong surf in Citrus

Even though it's on the fringe of the cone, Citrus County could still see some minimal impacts as Hurricane Ida makes its way through the central Gulf of Mexico.

Rodney Wynn, meteorologist with the National Weather Service, said Citrus could see some increased wave action and higher surf this weekend and advises boaters to stay off the water. There is an outside chance that storm surge may be 1-2 feet above high tide, he said. Except for the usual afternoon thunderstorms, there should be no increase in rain. There could be some gusty southeast winds.

The current track has Ida heading northwest and making landfall in southeast Louisiana late Sunday night or early Monday morning as a strong Category 3 hurricane. There is little chance of that path changing.

"The models are pretty set and they have been for days," Wynn said.

Wynn said this hurricane should serve as a reminder that we are in peak hurricane season and people need to be prepared.

"They can form anywhere this time of year," he said. "This one formed up pretty quickly and people had three days to get ready."

— From staff reports

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# Judge slaps down mask order

Citrus school officials to review issue in light of ruling

**HANNAH SACHEWICZ**  
*Staff writer*

After a three-day hearing, Leon County Circuit Judge John C. Cooper ruled in favor of the group of Florida parents who alleged Gov. Ron DeSantis' order banning mask mandates is unconstitutional and cannot be enforced.

In addition, the

governor's order contradicts CDC recommendations for universal mask wearing in schools.

While Citrus County opted out of a mask mandate for the 2021-22 school year, at least 10 Florida school districts voted to defy DeSantis' order.

Meanwhile, between Aug. 10 and Aug. 26, the Citrus County School

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## Appeals are certain in case

**JOHN HAUGHEY**  
*The Center Square*

Leon County Circuit Judge John Cooper made his ruling Friday whether parents or district officials make COVID-19 rules in Florida schools.

Cooper ruled against the state, but on Thursday Gov. Ron DeSantis said he expected the loser to appeal.

"Good," he said. "I think we obviously need to have this stuff crystallized."

DeSantis said Florida will

"obviously" appeal any ruling that dilutes House Bill 1059, the 'Parents' Bill of Rights Act,' adopted by lawmakers during their 2021 session. HB 1059 requires districts and agencies cede to parents in decisions regarding their children.

"We feel the Legislature really made a big statement with their parental bill of rights," DeSantis said in Orlando with state Attorney General Ashley Moody by his side.

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# 'Friday Night Lights' excitement



MATT PFIFFNER/Chronicle

Members of the Lecanto High School football team run out on to the field before Friday night's season-opening contest against The Villages Charter School at Panther Field in Lecanto. The Panthers may have fallen to the Buffalo, but that didn't stop everyone from enjoying the beginning of another football season in Florida. See Page B1 for coverage of Friday night's area games.

# Church invites community to help Haiti relief

**NANCY KENNEDY**  
*Staff writer*

When disasters strike, churches spring into action.

Seven Rivers Church (SRC) in Lecanto has partnered with El Shaddai Ministries International to help in their effort to bring help and hope to the earthquake-ravaged island nation.

"We've been partnering with El Shaddai in Haiti since the last earthquake and had a team on the ground two weeks after it hit," said Blair Commons, SRC Director of Global Outreach.

Commons said since the recent 7.2 magnitude earthquake on Aug. 14, El Shaddai has already distributed over a million meals and 62,000 pounds of food to the people through the local Haitian churches in the devastated areas of southwest Haiti.

Seven Rivers sent funds to support these endeavors in the first days of the disaster, and now the church wants to further



MATIAS DELACROIX/Associated Press

A woman sleeps outside her home in Saint-Louis-du-Sud, Haiti, Monday, Aug. 16, two days after a 7.2-magnitude earthquake struck the southwestern part of the country. Seven Rivers Church in Lecanto has partnered with El Shaddai Ministries International to help in their effort to bring help and hope to the earthquake-ravaged island nation.

its support of the people in Haiti by donating supplies.

On Thursday, a team will transport supplies to a drop off location for El Shaddai in Winter Haven.

Commons said churches around the world have always help when help is needed.

"That's what churches do. When there's a need,

we go toward the problem, not away from it," he said.

The community is invited to help in this effort by donating supplies (see list below) and bringing them to the church office from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, through Wednesday, Sept. 1.

The church is at 4221 W. Gulf-to-Lake Hwy.,

Lecanto, FL 34461. Because of the school, this is a one-way campus, so enter on Maylen Avenue.

For more information, email Blair Commons at bcommons@sevenrivers.org.

### Needed supplies

Packed in boxes if possible:

■ Shelter and Home:

Tents, tarps, ropes for securing tarps, blankets, baby diapers, feminine supplies, toothpaste, toothbrushes, gently worn clothes and shoes.

■ Medical (nothing expired): Wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, splints, wound care supplies, Band-Aids, soft bandages, plaster bandages, cervical collars, autoclave, OTC meds (Aspirin, Ibuprofen, Tylenol, Benadryl, Pepto Bismol, Prilosec, children and adult vitamins, Betadine, Hydrogen Peroxide), gauze, sterile gauze, adhesive tape, surgical gloves and oxygen tanks.

■ Food: Rice, beans (red, black, pinto), spaghetti, Spam, tuna, sardines, crackers, cheese and crackers, cookies, baby formula, powdered milk, Kool Aid, powdered Gatorade, MREs and cooking oil.

■ Extra packing boxes.

Contact Chronicle reporter Nancy Kennedy at 352-564-2927 or [nkeneddy@chronicleonline.com](mailto:nkeneddy@chronicleonline.com). Read more of Nancy's stories at [tinyurl.com/yxt69grh](http://tinyurl.com/yxt69grh).



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## Around the COUNTY

### Gator Club presents 2021 kickoff party

The Citrus County Gator Club invites you to the 2021 Gator Kickoff Party from 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, at the Chet Cole Life Enrichment Center in Lecanto.

This family-friendly event provides a barbecue dinner and drinks, a guest speaker, raffles, games, silent auction and fun for all. Admission is \$20 at the door and children 10 and younger are free.

Henry McMillian, who will be the guest speaker, played football at the University of Florida as a defensive tackle from 1991-95. He was drafted in the sixth round to play defensive tackle for the National Football League Seattle Seahawks, where played from 1995-97.

If you bring a non-perishable, easy-open food item to donate you will receive one free raffle ticket.

The mission of the Citrus County Gator Club is to award \$1,500 scholarships to University of Florida-bound graduating seniors from each of the four high schools in Citrus County, with an additional scholarship to a junior college transfer student.

### ‘Rec and Roll’ at area parks

Citrus County Parks and Recreation’s “Rec and Roll” brings equipment to area parks between 5 and 8 p.m. on Tuesdays.

■ First Tuesdays at the Beverly Hills Community Park, 997 W. Roosevelt Blvd.

■ Second Tuesdays at Wesley Jones Park, 2510 W. Castania Drive in Citrus Springs.

■ Third Tuesdays at the Homosassa Area Recreation Park, 4414 S Grand-march Ave.

■ Fourth Tuesdays at Floral Park, 9530 S Parkside Ave. in Floral City.

Equipment includes life size Connect 4 and chess, corn hole, Jenga, sack races, three-legged races, hopscotch, hula hoop contests, foursquare, kickball, soccer, basketball, flag football and tennis.

All ages are welcome. CDC guidelines encouraged. Call 352-527-7540.

### American Sewing Guild to meet

The American Sewing Guild will meet at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 2, Oct. 7 and Nov. 4 at Beyond the Stitches, 979 N. Suncoast Blvd. in Crystal River. Learn new sewing techniques and projects with a friendly group of women. The group is following CDC COVID-19 guidelines. Attendance is limited and pre-enrollment is required.

To register, visit beyondthestitches.com/classes.htm. For more information, call 352-212-0001.

### Precious Paws to host events

Kitten season continues and many orphaned felines are ready for loving families.

Precious Paws Rescue rescheduled their adoption event. It will occur from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 3 at Maus Nissan Auto Showroom, 937 Suncoast Blvd. in Crystal River.

In addition, Precious Paws volunteers and kitties will hold their monthly adoption event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 4 at Tractor Supply, 3826 S Suncoast Blvd. in Homosassa.

From Aug. 23 to Sept. 19, they will participate in the 2021 Clear the Shelters event. This is the second year Precious Paws Rescue has participated.

For more information or to volunteer, call 352-726-4700.

— From staff reports

# Carjacking ends in arrests

*Woman called 911, claimed people stole her truck after man threatened her*

**FRED HIERS**  
Staff writer

A Homosassa man faces carjacking and aggravated assault charges after law enforcement said he and a Dunnellon woman made off with a pickup.

The arrest of Michael McAllister, 38, and Natalie Floering, 27, began Tuesday, Aug. 24, when emergency officials received a 911 call from a distraught victim reporting the two had stolen her truck, according to Alexandria Perkins, Citrus County

Sheriff’s Office spokeswoman.

The victim told investigating deputies that she was riding in the passenger seat of her truck while Floering was driving, Perkins said.

The victim told deputies that Floering drove the two to a gas station at Rock Crusher Road and State Road 44 and picked up



**Michael McAllister**



**Natalie Floering**

after getting in the truck McAllister threatened her with claims that she had stolen someone’s clothes, according to Perkins.

The victim told deputies that eventually McAllister ordered the victim out of the truck, and fearing for

two men. One of the two men was a s Mcallister.

The victim told deputies that soon after getting in the truck McAllister threatened her with claims that she had stolen someone’s clothes, according to Perkins.

As predicted, when deputies pulled into the gas station parking lot, McAllister and Floering tried to drive off, but the stop sticks disabled the truck. McAllister got out of the

truck and ran, but a CCSO K-9 quickly caught up and stopped him, Perkins said.

Deputies charged McAllister with carjacking with a deadly weapon, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, fleeing, and two counts of resisting without violence.

Deputies charged Floering with grand theft of a motor vehicle.

Perkins said the second man was not charged.

Contact Chronicle reporter Fred Hiers at fred.hiers@chronicleonline.com or 352-397-5914.

## Homosassa Burger King undergoing remodel



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

**The Burger King at 4420 U.S. 19 in Homosassa is temporarily closed while it is being remodeled. Construction is ongoing and no date has been set for the reopening.**

# Elections commission gears up for challenges

**JOHN HAUGHEY**  
The Center Square

Gov. Ron DeSantis has appointed three members to the Florida Elections Commission (FEC), including a chair, meaning the elections watchdog now has the required quorum and can meet for the first time since May.

The three are the first appointments DeSantis has made to the nine-member commission since assuming office in January 2019. The panel is now manned by four appointees whose terms have expired.

Because the FEC did not have a five-person quorum, its Aug. 17 hearings were rescheduled for Aug. 31.

The FEC was created in 1951 to ensure transparency in elections statewide. It’s the agency that candidates file reports with to document all contributions and

expenditures made by campaigns and committees.

The FEC has the statutory responsibility to enforce the state’s election laws and the authority to levy fines for violations of Florida election laws. A commission within the Florida Department of Legal Affairs, its budget and operations are independent of Attorney General Ashley Moody’s Office.

The FEC is managing the state’s defense of its election laws, including Florida’s decision not to appeal U.S. Northern District of Florida Judge Allen Winsor’s July 1 injunction preventing Senate Bill 1890 from being enacted.

In granting the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Florida’s motion for a temporary injunction against SB 1890, Winsor’s order prohibits

the FEC from enforcing a \$3,000 contribution cap on ballot measure donations.

The FEC has requested a 90-day extension in filing its appeal because, it maintains, it has hired a new outside law firm and needs time to answer a the motion for judgment.

“The FEC still lacks a quorum to conduct business, as it has since late May,” the ACLU said in its response.

The FEC is also dealing with the 19th Amendment challenge to Florida’s 2019 felon voting law now before the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, and it will be left with the residue from the Miami-Dade Circuit Court case involving a 2020 “ghost candidate” dark money scheme that may have influenced several senate districts during the November 2020 election.

On the FEC’s canceled Aug. 17 agenda was review of three alleged campaign

violations lodged against Rep. Anika Omphroy, D-Lauderdale Lakes, for failing to file campaign finance reports, and violations allegedly committed by the Coral Springs Fraternal Order of Police Lodge.

Under state statute, no more than five FEC commissioners can be from the same political party. Of the commission’s nine members, the governor appoints eight from six names provided to him each by the state Senate President, state House Speaker and minority chamber leaders.

The eight must be confirmed by the Senate but the governor has sole discretion in appointing the FEC chair. DeSantis has named Jacksonville Port Authority Chief of Regulatory Compliance Nicholas Primrose as FEC Chair.

A former general counsel for DeSantis’ and former Gov. Rick Scott’s administrations, Primrose will join the four

commissioners when FEC convenes Aug. 31.

The other remaining FEC members are attorneys appointed during the Scott administration: Vice Chair Joni Poitier; Jason Allen; Kymberlee Smith; and J. Martin Hayes.

The governor’s other nominees who await confirmation are Republicans who served on the FEC under Scott — former state Rep. Carlos Lopez-Cantera, who served as Florida Lieutenant Governor from 2014-19, and retired Miami police detective Marva Preston.

Preston was among three nominees forwarded by Senate President Wilton Simpson, R-Trilby. Philip Twogood, a state agency staffer, and Allen were the other two.

Senate Democrats’ recommendations include Tampa attorney Cheryl Forchilli, former prosecutor Devin Collier and Cecile Soon, president of the League of Women Voters of Florida.

## State & Local BRIEFS

### Veterans Appreciation Week group to meet

The Veterans Appreciation Week Ad Hoc Coordinating Committee will conduct its monthly meeting for Citrus County’s 29th annual Veterans Appreciation Week at 1:30 p.m. Sept. 15 in the conference room of the Citrus County Chronicle, 1624 N. Meadowcrest Blvd. in Crystal River.

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

Attendees are asked to wear a face mask and practice social distancing.

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

### Present your idea at ‘Fire Up Citrus!’

This year’s “Fire Up Citrus!” event will be Oct. 19 at the Valerie Theatre, 207 Courthouse Square in Inverness.

The event brings citizens and local leaders together to present positive ideas to move the economy forward.

Presenters have just five minutes to share their ideas and slide presentations.

Since its inception in 2013, more than 15 ideas first presented at the program have come to fruition as operating projects or projects in development bringing new jobs to the community.

Present your idea to help put a fire under Citrus County. Applications are available at CitrusCountyChamber.com/fire-up-citrus. The deadline is Oct. 1.

For more information, call Ardath Prendergast at 352-795-3149.

### Flooding, staff shortages lead to closing of 3 prisons

FORT LAUDERDALE — The Florida Department of Corrections is temporarily closing several North Florida prisons due to flooding at one facility and staffing shortages in the others.

Employees will be reassigned to neighboring facilities, the agency said in a statement issued Friday.

Cross City Correctional Institution

was evacuated on Aug. 7 because of flooding, the statement said. Baker Correctional Institution and New River Correctional Institution will also be temporarily shuttered to “ensure safe and secure” facilities.

The agency said staff members will not lose their jobs or rank since the measures being taken are temporary. The closures “will not result in the early release of inmates,” the statement said.

The prison system is working to address staffing issues by transitioning from 12-hour shifts to 8.5-hour shifts, which is a recommendation from national experts, the statement said.

The agency is also offering \$1,000 hiring bonuses at institutions with a 10% or hire staff vacancy rate, increasing the rate of pay to \$33,500 for non-certified correctional officer trainees, and hiring part-time certified officers, the statment said.

### Police: Beekeeper electrocuted while removing a bee hive

ST. PETERSBURG — A 54-year-old man who had been a beekeeper

since he was 8 was electrocuted while attempting to remove a beehive at a home in St. Petersburg, officials said.

Jeffrey Johnston and another person went to the home of a fellow churchmember on Wednesday, and used a bucket lift to get the hive. Johnston touched an electrical wire, and was pronounced dead at the scene, St. Petersburg police said.

In a 2018 interview with the Tampa Bay Times, Johnston said he averaged about 700 bee removals a year.

“It was who he was, Jeffrey the bee guy,” his 25-year-old son Jerick Johnston, told the newspaper. “He probably answered his phone like that.”

He said his father could talk to strangers for hours about the social behaviors of bees, and he loved to watch documentaries about bees. If the church needed a beehive removed, they called Jeffrey Johnston, his son said.

His dad owned two bee yards, with about 15 hives at each one, Jerick Johnston said.

Police said they believe the death was an accident.

— From wire reports



Today's  
HOROSCOPES

**Birth**day: Embrace change, learn as you go and carry out your plans with enthusiasm. Take pride in what you do and shoot for the stars. Share your enthusiasm and victories with loved ones. Build your strength.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Stand tall. Trust in your beliefs, skills and knowledge. Bring about changes that make you feel good about yourself and your accomplishments.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23):** Be aware of your rights and what's possible. A disciplined approach to joint ventures, home improvements and over-the-top behavior will help ward off negative results.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22):** Don't limit what you can do because you took on too many responsibilities. Delegate jobs better suited to others and take care of the most relevant details using your skills and knowledge.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21):** Move forward cautiously when discussing important matters with a friend, relative or neighbor.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Stop procrastinating and start implementing changes that will add to your comfort and happiness. Your intuition will guide you to a better place.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19):** Distance yourself from anyone implementing changes that make you feel uncomfortable. Concentrate on building strength and maintaining a well-balanced lifestyle.

**Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20):** You'll have a good idea that saves money and encourages you to use your skills more efficiently. Trust in your ability.

**Aries (March 21-April 19):** Get your finances in order and consider what you can afford to do that will make your life easier and your surroundings more convenient.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20):** Put your intelligence to good use. Get involved in activities or events that allow you to use your skills to make a difference.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20):** Be cautious when dealing with domestic situations. Opposition is apparent if someone doesn't like the way you do things.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22):** Concentrate on your physical and emotional well-being. Fix up your space.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22):** Take precautions if someone is pushy or using emotional tactics to persuade you to tackle something that isn't in your best interest.

ENTERTAINMENT

JoJo Siwa to join  
same-sex couple on  
'Dancing With Stars'

LOS ANGELES — Pop star **JoJo Siwa** will compete as part of the first same-sex pairing on "Dancing With the Stars" for the show's upcoming 30th season.

Olympic gymnastics champion **Suni Lee** also is joining the cast, the rest of which will be announced on Sept. 8. ABC said the celebrities will find out which pro dancer they'll partner with on the season premiere Sept. 20.

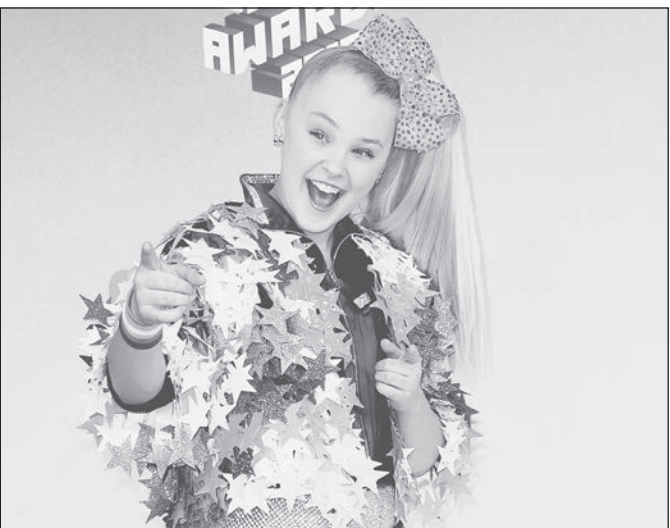
Siwa, an 18-year-old who has said she identifies as gay and queer, said the same-sex pairing signals to viewers that it's OK to be your true self. She named **Lindsay Arnold**, **Jenna Johnson** and **Britt Stewart** as among the show's regular pros she'd like to be paired with.

"I think it breaks a wall that's never been broken down before," she told an online gathering of the Television Critics Association. "It's normal for a girl to dance with a guy, and I think that's really cool, but it's really special that now not only do I get to share with the world that you get to love who you love, but also you get to dance with who you want to dance with."

Siwa noted that among the things to be worked out with her partner are who leads, how do they dress and what shoes do they wear.

"It's going to give so much to people out there, people of the LGBTQ community, everyone, people who feel just a little different," she said. "I want to make it OK for the people who come after me."

Host **Tyra Banks** told Siwa she's proud of the teenager and the show for allowing the pairing to happen.



Associated Press

**JoJo Siwa arrives at the Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards on March 23, 2019, in Los Angeles. Siwa will compete as part of the first same-sex pairing on "Dancing With the Stars" for the show's upcoming 30th season.**

"I think it's going to save lives," Banks said. "I think it's going to change lives, and it's going to make a lot of noise, and the noise that needs to be made."

Siwa said when she was first approached, show executives asked if she wanted to be paired with a man or woman. She has already reassured her girlfriend, **Kylie Prew**, that despite any chemistry she has with her on-air partner, it's completely platonic.

"She was like, 'Love, you are going to be incredible,'" Siwa said. "She has been nonstop supportive."

Siwa first gained fame on a dance competition show produced by **Abby Lee Miller** of "Dance Moms."

"I just want to do really good," she said, adding that she's already been tanning daily.

"I'm traumatized as a child getting spray tans for dance competitions," Siwa said.

Lee won the all-around competition at the Tokyo Olympics,

as well as a silver and a bronze medal. The 18-year-old from Minnesota will juggle online classes from Auburn University while participating on the Los Angeles-based show.

"I can express myself, which I'm excited for, because in gymnastics you can't really do that, especially when you're training for so much and it's just a very intense kind of environment," Lee said. "I'm excited to kind of let loose and just have fun."

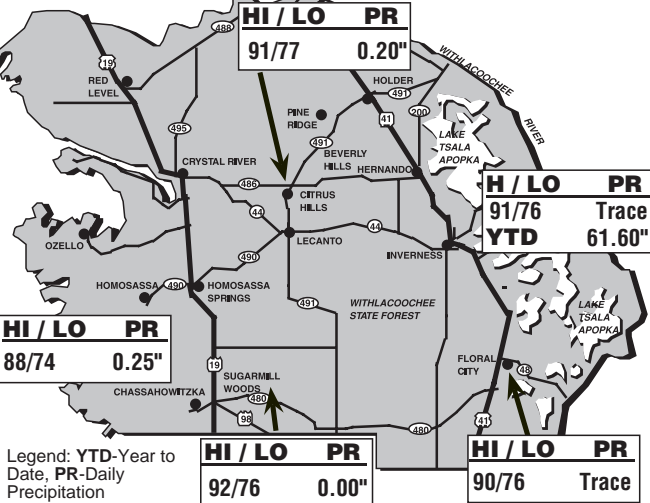
**Len Goodman** returns to the judging panel after taking last season off, joining **Carrie Ann Inaba**, **Bruno Tonioli** and **Derek Hough**.

Banks is back for her second season after replacing **Tom Bergeron**, whose legion of supporters were critical of the former model's performance.

"Be angry and watch," Banks said. "Change is hard, but change is necessary. Change must happen. We must continue to evolve."

— From wire reports

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



THREE DAY OUTLOOK

TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING	
High: 91°	Low: 73°
Mostly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms.	
SUNDAY & MONDAY MORNING	
High: 91°	Low: 73°
Mostly cloudy with scattered storms.	
MONDAY & TUESDAY MORNING	
High: 90°	Low: 72°
Mostly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms.	

ALMANAC		Data from Crystal River Airport
TEMPERATURE		
Yesterday	89/76	
Record*	99/64	
Normal	92/71	
Mean temp.	82	
Departure from mean	1	
PRECIPITATION		
Yesterday	0.72"	
Total for the month	6.43"	
Total for the year	26.09"	
Normal for the year	37.90"	
*Official record values from Tampa International		9
UV INDEX:		
0-2 minimal, 3-4 low, 5-6 moderate, 7-9 high, 10+ very high		
BAROMETRIC PRESSURE		
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DEW POINT		
Yesterday at 3 p.m.		76°
HUMIDITY		
Yesterday at 3 p.m.		87%
POLLEN COUNT**		
Today's active pollen:		
Ragweed, nettle, chenopods		
Today's count: 3.4/12		
Sunday's count: 3.4		
Monday's count: 3.9		
AIR QUALITY		
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SOLUNAR TABLES				
DATE	DAY	MINOR (MORNING)	MAJOR (MORNING)	MINOR (AFTERNOON)
08/28	SATURDAY	7:05	5:53	7:54
08/29	SUNDAY	7:05	6:37	7:53

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK			
Aug 30	Sep 6	Sep 13	Sep 20
SUNSET TONIGHT		7:54 pm	
SUNRISE TOMORROW		7:05 am	
MOONRISE TODAY		11:45 pm	
MOONSET TODAY		12:40 pm	

**BURN CONDITIONS**

Today's Fire Danger Index is: **LOW. There is no burn ban.**

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2 - 3	Tuesday	8 - 9 or-	Friday
4 - 5	Wednesday	Common Areas	

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TIDES		*From mouths of rivers	**At King's Bay	***At Mason's Creek
SATURDAY				
City	High	Low		
Chassahowitzka	*10:32 a.m.	0.5 ft	11:07 p.m.	0.3 ft
Crystal River	** 8:43 a.m.	2.0 ft	9:30 p.m.	1.7 ft
Withlacoochee	* 6:01 a.m.	3.6 ft	6:56 p.m.	3.0 ft
Homosassa	** 9:05 a.m.	1.3 ft	10:17 p.m.	0.8 ft

FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

City	H	L	F'cast	City	H	L	F'cast
Daytona Bch.	89	77	t	Miami	87	81	t
Fort Lauderdale	90	80	t	Ocala	92	75	t
Fort Myers	91	77	t	Orlando	92	77	t
Gainesville	91	75	t	Pensacola	89	78	t
Homestead	89	78	t	Sarasota	93	75	t
Jacksonville	89	78	t	Tallahassee	91	75	sh
Key West	88	80	sh	Tampa	94	77	t
Lakeland	93	76	t	Vero Beach	90	77	t
Melbourne	89	78	t	W. Palm Bch.	85	82	t

MARINE OUTLOOK

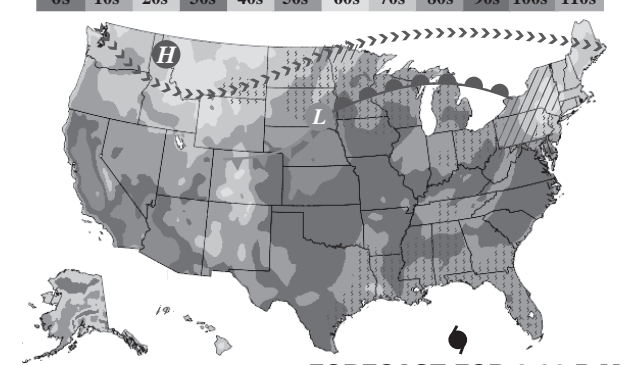
Today: East winds 15 to 20 knots then becoming southeast 10 to 15 knots in the afternoon. Seas 3 to 5 feet. Bay and inland waters choppy.

Gulf water temperature  
**85°**  
Taken at Crystal River

LAKE LEVELS			
Location	FRI	THU	Full
Withlacoochee at Holder	33.20	33.27	34.64
Tsala Apopka-Hernando	38.11	38.11	38.66
Tsala Apopka-Inverness	39.32	39.30	39.73
Tsala Apopka-Floral City	40.53	40.54	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.

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Today in  
HISTORY

Today is Saturday, Aug. 28, the 240th day of 2021. There are 125 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight:**

On August 28, 1963, more than 200,000 people listened as the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech in front of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.

**On this date:**

In 1955, Emmett Till, a Black teen from Chicago, was abducted from his uncle's home in Money, Mississippi, by two white men after he had supposedly whistled at a white woman; he was found brutally slain three days later.

In 1968, police and anti-war demonstrators clashed in the streets of Chicago as the Democratic National Convention nominated Hubert H. Humphrey for president.

**Ten years ago:** A suicide bomber struck inside Baghdad's largest Sunni mosque, killing 29 people during prayers.

**Five years ago:** Six scientists completed a yearlong Mars simulation in Hawaii, where they emerged after living in a dome in near isolation on a Mauna Loa mountain.

**One year ago:** Actor Chadwick Boseman, who played Black icons Jackie Robinson and James Brown as well as the regal Black Panther on screen, died at the age of 43 after a four-year battle with colon cancer.

**Today's Birthdays:** Former Defense Secretary William S. Cohen is 81. Actor David Soul is 78. Actor Barbara Bach is 75. Olympic gold medal figure skater Scott Hamilton is 63. Actor John Allen Nelson is 62. Movie director David Fincher is 59. Actor Amanda Tapping is 56. Country singer Shania Twain is 56. Actor Jack Black is 52. Country singer LeAnn Rimes is 39. Actor Sarah Roemer is 37. Actor Armie Hammer is 35. Actor Katie Findlay is 31. Actor/singer Samuel Larsen is 30. Actor Kyle Massey is 30. Reality TV star Alana Thompson, AKA "Honey Boo Boo," is 16.

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# COVID-19 deaths straining some Florida hospital morgues

KELLI KENNEDY  
AND ADRIANA GOMEZ LICON  
*Associated Press*

MIAMI — Mounting deaths from the latest surge in COVID-19 have strained capacity at hospital morgues and funeral homes across central Florida.

While Florida's record levels of new cases and hospitalizations for the disease have leveled off over the past week, averages of daily reported deaths have continued to climb. Hospitals in Florida have reported to the federal government that roughly

279 patients have died every day for the past week, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, though that figure includes deaths suspected, but not yet confirmed to have been, from COVID-19. The figure just a month ago was 52 deaths per day.

AdventHealth's hospitals in central Florida are scrambling to secure additional resources, the hospital group's spokesperson, Jeff Granger, told The Associated Press. The Orlando Sentinel reported the health system had reached morgue capacity at 10 of its hospitals in five counties:

Orange, Osceola, Polk, Seminole and Volusia.

One sign of relief is that hospitalizations have decreased in recent days. The Florida Hospital Association said there has been a 4% decline over the past week, but warned people not to let their guard down and to get the vaccine.

The state's health department has reported nearly 44,000 deaths in the pandemic, including 1,727 new deaths included in its weekly report published Friday. The latest deaths brought the seven-day daily average for the past week from 212 to 247.

## ORDER

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District has recorded 570 cases among staff and students.

Despite the governor's argument that parents should have authority to oversee health decisions for their children, Cooper said mask requirements fall within the scope of government exemption for actions needed to protect public health.

For example, Cooper said adults have the right to drink alcohol, but not to drive drunk and people have free speech, but cannot yell "fire" in a crowded theater.

Citrus County School Board member Thomas Kennedy said this ruling does not bring a legal conclusion. Before the ruling, both parties said they would appeal.

"There's much legally to play out," Kennedy said.

Citrus County School Board

member Sandy Counts said she was glad Cooper acknowledged that local school boards should decide what's best for their school, and there may be a difference among large and small counties.

"I don't want people focused on just the masks," Counts said. She hopes the district can focus on other measures like social distancing, hand sanitizing and consider closing water fountains. "We can reframe."

Counts encourages parents and families to talk to their doctors about COVID-19 related health decisions such as vaccinations.

"Make a decision not based on politics," Counts said.

In addition, Counts said Citrus seems to be experiencing a growing issue with children coming to school sick.



**Sandy Counts**  
Citrus County school board member.

With about 70% of children on free and reduced lunch, "their parents have to work," Counts said. Staying home with a sick child is not an option for many.

Counts suggested soliciting the help of local daycares and churches to watch sick children during the school day.

"We can't have sick kids in our school," she added.

Citrus County School Board member Ginger Bryant said the board will discuss the issue further at their next meeting.

"I know it'll be on the agenda," she said.

For the most up-to-date statistics in Citrus County schools and a school-by-school breakdown, visit the COVID-19 Dashboard at [citrus-schools.org](https://citrus-schools.org).

*The Associated Press contributed to this story.*

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**Citrus County Sheriff's Office Arrests**

■ **Lawrence Jessie Heater**, 53, Crystal River, arrested Aug. 26 for writ of bodily attachment. Bond \$50,013.

■ **Robert Todd McCarthy**, 37, Dunnellon, arrested Aug. 26 for writ of bodily attachment. Bond \$770.

■ **Curtis Suba**, 61, Hernando, arrested Aug. 26 for violation of parole. No bond.

■ **Margaret Caylemarie Teachman**, 36, Homosassa, arrested Aug. 26 for writ of bodily attachment. Bond \$1,178.

■ **Angela Kaye Callihan**, 41, Inglis, arrested Aug. 26 for failure to appear. No bond.

■ **Robert E. Lee Stinnett**, 45, Beverly Hills, arrested Aug. 26 for failure to appear. No bond.

■ **Dakota Perry Ballard**, 23, Bronson, arrested Aug. 26 for grand theft (\$750 or more but less than \$5,000). Bond \$2,000.

■ **Leonard Eugene Thomas**, 40, arrested Aug. 26 for violation of injunction. No bond.

■ **Randall Dominic Worthington**, 65, Homosassa, arrested Aug. 26 for violation of probation. No bond.

■ **Steven Meric Gunkle**, 31, Bushnell, arrested Aug. 26 for criminal mischief (\$200 or less), resist officer without violence and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill. Bond \$3,500.

■ **Dustin Logan Kato**, 36,

Homosassa, arrested Aug. 26 for failure to appear. Bond \$2,000.

■ **Clara Dianna Stephens**, 38, Chunky, Mississippi, arrested Aug. 26 for possession of controlled substance and drug paraphernalia. Bond \$3,000.

■ **Daniel Ray Kato**, 43, Homosassa, arrested Aug. 27 for failure to appear. Bond \$2,000.

■ **Jennifer Paige Lind**, 20, Ocala, arrested Aug. 27 for drug paraphernalia and possession of controlled substance. Bond \$3,000.

■ **Michael Andrew Lockett**, 37, Homosassa, arrested Aug. 27 for failure to appear. Bond \$2,000.

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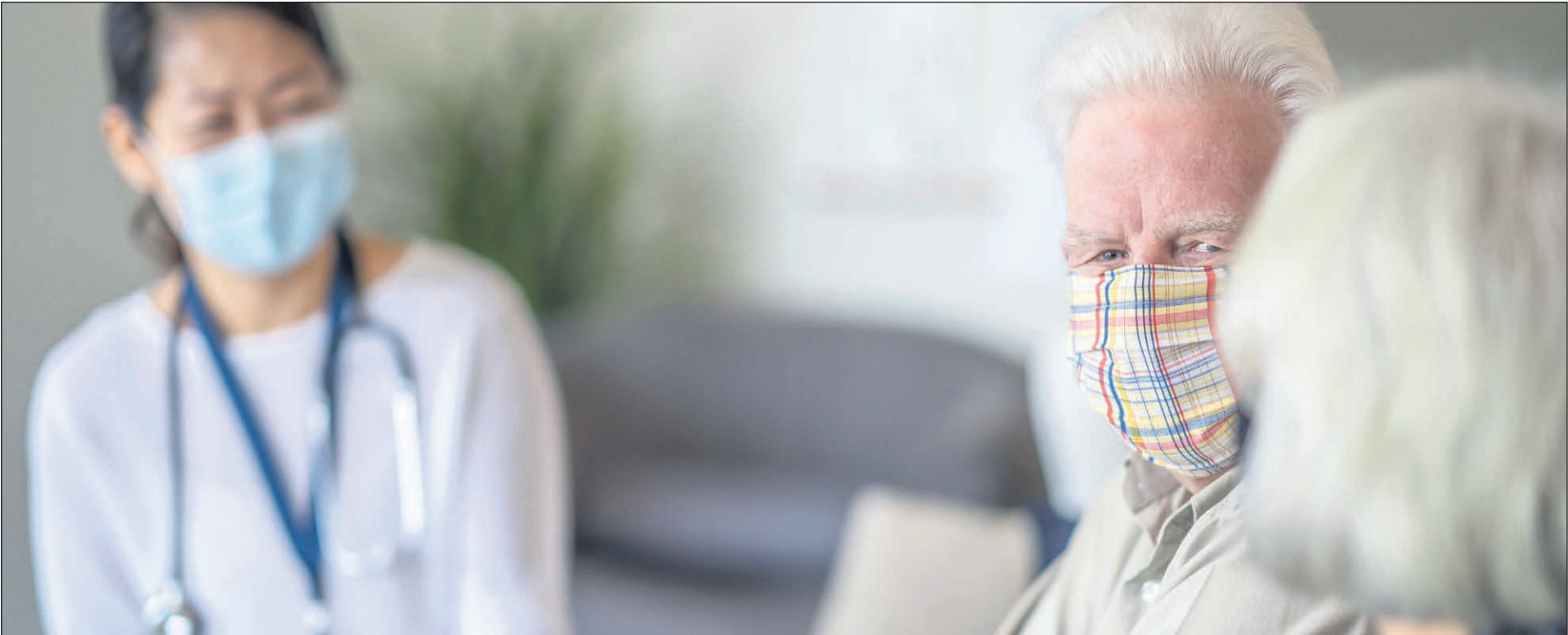
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# Eviction ban’s end will allow pandemic lockouts to resume

**ANITA SNOW**  
*Associated Press*

PHOENIX — Tenant advocates and court officials were gearing up Friday for what some fear will be a wave of evictions and others predict will be just a growing trickle after a U.S. Supreme Court action allowing lockouts to resume.

The high court’s conservative majority late Thursday blocked the Biden administration from enforcing a temporary ban placed because of the coronavirus pandemic. The action ends protections for about 3.5 million people in the United States who say they faced eviction in the next two months, according to U.S. Census Bureau data from early August.

“We are incredibly disappointed in the Supreme Court ruling and ask Congress and Governor (Doug) Ducey to take action to prevent what will likely be tragic outcomes for thousands of Arizona families,” said Cynthia Zwick, executive director of the nonprofit organization Wildfire that is helping distribute government rental assistance in Arizona.

“Lives are literally at risk as the pandemic continues to surge and families lose their homes, especially during this time of extreme heat,” she said, referring to Phoenix’s triple-digit temperatures.

Wildfire is encouraging tenants to keep applying for rental aid and

“work with their landlords to develop plans for making payments until the assistance is available,” she said.

But some local officials around the U.S. say the court’s action is unlikely to set off the flood of evictions some advocates predict.

Scott Davis, spokesman for the Maricopa County Justice Courts that handle the bulk of Arizona’s evictions, said he does not expect anything dramatic overnight. He said how things play out will depend on how landlords and their attorneys decide to handle cases and that the courts were prepared for whatever happens.

“We know that eviction case filings over the last 17 months are down about 50% from pre-pandemic,” Davis said. “Will filings bounce back to 100% of the norm? Will they exceed the norm to make up for filings which landlords withheld during the pandemic? Some believe there will be a large flood of case activity; others believe it will be just a light sprinkle, which builds gradually over time. Again — it’s up to landlords.”

Davis emphasized no one can be evicted immediately without due process, and the cases could take weeks to be carried out in the courts.

The Apartment Association of Southeastern Wisconsin said Friday that landlords rarely evict anyone who is only a few hundred dollars

behind on rent. It said the average eviction judgment for unpaid rent in Wisconsin is more than \$2,600.

“Contrary to dire predictions by tenant advocates, there will NOT be a ‘tsunami’ of eviction filings in Wisconsin or in most parts of the country,” the landlord trade association said. “There will NOT be 11 million people suddenly made homeless.”

The court’s action does not affect the temporary bans on evictions placed by a handful of states, including California.

The Treasury Department and Housing and Urban Development Secretary Marcia Fudge on Friday sent a letter to all governors, mayors and county officials, urging them to implement their own eviction bans, White House press secretary Jen Psaki said.

“Seven states have taken the steps. More states can take the steps,” Psaki said.

She noted that quicker disbursement of rental assistance money could also help stave off evictions.

In Detroit, Ted Phillips, executive director of the United Community Housing Coalition, said the court’s action could prompt more eviction cases.

“We suspect ... there’s probably a large number of cases where landlords never bothered applying for an order of eviction because, well, why bother if there’s a moratorium,” Phillips said.

## CASE

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Moody said the growing number of school boards adopting mask mandates despite HB 1059 and DeSantis’ June 30 executive order are flouting state law and will be held accountable.

“You cannot flagrantly disregard statutes and orders in violation of law,” Moody said. “It’s pretty clear. It’s a tenet of what our country is built on.”

Cooper is deliberating a lawsuit filed by parents from seven counties asking him to nix DeSantis’ executive order and allow school boards to manage the pandemic in local schools.

Plaintiffs, nine couples and individual parents with children under age-12 who attend school in Broward, Duval, Hillsborough, Miami-Dade, Orange, Palm Beach and Pinellas counties, maintain DeSantis’ order violates districts’ authority under the state constitution, denies due process and is “arbitrary and capricious.”

The state contends DeSantis’ order and HB 1059 meet constitutional

criteria and are the laws of the land.

On Aug. 17, the state’s Board of Education (BOE) agreed the Alachua and Broward school boards violated DeSantis’ order and HB 1059 by imposing mask mandates and should be docked state funding the equivalent of school board/administrator salaries. In addition, some officials could be removed from posts.

However, emboldened by support from President Joe Biden’s administration, the number of school boards defying DeSantis since the trial began has doubled with the Orange County School Board Tuesday becoming the 10th.

As of Thursday, nearly half of Florida’s 2.9 million K-12 students were attending schools that require masks despite the governor’s and BOE’s threats.

On Wednesday, DeSantis said districts in violation of the order will face consequences. On Thursday, he specified that only the “guilty” will be targeted with sanctions and, potentially, removal from office.

“There’ll be no penalties applied to schoolchildren or teachers or any of

that,” DeSantis said. “In fact, if teachers just follow state law, they’ll be protected for doing that.”

The Florida Education Association (FEA), however, in its updated Safe Schools Report posted Wednesday, maintains “if teachers just follow state law” they may be protected legally, but are at greater risk to the disease by the governor’s policies — opening, potentially, another legal front in challenging the mask mandate ban.

According to the FEA, the state’s largest teachers union, 34 “active educators” have died from

COVID-19 since July 2021, five Florida children have died and 66,790 Florida children under 16 have tested positive since Aug. 1.

As of Wednesday, the FEA said 37,008 Florida PreK-12 students and staff across the state’s 67 county school districts have tested positive and been quarantined.

The FEA said the actual number could “significantly higher” because “roughly two-thirds of school districts do not have publicly available dashboards” that chart infections in schools.

## Obituaries

### Rita Lulis, 87

INVERNESS

Rita Ann (Cunningham) Lulis, 87, of Inverness, FL and formerly of Southington, CT, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, August 24, 2021. She had been the loving wife of the late Stanley Lulis for 48 years.



Rita Lulis

Rita was born on March 13, 1934 in New Britain to the late John and Gertrude (Klar) Cunningham, and was a longtime Southington resident before moving to FL in 2015. Rita was a longtime parishioner at the Immaculate Conception Church in Southington. She worked in the Hot Lunch program in Southington Schools for many years and then opened her own business, Stitchery By Rita. Rita enjoyed spending time with her family, playing cards and bingo and was very talented with her craft business.

Rita is survived by her son, Richard J. Lulis of Southington and two daughters, Karen A. Papke and her husband Rick of Inverness, FL, Nancy deBlok and her husband Mark and one grandson, Lukas deBlok, all of East Longmeadow, MA. She is also survived by her extended grandchildren - Alison, Erin and Tayler along with Joshua, Adam

and Emily as well as many nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband Stanley, Rita was predeceased by her brother, Frank Cunningham and sister, Claire Kitson.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Rita’s memory may be made to the National Kidney Foundation (www.kidney.org). Funeral services for Rita will be celebrated at a later date when her family and friends can safely gather. Plantsville Funeral Home has been entrusted with handling the arrangements. For online condolences, please visit [www.plantsvillefuneralhome.com](http://www.plantsvillefuneralhome.com).

### Grace Thrush, 86

FLORAL CITY

The Service of Remembrance for Mrs. Grace Gloria Thrush, age 86, of Floral City, Florida, will be held 4:00 PM, Saturday, August 28, 2021 at the Calvary Chapel, 960 S. US 41, Inverness FL 34450.

She died on Thursday, August 19, 2021 in Brooksville, Florida. Interment will follow be at Florida National Cemetery at a later date.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Inverness Chapel of Hooper Funeral Home & Crematory.

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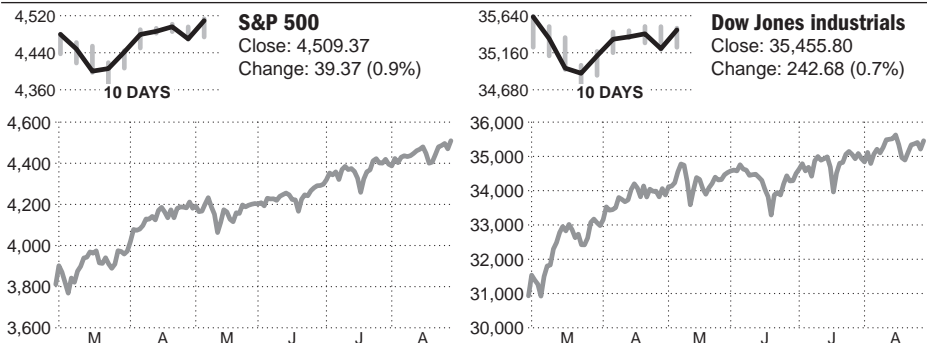
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# Money&Markets



## StocksRecap

	NYSE	NASD		HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	YTD
Vol. (in mil.)	3,062	3,452	DOW	35,479.18	35,231.11	35,455.80	+242.68	+0.69%	+15.84%
Pvs. Volume	2,933	3,219	DOW Trans.	14,937.43	14,740.96	14,905.00	+181.29	+1.23%	+19.17%
Advanced	2156	2704	DOW Util.	936.13	930.63	932.25	+0.48	+0.05%	+782%
Declined	326	640	NYSE Comp.	16,858.42	16,694.32	16,844.75	+150.43	+0.90%	+15.97%
New Highs	149	174	NASDAQ	15,144.46	14,966.52	15,129.50	+183.69	+1.23%	+17.39%
New Lows	9	33	S&P 500	4,513.33	4,474.10	4,509.37	+39.37	+0.88%	+20.06%
			S&P 400	2,772.79	2,716.69	2,767.06	+50.37	+1.85%	+19.96%
			Wilshire 5000	46,918.80	46,380.72	46,877.90	+497.18	+1.07%	+18.81%
			Russell 2000	2,281.84	2,213.79	2,277.15	+63.17	+2.85%	+15.31%

## Stocks of Local Interest

		52-WK RANGE				◇CLOSE		YTD				1YR			
NAME	TICKER	LO	HI	CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	WK	MO	QTR	%CHG	%RTN	P/E	DIV		
AT&T Inc	T	26.35	33.88	27.13	+11	+0.4	▼	▼	▼	-5.7	-1.3	2.08			
Ametek Inc	AME	94.90	140.10	136.84	+86	+0.6	▲	▲	▲	+13.1	+36.2	36	0.80f		
Anheuser-Busch InBev	BUD	51.45	79.67	61.39	+83	+1.4	▲	▼	▼	-12.2	+5.9	22	1.10e		
Bank of America	BAC	22.95	43.49	42.49	+45	+1.1	▲	▲	▲	+40.2	+64.9	18	0.84f		
Capital City Bank	CCBG	17.55	28.98	23.31	+66	+2.9	▲	▼	▼	-5.2	+15.9	11	0.64f		
Citigroup	C	40.49	80.29	72.99	+55	+0.8	▲	▲	▲	+18.4	+45.6	10	2.04		
Disney	DIS	117.23	203.02	180.14	+358	+2.0	▲	▲	▲	-0.6	+37.4	1.76			
Duke Energy	DUK	78.95	108.38	104.67	-18	-0.2	▼	▼	▲	+14.3	+35.1	59	3.94f		
EPR Properties	EPR	20.62	56.07	50.83	+87	+1.7	▲	▲	▼	+56.4	+61.5	4.32			
Equity Commonwealth	EQC	25.60	29.29	26.01	+21	+0.8	▼	▼	▼	-4.7	-4.2	2.50e			
Exxon Mobil Corp	XOM	31.11	64.93	55.77	+106	+1.9	▲	▼	▼	+35.3	+44.2	3.48			
Ford Motor	F	6.41	16.46	13.31	+41	+3.2	▲	▼	▼	+51.4	+89.8	15	...		
Gen Electric	GE	47.44	115.32	106.09	+271	+2.6	▲	▲	▼	...	+99.2	...			
HCA Holdings Inc	HCA	114.38	255.28	251.85	+81	+0.3	▲	▲	▲	+53.1	+88.7	23	1.92		
Home Depot	HD	246.59	345.69	323.38	+190	+0.6	▼	▼	▲	+21.7	+15.4	23	6.60		
Intel Corp	INTC	43.61	68.49	53.89	+76	+1.4	▲	▲	▼	+8.2	+11.6	11	1.39f		
IBM	IBM	105.92	152.84	139.41	+63	+0.5	▲	▼	▼	+10.7	+17.5	23	6.56f		
LKQ Corporation	LKQ	26.73	52.99	52.05	+49	+1.0	▲	▲	▲	+47.7	+65.0	17	...		
Lowe's Cos	LOW	146.72	215.22	205.90	+25	+0.1	▼	▲	▲	+28.3	+25.8	22	3.20f		
Lumen Technologies	LUMN	8.51	16.60	11.97	+06	+0.5	▲	▼	▼	+22.8	+18.3	1.00			
McDonalds Corp	MCD	202.73	247.05	237.48	+53	+0.2	▼	▼	▲	+10.7	+14.7	26	5.16f		
Microsoft Corp	MSFT	196.25	305.84	299.72	+63	+0.2	▼	▲	▲	+34.8	+40.6	41	2.24		
Motorola Solutions	MSI	149.81	243.50	242.81	-24	-0.1	▲	▲	▲	+42.8	+57.7	42	2.84		
NextEra Energy	NEE	66.79	87.69	83.41	-40	-0.5	▼	▲	▲	+8.1	+22.3	52	1.54f		
Piedmont Office RT	PDM	11.26	20.35	18.00	+32	+1.8	▲	▼	▼	+10.9	+18.9	44	0.84		
Regions Fnc'l	RF	10.60	23.81	20.92	+37	+1.8	▲	▲	▲	+29.8	+84.5	8	0.68f		
Smucker, JM	SJM	108.10	140.65	123.57	-35	-0.3	▼	▼	▼	+6.9	+8.5	16	3.96f		
Texas Instru	TXN	134.12	197.58	190.52	+255	+1.4	▲	▼	▼	+16.1	+35.7	27	3.60		
UniFirst Corp	UNF	160.70	258.86	228.83	+526	+2.4	▲	▲	▼	+8.1	+14.8	34	1.00		
Verizon Comm	VZ	53.83	61.95	54.77	+17	+0.3	▼	▼	▼	-6.8	-3.3	11	2.52		
Vodafone Group	VOD	13.14	20.36	17.23	+17	+1.0	▲	▲	▲	+4.6	+20.3	cc	0.97e		
WalMart Strs	WMT	126.28	153.66	146.52	-83	-0.6	▼	▲	▲	+1.6	+15.7	41	2.20f		
Walgreen Boots Alli	WBA	33.36	57.05	48.48	+64	+1.3	▲	▲	▼	+21.6	+27.9	18	1.91f		

Dividend Footnotes: a - Extra dividends were paid, but are not included. b - Annual rate plus stock. c - Liquidating dividend. d - 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-dividend 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.

## Interesterates



The yield on the 10-year Treasury note fell to 1.31% Friday. Yields affect rates on mortgages and other consumer loans.

	PRIME RATE	FED FUNDS
LAST	3.25	.13
6 MO AGO	3.25	.13
1 YR AGO	3.25	.13

## Commodities

U.S. crude oil gained 2%, and natural gas soared over 4%. Heating oil and wholesale gasoline prices also rose. Gold and silver prices closed higher.



TREASURIES	LAST	PVS	NET CHG	1YR AGO
3-month T-bill	.05	.05	...	.09
6-month T-bill	.05	.06	-0.01	.11
52-wk T-bill	.07	.07	...	.12
2-year T-note	.22	.25	-0.03	.14
5-year T-note	.79	.84	-0.05	.30
7-year T-note	1.09	1.13	-0.04	.52
10-year T-note	1.31	1.34	-0.03	.74
30-year T-bond	1.92	1.94	-0.02	1.50

CONSUMER RATES	NAT'L AVG	WK AGO	6MO AGO	1YR AGO
48 month new car loan	3.89 ▼	4.06	4.06	4.03
Money market account	0.08 ▼	0.08	0.08	0.08
1 year CD	0.28 ▼	0.29	0.29	0.34
\$30K Home equity loan	4.63 ▼	4.63	4.64	4.75
30 year fixed mortgage	3.08 ▲	3.01	2.98	3.25
15 year fixed mortgage	2.38 ▲	2.31	2.28	2.53

FUELS	CLOSE	PVS	%CHG	%YTD
Crude Oil (bbl)	68.74	67.42	+1.96	+41.7
Ethanol (gal)	2.22	2.22	...	+54.9
Heating Oil (gal)	2.11	2.08	+1.25	+42.2
Natural Gas (mm btu)	4.38	4.18	+4.57	+72.3
Unleaded Gas (gal)	2.27	2.26	+0.83	+59.7
METALS	CLOSE	PVS	%CHG	%YTD
Gold (oz)	1816.60	1792.20	+1.36	-4.0
Silver (oz)	24.06	23.55	+2.18	-8.6
Platinum (oz)	1006.50	975.50	+3.18	-6.4
Copper (lb)	4.32	4.25	+1.66	+22.8
Palladium (oz)	2402.20	2386.50	+0.66	-1.9
AGRICULTURE	CLOSE	PVS	%CHG	%YTD
Cattle (lb)	1.22	1.23	-1.03	+8.0
Coffee (lb)	1.92	1.88	+2.23	+49.9
Corn (bu)	5.58	5.53	+0.95	+15.3
Cotton (lb)	0.96	0.95	+0.95	+23.2
Lumber (1,000 bd ft)	485.20	497.40	-1.99	-44.5
Orange Juice (lb)	1.44	1.44	+0.03	+16.6
Soybeans (bu)	13.59	13.68	-0.60	+3.4
Wheat (bu)	7.19	7.25	-0.93	+12.2

## Mutual Funds

		TOTAL RETURN					
FAMILY	FUND	NAV	CHG	YTD	1YR	3YR*	5YR*
American Funds	AmrcnBalA m	33.50	+26	+12.2	+19.0	+11.5	+11.2
	CptWldGrIncA m	66.16	+73	+12.4	+25.3	+12.7	+12.7
	CptIncBldrA m	69.31	+58	+11.3	+19.5	+8.3	+7.2
	FdmTlnvsA m	79.00	+86	+18.0	+30.6	+15.1	+15.8
	GrAmrcA m	78.02	+95	+15.5	+30.2	+20.4	+20.7
	IncAmrcA m	26.25	+19	+12.9	+20.6	+9.6	+9.1
	InvCAmrcA m	51.96	+54	+18.7	+27.9	+14.3	+14.4
	NwPrspctvA m	69.44	+74	+14.8	+31.0	+19.9	+19.1
	WAMtlnvsA m	57.77	+51	+19.6	+30.5	+13.8	+14.7
	Stk	247.13	+2.66	+30.1	+52.2	+14.5	+16.6
Dodge & Cox	Inc	14.43	+03	+0.1	+2.6	+6.3	+4.4
	Stk	247.13	+2.66	+30.1	+52.2	+14.5	+16.6
Fidelity	500ldxInsPrm	156.78	+137	+21.2	+31.4	+18.0	+18.0
	BCGrwth	194.90	+201	+19.5	+35.8	+29.9	+28.8
	Contrfund	19.89	+21	+21.3	+25.9	+20.7	+22.0
	GrCo	39.67	+46	+20.7	+36.0	+30.6	+30.4
	TtlMktldxInsPrm	129.49	+137	+20.3	+33.7	+17.8	+18.0
	USBldxInsPrm	12.20	+02	-0.9	+0.1	+5.4	+3.1
	Schwab	SP500ldx	69.58	+61	+21.2	+31.3	+18.0
	T.Rowe Price	BCGr	196.57	+203	+18.8	+23.5	+21.6
Vanguard	500ldxAdmrl	417.09	+3.65	+21.2	+31.3	+18.0	+17.9
	DivGrlnv	38.25	+16	+16.6	+26.4	+16.6	+15.3
	GrldxAdmrl	156.64	+1.50	+20.4	+29.3	+25.2	+23.1
	IntTrTEAdmrl	14.84	...	+1.3	+3.0	+4.8	+3.1
	IntGrAdmrl	172.11	+77	+7.4	+29.1	+23.2	+22.1
	McCpldxAdmrl	306.91	+3.52	+15.4	+40.3	+16.2	+15.7
	PmCpAdmrl	184.08	+1.54	+19.6	+34.8	+15.6	+18.9
	STInvGrdAdmrl	10.96	+01	+0.5	+1.6	+4.0	+2.8
	SmCpldxAdmrl	108.84	+2.32	+17.4	+45.0	+12.9	+14.9
	TlBMLdxAdmrl	11.39	+03	-1.0	-0.4	+5.3	+3.1
	TltnSlxAdmrl	35.20	+35	+9.6	+25.3	+9.1	+9.9
	TltnSlxInv	21.04	+21	+9.5	+25.2	+9.0	+9.8
	TlSMldxAdmrl	113.26	+1.19	+20.3	+33.8	+17.9	+18.0
	TlSMldxInv	113.21	+1.18	+20.2	+33.7	+17.8	+17.9
	WlghtnAdmrl	87.06	+58	+14.9	+22.1	+13.3	+12.3
	WlshIncAdmrl	72.94	+29	+7.6	+12.9	+9.6	+7.8

\* - 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 rally in wake of Fed chief remarks

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street rallied to records on Friday after the head of the Federal Reserve said it's still far from pulling interest rates off the record low that's helped markets soar, even if it does begin dialing back its support for the economy later this year.

The S&P 500 rose 39.37, or 0.9%, to 4,509.37 to top its prior all-time high set on Wednesday, part of a widespread rally that swept up everything from bonds to gold. The Dow Jones Industrial Average climbed 242.68 points, or 0.7%, to 35,455.80, and the Nasdaq composite gained 183.69, or 1.2%, to 15,129.50. Stocks have set record after record this year thanks in large part to the Federal Reserve's massive efforts to prop up the economy and financial markets. But the gains had grown more tentative as the beginning of the end of the Fed's assistance came

into sight, now that the unemployment rate has dropped and inflation has picked up.

In a speech that investors have had circled for weeks, Fed Chair Jerome Powell said that the economy has met one big milestone the central bank had set to slow the \$120 billion in bond purchases it's making each month. That could mean a paring back by the end of the year of the purchases, which are meant to keep longer-term interest rates low and to juice the economy.

But Powell also cited past mistakes where policy makers made premature moves in the face of seemingly high inflation, stressing again that today's high inflation looks to be only temporary. He also made clear that a slowing of the Fed's bond purchases doesn't mean a rise in short-term rates is imminent. That would require the job market and inflation to hurdle “substantially more stringent” tests.

“We have much ground to cover to reach maximum employment,” Powell said.

Stocks of companies whose profits are most closely tied to the economy made the biggest gains following the speech. Smaller companies were particularly strong, with the small-cap Russell 2000 index up 2.9%, more than triple the gain for the big stocks in the S&P 500. They often do best when investors feel more optimistic about lower rates and a stronger economy.

“Markets are loving it,” Ramos said. But he also cautioned that the longer ultralow interest-rate policy helps to prop up the markets, the withdrawal may be worse once it's finally exhausted.

“It strengthens our view that markets will continue to do well this year,” he said. But “when the accommodation is fully removed, how bad of a hangover will it be? Just like a party



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## INDIAN WATERS SEWER

# Kudos to city for making sewer project happen

With the goal of improving water quality and reducing nitrates into the areas springshed and aquifers, the city of Crystal River’s Indian Waters Sewer Expansion project is poised to get off the ground soon.

But in doing so, almost 100 property owners will have to pay their share despite the city acquiring more than \$1 million in state grants. The assessment will allow the city of Crystal River to recover its portion of construction expenses.

Initially, property owners were looking at a cost of \$10,000 each to hook into the sewer line. However, the city’s efforts to find additional monies came to fruition when the Florida Department of Environmental Protection chipped in an extra half million.

With the extra monies, the cost to property owners is roughly \$6,000 apiece — though the final amount has to be calculated — and while that’s not cheap, the long-term benefits certainly

outweigh the financial impacts. Residents won’t have to pay the tab all at once — they would also have the option of paying off the cost with an annual charge on their tax bill over the next 20 years.

If residents’ septic systems were to malfunction, the financial impact would be greater to correct the problems. In addition, the financial blow would be immediate.

Doing it now provides a clear message that our ecosystem is important and a year could make a difference. We’re nearing a point of no return in terms of water quality in other areas of the state, including our own region.

The septic to sewer program has been a priority of lawmakers and environmental agencies with their regulations to have properties either dismantle their septic tanks or replace them with a more enhanced yet expensive system.

Now is also the time for infrastructure improvements.

We applaud the city as well as those directly impacted for seeing the benefits.

### THE ISSUE:

City sets tentative assessment on sewer.

### OUR OPINION:

Moving forward best option.

## Hot Corner: READER RESPONSE

■ Regarding the Aug. 20, “Parents, not government should make choices,” article, well, “Poop in the Shoe.” Regarding Thursday, Aug. 26, and the (“Hot Corner:”) Editorial” in Sound Off, bravo to all those people who retorted and rejected that idea. Bravo, bravo!

■ I’m responding to “Hot Corner: Editorial,” where all these people are saying that children should wear masks. No, it’s up to the child, whether you agree or disagree. I have not wore a mask, I am not vaccinated and guess what? Never tested positive, never caught it. So maybe I’m one of the lucky ones. I refuse to wear a mask and I refuse to get vaccinated. Call me anything you want — ignorant, stupid — I don’t care. Call me anything you want. I refuse to wear a mask and I’ll take my chances. I think you’re making a mountain out of a molehill. Then you say 300-and-something students or 180 students tested positive in Citrus County, but how many thousands of students are there in Citrus County? That is a low number, not a high number. Show me the total number of people that tested positive for the new (variant) or whatever it is on the COVID. They don’t tell you that. How many people have been tested for the new (variant)? They won’t tell you that, will they?

■ I am so happy to read that

most of the people in this county believe that everyone should be wearing masks, including children. I called in on Aug. 6 to the Sound Off, but it was never printed. I said that since our physicians are 97% vaccinated, why aren’t they requiring their nurses and staff to be vaccinated? These nurses have children at home. This is why people are not going for checkups at the doctor’s office. Please, people, follow the science. It’s your profession.

■ Today is Thursday, Aug. 26, and your Hot Corner about the editorial looks like it’s 99-1 against your position ... you’ve gone over to the dark side of Fox propaganda news and total conservative nonsense. We used to have a good newspaper. Unfortunately, Gerry Mulligan, please come back. We need you desperately ... you can keep your Fox crap to yourself.

■ In response to Sound Off’s “Hot Corner: Editorial.” I think it’s deplorable the way these people are knocking the Chronicle because you printed that the parents should have the right to (decide if their children) wear a mask, because you took that stand and they don’t want to patronize the paper. Chronicle, just do like you’re doing. They are so thickheaded and stubborn. They’re not open-minded. Continue what you’re doing. I think the Chronicle is great.

## Kudos for stance on parents’ rights

Like many conservatives in this county, for years I have threatened to cancel my subscription to the Citrus County Chronicle. Its editorial opinions, endorsements and Associated Press content were more akin to the writings of the Democratic National Committee than that of a community paper.

Thank goodness that we now have a publisher who has a more balanced and freedom-loving mindset. Case in point is for her stand to support our governor’s decision to give parents the freedom of choice for having their children wear a face mask in school.

The facts are that the CDC stated in their May 2020 Non-pharmaceutical Measures for Pandemic Influenza in Non-healthcare Settings that “we found no significant reduction in viral or influenza transmission with the use of face masks.” They also wrote that “there is limited evidence for their effectiveness in preventing influenza virus transmission either when worn by the infected person for source control or when worn by uninfected persons to reduce exposure.”

The Department of Labor OSHA guidelines state that “wearing a mask can reduce oxygen intake by 20% or more, causing the individuals oxygen inhalation to be well below the necessary 19.5% minimum, which would be considered oxygen deficient and would cause tissue to fail.”

The uninformed want our children to suffer under this oxygen deficiency, breathing carbon dioxide for up to 10 hours each day.

The New England Journal of Medicine writes that: “We know that wearing a mask outside health care facilities offers little, if any, protection from infection.”

The FDA also reported in 2020 that “even a properly fitted N95 mask does not prevent illness or death.”

To summarize: Masks reduce the intake of oxygen, leading to carbon dioxide toxicity. Germs are trapped near your mouth and nose, increasing their risk of infection. There is no scientific evidence that supports healthy people wearing masks. Masks obscure your facial features and impede normal social speech. Masks make it hard for young children and the hearing-impaired people to understand you. Finally, masks have practically and historically symbolized a person’s subjection and suppression of speech.

Those who still feel that someone else’s child should wear a mask for 10 hours each day should hold a paper bag over their own face for this period of time, to see how their own body reacts. I thank our paper’s editorial board for listening to and following the science and not the mob.

**Paul Davis**  
Beverly Hills

## Editorial was disappointing

The editorial in the Chronicle Aug. 20 — “Parents should make choices not government” — was sad, to say the least. The editorial board believes, as does our self-serving governor, that parents should make the decision regarding their children wearing masks in school. I guess this is based on some concept of freedom and or parental rights. There are many cases where government makes the decision on public safety issues because the needs and protection of the many are paramount.

The truth of the matter is very few parents have extensive medical backgrounds and even fewer are a virologist. Their ability to make rational decisions is limited. The government is often blamed by some for changing rules. Logic

## LETTERS



## to the Editor

### OPINIONS INVITED

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dictates that as new information comes available protocols may change. Science is constantly changing as new information is found.

When I was a kid, the idea of heart transplants, or for that matter extensive repairs, were unheard of. Today it is common practice. When it comes to a new virus, time is often a critical player. The experts need time to analyze, develop an effective treatment and time is critical to see the effectiveness of the treatment.

I spent 40 years in law enforcement and oversaw the operations of a five-county juvenile detention center; I could write a book on parents making bad decisions for their kids. Our foster care system is overloaded and our community has many homeless kids.

Additionally, the mask is not just for the kids’ benefit but for the benefit of the teachers, other kids, support staff and the list goes on. What about their rights? Do we as individuals in a society have the right to infect others? Apparently, the governor and the Chronicle believe so.

We became the greatest nation in history because we believed in and supported one for all. Throughout history, Americans have put their lives on the line to protect us. Unfortunately, our society seems to now embrace all for oneself and the heck with everybody else. When we can’t just wear a face mask to protect ourselves and others — how pathetic is that.

This virus is not going away on its own. Only through all working together will we win out and hopefully limit the loss of human life.

The governor and the Chronicle are playing Russian roulette with Floridians and their children’s lives.

**Roger B. Krieger**  
Beverly Hills

## Freedom, success an individual choice

Describing who I am is easy: Male, Southerner, gay, white, microbiologist, old (or is 68 still young?), Christian, conservative, type A personality, twin, etc. I have my dreams, goals, hopes and fears.

I am an individual, and not of any specific group.

Thomas Jefferson said: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.”

America is based on individual equality and not group equality. We are all different and these differences help us to reach different goals on our paths through life.

The premise of Critical Race Theory (CRT) is that we should look at group equity and not individual equity. They base our goals and outcome on our skin color alone.

Our Constitution was not perfect, which lead to the

13th Amendment (ending slavery), 14th Amendment (granting citizenship to individuals born or naturalized and equal protection under the law), and 19th Amendment (voting rights for women).

Our laws give us all equal opportunity as individuals to reach our goals. This does not mean an equal outcome. We all have the chance to succeed (if we work hard), but not all of us will become billionaires.

CRT also puts us into groups — that your skin color defines whether you will succeed or whether you will fail.

America has not been perfect. In the past, the Native Americans and Blacks were mistreated in many ways. But we should not be ashamed to share the blame of our ancestors. Instead we should move forward and treat all people the same. Remove the obstacles so that everyone has at least a chance to succeed.

America is a country of immigrants and has the largest immigrant population in the world. Many have realized the American dream. Today, 25% of millionaires are Black, Hispanic, or Asian American.

I believe CRT teaches division and guilt among different groups. We should instead teach unity and individual opportunity for all.

Again, I am an individual in the greatest country on earth. I have the freedom to succeed or to fail. It is my choice.

**Richard Tomlinson**  
Crystal River

## Treat others with respect, dignity

Re: Grace Notes column by Nancy Kennedy, “Faith wears a face mask.”

I enjoyed Kennedy’s column of Aug. 14. Rarely do I read anything in the Religion section because I have been so turned off by evangelicals, who frequently don’t seem to be living their beliefs, but rather spend their time judging others and making rules for everyone else to follow based on their own extremist views.

For the record, I grew up in the church. I took to heart the “do unto others the way you would have them do unto you” part. Also, I learned to treat others with respect and try to understand their point of view. My faith taught me not to be judgmental. I was taught to not harm others with words or actions. I learned to accept all people regardless of race, religion, culture, etc., because we are all the same. I learned to forgive, and more.

Nancy Kennedy said: “I also believe that I have the freedom to choose not to wear a face mask or get a vaccination. However, if my ‘freedom’ in any way endangers someone else, my biblical duty is to put others’ welfare before my own free choice. My comfort or discomfort or annoyance shouldn’t supersede someone else’s well-being.” Kennedy goes on to quote Bible verses on such things. I totally agree with her and see her as an example of a true and real Christian.

Many people today who fill the church pews every Sunday (many maskless) seem fake, and talk (but don’t live) the teachings of the Bible. Is this you? I’m really turned off by these people who disregard the health and safety of others due to their selfishness. Many of these people are so passionate, even violent in their followings (cue Jan. 6) religiously and politically, to the point of acting like their minds have been taken over by a cult. They know not the truth. Conspiracy theories and Bible verses are 180 degrees apart. Decide which to follow.

I want to see people treat others with respect and dignity in this life. I hope for more!

**Charlotte C. Key**  
Inverness



Nation & World

BRIEFS

Cycling



Associated Press  
A lone cyclist navigates the bike trail along Lake Michigan shortly after sunrise Friday in Chicago.

RFK assassin gets parole, with Kennedy support

SAN DIEGO — California's parole board voted Friday to free Robert F. Kennedy's assassin after two of RFK's sons said they supported releasing him and prosecutors declined to argue he should be kept behind bars. But the governor ultimately will decide if Sirhan Sirhan leaves prison.

Robert F. Kennedy Jr., who has spoken in favor of Sirhan's release in the past and met with him in prison, wrote in favor of paroling Sirhan.

The ruling will be reviewed over the next 90 days by the board's staff. Then it will be sent to the governor, who will have 30 days to decide whether to grant it, reverse it or modify it. If Sirhan is freed, he must live in a transitional home for six months, enroll in an alcohol abuse program and get therapy.

US intelligence still divided on origins of coronavirus

WASHINGTON — U.S. intelligence agencies remain divided on the origins of the coronavirus but believe China's leaders did not know about the virus before the start of the global pandemic, according to results released Friday of a review ordered by President Joe Biden.

According to an unclassified summary, four members of the U.S. intelligence community say with low confidence that the virus was initially transmitted from an animal to a human. A fifth intelligence agency believes with moderate confidence that the first human infection was linked to a lab. Analysts do not believe the virus was developed as a bioweapon.

China's refusal to fully cooperate with U.S. and international investigations of the virus has hampered reviews of the virus' origins.

UK lawyer accused of injecting blood into foods

LONDON — A 37-year-old man accused of injecting food items in three London supermarkets with syringes of blood appeared in court Friday and was ordered into custody until his next hearing.

Leoaai Elghareeb, a lawyer, was arrested after a man entered a Waitrose store in west London's Hammersmith area on Wednesday and started "throwing around" syringes filled with blood and injecting them into food items, prosecutors said.

The prosecutors say he then engaged in similar behavior at nearby Tesco and Sainsbury's grocery stores.

— From wire reports

US forces keep up Kabul airlift efforts

Under threat of more attacks

SAYED HASHEMI, TAMEEM AKHGAR, KATHY GANNON AND LOLITA C. BALDOR  
Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — American forces working under heightened security and the threat of another terror attack pressed ahead with the evacuation from Kabul's airport Friday, the day after a suicide bombing at the gates wrote a devastating final chapter to the nearly 20-year war in Afghanistan.

The death toll rose to 169 Afghans, a number that could increase as authorities examine fragmented remains, and 13 U.S. service members.

The White House and the Pentagon warned there could be more bloodshed ahead of President Joe Biden's fast-approaching deadline Tuesday to end the airlift and withdraw American forces. The next few days "will be our most dangerous period to date" in the evacuation, White House press secretary Jen Psaki said.

Thursday's bombing — blamed



Associated Press  
Families evacuated from Kabul, Afghanistan, walk through the terminal Friday before boarding a bus after they arrived at Washington Dulles International Airport, in Chantilly, Va.

on Afghanistan's offshoot of the Islamic State group, an enemy of both the Taliban and the West — marked one of the most lethal terror attacks the country has seen. The U.S. said it was the deadliest day for American forces in Afghanistan since 2011.

As the call to prayer echoed Friday through Kabul along with the roar of departing planes, the anxious crowds thronging the airport in hope of escaping Taliban rule appeared as large as ever, despite

the scenes of victims lying closely packed together in the aftermath of the bombing.

Afghans, American citizens and other foreigners were all acutely aware the window was closing to get out via the airlift.

Jamshad went to the airport with his wife and three small children. He clutched an invitation to a Western country he didn't want to identify.

"After the explosion I decided I would try. Because I am afraid

now there will be more attacks, and I think now I have to leave," said Jamshad, who like many Afghans uses only one name.

The Pentagon said Friday that there was just one suicide bomber — at the airport gate — not two, as U.S. officials initially said.

On the morning after the attack, the Taliban used a pickup truck full of fighters and three captured Humvees to set up a barrier 1,600 feet from the airport, holding the crowds farther back from the U.S. troops at the gates than before.

U.S. military officials said that some gates were closed and other security measures put in place. They said there were tighter restrictions at Taliban checkpoints and fewer people around the gates. The military said it had also asked the Taliban to close certain roads because of the possibility of suicide bombers in vehicles.

The Pentagon noted the airport already had defenses against rocket attacks and said the U.S. would keep up manned and unmanned flights over the airport for surveillance and protection, including the use of AC-130 gunships.

U.S. officials said evacuees with proper credentials still were being allowed through the gates. Inside, about 5,400 evacuees awaited flights.

Bracing for 'monster'

Ida aims to hit New Orleans on Hurricane Katrina anniversary

KEVIN MCGILL AND JANET MCCONNAUGHEY  
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Hurricane Ida struck Cuba on Friday as a rapidly intensifying storm that could speed across warm Gulf waters and slam into Louisiana as a Category 3 hurricane on Sunday, the National Hurricane Center warned.

Residents along Louisiana's coast braced for Ida to bring powerful wind and rains on the exact date that Hurricane Katrina devastated a large swath of the Gulf Coast exactly 16 years earlier. Capt. Ross Eichorn, who operates a fishing guide service on the coast about 70 miles southwest of New Orleans, said he fears warm Gulf waters will "make a monster" out of Ida.

"With a direct hit, ain't no telling what's going to be left — if anything," Eichorn said. He added: "Anybody that isn't concerned has got something wrong with them."

New Orleans Mayor LaToya Cantrell ordered the evacuation of everyone living outside the levee system that protects the area from flooding. She did not say how many people lived there, but urged residents with medical conditions and other special needs to get out early.

Officials warned they plan to close floodgates Saturday afternoon on two highways near New Orleans, increasing the sense of urgency for those planning to flee.

"Now is the time," Cantrell said.

The White House said President Joe Biden and FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell would discuss hurricane preparations Friday in a conference call with the governors of Louisiana, Alabama and Mississippi.

Ida became a hurricane with maximum winds of 75 mph midday afternoon right before its first landfall on Cuba's southern Isle of Youth. The Cuban government issued a hurricane warning for its westernmost provinces, where forecasters said as much as 20 inches of rain could fall in places, possibly unleashing deadly flash floods and mudslides.

An even greater danger will then begin over the Gulf, where forecasts were aligned in predicting Ida will strengthen very



CHRIS GRANGER/The Times-Picayune/The New Orleans Advocate  
Storm shutters are hammered closed on a 100-year-old house Friday in New Orleans, as residents prepare for Hurricane Ida.

quickly into a major hurricane, reaching 120 mph before landfall in the Mississippi River delta late Sunday, the hurricane center said.

If that forecast holds true, Ida would hit on the 16th anniversary of Katrina's landfall as a Category 3 storm with 125 mph winds near the riverside community of

Buras in Plaquemines Parish, just down the Mississippi from New Orleans.

By the time it reaches the central Gulf Coast Sunday, it could dump 8 to 16 inches of rain, with 20 inches in isolated areas, from southeast Louisiana to coastal Mississippi and Alabama through Monday morning.

Biden tells Israeli PM he'll try diplomacy with Iran

AAMER MADHANI  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden told Israeli Prime Minister Naftali Bennett on Friday that diplomacy was his first option, but he would consider other options if his effort to revive the Iran nuclear deal fails.

Biden made the comments as the two sat down for their first face-to-face meeting since Bennett was

sworn-in as prime minister in June.

"We're putting diplomacy first and seeing where that takes us," Biden said during an Oval Office meeting that was delayed by the suicide bomb attack in Afghanistan. "But if diplomacy fails, we're ready to turn to other options."

Asked what other options Biden might be mulling, White House press secretary Jen Psaki declined to comment.

Bennett arrived at the White House aiming to dissuade Biden from returning to the Iran nuclear deal that was brokered during the Obama administration and later scrapped by President Donald Trump.

Since the U.S. withdrawal from the deal in 2018, Tehran over time has abandoned every limitation the accord imposed on its nuclear enrichment. The country now enriches a small amount of uranium

up to 63%, a short step from weapons-grade levels, compared with 3.67% under the deal. It also spins far more advanced centrifuges and more of them than were allowed under the accord, worrying nuclear nonproliferation experts even though Tehran insists its program is peaceful.

Bennett said he came with his own strategy to thwart Iran's nuclear ambitions that he would discuss

in private with Biden. He expressed satisfaction that the two leaders were in sync on the notion that Iran should never be allowed to have a nuclear weapon.

"Iran is the world's number one exporter of terror, instability, and human rights violations," Bennett said. "And as we sit here right now the Iranians are spinning their centrifuges in Natanz and Fordo. And we got to stop it, and we both agree."



# US airstrike hits IS in Afghanistan

**ROBERT BURNS AND  
LOLITA C. BALDOR**  
*Associated Press*

WASHINGTON — The United States military struck back at the Islamic State on Saturday, bombing an IS member in Afghanistan less than 48 hours after a devastating suicide bombing claimed by the group killed as many as 169 Afghans and 13 American service members at the Kabul airport.

U.S. Central Command said the U.S. conducted a drone strike against an Islamic State member in Nangahar believed

to be involved in planning attacks against the U.S. in Kabul. The strike killed one individual, and spokesman Navy Capt. William Urban said they knew of no civilian casualties.

It wasn't clear if that individual was involved specifically in the Thursday suicide blast outside the gates of the Kabul airport, where crowds of Afghans were desperately trying to get in as part of the ongoing evacuation from the country after the Taliban's rapid takeover.

The airstrike fulfilled a vow President Joe Biden made to the nation Thursday when he said

the perpetrators of the attack would not be able to hide. "We will hunt you down and make you pay," he said. Pentagon leaders told reporters Friday that they were prepared for whatever retaliatory action the president ordered.

"We have options there right now," said Maj. Gen. Hank Taylor of the Pentagon's Joint Staff.

The president was warned Friday to expect another lethal attack in the closing days of a frantic U.S.-led evacuation. White House press secretary Jen Psaki said Biden's national security team offered a grim outlook.

"They advised the president and vice president that another terror attack in Kabul is likely, but that they are taking maximum force protection measures at the Kabul airport," Psaki said, echoing what the Pentagon has been saying since the bombing Thursday at Kabul airport that pushed the White House deeper into crisis over a chaotic and deadly conclusion to a war that began nearly 20 years ago.

Late Friday, the State Department again urged Americans to stay away from airport gates, including "the New Ministry of Interior gate."

Few new details about the attack emerged a day later, but the Pentagon corrected its initial report that there had been suicide bombings at two locations. It said there was just one — at or near the Abbey Gate, followed by gunfire. The initial report of a second bombing at the nearby Baron Hotel proved to be false.

Based on a preliminary assessment, U.S. officials believe the suicide vest used in the attack, which killed at least 169 Afghans in addition to the 13 Americans, carried about 25 pounds of explosives and was loaded with shrapnel.

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**WEDNESDAY**  
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*Currently meeting at  
East Citrus Community Center  
9907 East Gulf-to-Lake Highway*

For more information call  
**352-422-6535**

**Pastor  
Todd  
Langdon**

### First Lutheran Church

*Opening “Community” Doors to Christ*  
**Reverend Thomas R. Beaverson**  
*Come As You Are All Are Welcomed Here*

**SUNDAYS**  
9:00 AM Service

**WEDNESDAYS**  
10:00 AM Devotional  
*(Both Services Online)*  
[www.1stlutheran.church](http://www.1stlutheran.church)

**THURSDAYS**  
10:30 AM Communion  
*(Masks Required)*

**726-1637**  
1900 Hwy 44, Inverness Florida  
[www.1stlutheran.church](http://www.1stlutheran.church)

### INVERNESS CHURCH OF GOD

**Sunday Services:**  
Worship Services.....10:15 AM  
Bible Study.....9:00 AM

**Wednesday Night:**  
Classes For All Ages at 7:00 PM

Located at 416 Hwy. 41 South  
in Inverness Just Past Burger King  
Church Office 726-4524

### ST. MARGARET’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Pastor Gene Reuman*  
**OPEN AT 50% CAPACITY**  
*Masks & social distancing are required at all services.*  
**Sunday 9am - Holy Eucharist**

Please follow us on Facebook and visit us at [www.stmaggie.org](http://www.stmaggie.org).  
Sunday Sermons are up on YouTube! Our food pantry is still open on Tuesdays & Wednesdays 9:30 am - 11:30 am.  
**PLEASE STAY SAFE!**

**114 N. Osceola Ave.  
Inverness, FL 34450  
726-3153  
[www.stmaggie.org](http://www.stmaggie.org)**

### First Baptist Church

Of Hernando  
*Reaching and restoring lives through Jesus Christ*

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Service 10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 6:00 p.m.  
Rev. Keith Dendy

3790 E. Parson's Point Rd.  
Hernando, FL 34442  
352-726-6734  
Visit us on the Web at [www.fbchernando.com](http://www.fbchernando.com)

### St Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

**Sunday Masses:**  
8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

**Saturday Vigil Mass:**  
4:00 p.m.

**Weekday Mass:**  
8:30 a.m.  
Mon., Wed. and Friday

**Saturday Confession:**  
By Appointment Only

1401 W. Country Club Blvd.  
Citrus Springs, FL 34434  
**(352)489-4889**  
[www.stelizabethcs.org](http://www.stelizabethcs.org)

Special Event or Weekly Services

**Please Call**

**563-3231**

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### Church of Christ

8599 E. Marvin St., Floral City, FL  
**726-2965**

A warm welcome always awaits you where we teach the true New Testament Bible.

**Sunday Bible Study • 9:30 a.m.**  
**Sunday Worship • 10:30 a.m.**

*Church of Christ - Floral City*

### Crystal River Church of God

Church Phone **795-3079**

**Sunday Morning**  
Adult & Children's Worship 8:30 & 11:00 AM  
Sunday School 9:45 AM

**Wednesday**  
Life Application Service  
Salt Lye Youth Ministries & Teen Kid (ages 4-11) 7:00 PM

2180 N.W. Old Tallahassee Rd. (12th Ave.)  
Nursery Provided

### VineLife Cowboy Church

**10:00 am SUNDAYS**

**Wednesday Service:**  
6:00 pm

**Tuesday:**  
Country Music Jam 2:00 pm

3962 N. Roscoe Rd., Hernando, FL  
Pastor, Dave Shirkey

352-422-7634  
[facebook.com/Cowboy-Church-2426358544113840](http://facebook.com/Cowboy-Church-2426358544113840)

### ST. ANNE’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Parish in the Anglican Communion  
Rector: Fr. Richard Chandler

**Loving God Living Jesus**

**Sunday Services:**  
**9:30am - Holy Eucharist Mass**

[www.stanneschurcher.org](http://www.stanneschurcher.org)

9870 West Fort Island Trail  
Crystal River 1 mile west of Plantation Inn

**352-795-2176**

### Joy & Praise Fellowship

**A light to Citrus County**

Sunday at 8:30am & 10:30am (FB Live Stream)  
Children's Church at 10:30am

Wednesday at 7:00pm (FB Live Stream)  
Nursery available  
\*If you need prayer, call the church office

**6670 N. Lecanto Hwy, Beverly Hills**  
Pastor Eddie Padgett  
**352-527-8612**

### NCUU NATURE COAST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Susan B Anthony,  
Paul Newman,  
Charles Darwin,  
Rod Serling.

**Thinkers and Doers. All Unitarians. MAYBE YOU ARE TOO!**

[contactncuu@gmail.com](mailto:contactncuu@gmail.com)  
for Zoom service.  
**(352) 465-4225.**  
[www.ncuu.org](http://www.ncuu.org)

### CHRISTIAN CENTER CHURCH

Non Denominational

**Sunday**  
Contemporary Service 10:00 am

**Wednesday**  
Bible Study 6:30 pm

Adult / Youth / Children  
Nursery provided for all services.

7961 W. Green Acres St. US 19  
Homosassa, FL

[www.christian-center.church](http://www.christian-center.church)  
352-628-5076

### unity of Citrus County

A POSITIVE PATH FOR SPIRITUAL LIVING

SERVICE OFFERINGS:  
SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT CLASSES,  
WEDDINGS, CHRISTENINGS,  
MEMORIALS, AND HOLY UNIONS

WORSHIP SERVICE...10:30  
NURSERY/SUNDAY SCHOOL...10:30

ONE GOD, ONE HUMANITY

2628 W WOODVIEW LANE  
LECANTO, FL 34461  
352-746-1270  
[WWW.UNITYOFCITRUS.ORG](http://WWW.UNITYOFCITRUS.ORG)

### THE SALVATION ARMY

CITRUS COUNTY CORPS.

**SUNDAY**  
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.  
Morning Worship Hour 11:00 A.M.

**TUESDAY:**  
Home League 11:30 A.M.

**Major Hank Harwell  
Major Eunice Harwell**

**712 S. School Ave.  
Lecanto  
513-4960**

### FCCI

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF INVERNESS**

We welcome you and invite you to worship with our family.

Tom Thomas  
Minister

**Sunday:**  
9:00 A.M. Sunday School  
10:15 A.M. Worship Service  
**Wednesday:**  
6:00 P.M. Bible Study

2018 Colonade St., Inverness  
344-1908  
[www.fccinv.com](http://www.fccinv.com)

### First United Methodist Church

OF HOMOSSASSA

Join Pastor Patti Aupperlee and the congregation for:

Sunday Worship  
8:30 am & 10:30 am

Sunday School - 9:40-10:20 am  
Youth - 10:30-11:30 am

"A Stephen Ministry Church"

8831 W. Bradshaw St.  
Homosassa, FL  
352-628-4083

Learn More at: [1umc.org](http://1umc.org)

### INVERNESS First United Methodist Church

Rev. Mike Kramer  
Inverness First UMC  
Service 9am - Modern  
10:30am - Traditional  
(also on YouTube)

Shortly afterwards the service is posted on the Church's Facebook page:  
Inverness First United Methodist Church

You can also go to the YouTube channel:  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1a11DPk11/EgwPa5KNcyRg>

**1140 Turner Camp Rd.  
Inverness, FL 34453  
(352) 726-2522**  
[www.invernessfirstumc.org](http://www.invernessfirstumc.org)

### HERNANDO United Methodist Church

In-Person and Online Services 10:00 am

Website:  
[www.hernandoumcf.org](http://www.hernandoumcf.org)

2125 E. Norvell Bryant Hwy. (486)  
(1 1/2 miles from Hwy. 41)

For information call  
**(352) 726-7245**

Reverend  
Eric McCrea

### St. Timothy Lutheran Church ELCA

**Saturday Informal Worship w/Communion - 5:00 PM**

**Sunday Service w/Communion - 9 AM**  
**Drive Up Communion 1 PM - 1:30 PM**

**Sunday School 10:30 AM**  
Special services are announced. Nursery provided.

1070 N. Suncoast Blvd., Crystal River  
For more information call  
**795-5325**  
[www.sttimothy.lutheran.crystalriver.com](http://www.sttimothy.lutheran.crystalriver.com)  
Rev. Joan E. Holden

"Rightly dividing the word of truth" II Timothy 2:15

### Grace Bible Fellowship Church

4979 East Arbor St.,  
Inverness, FL  
352-726-9972

Pastor Ken Lawson

Recommended by Les Feldick

**Sunday**  
Bible Study.....9:15 AM  
Worship Service. 10:15 AM

**Wednesday**  
Bible Study.....7:00 PM

Watch Pastor Ken Live!  
What does the Bible say?  
WYKE TV Channel 16  
[www.livestream.com/wyke](http://www.livestream.com/wyke)  
Saturdays....6:30 PM  
Sundays.....6:00 PM  
[www.gracebfcinverness.com](http://www.gracebfcinverness.com)  
Hearing impaired & nursery

### CRYSTAL RIVER FOURSQUARE CHURCH

**WORSHIP SERVICES**

**Sundays**  
10:30 A.M.

**Wednesdays**  
6:30 P.M.

**Pastor John and Liz Hager**

1160 N. Dunkenfield Ave.  
**Crystal River**  
**795-6720**

### Crossroad Baptist Church

5335 E. Jasmine Lane,  
Inverness  
1½ Miles North Of K-mart  
Off 41 North

**You're Invited To Our Services**

**Sunday**  
10:45 AM & 6:00 PM

**Wednesday**  
6:00 PM

*Independent Fundamental*

**Pastor Terry Roberts**  
Ph: 726-0201

### We Choose Hope Hope Lutheran Church

Citrus Springs

**Sunday Service**  
10:00 a.m.

Weekly Recorded Services on Hope's Facebook page

9425 N. Citrus Springs Blvd.  
**352-489-5511**  
Stephen Brisson, Pastor  
[hopeelca.com](http://hopeelca.com)

Special Event or Weekly Services

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**RELIGION NOTES: LOCAL CHURCH NEWS****UPCOMING JEWISH HOLIDAYS****Bread of Life First Bilingual Church of Citrus County**

My Ecclesia will host 91 Days of Glory at 7 p.m. Sept. 6 through Dec. 6 at the Bread of Life First Bilingual Church of Citrus County, 1 Beverly Hills Blvd.

The 91 Days of Glory event is a local expression of a local global move of God to establish prayer and worship around the world.

This season includes five Biblical celebrations of:

Rosh Hashanah, Trumpets, from Sept. 6 to 7

Yom Kippur, Day of Atonement, from Sept. 15 to 16

Sukkot, Feast of Tabernacles, from Sept. 22 to 28

Shemini Atzeret, The Eighth Day, Sept 29

Hanukkah, Festival of Lights, from Nov. 28 to Dec. 6

Focused scriptures include Leviticus 6:13 and Amos 9:11.

For more information, contact Peter Dettman, My Ecclesia president, at 352-364-4466 or peter.dettman@yahoo.com. Visit myecclesia.org or myecclesia.org/glory.

**Congregation Beth Shalom**

Congregation Beth Shalom, Beverly Hills, celebrating the 50th anniversary of our synagogue building, is planning for the Jewish Holidays for 2021.

God willing, we will be worshipping in person in our beautiful sanctuary. Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services will also be available via zoom.

Due to COVID, at this time we only will allow members to attend in person. We will welcome guests to join via Zoom. Guests must contact president Barbara Hamerling at barb4949@gmail.com to register and to receive Zoom sign-on information, as well as updated attendance information. Masks will be required for unvaccinated attendees.

There is no charge to attend our holiday services, although donations are welcome.

The schedule is as follows, subject to change:

Monday, Sept. 6:

7:30-8:15 p.m.: Erev Rosh Hashanah via Zoom

Tuesday, Sept. 7: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.: Rosh Hashanah Day 1 via Zoom and in person

Wednesday, Sept. 8: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.: Rosh Hashanah Day 2 via Zoom

Wednesday, Sept. 15: 6:45 p.m. (sharp) to 8:15 p.m.: Kol Nidre via Zoom and in person

Thursday, Sept. 16: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.: Yom Kippur Day via Zoom and in person

Thursday, Sept. 16: 6-8 p.m.: Yom Kippur Evening via Zoom and in person

Tuesday & Wednesday, Sept. 21 and 22: 10-11:15 a.m.: Sukkot Services via Zoom and in person

Tuesday, Sept. 28: 10 a.m. to noon: Sh'mini Atzeret Services via Zoom

Wednesday, Sept. 29: 10 a.m. to noon: Simchat Torah Service via Zoom and in person

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Pickard, Pastor Dave Shirkey, Bob Rees, Wes St. Onge, Bob Manfredi, Carl Kidwell and Steve Curnow.

Tickets are \$10. Children must be supervised and orderly at all times for the safety and courtesy of attendees.

The concession stand will have cold sandwiches, snacks and beverages.

For more information, call 352-746-3620, email bevhillscchurch@gmail.com or call bhccfl.org.

**Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church**

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church will resume their monthly outdoor flea market from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 4 at 6 Roosevelt Boulevard in Beverly Hills.

Commercial vendors and private individuals are welcome to bring and sell goods. Spaces are available for \$10 and should be reserved in advance, although there is always room for one more.

Coffee, sodas, donuts and hot dogs will be available for breakfast and lunch.

For more information or to reserve a space, contact Rose Mary at 352-527-6459 or wjeselso@tampabay.rr.com.

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working with We Care Food Pantry to distribute free food on Saturday, Aug. 28, in the horseshoe parking lot at the church.

Those who wish to do so may come from 9 to 11 a.m. for food; please pop your trunk and let us know how many people and families you need food for.

**Crystal River Christian Women's Club**

The Crystal River Christian Women's Club will meet at 1 p.m. Oct. 12 at the Lion's Club, 109 NE Crystal Street.

Enjoy a meal, guest speaker and fellowship. The cost is \$13.

Seats are limited. To RSVP, call 352-419-8453.

**Rivers of Life Restoration Ministry**

Rivers of Life Restoration Ministry Inc. operates the Seven Loaves Food and Clothing Pantry at Helping Hands Thrifty Treasures, 9699 W. Fort Island Trail, Crystal River. The free-to-all Food Pantry is now open from noon to 3 p.m. every Tuesday. Call 863-666-4129 for more information.

**St. Timothy Church and LifeTree Church**

Food pantry from 9:30 a.m. to noon every Tuesday at LifeTree Church, 1501 SE U.S. 19 in Crystal River during the pandemic, outside in front of the building. For more information, call 352-403-1498.

**First Lutheran Church of Inverness**

Food pantry from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. For more information, call the church at 352-726-1637. The church is at 1900 W. State Road 44, Inverness.

**St. Margaret's Episcopal Church**

The Food Pantry is open from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The pantry offers canned, dried and frozen foods to anyone in need in Citrus County. Call

352-726-3153.

**Our Lady of Fatima**

Helping Hands Our Lady of Fatima, 604 U.S. 41 S. in Inverness offers an outreach program to help those in need, supported by their thrift store. Those who qualify are assisted with utilities every four months, prescriptions every three months, clothing every three months and food every two months.

To qualify for the outreach program, bring a current

picture ID, proof of residence, social security cards for all household members, proof of income (pay stubs, tax forms, SSI statement, etc.), car payment and car insurance to an intake meeting.

The thrift store is accepting donations from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday of slightly used clothing, household items, furniture in good shape (no mattresses), food (not outdated) and personal hygiene items.

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Nancy Kennedy  
**GRACE  
NOTES**

## Faith that wobbles

One of my many useless talents is knowing the lyrics to old TV commercial jingles.

“Choo Choo Charlie was an engineer. Choo Choo Charlie was his name, we hear ... He used Good & Plenty candy to make his train run.”

“Oh, I’d love to be an Oscar Mayer weiner. That is what I’d truly like to be.”

Just recently I found myself singing, “Weebles wobble but they don’t fall down.”

For those who didn’t have preschoolers in the 1970s, Weebles are small, roly poly figures that, if you tip them, or even hit them all day long, they may wobble, but they will always return to an upright position.

On Aug. 9, 2020, Pope Francis gave a message about trials that shake a person’s faith. The next day, the headline in the National Catholic Reporter read: “Faith wobbles sometimes; what counts is calling for God’s help, pope says.”

Faith, like Weebles, can and does wobble.

Circumstances and situations, other people, our own self-centeredness and sin, things happen to push us down, tip us over:

Do you remember how 2020 started? It began with the continent of Australia on fire. Then came the global pandemic, then a record-breaking hurricane season with 30 named storms, several of them catastrophic.

Add murder hornets, racial unrest, political upheaval.

Then 2021 started with an insurrection at the nation’s Capitol, followed by more coronavirus deaths and more political unrest, factions and fighting, fires, drought AND floods.

People everywhere, losing their temper, losing their homes and their jobs, losing their sense of security, losing their minds and losing their faith.

Last year, Barna Research reported that 1 in 3 practicing Christians have stopped attending church altogether, including online worship at home on your couch in your jammies. One third simply checked out.

With so much coming at us all at once from multiple directions, constant and unrelenting, we are wobbling all over the place.

If you’re feeling wobbly, I have good news: Even though we’re not Weebles and we do sometimes fall down, God stands ready, willing and able to pick us up and hold us up.

In his message, Pope Francis shared the gospel story in Matthew 14:22-23 where the disciples were in a boat traveling across a lake during a storm.

As they struggled and fought against the wind, Jesus came walking on the water toward them.

At first, they thought he was a ghost and screamed. But Jesus told them not to be afraid.

“I am Jesus,” he said.

Peter replied, “Lord, if it’s really you, tell me to come to you on the water.”

Jesus said, “Come on,” and Peter stepped out of the boat and took a few steps on top of the water. But when he realized how strong the storm was, he got scared and started sinking.

“Save me, Lord!” he shouted. And Jesus did just that.

Immediately, Jesus reached out his hand and helped Peter back into the boat.

Pope Francis said, “Lord, save me, is a beautiful prayer, and believers also should reflect on how Jesus responded, immediately reaching out and taking Peter’s hand, showing that God never abandons us.”

The secret to Weebles is their foundation, their “stable equilibrium.” They are built to stay upright no matter how they’re battered about.

And so are we.

Our faith is often weak, we wobble, but if Jesus is our firm foundation, if we belong to him, his hand is ever ready to lift us back to stable equilibrium, to peace and sanity.

The last stanza of the hymn, “How Firm A Foundation” goes: “The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to His foes. That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”

Take heart, dear friend.

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# The fine art of faith



Special to the Chronicle

A recent “Orlando 21” National Fine Arts Festival in Orlando drew thousands of Assemblies of God teens from around the country to showcase their ministry talents and compete. Pictured, Molly Golden and Payton Edmonson from River Life Church in Dunnellon give a children’s lesson about the Old Testament story of Samson and Delilah.

## Dunnellon River Life Church youths earn accolades at festival

NANCY KENNEDY  
Staff writer

St. Francis of Assisi famously said, “Preach the gospel at all times and when necessary use words.”

If the 13th century friar were alive today, he might add: “and/or use fine arts.”

The Assemblies of God denomination has been encouraging its youths, students in sixth through 12th grades, to develop their gifts and talents and then use them in their schools, churches and communities.

Recently, teens from around the country attended the “Orlando 21” national fine arts festival at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando to showcase their talents and compete in seven categories: Art, Communication, Dance, Drama, Instrumental, Vocal and Writing.

Twelve teens from River Life Church in Dunnellon qualified for the finals and three placed in the top 10.

Of the three, Jackson Ryan, 15, entered “He is Risen” in the visual art 3D category; Kane Baldeo, 16, presented a short sermon, “Answering the Call of God;” and Molly Golden, 15, presented a children’s lesson.

Molly Golden, along with Payton Edmonson, presented a children’s lesson about the Old Testament story of Samson and Delilah in front of a panel of judges and a large audience.

“I really enjoy the competition followed by a Holy Spirit-filled night,” she said. “I feel so at home surrounded by people doing the good work of God.”

Ryan said he loved being a part of so many talented teenagers.

One of the purposes of the fine arts festival is inspiration, bouncing ideas off one another and discovering and developing talents the youths might not even know they have.

“It’s a great way to develop my own gift that God has given me,” Ryan said. “I love supporting my friends as they do the same.”

Baldeo, the preacher of the group, said he felt relieved after he delivered his sermon.

He likened the call of God to receiving a phone call.

“So many times we want to send God to voicemail instead of answering when He calls us to do something,” he said.

He added that having to wait to give his sermon was the hardest part of the weekend, but the best part was “seeing all these teenagers come together to use their talents for God,” which, he said, “is pretty cool.”



Special to the Chronicle

“He is Risen” 3-D visual art piece done by Jackson Ryan, 15, from River Life Church in Dunnellon.



Special to the Chronicle

Kane Baldeo, 16, from River Life Church in Dunnellon, delivers a short sermon about answering God’s call.

## RELIGION NOTES: LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

### LIVE & LEARN

#### Nature Coast Community Bible Study

Nature Coast Community Bible Study (NCCBS) will offer an in-person 30-week, in-depth, Bible study, from 9:45-11:50 a.m. Thursday mornings beginning Sept. 2 at the First Baptist Church, 4950 N. Lecanto Highway in Beverly Hills. The study will cover Joshua, Timothy one and two, Titus and Peter one and two. A same day Zoom class will also be offered for both men and women. An evening online class for men is also being considered.

To learn more, visit [nature-coast.cbsclass.org](http://nature-coast.cbsclass.org), call Terry at 352-287-5503 or Rosey at 352-634-3952. Early registration is recommended.

#### Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

The Family History Center at 3474 W. Southern St., Lecanto, has reopened. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for the family-friendly, free ancestry resource/research center. For information, call Frances Austin at 352-746-5943.

#### Cross Bound Ministry

Broadcasts with a focus on Bible teaching and strengthening the family on radio station 720AM

every Sunday at 8 a.m.

### SUPPORT

#### St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

Bereavement Support Group Thursday meetings in the hall behind the church in Homosassa. We take a positive approach to grief by helping griever learn how to make a new life. Thirty years of experience. The group meets 1-3 p.m. St. Thomas the Apostle is on U.S. 19, 300 yards southwest of Cardinal, just past Walmart, on the west side. For information, call 352-220-1959.

#### The Hills Church

Celebrate Recovery meets every Monday from 6-8 p.m. at The Hills Church, 2 Civic Circle, Beverly Hills. It is a Christ-centered recovery group for hurts, hang-ups and habits. No child care; authorized to sign court slips. Call Tom or Sheila Boss for more information, at 410-353-7857 or 410-271-4112. [Celebraterecovery.com](http://Celebraterecovery.com).

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Games in a row with a hit for the Reds' Tyler Naquin, the longest current streak in the majors.

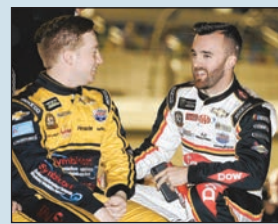


Tyler Naquin

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## 2021 HS FOOTBALL SEASON KICKS OFF

South Sumter 44, Crystal River 31

Springstead 35, Citrus 0

The Villages 42, Lecanto 7

Seven Rivers Christian 41, Trinity Christian 6

Buchholz 35, Dunnellon 0

## Buffalo run past Panthers in opener, 42-7



Lecanto quarterback Schwantez Simmons (18) escapes the grasp of Lucca Fazio of The Villages during Friday night's season-opening football game at Panther Field in Lecanto. The Buffalo defeated the Panthers 42-7.

### Miscues add up for Lecanto in season opener

MATT PFIFFNER  
Sports editor

LECANTO — It wasn't the season opener the Lecanto football team wanted, but it's far from time to panic with an entire season still to play.

The Villages came into town Friday night and handed the host Panthers a 42-7 loss.

Mistakes were numerous by both teams — as is usually the case in the opening week — but three turnovers and double-digit penalties for the Panthers were way too many of both to overcome.

"I'm not going to make excuses. We're here to coach, we're here to put these kids out here and have them prepared,"

Lecanto head coach Wyndell "Chop" Alexander said. "So I have to do a better job as a coach to make sure my players do a better job on the field."

The Panthers got a nice 12-yard run from Darius Gainer on a sweep on the first play of the game, but the drive bogged down and The Villages took over inside Panther territory after a nice punt return. It took the Buffalo four plays to get into the end zone, on a short run by T.J. Kennedy. The extra point made it 7-0 midway through the first quarter.

Interceptions by Alvon Issac halted the next two Lecanto drives and The Villages turned the second turnover into another touchdown — a 39 yard run by Issac — for a 14-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

The Panthers put together their best drive of the night at the end of the first and beginning of the second quarter.

A nine-play drive that

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## HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL BRIEFS

### Crystal River suffers opening loss to South Sumter

Crystal River put points on the board but couldn't overcome a tough Week 1 opponent, going down at South Sumter on Friday night 44-31.

Issac Edwards scored two touchdowns for the Pirates, while David Paulen and Joel Velazquez had one apiece. Zach Van Fleet hit a 35-yard field goal.

"Disappointed in the loss, generated some offense and displayed some balance in regards to throwing the ball while having over 200 yards rushing," Crystal River head coach Cliff Lohrey said. "Have a chance to be a great team this season, need to continue developing our depth in all three aspects of the game."



Cliff Lohrey

### Citrus blanked by Springstead 35-0

Taking on Gulf Coast 8 conference foe Springstead on Friday night, visiting Citrus fell 35-0 to the Eagles in a season opener for both squads.

"I've got to do a better job getting guys ready for the game," Citrus head coach McKinley Franklin said. "Springstead scored on us pretty quick. It was just a missed alignment. When you get scored on early I've got to get kids back and I didn't do a good job of that."



McKinley Franklin

— From staff reports

### Seven Rivers blows out Trinity Christian, 41-6

CHRIS BERNHARDT JR.  
Staff writer

LECANTO — A season of high aspirations got off to the kind of start the home crowd would have hoped for at Warrior Park.

Seven Rivers Christian hosted Trinity Christian in a Sunshine State Athletic Conference matchup to open up the 2021 slate, and the Warriors rolled to a 41-6 victory.

"The boys played well," Seven Rivers head coach Monty Vann said. "We got sloppy a little bit in the first half. We've got to correct that, you can't get sloppy at crucial times. We let them back in the game."

"Other than those things, I'm very proud of how they played. They played hard."

It's the first time in three seasons that the Warriors have started off 1-0 and they looked the part of seasoned conference title contender on a hot and humid night that saw several players suffer cramps. In fact the game was called with 2:18 still remaining when a player went down on the Trinity sideline.

Seven Rivers successfully executed an onside kick to open the game, with Alex Eden recovering on the Trinity 44-yard line. Three plays later, Nehemiah Vann hit Mario Aguilera streaking down the left side with a pass that led him into the end zone for a 30-yard score.

Vann's second touchdown pass came with 3:11 left in the first quarter, a 14-yarder to Noah Magill.

The Warriors seemed in full control until fumbling a punt return on a fair catch call, Braden

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## Warriors start strong



Seven Rivers Christians' Brent Summers, right, powers the ball through Trinity linebacker Jakin Hawkins during Friday night's game at Warrior Park in Lecanto. The Warriors won the season opener, 41-6.

STEPHEN SHANER/For the Chronicle

## Late substitution Buchholz tops Dunnellon, 35-0

SEAN ARNOLD  
Riverland News

DUNNELLON — The Dunnellon football team was lucky to have a football game on opening night at Richard Kennedy Stadium, as its original opponent, St. Augustine, was forced to cancel Friday morning due to COVID-19 concerns. Tigers coach Price Harris quickly found a replacement in Gainesville Buchholz, which Harris knew was looking for

a game.

Unfortunately, that's where the Tigers' luck ended.

The spread passing attack of the Class 7A Bobcats (1-0), who were ranked No. 14 overall in Florida on MaxPreps heading into the game, was a difficult adjustment for DHS, which is dealing with inexperience in the secondary and in its pass rush and prepped all week for a different style of offensive opponent.

Buchholz quarterback Creed

Whittemore tossed four touchdown passes to lead his Gainesville squad to a 35-0 win over DHS.

The Tigers (0-1) had some early dropped passes, while Whittemore threw a pair of long scoring passes to senior Quan Lee to put BHS up 21-0 midway into the second quarter.

"We got our butts handed to us, but I don't regret it, because everything's a learning experience," Harris said. "It's a great football team, and we missed a lot

of opportunities early. It could've been a whole different game.

"But credit to them — we had opportunities and didn't make the plays, and they did."

The Tigers are coming off a state semifinals appearance, but they graduated 26 seniors, many of whom were key pieces to a pair of Final Four teams. They're on a bye next week, before traveling to Booster Stadium in Ocala on Sept. 10 for a rivalry game against Vanguard.



# Teammates eye final playoff spot

*Reddick, Dillon set to battle at Daytona*

MARK LONG  
AP sports writer

DAYTONA BEACH — There's one guy Tyler Reddick doesn't expect any help from at Daytona International Speedway on Saturday night: His teammate.

Reddick and fellow Richard Childress Racing driver Austin Dillon are essentially battling each other for the 16th and final spot in the NASCAR Cup Series playoffs. And that makes teamwork at the 2 1/2-mile superspeedway downright tricky, maybe even unthinkable, for the duo.

"Anything I do to help him, hurts me. Anything he does to help me, hurts him," Reddick said. "So we really can't work together at all, unfortunately. It's kind of a weird spot."

Fourteen drivers have a shot at the last postseason berth, each of them needing a win at Daytona to clinch. Reddick and Dillon, though, are the only ones who can get in on points without a win. They need a repeat winner — 13 drivers have at least one victory this season — or a win as shocking as Michael McDowell's stunner in the Daytona 500 to advance that way.

Reddick and Dillon would prefer to take all the guesswork out of the equation by winning themselves. And given their history at NASCAR's birthplace, no one would be surprised to see them in victory lane amid fireworks Saturday night.

Although Reddick is winless in 63 Cup starts, he has two victories at Daytona in other series. He won the 2015 Truck Series opener at Daytona while driving for Brad Keselowski Racing and won the 2018 Xfinity Series opener at Daytona with JR Motorsports.

He took the lead with nine laps to go at Daytona last August in another



Associated Press

Tyler Reddick, left, and Austin Dillon talk before the first of two qualifying auto races for the NASCAR Daytona 500 at Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, in this Feb. 14, 2019, file photo. There's one guy Tyler Reddick doesn't expect any help from at Daytona International Speedway on Saturday night: His teammate.

win-and-you're-in scenario, but seconds later crashed trying to block Kyle Busch. Reddick, in fact, has crashed in three of four Cup starts at Daytona and never finished better than 27th.

"We've just got one more hurdle and, unfortunately, it's a big one," Reddick said. "One with a lot of uncertainty, not just with who's going to be running at the end but how much different the car is going to drive with the different horsepower and so many drivers below the cut line that are all out of options and desperate going into Daytona to do whatever it takes to win and lock themselves in as well."

Dillon isn't ready to panic.

After all, he's been at his best at the birthplace of NASCAR. The 2018 Daytona 500

winner finished third here in February and won the 2015 Xfinity race at Daytona. He has a 10 top-five finishes and 15 top-10s in 26 races (Cup and Xfinity) at the famed track.

"For me, we're in a little bit of a nothing-to-lose attitude right now because we've got to gain on our teammate, and if not, we've got to win somehow," he said, citing Daytona as a place his No. 3 Chevrolet shines because of the strong horsepower in the engines built in partnership with Richard Childress Racing and Hendrick Motorsports.

"We've just had the ability to keep that No. 3 at the front when we go to Daytona," he added. "It's a magical place and I've had some great runs there. I'm pumped that it's the last race of our regular season."

Fifteen drivers already clinched post-season spots: Kyle Larson, Denny Hamlin, Kyle Busch, William Byron, Chase Elliott, Martin Truex Jr., Ryan Blaney, Joey Logano, Kevin Harvick, Brad Keselowski, Alex Bowman, Kurt Busch, Christopher Bell, McDowell and Aric Almirola.

Given the unpredictability of racing at Daytona, teamwork is as paramount as it is practical on the high-banked oval. But normal alliances are sure to be tested given the stakes, and even friends and teammates like Reddick and Dillon won't be able to help each other.

"It's a difficult thing," Reddick said. "As much as we would love to work together, be upfront and control the race, it's just not really an option for us. I can't push him to the win and still make the playoffs. And he can't push me to the win and still make the playoffs."

"It's just an unfortunate spot for us to be in right now."

## REGULAR SEASON TITLE

The regular season title will be decided Saturday night between Kyle Larson and three-time Daytona 500 winner Denny Hamlin. It's not a meaningless award, either.

In addition to a trophy, the regular season champion earns 15 additional playoff points to be applied when the field is re-seeded. Hamlin held the regular season lead for 22 weeks until Larson claimed it two races ago at Indianapolis.

Hamlin now sits 28 points behind Larson for the title and he'd need Larson to have a bad night not to clinch those critical points. But Hamlin desperately needs additional playoff points — he has just five (compared to Larson's 37) headed into Daytona.

"We seem to put ourselves in contention each and every year at Daytona, so we always look forward to racing there," said Hamlin, "and because my playoff spot is clinched, I can go on offense. I've got nothing to lose."

# Awkward future for Big 12

*Even with Oklahoma favored again*

STEPHEN HAWKINS  
AP sports writer

Things have quickly gotten awkward for the Big 12 Conference.

Whether eight will be enough for the Big 12 moving forward, there are still 10 teams this season. Second-ranked Oklahoma and No. 21 Texas, the only Big 12 teams to win national championships in the league's first 25 seasons, aren't leaving for the Southeastern Conference just yet.

"Sure it will be great when it happens, but it doesn't matter right now," Oklahoma coach Lincoln Riley said. "I mean, right now, we're a member of the Big 12."

The Sooners are the overwhelming favorite to win their seventh Big 12 title in a row. They have two preseason first-team AP All-Americans (sophomore quarterback Spencer Rattler and junior linebacker Nik Bonitto) and their highest preseason Top 25 ranking since starting No. 1 in 2011.

Oklahoma and Texas will start SEC play no later than 2025, and could leave before then. The initial public reports of them seeking a move came only a week after Big 12 media days in mid-July. They had accepted formal invitations to join the SEC by the end of that month.

The pending departure of its most prominent members has already created plenty of uncertainty about the future of the Big 12. Then the league wasn't included in a pact between the Atlantic Coast Conference, Big Ten and Pac-12, furthering the image of a league left out.

The Sooners are the only Big 12 team to make the College Football Playoff (four times since that system started in 2014), but their last national title was in 2000. The Longhorns won the league's last national title in 2005, but haven't been conference champs since 2009.

Steve Sarkisian is the new Texas coach after moving from the SEC, where he was part of a national title last season as Nick Saban's offensive coordinator at Alabama.



Associated Press

In this Nov. 7, 2020, file photo, Oklahoma quarterback Spencer Rattler carries for a touchdown against Kansas in Norman, Okla. He was the Big 12's top passer as a freshman, with 3,031 yards, 28 touchdowns and seven interceptions.

Tom Herman was fired after winning records in each of his four seasons with the Longhorns, and won bowl games each year, but they made the Big 12 title game only once. They lost to Oklahoma in 2018 after beating the Sooners in the Red River rivalry game that regular season.

"When you think of the University of Texas, you think of resources. You think of great recruiting and recruitability, all those things — big stadiums, great education," Sarkisian said even before the SEC announcement. "The point I've been trying to make is focus on us and what we're doing, and not necessarily what didn't work before, but what are we going to do to make it work this time."

## CLIMBING CYCLONES

No. 7 Iowa State has its highest ranking ever, with fourth-year starting quarterback Brock Purdy, national rushing leader Breece Hall and Big 12 defensive player of the year Mike Rose all back after the Cyclones made their first conference

championship game last season.

They beat Oklahoma in the regular season, but came up short against the Sooners in the Big 12 title game before beating Oregon in the Fiesta Bowl.

"I think what we've done is we certainly understand that there's a pathway to become the best," coach Matt Campbell said. "What we're learning is how we have to do it, and that part's been a real fun journey for us."

The Cyclones were coming off six consecutive losing seasons when Campbell arrived. They went 3-9 in his 2016 debut season, and are 32-19 since.

**TOP PLAYERS**

**Spencer Rattler, QB, Oklahoma:** The Big 12's top passer as a freshman, with 3,031 yards, 28 touchdowns and seven interceptions.

**Breece Hall, RB, Iowa State:** Led the nation with 1,572 yards rushing and nine 100-yard games. His 21 rushing TDs led the Big 12.

**Bijan Robinson, RB, Texas:** Ran for 703 yards

in nine games, and broke the school record by averaging 8.2 yards per carry. He had 355 yards (18.7 per carry) the final two games.

**Leddie Brown, RB, West Virginia:** The only 1,000-yard rusher in the Big 12 other than Hall last season. Ran for 1,010 yards in 10 games.

**Kolby Harvell-Peel, S, Oklahoma State:** Enters his senior season with 167 tackles, seven interceptions and 21 pass breakups in 35 career games.

**Terrel Bernard, LB, Baylor:** Was Big 12's top tackler with 55 in five games before a season-ending shoulder injury last year.

**Deuce Vaughn, RB, Kansas State:** Led the Wildcats in rushing and receiving as a freshman last season, and was one of only three players nationally with at least 600 yards rushing and 400 receiving.

**THE PICKS (in order)**

Oklahoma, Iowa State, Texas, Oklahoma State, TCU, West Virginia, Kansas State, Baylor, Texas Tech, Kansas.

# Cristiano Ronaldo heading back to Manchester United

STEVE DOUGLAS  
AP sports writer

Cristiano Ronaldo is headed back to Manchester United.

The English club said Friday it has reached an agreement with Juventus for the transfer of the 36-year-old Portugal forward, subject to agreement of personal terms, visa and a medical examination.

Ronaldo, a five-time world player of the year, told Juventus on Thursday that he no longer wanted to play for the Italian club, coach Massimiliano Allegri said.

United did not disclose a transfer fee for Ronaldo, but it is reported to be 25 million euros (\$29.5 million). He had one year left on his contract at Juventus.

Ronaldo played for United from 2003-09 and turned into a superstar under the guidance of then-manager Alex Ferguson.

"Everyone at the club looks forward to welcoming Cristiano back to Manchester," United said in a brief statement, ending a day of fast-moving developments.

It is the latest blockbuster move of the transfer window, with Lionel Messi — Ronaldo's long-time rival — having joined Paris Saint-Germain after his contract at Barcelona expired. PSG forward Kylian Mbappe is also the subject of a bid of about 160 million euros (\$188 million) from Real Madrid.

Hours before United confirmed Ronaldo's return to the club where he scored 118 goals in 292 games, current manager Ole Gunnar Solskjaer said Ronaldo "knows that we're here" if he wanted to join.

"He is the greatest player of all time, if you ask me," said Solskjaer, a former United striker who played alongside Ronaldo. "Such a tremendous human being as well ... Everyone who's played with him, I think, has a soft spot for him."

Ronaldo will leave Juventus after three years. He joined the club from Real Madrid.

"Yesterday, Cristiano told me that he no longer plans to play for Juventus," Allegri said in a news conference. "Cristiano gave his contribution. He made himself available, now he leaves and life goes on."

Manchester City had been considering an option to buy Ronaldo after its top target, Harry Kane, said Wednesday he was staying at Tottenham for now. But City manager Pep Guardiola sounded pessimistic about that possibility when speaking at a news conference at about the same time as Solskjaer.

It is not the first time United has beaten City to a player that both clubs wanted. Alexis Sanchez joined United in 2018 after appearing to be close to moving to City, while United was prepared to pay 80 million pounds (then \$97 million) to sign Harry Maguire from Leicester in 2019 — a sum City didn't try to match.

United, which hasn't won the Premier League since 2013, has also signed England winger Jadon Sancho and France center back Raphael Varane for a combined cost of about \$150 million.



Associated Press

In this March 17, 2007, file photo, Manchester United's Cristiano Ronaldo smiles during his team's 4-1 win over Bolton Wanderers in their English Premier League soccer match at Old Trafford Stadium, Manchester, England. Ronaldo is headed back to Manchester United.



FOOTBALL  
NFL preseason

**Friday's Games**  
Indianapolis 27, Detroit 17  
Carolina 34, Pittsburgh 9  
Philadelphia 31, N.Y. Jets 31  
Kansas City 28, Minnesota 25

**Today's Games**  
Arizona at New Orleans, canc.  
Green Bay at Buffalo, 1 p.m.  
Baltimore at Washington, 6 p.m.  
Chicago at Tennessee, 7 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Houston, 8 p.m.  
L.A. Rams at Denver, 9:05 p.m.  
L.A. Chargers at Seattle, 10 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**  
Jacksonville at Dallas, 1 p.m.  
Las Vegas at San Francisco, 4 p.m.  
Miami at Cincinnati, 4 p.m.  
New England at N.Y. Giants, 6 p.m.  
Cleveland at Atlanta, 8 p.m.

GOLF  
BMW Championship

**Friday**  
**At Caves Valley Golf Club**  
**Owings Mills, Md.**  
**Yardage: 7,542; Par: 72**  
**Purse: \$9.5 Million**

**Second Round**  
**(Suspended due to darkness)**

Bryson DeChambeau	68-60—128 -16
Patrick Cantlay	66-63—129 -15
Sungjae Im	67-65—132 -12
Sergio Garcia	65-67—132 -12
Hudson Swafford	67-66—133 -11
Rory McIlroy	64-70—134 -10
Sebastian Munoz	67-68—135 -9
Lucas Glover	68-67—135 -9
Erik van Rooyen	67-68—135 -9
Aaron Wise	69-66—135 -9
Paul Casey	68-68—136 -8
Hideki Matsuyama	67-69—136 -8
Alex Noren	71-66—137 -7
Kevin Na	72-65—137 -7
Charl Schwartzel	71-66—137 -7
Harold Varner III	67-70—137 -7
Dustin Johnson	67-70—137 -7
Brian Harman	69-69—138 -6
K.H. Lee	69-69—138 -6
Jhonattan Vegas	69-70—139 -5
Maverick McNealy	69-70—139 -5
Matt Jones	69-70—139 -5
Harris English	69-70—139 -5
Justin Thomas	68-71—139 -5
Shane Lowry	71-68—139 -5
Webb Simpson	67-72—139 -5
Daniel Berger	68-71—139 -5
Scottie Scheffler	73-66—139 -5
Emiliano Grillo	67-73—140 -4
Cam Davis	73-67—140 -4
Mackenzie Hughes	69-71—140 -4
Talor Gooch	69-71—140 -4
Tom Hoge	69-71—140 -4
Jason Kokrak	73-68—141 -3
Jordan Spieth	71-70—141 -3
Lee Westwood	71-70—141 -3
Patton Kizzire	69-72—141 -3
Kevin Streelman	71-70—141 -3
Chris Kirk	71-71—142 -2
Carlos Ortiz	68-74—142 -2
Keith Mitchell	72-70—142 -2
Billy Horschel	71-72—143 -1
Robert Streb	73-71—144 E
Cameron Champ	70-74—144 E
Marc Leishman	69-76—145 +1
Russell Henley	72-73—145 +1
Branden Grace	75-71—146 +2
Collin Morikawa	72-75—147 +3

Leaderboard	SCORE THRU
Bryson DeChambeau	-16 18
Jon Rahm	-15 15
Patrick Cantlay	-15 18
Sungjae Im	-12 18
Sergio Garcia	-12 18
Sam Burns	-10 17
Hudson Swafford	-11 18
Abraham Ancer	-10 16
Rory McIlroy	-10 18

Omega European  
Masters

**Friday**  
**At Crans-sur-Sierre Golf Club**  
**Crans Montana, Switzerland**  
**Purse: \$2.34 million**  
**Yardage: 6,848; Par: 70**

**Second Round (Partial leaderboard)**

Dean Burmester, South Africa	64-65—129 -11
Andy Sullivan, England	64-66—130 -10
Thomas Detry, Belgium	65-65—130 -10
Renato Paratore, Italy	65-66—131 -9
Jorge Campillo, Spain	68-64—132 -8
Justin Harding, South Africa	66-66—132 -8
Ross McGowan, England	68-64—132 -8
Matthew Jordan, England	67-65—132 -8
John Catlin, United States	68-65—133 -7
Sebastian Soderberg, Sweden	66-67—133 -7
Min Woo Lee, Australia	66-67—133 -7
Jamie Donaldson, Wales	67-66—133 -7
Robin Scot-Siegrist, France	63-70—133 -7
Andrew Johnston, England	68-66—134 -6
James Morrison, England	60-74—134 -6
Rasmus Hojgaard, Denmark	68-66—134 -6
Scott Jamieson, Scotland	67-67—134 -6
Bernd Wiesberger, Austria	67-67—134 -6
Marcel Siem, Germany	66-68—134 -6
Benjamin Hebert, France	67-68—135 -5
Henrik Stenson, Sweden	71-64—135 -5
Marcus Armitage, England	63-73—136 -4
Eduardo Molinari, Italy	72-64—136 -4
Sean Crocker, United States	71-65—136 -4
Victor Perez, France	68-68—136 -4
Alexander Bjork, Sweden	67-69—136 -4
Shubhankar Sharma, India	68-68—136 -4
Soren Kjeldsen, Denmark	72-64—136 -4
Miguel Angel Jimenez, Spain	69-67—136 -4
Daniel Van Tonder, S. Africa	66-70—136 -4
Darren Fichardt, South Africa	66-70—136 -4

Curtis Cup

**At Conwy Golf Club**  
**Conwy, Wales**  
**Yardage: 6,511; Par: 71**

**Friday**  
**UNITED STATES 6, EUROPE 6**

**Foursomes**  
**United States 2½, Europe ½**  
Rachel Heck and Rose Zhang, United States, def. Louise Duncan and Hannah Darling, GB&I, 3 and 2.  
Rachel Kuehn and Emilia Migliaccio, United States, def. Annabell Fuller and Charlotte Heath, GB&I, 3 and 2.  
Jensen Castle and Brooke Matthews, United States, halved with Caley McGinty and Emily Toy, GB&I.

**Fourballs**  
**United States 2, Europe 1**  
Jensen Castle and Rachel Kuehn, United States, def. Lauren Walsh and Louise Duncan, GB&I, 3 and 2.  
Hannah Darling and Annabell Fuller, GB&I, def. Rachel Heck and Gina Kim, United States, 4 and 3.  
Rose Zhang and Allisen Corpuz, United States, def. Caley McGinty and Eimly Toy, GB&I, 3 and 2.

The Ally Challenge

**Friday**  
**At Warwick Hills Golf & Country Club**  
**Grand Blanc, Mich.**  
**Yardage: 6,740; Par: 72**  
**Purse: \$2 Million**

**First Round (Suspended due to darkness)**

Marco Dawson	33-31—64 -8
Bernhard Langer	34-30—64 -8

Florida LOTTERY

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

<b>PICK 2 (early)</b> <b>9 - 5</b>	<b>PICK 4 (late)</b> <b>4 - 4 - 8 - 2</b>
<b>PICK 2 (late)</b> <b>7 - 0</b>	<b>PICK 5 (early)</b> <b>9 - 3 - 5 - 9 - 1</b>
<b>PICK 3 (early)</b> <b>3 - 8 - 6</b>	<b>PICK 5 (late)</b> <b>5 - 7 - 8 - 8 - 7</b>
<b>PICK 3 (late)</b> <b>9 - 5 - 1</b>	<b>FANTASY 5</b> <b>3 - 9 - 16 - 25 - 36</b>
<b>PICK 4 (early)</b> <b>1 - 9 - 0 - 0</b>	<b>JACKPOT TRIPLE PLAY</b> <b>18 - 27 - 42 - 43 - 44 - 45</b>
<b>MEGA MILLIONS</b> <b>1 - 10 - 44 - 47 - 56</b> <b>MEGA BALL</b> <b>23</b>	
<b>CASH 4 LIFE</b> <b>2 - 16 - 31 - 36 - 56</b> <b>CASH BALL</b> <b>4</b>	
<b>Players should verify winning numbers at <a href="http://www.flalottery.com">www.flalottery.com</a>.</b>	
<b>Fantasy 5:</b> 2 - 4 - 6 - 25 - 35 5-of-5 1 winner \$183,577.04 4-of-5 245 \$120.50 3-of-5 7,991 \$10 <b>Cash 4 Life:</b> 1 - 4 - 11 - 46 - 52 <b>Cash Ball:</b> 2 5-of-5 CB No winner 5-of-5 No winner	

On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S SPORTS  
AUTO RACING

**5:55 a.m. (ESPN2)** Formula 1 Racing Belgium Grand Prix: Practice 3  
**7 a.m. (ESPN2)** Formula 1 Racing Hungarian Grand Prix (Taped)  
**8:55 a.m. (ESPN2)** Formula 1 Racing Belgium Grand Prix: Qualifying  
**1 p.m. (CBS)** Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series (Taped)  
**7 p.m. (MNT)** NASCAR Cup Series Coke Zero Sugar 400  
**LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES**  
**12:30 p.m. (ABC)** Tom Seaver Final: Sioux Falls (S.D.) vs. Hamilton (Ohio)  
**3:30 p.m. (ABC)** Hank Aaron Final: Honolulu (Hawaii) vs. Taylor (Mich.)

**MLB**  
**4 p.m. (FS1)** Boston Red Sox at Cleveland Indians  
**6 p.m. (BSFL)** Cincinnati Reds at Miami Marlins  
**6 p.m. (MLB)** Arizona Diamondbacks at Philadelphia Phillies or Cincinnati Reds at Miami Marlins  
**7 p.m. (SUN)** Tampa Bay Rays at Baltimore Orioles  
**9 p.m. (FS1)** San Diego Padres at Los Angeles Angels  
**BASKETBALL**  
**1 p.m. (NBA)** WNBA: Las Vegas Aces at Indiana Fever  
**3 p.m. (CBS)** BIG3 Basketball: Teams TBA  
**7 p.m. (NBA)** WNBA: Los Angeles Sparks at Connecticut Sun  
**HORSE RACING**  
**5 p.m. (FOX)** Travers Stakes  
**AFL PREMIERSHIP FOOTBALL**  
**5:30 a.m. (FS1)** Melbourne Demons vs Brisbane Lions. Qualifying Final

**NFL PRESEASON**  
**10 a.m. (NFL)** Minnesota Vikings at Kansas City Chiefs (Taped)  
**1 p.m. (NFL)** Green Bay Packers at Buffalo Bills  
**7 p.m. (NFL)** Chicago Bears at Tennessee Titans  
**8 p.m. (2 NBC, 8 NBC, 51 FOX)** Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Houston Texans  
**10 p.m. (NFL)** Los Angeles Chargers at Seattle Seahawks  
**1 a.m. (NFL)** Los Angeles Rams at Denver Broncos (Taped)  
**4 a.m. (NFL)** Baltimore Ravens at Washington Football Team (Taped)

**HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL**  
**12 p.m. (ESPN)** St. Frances (MD) at St. Thomas Aquinas (FL)  
**3 p.m. (ESPN2)** Oakland (Tenn.) at Madison-Ridgeland (Miss.)  
**6 p.m. (ESPN2)** Pace Academy (Ga.) at Rabun County (Ga.)  
**9 p.m. (ESPN2)** Bridgeland (TX) at Klein Cain (TX) (Same-day Tape)  
**12 a.m. (ESPN2)** St. Frances (MD) at St. Thomas Aquinas (FL) (Taped)

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL**  
**1 p.m. (FOX)** Nebraska at Illinois  
**3:30 p.m. (ESPN)** Hawaii at UCLA  
**7 p.m. (ESPN)** Alcorn State at North Carolina Central

**GOLF**  
**10:30 a.m. (GOLF)** European PGA Tour Omega European Masters, Third Round  
**12 p.m. (GOLF)** PGA Tour BMW Championship, Third Round  
**3 p.m. (NBC)** PGA Tour BMW Championship, Third Round  
**3 p.m. (GOLF)** PGA Tour Champions The Ally Challenge, Second Round  
**5 p.m. (GOLF)** PGA Korn Ferry Tour Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship, Third Round

**HOCKEY**  
**3:30 p.m. (NHL)** 2021 IIHF Women's World Championship Second Quarterfinal: Japan vs United States  
**7 p.m. (NHL)** 2021 IIHF Women's World Championship Third Quarterfinal: Germany vs Canada

**MOTORCYCLE RACING**  
**3 p.m. (NBCSPT)** Lucas Oil Motocross: Ironman National  
**2020 TOKYO PARALYMPICS**  
**1 a.m. (NBCSPT)** Wheelchair Rugby, Wheelchair Basketball, Swimming, Track and Field

**SOCCER**  
**10 a.m. (NBCSPT)** Premier League: Brighton & Hove Albion vs Everton  
**12:30 p.m. (NBC)** Premier League: Liverpool vs Chelsea  
**3:30 p.m. (UNI)** MLS: Atlanta United FC vs Nashville SC  
**7 p.m. (FOX)** MLS: LA Galaxy at Los Angeles FC  
**TRACK AND FIELD**  
**7 p.m. (NBCSPT)** Diamond League (Same-day Tape)  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL**  
**1 p.m. (BSFL)** Lipscomb at Oklahoma  
**2 a.m. (ACCN)** Boston College at Syracuse (Taped)  
**UFC**  
**10 p.m. (ESPN)** UFC Fight Night: Edson Barboza vs. Giga Chikadze

Prep CALENDAR

**TODAY'S PREP SPORTS**  
**CROSS COUNTRY**  
**8 a.m.** Citrus, Crystal River, Lecanto, Seven Rivers at Whispering Pines Invite

Jim Furyk	31-34—65 -7	Jim Furyk	-7 18
Joe Durant	31-34—65 -7	Joe Durant	-7 18
K.J. Choi	33-32—65 -7	K.J. Choi	-7 18
Darren Clarke	34-32—66 -6	Darren Clarke	-6 18
Woody Austin	34-32—66 -6	Woody Austin	-6 18
Doug Barron	34-32—66 -6	Doug Barron	-6 18
Davis Love III	35-32—67 -5	Davis Love III	-5 18
Retief Goosen	34-33—67 -5	Retief Goosen	-5 18
Steve Flesch	32-35—67 -5	Steve Flesch	-5 18
<b>Leaderboard</b>		<b>SCORE THRU</b>	
Marco Dawson	-8 18	Kent Jones	-5 16
Bernhard Langer	-8 18	Corey Pavin	-5 15
		Billy Mayfair	-5 14

SPORTS BRIEFS

Seven Rivers falls to Bayshore Christian

The Seven River Christian volleyball team fell to 0-3 on the season, falling at Bayshore Christian on Thursday night, 25-21, 25-19, 25-19.  
Oakley Stack totaled 5 kills, 4 assists and 6 digs for the Warriors. Jennah Kay Phillips added 4 kills and 6 digs, Lila Johnson had 11 digs and Karli Welter chipped in 5 aces.

Darnold throws 2 TDs, Panthers smother Steelers

Sam Darnold completed 19 of 25 passes for 162 yards and two touchdowns, and the Carolina Panthers defeated the Pittsburgh Steelers 34-9 on Friday night in the preseason finale for both teams.  
Darnold, who saw his most extensive action of the preseason, spent most of the first quarter under duress despite playing against a defense that was resting all of its starters.

Colts beat Lions 27-17, but lose Ehlinger to injury

Rookie Sam Ehlinger was knocked out of the preseason finale with a knee injury, delivering another hit on the Indianapolis Colts' depth chart at quarterback.  
Ehlinger was hurt in the first half after he was 3 for 3 for 63 yards, including a 60-yard pass after escaping a sack, and had a 14-yard run. Eason was 10 of 14 for 74 yards.

Mahomes sharp as Chiefs roll to win over Vikings

Patrick Mahomes was nearly perfect night, throwing for 117 yards and two scores in his only two chances with the ball. Mahomes was sharper than he'd been his first two exhibitions, finishing 8 of 9 with the only miss a throwaway with nobody open. Mahomes capped his first series against Minnesota with a 35-yard throw to Tyreek Hill, who'd run right by former Chiefs cornerback Bashaud Bree-land, then capped the second with a short TD pass to tight end Blake Bell.

Jets rally to tie Eagles 31-31 as time expires

James Morgan threw a 49-yard Hail Mary to Kenny Yeboah as time expired and Josh Adams ran in the 2-point conversion to produce the tie.  
The scores capped a stirring — and entertaining — comeback that had the Jets players and coaches celebrating wildly on the sideline as if they had won a playoff game.

Rain forces postponement of Xfinity race at Daytona

DAYTONA BEACH — The NASCAR Xfinity Series race at Daytona International Speedway was postponed Friday night because of heavy rain.  
The 100-lap event will resume at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, about seven hours before the Cup Series regular-season finale.  
— From staff and wire reports

PANTHERS

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included a fourth-down conversion on a run by Luke Malmberg, was capped off on another fourth-down play — this time a 25-yard touchdown pass from Schwantez Simmons to Braeden Williams — for the first points of the season for the Panthers. Williams got tangled up with a Buffalo defender, who fell down, leaving Williams wide open to make the catch and waltz into the end zone. Evan Silverthorn added the extra point to cut The Villages lead in half at 14-7.  
Lecanto's Jacob Cameron recovered a fumble on the Buffalo's next drive, but the offense couldn't take advantage and turned the ball over on downs at The Villages 30 yard line.  
Later in the half, The Villages tacked on a pair of touchdowns to take a 28-7 lead into the break.  
"I felt like in the first half we hung with them pretty good. We started making some mistakes, and obviously they capitalized on our mistakes," Alexander said. "I feel like we can do a lot of things better. That's what I told them. We're going to look at film, evaluate and get better going into next week. We're still putting some things

together. We're trying to figure out who we are."  
The Buffalo scored on their first possession of the second half and midway through the fourth quarter to put the running clock in effect.  
Malmberg led the Panther offense with 59 yards rushing on 16 tough carries, including several in the final moments with the outcome decided.  
"We don't stop coaching, so we tell our players don't stop playing. It doesn't matter if we're down 93-0. If there's still time on the clock, we're here to play football," Alexander said.  
Simmons — making his first varsity start at quarterback — had an up and down night. He had a pair of early interception, rebounded with the touchdown pass and finished the night with five completions for 58 yards before leaving the game injured on a late hit out of bounds.  
"He's still coming into his own," Alexander said of his sophomore quarterback. "It's about that trust factor. Him trusting the offensive line, them trusting him, the players trusting the coaches and trusting the scheme. We haven't played our best football. In the weeks to come we'll be making strides and getting better."  
The Panthers play next Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Tavares.

WARRIORS

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Meadows recovering at the Seven Rivers 22. The Eagles cashed on that miscue with a 1-yard touchdown run by Jakiryn Hawkins. A missed point-after kick left it 14-6 as 15.9 seconds remained in the opening quarter.  
Brent Summers caught a 9-yard touchdown pass from Vann at 5:53 in the second and the Warriors carried a 21-6 advantage into halftime.  
Summers added a second score on a 1-yard run at the 5:39 mark of the third quarter, and Vann ran one in from 5 yards with 1:53 to go in the period. Eden tacked on a 5-yard rushing touchdown to initiate a running clock with 5:33 to play in the fourth.  
"Quarterback is so easy, especially with the offensive line working hard, the receivers making the quarterback look great," Nehemiah Vann said. "We

have a lot to work on. This is just the beginning."  
The junior Vann completed 11 of 20 passes for 157 yards with three touchdowns against one interception. He also contributed to the defensive effort by picking off two passes.  
"I enjoy playing both sides, helping the team wherever I can," Nehemiah Vann said. "I saw them trying to isolate their best receiver on one of our corners. I was trying to spy over to that side. After seeing it on film that was an easy tendency to pick up on."  
"We feel good. We know there are a lot of things we need to fix as a team, but it's a special team. We're playing for the man next to us. It's a gritty team."  
Summer ran 23 times for 106 yards to go with his two scores. Aguilera caught five passes for 87 yards.  
"That's the momentum we want to continue on," Coach Vann said. "We want to play deep into November. For us, that's the state championship game. That's the expectation."



STEPHEN SHANER/For the Chronicle

Nehemiah Vann (3) intercepts a Trinity Christian pass early in the second quarter, which would eventually lead to a Warriors touchdown, during Friday night's season opener at Warrior Park in Lecanto.



# MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
Tampa Bay	80	48	.625	—	—	9-1	W-5	41-23	39-25	
New York	75	52	.591	4½	—	10-0	W-12	39-25	36-27	
Boston	74	56	.569	7	—	5-5	W-2	41-26	33-30	
Toronto	66	61	.520	13½	6½	3-7	L-2	34-29	32-32	
Baltimore	40	87	.315	39½	32½	2-8	L-1	19-42	21-45	

Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
Chicago	74	55	.574	—	—	5-5	W-1	42-23	32-32	
Cleveland	63	63	.500	9½	9	6-4	L-1	34-29	29-34	
Detroit	62	67	.481	12	11½	4-6	W-1	34-30	28-37	
Kansas City	57	70	.449	16	15½	7-3	W-1	32-31	25-39	
Minnesota	55	72	.433	18	17½	4-6	L-1	30-33	25-39	

West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
Houston	75	52	.591	—	—	5-5	W-2	41-25	34-27	
Oakland	70	58	.547	5½	3	2-8	L-5	35-30	35-28	
Seattle	69	59	.539	6½	4	6-4	L-1	37-26	32-33	
Los Angeles	63	66	.488	13	10½	4-6	L-2	32-30	31-36	
Texas	44	83	.346	31	28½	3-7	L-2	28-34	16-49	

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
Atlanta	69	58	.543	—	—	8-2	W-1	32-31	37-27	
Philadelphia	63	64	.496	6	6½	2-8	L-3	36-28	27-36	
New York	61	67	.477	8½	9	2-8	L-4	36-27	25-40	
Washington	55	72	.433	14	14½	5-5	W-1	31-33	24-39	
Miami	53	76	.411	17	17½	2-8	L-1	32-32	21-44	

Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
Milwaukee	78	50	.609	—	—	7-3	L-1	36-29	42-21	
Cincinnati	71	59	.546	8	—	6-4	W-2	36-29	35-30	
St. Louis	65	62	.512	12½	4½	4-6	W-1	35-30	30-32	
Chicago	56	73	.434	22½	14½	4-6	L-1	33-32	23-41	
Pittsburgh	47	82	.364	31½	23½	5-5	L-1	27-37	20-45	

West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC	L10	Str	Home	Away	
San Francisco	83	45	.648	—	—	7-3	L-1	42-19	41-26	
Los Angeles	81	47	.633	2	—	9-1	W-3	42-21	39-26	
San Diego	68	61	.527	15½	2½	2-8	L-4	41-29	27-32	
Colorado	58	69	.457	24½	11½	6-4	W-1	43-22	15-47	
Arizona	44	85	.341	39½	26½	6-4	W-2	27-36	17-49	

## ROUNDUP/MATCHUPS

**Red Sox 4, Indians 3:** Jonathan Araúz hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning after being recalled before the game due to Boston's COVID-19 case.

**Reds 6, Marlins 0:** Wade Miley pitched six-hit ball over seven innings, Tyler Naquin homered and extended his major league-leading hitting streak.

**Tigers 2, Blue Jays 1:** Victor Reyes hit a pinch-hit tiebreaking inside-the-park home run in the eighth inning.

**Cardinals 4, Pirates 3:** Tommy Edman hit a two-run homer and drove in three runs, Paul Goldschmidt had three hits.

**Nationals 2, Mets 1:** Paolo Espino struck out a career-high seven while also singling and scoring a run for the first time in the majors.

**Braves 6, Giants 5:** Jorge Soler hit a go-ahead, three-run homer in the seventh inning, Joc Pederson made a leaping catch at the wall for the final

out. Wilmer Flores led off the ninth with a homer against Braves closer Will Smith to trim Atlanta's lead to one. Smith got a groundout and a strikeout before Tommy La Stella drove a high fly to the warning track in right. Pederson overran it slightly but reached back as he jumped into the wall and held on to complete Smith's 29th save.

**LATE**

Houston at Texas

Chicago Cubs at Chicago White Sox

Milwaukee at Minnesota

San Diego at L.A. Angels

N.Y. Yankees at Oakland

Kansas City at Seattle

Colorado at L.A. Dodgers

**TODAY'S GAMES**

Boston (Eovaldi 10-8) at Cleveland (Quantrill 4-2), 4:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Cortes Jr. 2-1) at Oakland (Montas 9-9), 4:07 p.m.

Kansas City (Hernández 4-1) at Seattle (Anderson 6-8), 4:10 p.m.

Arizona (Mejia 0-0) at Philadelphia (Gibson 9-5), 6:05 p.m.

Cincinnati (Gutierrez 9-4) at Miami (Alcantara 7-12), 6:10 p.m.

Toronto (Manoah 5-2) at Detroit (Alexander 2-2), 6:10 p.m.

Houston (Valdez 8-4) at Texas (Allard 3-10), 7:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Patiño 3-3) at Baltimore (Means 5-6), 7:05 p.m.

St. Louis (Wainwright 12-7) at Pittsburgh (Brault 0-2), 7:05 p.m.

Washington (Nolin 0-2) at N.Y. Mets (Stroman 9-12), 7:10 p.m.

Chicago Cubs (Mills 5-6) at Chicago White Sox (Lynn 10-3), 7:10 p.m.

Milwaukee (Houser 7-5) at Minnesota (Barnes 0-3), 7:10 p.m.

San Francisco (Webb 7-3) at Atlanta (Smyly 9-3), 7:20 p.m.

San Diego (TBD) at L.A. Angels (Suarez 5-7), 9:07 p.m.

Colorado (Gray 7-10) at L.A. Dodgers (Price 4-2), 9:10 p.m.

## BOX SCORES

### Tampa Bay 6, Baltimore 3

Tampa Bay	ab	r	h	bi	Baltimore	ab	rh	b	i
Lowe 2b	4	0	0	0	Mullins cf	5	12	1	
Cruz dh	4	0	0	0	Mountcastle 1b	5	0	0	0
Franco ss	3	1	0	0	Mancini dh	4	1	1	0
Meadows lf	4	1	1	0	Santander rf	3	0	1	0
Phillips lf	0	0	0	0	Hays lf	4	12	2	
Díaz 1b	4	1	1	1	Urias ss	3	02	0	
Wendle 3b	4	0	1	0	Severino c	4	01	0	
Margot rf	3	1	1	2	Jones 2b	4	00	0	
Kiermaier cf	3	1	0	0	Gutierrez 3b	4	01	0	
Zunino c	3	1	1	3					
Totals	32	6	5	6	Totals	36	310	3	
Tampa Bay	300	000	300	—6					
Baltimore	000	200	001	—3					
E—Franco (9). DP—Tampa Bay 2, Baltimore 0. LOB—Tampa Bay 2, Baltimore 8. 2B—Severino (13). HR—Zunino (27), Hays (14), Mullins (23).									
IP H R ER BB SO									
Tampa Bay	McClanahan	W,9-46	8	2	2	0	4		
Mazza	S,1-1	3	2	1	1	0	1		
Baltimore	Harvey	L,6-14	6	4	3	3	1	4	
Scott		1	1	3	3	1	0		
Diplán		2	0	0	0	0	0		
HBP—McClanahan (Urias), Scott (Margot), Mazza (Santander).									
Umpires—Home, Bill Miller; First, Doug Edgings; Second, Gabe Morales; Third, Brian Knight.									
T—2:25. A—7,155 (45,971).									

### Boston 4, Cleveland 3

Boston	ab	r	h	bi	Cleveland	ab	rh	b	i
Muñoz lf	4	0	0	0	Straw cf	4	00	0	
Schwarber 1b	4	0	0	0	Rosario ss	4	11	0	
T.Shaw 1b	0	0	0	0	Ramirez 3b	4	13	2	
Bogaerts ss	4	0	0	0	Reyes dh	2	01	0	
Devers dh	4	0	0	0	Giménez pr	0	00	0	
Verdugo rf	3	1	0	0	Ramos c	4	00	0	
Dalbec 3b	3	0	1	0	Zimmer rf	4	02	0	
Vázquez c	3	1	0	0	Miller 2b	4	00	0	
Duran cf	3	1	1	0	Chang 1b	3	11	1	
Araúz 2b	2	1	1	3	Mercado lf	3	00	0	
Totals	30	4	3	3	Totals	32	38	3	
Boston	000	010	030	—4					
Cleveland	000	200	100	—3					
E—Dalbec (10). DP—Boston 2, Cleveland 1. LOB—Boston 3, Cleveland 4. 2B—Dalbec (16). HR—Araúz (1), Ramirez (30), Chang (6). SB—Giménez (7).									
IP H R ER BB SO									
Boston	Rodriguez	W,10-7	7	8	3	3	1	2	
Richards	H,1	1	0	0	0	0	2		
Ottavino	S,9-13	1	0	0	0	1	2		
Cleveland	Allen		6	1	1	1	1	5	
Young	H,1	1	0	0	0	0	1		
Karinchak	L,7-4	BS0	2	3	3	1	0		
Parker		2	0	0	0	1	1		
Karinchak pitched to 3 batters in the 8th. HBP—Allen (Verdugo). WP—Allen.									
Umpires—Home, Nick Mahrley; First, Ron Kulp; Second, Nic Lentz; Third, Ramon De Jesus.									
T—2:58. A—20,881 (34,788).									

### Cincinnati 6, Miami 0

Cincinnati	ab	r	h	bi	Miami	ab	rh	b	i
India 2b	5	0	0	0	Rojas ss	3	00	0	
Naquin cf	4	1	3	1	Chisholm Jr. 2b	3	00	0	
Castellanos rf	4	0	1	0	Aguilar 1b	3	01	0	
Votto 1b	4	1	1	0	Alfaro lf	4	01	0	
Moustakas 3b	2	2	2	2	Anderson 3b	4	01	0	
Farmer ss	4	0	0	0	Sánchez rf	4	00	0	
Barnhart c	4	0	1	0	De La Cruz cf	4	01	0	
Schrock lf	1	1	0	0	Jackson c	3	00	0	
Aquino ph-lf	2	0	0	0	Thompson p	1	01	0	
Miley p	3	1	1	1	León ph	1	01	0	
Hoffman p	1	0	0	0	Guenther p	0	00	0	
					Diaz ph	1	00	0	
					Campbell p	0	00	0	
Totals	36	6	9	4	Totals	31	06	0	
Cincinnati	100	400	010	—6					

<b>Miami</b>	000	000	000	—0	
E—Rojas (7), Jackson (2). DP—Cincinnati 2, Miami 1. LOB—Cincinnati 4, Miami 7. 2B—Castellanos (32), Naquin (23), Votto (17), Moustakas (10), Miley (2), Thompson (1), Alfaro (14), De La Cruz (5). HR—Naquin (19), Moustakas (6). SB—India (9).					
<b>IP H R ER BB SO</b>					
<b>Cincinnati</b>					
Miley W,11-4	7	6	0	0	1 5
Hoffman	2	0	0	0	2 2
<b>Miami</b>					
Thompson L,2-6	5	6	5	3	1 1
Guenther	2	2	0	0	0 1
Campbell	2	1	1	1	0 4
WP—Hoffman, Guenther.					
Umpires—Home, Ryan Blakney; First, Fieldin Curbeth; Second, Edwin Moscoso; Third, Brian O’Nora.					
T—2:28. A—7,119 (36,742).					

### Detroit 2, Toronto 1

Toronto					Detroit				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	rh	bi	
Bichette ss	4	1	1	0	Grossman lf	4	0	0	
Semien 2b	3	0	0	0	Schoop 1b	4	0	2	
Guerrero Jr. 1b	4	0	2	1	Candelario 3b	4	1	2	
Hernández dh	3	0	0	0	Cabrera dh	4	0	1	
Dickerson rf	4	0	1	0	Haase c	3	0	1	
Gurriel Jr. lf	4	0	1	0	Cameron rf	3	0	0	
Palacios cf	3	0	0	0	W.Castro 2b	3	0	0	
Espinal ph	1	0	0	0	Short ss	2	0	0	
Smith 3b	2	0	0	0	Reyes ph	1	1	1	
Valera ph-3b	1	0	0	0	H.Castro ss	0	0	0	
Grichuk ph	1	0	0	0	Hill cf	3	0	0	
McGuire c	3	0	1	0					
Totals	33	1	6	1	Totals	31	27	2	
Toronto	001 000 000 —1								
Detroit	000 100 01x —2								
E—Cimber (1). DP—Toronto 1, Detroit 0. LOB—Toronto 7, Detroit 5. 2B—Bichette (22), Guerrero Jr. (21), Candelario 2 (36). HR—Reyes (4).									
IP H R ER BB SO									
Toronto									
Matz	6	4	1	1	0	2			
Cimber	1	1	0	0	0	1			
Mayza L,4-2	1	2	1	1	0	1			
Detroit									
Manning	6	6	1	1	1	5			
Funkhouser	1	0	0	0	0	0			
Cisnero W,3-4	1	0	0	0	1	0			
Soto S,16-17	1	0	0	0	0	1			
WP—Mayza.									
Umpires—Home, Cory Blaser; First, Adam Beck; Second, Phil Cuzzi; Third, Mark Ripberger.									
T—2:32. A—17,259 (41,083).									



# DeChambeau overpowers Caves Valley for 60

Associated Press

OWINGS MILLS, Md. — Big, wide and soft Caves Valley didn't stand a chance against Bryson DeChambeau on Friday in the BMW Championship. Only the record book did.

DeChambeau overpowered the vulnerable course, and when his 8-iron to the par-5 16th rolled off a bank on the back of the green down to 2 feet for eagle, he needed two birdies on the final two holes to tie the PGA Tour record of 58.

He missed from 15 feet on the 17th. He missed a 6-foot putt on the 18th hole and lost his bid at the 13th sub-60 round in PGA Tour history.

DeChambeau had to settle for a career-best 60, giving him a one-shot lead over Patrick Cantlay when thunderstorms caused the second round to be delayed.

Jon Rahm, the world's No. 1 player, also was a shot behind and faced a 15-foot birdie putt on the 16th hole when play was halted by darkness.

"A lot of putts went in. A lot of things went right," DeChambeau said to broadcast outlets. "I played my butt off and never thought too much about anything until the last few holes, and I striped a 9-iron on 17, striped a drive, striped a wedge on 18.

"And just wasn't able to clutch those putts up."

It was the second straight week during the PGA Tour postseason that a player had a putt to break 60 on the final hole. Cameron Smith missed from 12 feet at Liberty National in the third round last week. DeChambeau had an even better



Associated Press

**Bryson DeChambeau chips onto the first green during the second round of the BMW Championship on Friday at Caves Valley Golf Club in Owings Mills, Md.**

look than that.

His wedge landed some 25 feet beyond the flag and the spin caused it to zip back toward the hole, 6 feet below the cup. The putt was wide left all the way. DeChambeau snapped his fingers, tapped in for par and then returned to the spot for a practice stroke, trying to figure out what went wrong.

Little else did.

DeChambeau was at 16-under 128. The second round will be completed

Saturday morning, and players will be grouped in threesomes going off both sides for the third round.

Cantlay, who had one of the great putting rounds of his career Thursday, was equally strong in a round of 63 that was largely overlooked. He played in the group behind DeChambeau and played a classic style of golf that resulted in 10 birdies until his lone bogey from a tough lie in the collar of rough around the par-3 17th green.

## Langer shoots age on 64th birthday, shares lead

GRAND BLANC, Mich. — Bernhard Langer shot his age on his 64th birthday for a share of the lead with Marco Dawson in the suspended first round of the The Ally Challenge.

Langer had nine birdies and a bogey at Warwick Hills, playing the back nine in 6-under 30 in the round that started about five hours late because of the rain.

The German star has 41 PGA Tour Champions victories, four off Hale Irwin's record.

## Dean Burmester leads by 1 stroke at European Masters

CRANS-MONTANA, Switzerland — Dean Burmester took a one-stroke lead after the second round of the European Masters in the Swiss Alps with five birdies in a 5-under 65.

The South African enjoyed a superb up-and-down at the 17th to keep his card bogey-free. He is 11-under par overall, a shot ahead of England's Andy Sullivan (66) and Belgium's Thomas Detry (65).

## Americans rally to tie Great Britain & Ireland

CONWY, Wales — Rose Zhang won both her matches and Allisen Corpuz delivered a big run of birdies Friday as the Americans rallied from a three-point deficit to forge a tie going into the final session of the Curtis Cup.

One day after Great Britain & Ireland won four of the six matches and halved another, the Americans returned the favor at Conwy Golf Club.



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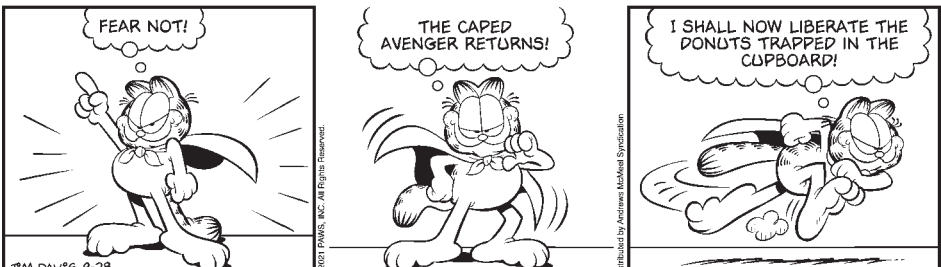
SATURDAY EVENING AUGUST 28, 2021								C: Comcast, Citrus S: Spectrum D/I: Comcast, Dunnellon & Inglis							
	C	S	D/I	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
2 (WESH) NBC	19		19	News	NBC News	News	BUCS Count	NFL Preseason Football Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Houston Texans. (N) (Live)						News	SNL
3 (WEDU) PBS	3	3		The Best of WEDU								The Best of WEDU			
5 (WUFT) PBS	5		5	African Americans: Many Rivers				Red, White and Rock (My Music) (In Stereo) 'G' ￼				African Americans: Many Rivers			African
8 (WFLA) NBC	8	8	8	News	NBC Nightly News - Hof	Bucs Bonus Pre-Game Show (N)		NFL Preseason Football Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Houston Texans. From NRG Stadium in Houston. (N) (Live)				NewsChannel 8		Saturday Night Live	
9 (WFTV) ABC	20	7	20	News	ABC World News	Jeopardy! 'G' ￼	Wheel of Fortune 'G'	America's Funniest Home Videos 'PG' ￼ (DVS)	black-ish (In Stereo) 'PG'	black-ish (In Stereo) '14'	The Ultimate Surfer (In Stereo) 'PG' ￼ (DVS)	News Saturday		Hot Topics	
10 (WTSP) CBS	10	10	10	10 Tampa Bay at 6pm	CBS Weekend News	Wheel of Fortune 'G'	Jeopardy! 'G' ￼	S.W.A.T. The team races to save activists. '14'	NCIS: New Orleans "Choices" (In Stereo) '14'	48 Hours (In Stereo) ￼	10 Tampa Bay	Storm of Suspicion			
13 (WTVT) FOX	13	13		Horse Race	MLS Pre-Game (N)	MLS Soccer LA Galaxy at Los Angeles FC. From Banc of California Stadium in Los Angeles. (N)		LEGO Masters "LEGO Day Parade" 'PG'		FOX13 10:00 News (N) (In Stereo) ￼	FOX13 11:00 News	Game of Talents 'PG'			
20 (WCJB) ABC			11	WCJB TV20	World News	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Funniest Home Videos	black-ish	black-ish	The Ultimate Surfer 'PG'	WCJB TV20	Bensinger			
22 (WCLF) IND	2	2	2	Turning Point	With David	R. Jeffress	The Three	Gaither Homecoming	Leslie Hale ￼	Healing Tch	Christian Church	Passion			
24 (WYKE) FAM	16	16	16	Citrus	Bible Say?	Chasing M	Vegas	Your Citrus County Court		Macabre Theater					
28 (WFTS) ABC	11	11		News	World News	Getting Real	Paid Prog.	Funniest Home Videos	black-ish	black-ish	The Ultimate Surfer 'PG'	News		Inside Edit.	
32 (WMOR) IND	12	12		Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Big Bang	Big Bang	Mom '14'	Mom '14'	Goldbergs	Goldbergs	The First 48 '14' ￼	Family Guy	Family Guy	
38 (WTTA) MNT	6	6	6	Extra (N) 'PG' ￼		NASCAR Cup Series Coke Zero Sugar 400. From Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla. (N)						Ring of Honor Wrestling			
40 (WACX) TBN	21		21	Power of	Shake the	Jim Raley	Healing Touch	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Gospel	Paid Prog.	S.Channel	Victory Gospel Hour		
44 (WTOG) CW	4	4	4	Friends 'PG' ￼	Friends 'PG' ￼	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	NCIS Gibbs uncharacteristically unravels. '14'	NCIS "Beneath the Surface" '14' (DVS)	Friends 'PG' ￼	Friends 'PG' ￼	2 Broke Girls '14'	2 Broke Girls '14'		
50 (WVEA) UNI	15	15	15	Vecinos	Noticiero	Vecinos	Vecinos	Fútbol Mexicano Primera División 'PG'		Fútbol Mexicano Primera División 'PG'					
51 (WOGX) FOX			13	Horse Race	TMZ 'PG'	Extra (N) 'PG' ￼		NFL Preseason Football Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Houston Texans. (N) (Live)				Game of Talents 'PG'			
66 (WXPX) ION			17	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU			Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU			
(A&E)	54	48	54	*** <i>"The Bourne Supremacy"</i> (2004) 'PG-13' ￼				*** <i>"The Bourne Ultimatum"</i> (2007) Matt Damon. 'PG-13' ￼				** <i>"Den of Thieves"</i> (2018) 'R'			
(ACCN)			99	ACC Football Road Trip				ACC Football Road Trip				The Huddle John Swofford: Building The Huddle			
(AMC)	55	64	55	*** <i>"Revenge of the Nerds"</i> (1984) 'R' ￼				*** <i>"Fast Times at Ridgemont High"</i> (1982) 'R'				*** <i>"Sixteen Candles"</i> (1984) Molly Ringwald.			
(ANI)	52	35	52	The Zoo (In Stereo) 'PG'				The Zoo: San Diego 'PG'				The Zoo: San Diego 'PG'			
(BET)	96	71	96	** <i>"White Chicks"</i> (2004) Shawn Wayans. 'PG-13'				*** <i>"Barbershop 2: Back in Business"</i> (2004) Ice Cube. 'PG-13' ￼				<i>"Welcome Hme"</i>			
(BIGTEN)	742	809		Michigan Football Classic				Campus Michigan State				Iowa Football Classic			
(BRAVO)	254	51	254	*** <i>"The Proposal"</i> (2009) Sandra Bullock.				*** <i>"The Proposal"</i> (2009) Sandra Bullock. 'PG-13' ￼ (DVS)				*** <i>"Bridesmaids"</i> (2011) 'R' ￼			
(BSFL)	35	39	35	MLB Baseball Cincinnati Reds at Miami Marlins. From loanDepot Park in Miami.				Postgame Marlins				World Poker			
(CC)	27	61	27	<i>"Shrek Forever After"</i>				** <i>"Just Go With It"</i> (2011) Adam Sandler. 'PG-13' ￼				* <i>"The Waterboy"</i> (1998) Adam Sandler. 'PG-13'			
(CMT)	98	45	98	*** <i>"Back to the Future Part III"</i>				*** <i>"Back to the Future"</i> (1985) Michael J. Fox. 'PG' ￼				*** <i>"Back to the Future Part II"</i> (1989) 'PG' ￼			
(CNN)	40	29	40	CNN Newsroom				CNN Newsroom				Stanley Tucci: Searching			
(ESPN)	33	27	33	Football Scoreboard				College Football Alcorn State at North Carolina Central. (N) (Live)				UFC Fight Night: Barboza vs. Chikadze (N) (Live)			
(ESPN2)	37	28	34	High School Football Pace Academy (Ga.) at Rabun County (Ga.). From Tiger, Ga.				E60				The Herbies Special			
(FBN)	106	149	106	Journal Editorial Report				Kudlow ￼				OBJECTified ￼			
(FLIX)		118	170	*** <i>"Brokeback Mountain"</i> (2005) 'R' ￼				*** <i>"Fatal Attraction"</i> (1987) Michael Douglas.				*** <i>"Sex, Lies, and Videotape"</i>			
(FNC)	44	37	44	Fox Report				Life, Liberty & Levin				Watters' World ￼			
(FOOD)	26	56	26	Diners				Diners				Diners			
(FREEFORM)	29	52	29	** <i>"Pitch Perfect 3"</i> (2017) Anna Kendrick. 'PG-13'				*** <i>"Bohemian Rhapsody"</i> (2018, Biography) Rami Malek. Premiere. 'PG-13' ￼							
(FS1)	732	112	732	MLB Baseball				Athletes Unlimited Softball (N) (Live) ￼				MLB Baseball San Diego Padres at Los Angeles Angels. (N) (Live) ￼			
(FX)	30	60	30	*** <i>"X-Men: Days of Future Past"</i> (2014) 'PG-13'				*** <i>"Bumblebee"</i> (2018, Action) Hailee Steinfeld. 'PG-13' ￼				*** <i>"Bumblebee"</i> (2018) 'PG-13'			
(GOLF)	727	67	727	PGA Korn Ferry Tour				PGA Tour Golf BMW Championship, Third Round. ￼							
(HALL)	59	68	39	<i>"Sealed With a Kiss"</i>				<i>"As Luck Would Have It"</i> (2021) 'NR' ￼ (DVS)				<i>"Sweet Pecan Summer"</i> (2021) Christine Ko. 'NR'			
(HBO)	302	201	302	*** <i>"A Walk Among the Tombstones"</i> (2014)				*** <i>"Magic Mike XXL"</i> (2015) Channing Tatum.				To Be Announced			
(HBO2)	303	202	303	*** <i>"Darkest Hour"</i> (2017) Gary Oldman. ￼				*** <i>"Live by Night"</i> (2016) Ben Affleck. 'R' ￼				*** <i>"Speed"</i> (1994) Keanu Reeves. 'R' ￼			
(HGTV)	23	57	23	Home Town 'G'				Vacation House Rules (N)				Design Star: Next Gen (N)			
(HIST)	51	54	51	Pawn Stars 'PG'				Pawn Stars 'PG'				Pawn Stars 'Rick's Big Triumph' (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'			
(LIFE)	24	38	24	<i>"The Secret Lives of Cheerleaders"</i> (2019) 'NR' ￼				<i>"Killer Cheer Mom"</i> (2021) Denise Richards. 'NR'				<i>"Pom Poms and Payback"</i> (2021) Emily Kilian. 'NR'			
(LMN)	119	50	119	<i>"A House on Fire"</i> (2021) Stephanie March. 'NR' ￼				<i>"A Murder to Remember"</i> (2020) Maddie Nichols.				<i>"Death She Wrote"</i> (2021) Samora Smallwood. 'NR'			
(MSNBC)	42	41	42	Voices-Alicia Menendez				Week-Joshua Johnson				Voices-Alicia Menendez			
(NBCSN)	448	26	730	NASCAR				Track and Field Diamond League. (N Same-day Tape)				2021 Vuelta a España Stage 10. (N Same-day Tape)			
(NGEO)	109	65	109	To Catch a Smuggler 'PG'				To Catch a Smuggler 'PG'				To Catch a Smuggler 'PG'			
(NICK)	28	36	28	*** <i>"Shrek"</i> (2001) Voices of Mike Myers.				Dylan				Friends 'PG'			
(NWSNTN)	18	18	18	Last Man				NewsNation Prime (N)				Banfield ￼			
(OWN)	125	24	103	Love & Marriage				Love & Marriage				Love & Marriage			
(OXY)	123	44	123	Accident, Suicide				Accident, Suicide				Snapped 'PG' ￼			
(PARMT)	37	43	37	Movie (In Stereo) ￼				Movie (In Stereo) ￼				Movie (In Stereo) ￼			
(SEC)	745	72		College Football 'G'				College Football 'G'				CFP National Championship Ohio State vs Alabama.			
(SHOW)	340	241	340	Billions 'Icebreaker' 'MA'				Billions 'Kompensio' 'MA'				Boxing David Benavidez vs. Jose Uzcategui. (N) ￼			
(SUN)	36	31	36	Rays				MLB Baseball Tampa Bay Rays at Baltimore Orioles. (N) (Live)				Postgame Rays			
(SYFY)	31	59	31	<i>John Wick</i>				*** <i>"John Wick: Chapter 2"</i> (2017, Action) Keanu Reeves. 'R'				*** <i>"John Wick: Chapter 3 – Parabellum"</i> (2019) Keanu Reeves. 'R'			
(TBS)	49	23	49	** <i>"The Meg"</i> (2018) Jason Statham. 'PG-13' ￼				** <i>"Godzilla: King of the Monsters"</i> (2019) Kyle Chandler. 'PG-13' ￼				Miracle			
(TCM)	169	53	169	*** <i>"The Dirty Dozen"</i> (1967) Lee Marvin.				*** <i>"Point Blank"</i> (1967) Lee Marvin. 'NR' ￼				*** <i>"The Professionals"</i> (1966) Lee Marvin. ￼			
(TDC)	53	34	53	Street Outlaws: Memphis				Street Outlaws: Memphis				Street Outlaws: Memphis			
(TLC)	50	46	50	Say Yes to the Dress				Say Yes to the Dress (N)				90 Day: The Single Life			
(TMC)	350	261	350	** <i>"Below"</i> (2002) Matthew Davis. 'R'				* <i>"Collide"</i> (2016) Nicholas Hoult.				*** <i>"The Monster"</i> (2016) 'R' ￼			
(TNT)	48	33	48	*** <i>"Man of Steel"</i> (2013) Henry Cavill. 'PG-13'				*** <i>"Ready Player One"</i> (2018) Tye Sheridan. 'PG-13' ￼ (DVS)				<i>"Detective Pikachu"</i> 'PG'			
(TOON)	38	58	38	Gumball				Final Space				Amer. Dad			
(TRAV)	9	106	9	Haunted Hospitals 'PG'				Destination Fear '14'				The Dead Files (N) 'PG'			
(truTV)	25	55	25	Jokes				Jokes				Imp. Jokers			
(TVL)	32	49	32	Two Men				Two Men				Two Men			
(USA)	47	32	47	<i>"Harry Potter-Chamber"</i>				*** <i>"Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban"</i> (2004) Daniel Radcliffe.				<i>"Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire"</i>			
(WE)	117	69	117	Law & Order 'PG' ￼				Law & Order '14' ￼				Law & Order 'Pride' '14'			



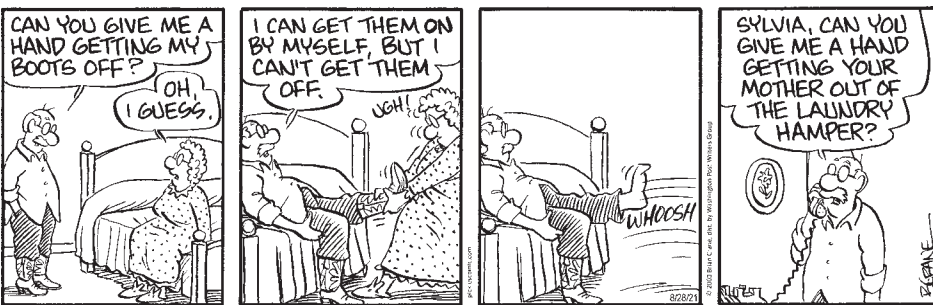
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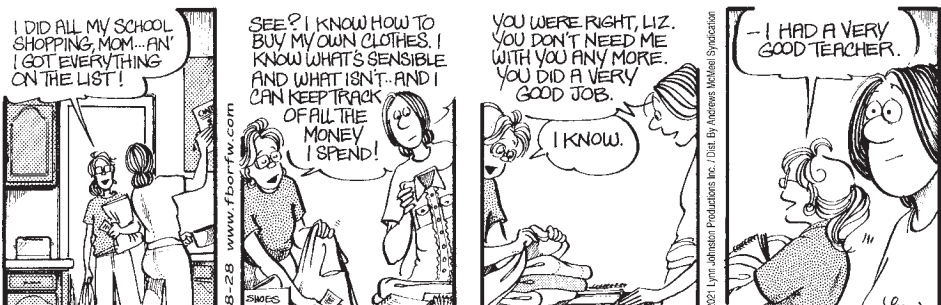
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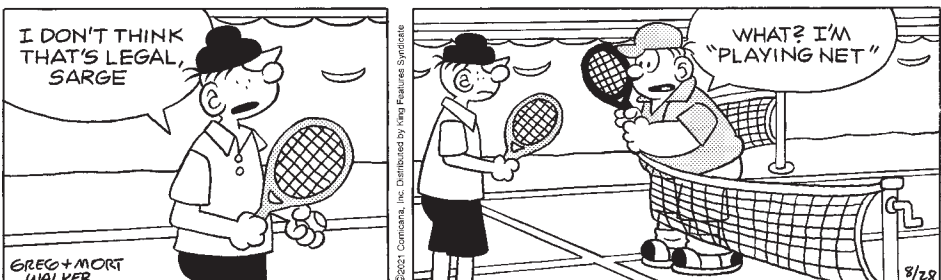
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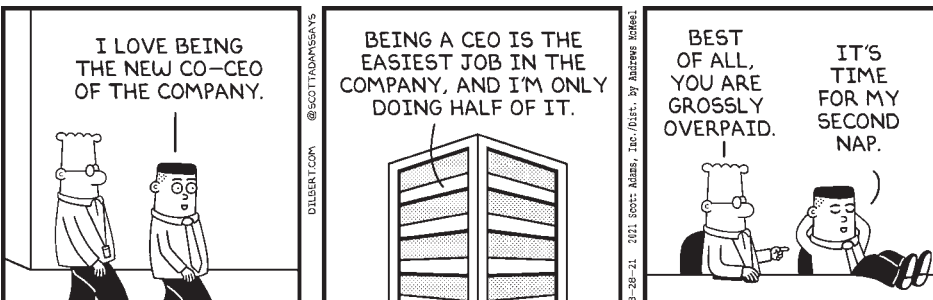
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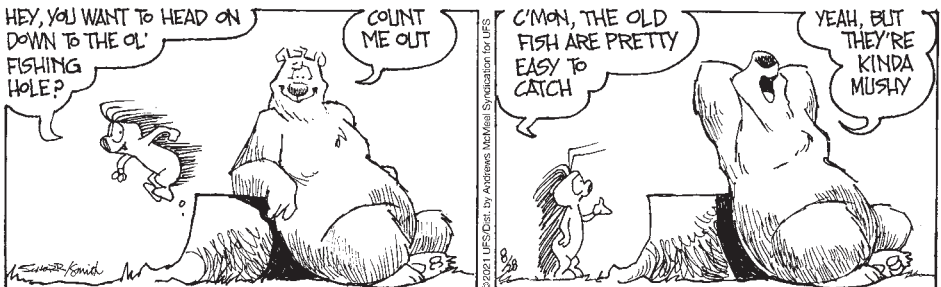
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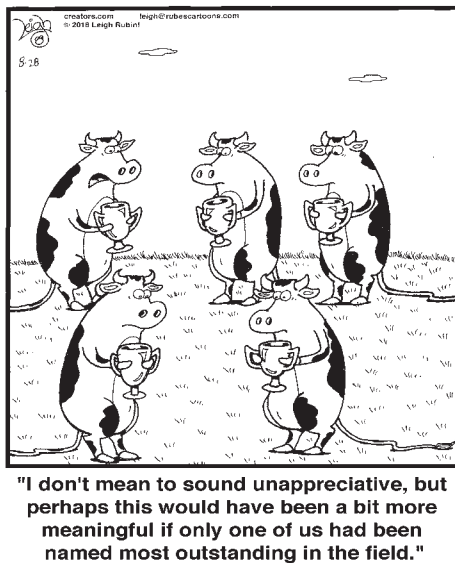
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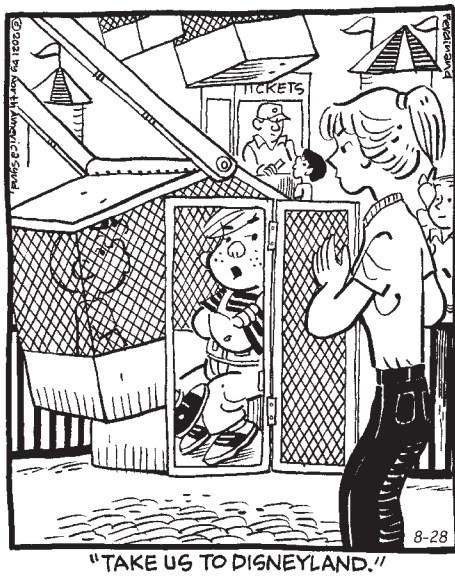
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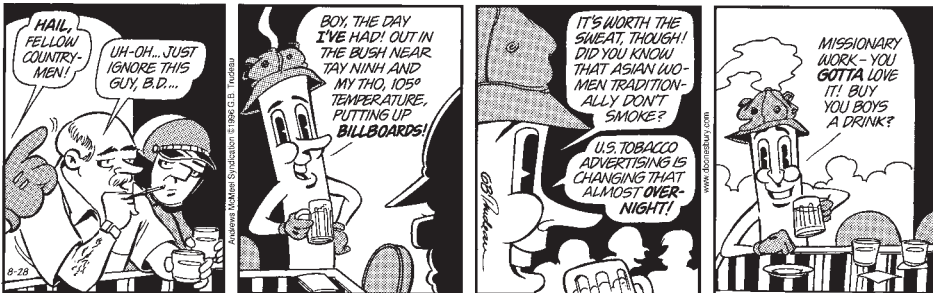
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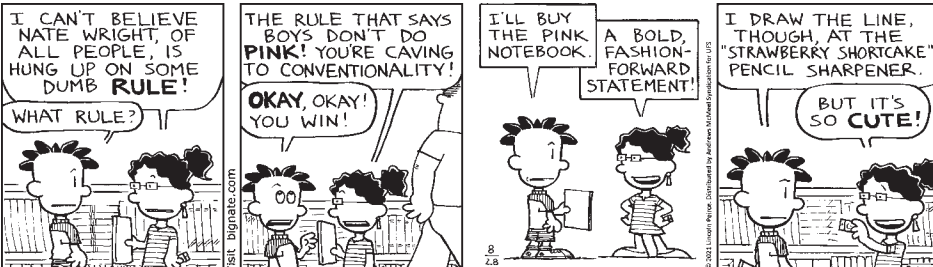
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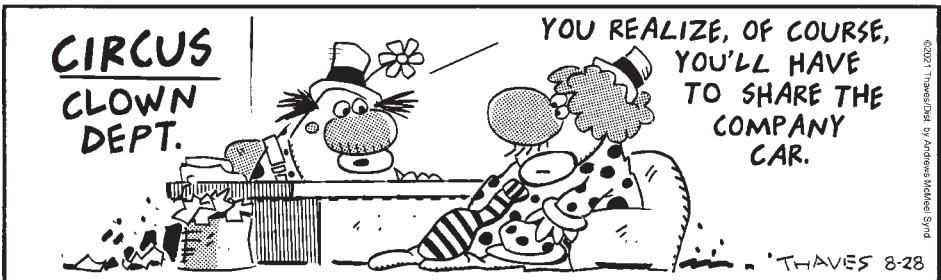
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**Saturday, Aug. 28**

**"Candyman"** (2021) R — 11 a.m., 1:45, 4:30, 7, 9:50 p.m.

**"Reminiscence"** (2021) PG-13 — 11:45 a.m., 6:15 p.m.

**"The Protege"** (2021) R — 1, 4, 7, 10 p.m.

**"Don't Breathe 2"** (2021) R — 12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30 p.m.

**"Free Guy"** (2021) PG-13 — 12:45, 3:45, 6:45, 9:45 p.m.

**"Jungle Cruise"** (2021) PG-13 — noon, 3, 6, 9 p.m.

**"Old"** (2021) PG-13 — 3:15, 9:15 p.m.

**Sunday, Aug. 29**

**"Candyman"** (2021) R — 11 a.m., 1:45, 4:30, 7,

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**"Everest"** — Saturday, Aug. 28, 3 p.m.

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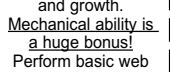
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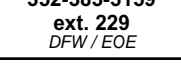
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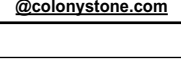
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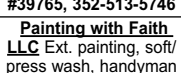
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## PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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

### HOW TO PLAY:

Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

Saturday, August 28, 2021

KATHLEEN SAXE

## WORD GAME

TODAY'S WORD -- AUTOMATONS

(AUTOMATONS: aw-TOM-uh-tuns: Self-operating machines or mechanisms, esp. robots.)

Average mark 36 words  
Time limit 50 minutes

Can you find 49 or more words in AUTOMATONS?  
The list will be published Monday.

### YESTERDAY'S WORD -- EMBELLISHES

else	bell	lessee	semi	smile
emesis	belle	libel	shell	heel
melee	bellies	limb	shies	hell
mesh	billies	lime	shill	helm
mess	bill	lisle	shim	hill
mile	blemish	isle	sill	hiss
mill	bless	seem	slim	
miss	bliss	seism	slime	
belie	less	sell	smell	

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

- NY baseballer
- Chatty alien
- Behind, at sea
- Keogh relative
- Photo session
- Imitate a dove
- Resinous deposit
- Kind of physicist
- Use henna
- Anesthetic
- Demanding
- Cut down
- Nasty laugh
- From Juneau
- Rookie surfer
- Society girl
- So-so grade
- Where Cuzco is
- Made cheddar better
- Boat implement
- XXI times C
- Lodging place
- Ivories tickler
- "— Wiedersehen"

### DOWN

- Denver's altitude
- QED part
- Dash gauge
- Happy sighs
- Land parcels
- Campground initials
- Snake-haired lady
- Scuba diving sites
- Fleming or McKellen
- Demand
- Spy org.
- Kind of vaccine
- Old photo color
- Cleaning cloth
- Airline to Stockholm
- Informal parent
- Colorado tribe

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

C	A	T		L	I	D		O	U	T	S
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		O	R	C	A	S		S	L	A	C
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P	O	N	D		D	O	W			R	O

- Comic's "Sally —"
- Down Under rockers
- Indy winner A.J. —
- Familiar digit
- Mr. Spock's father

- Rabbi's reading
- Codgers' queries
- Flapjack chain
- Baylor University site
- Father of Cain
- Engineering toy
- Be a party to
- First-quarter tide
- Actress — Moore
- Starfish features
- Conduit
- Kramer or Estrada
- Pet name
- Racing sleds
- Heart outlet
- Kilt-wearer's refusal
- Tricked
- Fete
- Unwelcome obligation
- Wine valley
- Light tan
- Royal decree
- Prudent
- Maybes
- Scotland Yard div.

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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. Hay bundle story (1)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62

### 2. Catch sounds of an ole (1)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62

### 3. Give a labyrinth a shiny coating (1)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62

### 4. Japanese sandal truck in London (2)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62

### 5. Load store shelves with shoddy goods (1)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62

### 6. "This Is Us" star Moore's cognacs (2)

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### 7. Webpage removal detailed analysis (2)

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1. BALE TALE 2. HEAR CHEER 3. GLAZE MAZE 4. ZORI LORRY 5. STOCK SCHLOCK 6. MANDYS BRANDIES 7. TAKEDOWN BREAKDOWN

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Public hearings on the ordinance will be held as listed below.  
Planning & Zoning Commission August 11, 2021 5:00 pm  
City Council (Transmittal) August 17, 2021 5:30 pm  
City Council (Adoption) October 5, 2021 5:30 pm  
Note: All hearings are held at 212 W. Main St., Inverness, FL 34450  
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