Battle for the Ages: QBs Brady, Mahomes square off in Super Bowl / B1

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CITRUS COUNTY VIRUS UPDATE

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Vaccine registration system open

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Individuals can now be added to a waiting list for vaccine appointments and be notified when appointments are available in Citrus County by visiting myvaccine.fl.gov or by calling 866-201-0442; TTY is 833-476-1036.

As part of the statewide preregistration system, each county has a designated number that individuals can call and pre-register with if they do not have internet access. Citrus County's designated number is 866-201-0442.

Vaccine supply remains limited and appointments may not be available for several weeks.

"We are aware that the operators are asking for emails and telling residents they cannot get an appointment without one," said Audrey Stasko, DOH-Citrus spokes-

Residents: 'We were all scared'

Beverly Hills neighbors recall pursuit of fugitive in their yards

BUSTER THOMPSON STAFF WRITER

Herbert Sickler Sr. was saying his nightly prayers on his front porch on the outskirts of Beverly Hills when he heard sirens and saw red-and-blue lights flashing across his 10-acre homestead.

Soon after, at around 10:18 p.m. Monday, Feb. 1, he watched a black SUV being pursued by two Citrus County Sheriff's Office cruisers on his property.

the road but when I realized they



Robert Joe Maracek pictured left around the time he absconded in 2001 and right in February 2021 after capture.

were coming through our backyard, "I thought they were coming up it was kind of freaky," he said. "This all happened within wasn't so lucky.

three minutes."

A handful of Sickler's 16 security cameras recorded the chase as it dodged clusters of trees, missed Sickler's 10-foot-deep fire pit and took sharp turns around his fence line.

To see the footage, read this story online at chronicleonline. com.

"They didn't hit anything on my property," Sickler said. "He's lucky he had a piece of property this big to escape.'

Sickler's neighbor, Ruth Wood,

Before the pursuit went into Sickler's lot, it traveled in between Wood's home and another off New Florida Avenue on the southern side of the Beverly Hills community.

"I saw them fly by as I was walking in the living room, and I thought, 'what on earth?'" Wood said about the pursuit traveling up and down her street. "They turned right in my yard and straight through my fence, and the neighbors were calling me; we were all scared."

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Beer,

Bucs

Local

gear up for

SUPER SUNDAY: in bars establishments Super Sunday

MICHAEL D. BATES STAFF WRITER

What better way to watch the Super Bowl than with friends and family?

Home and sports-bar gatherings go hand-inhand with football's big game. But COVID-19 has prompted some modifications to the normal routine. Only 28% of people surveyed by the National Retail Federation (NRF) said they will throw or attend a party or watch the game at a bar. That's the lowest in the survey's



woman, "and we have elevated this issue up to Division of Emergency Management and the state DOH Communications Office, as well as vendor representatives.

"This should not be happening. Operators are supposed to be able to give the residents the date, time and location of the appointment over the phone."

DOH-Citrus has been encouraging residents to get the name of the operator and to not hang up until they receive confirmation the appointment has been made, including the date, time and location of the appt.

"If they have any issues, they need to call the helpline," Stasko said.

- From staff reports

CHARLIE RIEDEL/Associated Press

SUPER BOWL

LV

WHEN: 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 7

■ WHERE: Raymond

James Stadium,

WHO: Kansas City

Chiefs (14-2)

Buccaneers

vs. Tampa Bay

Tampa

(11.5)

People wait in line Feb. 4 for an exhibit at the NFL Experience in Tampa. The city is hosting Sunday's Super Bowl football game between the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the Kansas City Chiefs. Citrus County residents Steven and Fancy Taylor will be among the scaled-down crowd at Raymond James Stadium for the game.

Son, star player gift game tickets to local couple

JEFF BRYAN

STAFF WRITER

hile most ardent free. football fans will likely set up camp in their living cited to attend the Super Bowl in Tampa," Steven Taylor said. "Tickets are extremely difficult Super Bowl LV, one Citrus to come by due to reduced ca-County couple will be in the mix at Raymond James Stadium, cheering on the Tampa Crystal River couple, whose Bay Buccaneers.

Steven and Fancy Taylor will be part of a scaled-down fan base in attendance when the ers. He provided them tickets. Bucs host the Kansas City Chiefs.

With the COVID-19 pandemic still besieging the nation, there will be a total of 22,000 fans in Super Bowl holds so may firsts attendance. That total includes and will be remembered for

the 7,500 vaccinated health many of those. care workers the NFL invited to the championship game for

"Fancy and I are super expacity for COVID."

Fortune smiled upon the son, Adam, works for JuJu Smith Schuster, star wide receiver for the Pittsburgh Steel-

Though the couple wished they were seeing the Steelers go up against Brady and the Bucs, they acknowledged "this

"Although the pre-game festivities are not the same as a normal Super Bowl, we are still excited to attend and thank Adam and JuJu for this once in a lifetime opportunity."

Indeed, there's plenty of history in the making for Super Bowl LV.

TV: CBS The Bucs, led by QB Tom Brady, are the first home team to play the Super Bowl in

their own stadium.

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history.

Spending on the game will also be down: from \$88.65 last year to \$74.55 this year, the survey said.

Morgan Sundberg, who with her husband, Kason, owns the Crystal River Lollygaggers Sports Pub & Grill, said she anticipates a big crowd Sunday to watch football's biggest game on one of the establishment's 20 TVs. They don't require customers to wear masks and staff will not be wearing them.

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK

NEW OWNERS



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Husband and wife team German Perez and Deisy Rivas have recently taken over the reins at La Casa Di Norma in Crystal River. The restaurant offers freshly prepared Italian fare.

GOOD NEWS OF THE WEEK

r or those who qualify and who want a COVID-19 vaccination, Citrus County continues to get more location sites. Beginning next week, all three local Walmart pharmacies will start taking online appointments for shots. "With the vaccine in our pocket, a light at the end of the tunnel is starting to open," Ernesto "Tito" Rubio, administrator of the Florida Department of Health in Citrus County.

trator of the Florida Department of Health in Citrus County, told county school board members recently, adding that vaccines will be around for the next six to 10 months. 'Just how bright that'll be depends on how many people get vaccinated."



HOT TOPIC OF THE WEEK

The rise is gas prices definitely got people's attention and sparked quite a few comments on the Chronicle Facebook page. Here are some:

Tammy Miller Kirk: "I knew this would happen with Biden in (as president). He said he was raising taxes. This will get much worse."

Clayton Harmon: "Don't blame the president. Blame the oil tycoons bleed-ing the planet dry."

■ Karen Rizzo: "Gas prices have nothing to do with who is president. It is by demand. COVID hit, nobody is driving.

"Restrictions easing, gas prices go up. This summer they will be higher with travel. Not who is president."

Amy Parker: "I am amazed at how many people don't understand how the price of gas fluctuates."

■ Annie Breingan Johnson: "While it's common for presidents to be credited when gasoline prices are low and blamed when they are high, presidents don't actually have much effect on the prices. The policies they set can have some impact, but the U.S. Energy Information Administration has explained that more than half of the retail cost of gasoline is determined by the price of crude oil, and that price is driven, largely, by supply and demand.

"The issue of supply and demand is why prices at the pump have been low in 2020. Due to the outbreak of the novel coronavirus, global oil demand dropped by 5.6 million barrels per day in the first quarter of the year, compared to the previous year, according to the International Energy Agency."

THE MOST POPULAR STORIES FROM THE WEEK THAT WAS

Italian restaurant's new owners expand dining options

With the number of restaurants closing as a result of the coronavirus pandemic, La Casa di Norma in Crystal River is not one of them.

And when new owners Deisy Rivas and German Perez learned the restaurant in the Crystal River Shopping Center was for sale, they jumped on the chance to buy it.

The 26-year-old restaurant was for sale before the virus hit.

"I love this restaurant," said Deisy Rivas.

Rivas said she and her husband were regulars as well at the restaurant and got to know the former owners, Licio and Norma Ortiz, well.

Rivas and Perez, both from Venezuela, said they want to build on the restaurant's success and add a few extras. They've also expanded the hours of the place: 2 to 9 p.m. Monday to Saturday and closed Sunday. Norma Ortiz said she is pleased the restaurant they owned for 26 years will continue on with the same Italian flavor. See Photo of the Week, above.

CCSO deputies nab 20-year fugitive

Since Aug. 27, 2001, Robert Joe Maracek has been wanted by Osceola County authorities for failing to show for his trial on charges of law enforcement battery, resisting law enforcement and leaving a crash scene.

The 47-year-old was arrested by Citrus County Sheriff's Office deputies following a dangerous vehicle chase through Beverly Hills on Feb. 1.

He now faces local charges of: aggravated fleeing and eluding, aggravated battery of a law enforcement officer, aggravated assault of a law officer, battery of a police K9, resisting law enforcement with violence, driving without a valid license, driving an unregistered vehicle, leaving a crash scene, throwing deadly objects from a vehicle, providing false names to law enforcement, unlawfully using a police scanner, possessing counterfeit license plates, possessing a controlled substance and possessing drug paraphernalia. According to the Florida Department of Corrections, Maracek is also wanted for absconding from the probation he was sentenced to in May 2000 for January 1994 charges out of Broward County of armed burglary and theft.

DOH-Citrus joins statewide vaccine registration system

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"We are ecstatic to be a part of this new system and we know this has been highly anticipated and requested by our residents," said DOH-Citrus Administrator Tito Rubio.



Boaters say fees aren't justifiable

Citrus County commissioners will be deciding whether or not to charge county residents \$25 annually or \$10 for each use at designated, public boat ramps. Non-residents would be charged \$50 annually or \$10 for each use.

Local boaters object. "It's a state-owned lake and the county built us nice parks to access it," local boater Steve Naas said of the Hernando lake. "With that access brings boaters from all over, not just locally, and that provides commerce to the whole area. Boaters spend money on gas, food, supplies and hotels to name a few. 'I believe if you start charging to use the facilities there will be less usage. Less usage would mean less tax revenue from area businesses," he said.



Gas prices shoot up 17-20 cents in Citrus County

Experiencing pain at the pump?

The demand for gas is increasing and a sign of an improving economy, said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy.

"The rise in gasoline demand has certainly been behind oil's rally in the last few months, as COVID restrictions continue to ease and the economy slowly continues recovery," De Haan said. "While the next few weeks may see gas prices rising slightly, the real pinch could come in March and lasting through summer, should demand continue on this path."

We start out with vim and vigor ... when we get out of the car (back home), it is three 70-year-old ladies.



— MELLODIE FARFAGLIA, ONE OF SEVERAL WOMEN WHO VOLUNTEER EVERY SATURDAY AT THE ENDANGERED ANIMAL RESCUE SANCTUARY, SWEEPING TRAILS, HOSING OUT ANIMAL ENCLOSURES, AND FEEDING THE 18 TIGERS, ONE LIGER, ONE LION, ONE LEOPARD, SIX BEARS, AND DEER AT THE NONPROFIT SANCTUARY.

- compiled by Nancy Kennedy



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Around the COUNTY

Reserve spot for Zoom vaccine talk

The League of Women's Voters of Citrus County will meet via Zoom at 7 p.m. Feb. 9, hosting Dr. Betty Jean Ezell with a presentation about COVID-19 and the available vaccinations.

Dr. Ezell is employed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Foundation (CDCF), working with the Florida Department of Health, based at the FDOH in Citrus County.

She will welcome any questions that attendees have, after her presentation.

To register, go to lwvcitrus. org/ and complete the contact form by Feb. 7. For information, call 614-563-4282 or email lwvcc2013@gmail.com. All interested men and women are invited.

Club will sell chocolate baskets

In lieu of the Chocolate Bonanza this year, the Women of Sugarmill Woods are offering chocolate baskets.

Each basket will be filled with cupcakes, candy, other goodies and your choice of sparkling cider or chocolate wine. The basket with the chocolate wine will be \$25. The basket with the sparkling cider will be \$15.

To order, drop checks, including phone number, in Box 5, near the exit of Cypress Village on Cypress Blvd.

For information, call Roxanne Soden at 630-212-7173 or Blossom DeYoung at 417-598-1512.

Order deadline is Tuesday, Feb. 9; Pickup is 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, at Sugarmill Woods Country Club.

Genealogical group slates meeting

The Citrus County Genealogical Society plans a virtual meeting at 10 a.m. Feb. 9 with Beth Foulk, professional genealogist, who will talk about broadening research to include an ancestor's friends, associates and neighbors

Feb. 7. Must be 18 years old to win and pending a background screen by Wyoming Guns; text KTCGUN to 41444 or call 352-795-5541, ext. 312, to purchase tickets.

Winning bidders can pick up items and goodie boxes at the Chet Cole Life Enrichment Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 7.

For information on to participate, follow the Key Training Center on Facebook @Key TrainingCenter; call 352-795-5541 ext. 312; or sign up for emails on their website at www.keytrainingcenter.org.

Grant program now taking applications

The Board of County Commissioners is now accepting applications for their Nonprofit Grant Program.

The grant program's purpose is to assist Citrus County citizens adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and will provide a grant for food distribution, or/and health care expenses in Citrus County.

The Nonprofit Grant Program is specifically for 501(C) (3) organizations excluding member groups.

The Citrus County Nonprofit Grants Program currently has \$300,000 in available funds.

A completed online application must be submitted by 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26, including an IRS W-9 form; Form 990 filings for the past three years; and a formal presentation to the BOCC, scheduled for March 16.

To receive a copy of the application form, email cares@ citrusbocc.com.

All materials submitted with an application will become a matter of public record, open to inspection by any citizen of the State of Florida subject to Chapter 119, Florida State Statutes.

There are no guarantees that applicants will be awarded funding. Even though a program may gualify, limited funds may not allow all programs to receive assistance.

'Pink Snowbirds'



JULIE MANCINI/For the Chronicle

Melissa and Mike Gray, owners of the Front Porch Restaurant & Pie Shop, listen as Timothee Leger and Liam Carr tell them about some of the souvenirs they picked up during their travels since they left Portland, Maine, on Nov. 10 in order to raise money for breast cancer awareness.

Friend pedal across country to raise cancer awareness, funds

JULIE MANCINI For the Chronicle

hen childhood friends Timothee Leger and Liam Carr rolled into the Front Porch Restaurant & Pie Shop in Dunnellon for lunch around 12:30 on Jan. 29, they were met by owner Melissa Gray, who told them to order whatever they wanted, on the house.

Clad in bright pink long-sleeved shirts with "Pink Snowbirds" written on them, Leger and Carr had begun their bike ride that morning in Inverness after a chilly night sleeping near some tennis courts. The two have been traveling since Nov. 10.

They call themselves the Pink Snowbirds, and after Carr was let go from his job, the two began their trek in Portland, Maine, to ride across the United States to raise money for breast cancer.



(FANs). Guests are welcome. Email

Mary Ann Machonkin at himary@tampabay.rr.com.

Key Center show goes virtual

The Key Training Center's 23rd annual Hat's Off Spring Vogue Fashion Show has gone virtual now through Feb. 7. Tickets, \$25, can be purchased by calling 352-795-5541 ext. 312, or by texting KEYFASHION to 41444.

They include a dessert goodie box with party favors, coupons, admission to the online auctions, and more.

The virtual auction includes an abundance of items and gift baskets to bid on, as well as cakes.

Tickets are on sale now for a \$10 donation, or six for \$50, for a chance to win a Remington R51 9mm pistol from Wyoming Guns; drawing will be

Decisions regarding the award of funds are at the sole discretion of the BOCC.

For information, contact Citrus County Office of Management and Budget at 352-527-5207.

Reiki Share free in Inverness

Experience the energy of Reiki for relaxation and stress release at a free class, from 3 top 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, at Whispering Pines Park Recreational Building in Inverness

Due to social distancing, the group is limited to 10 people.

To sign up, contact Betsy Schwartz at betsydoula@ gmail.com or 352-228-1022. Court, Lecanto.

For information, call 603-393-7850. All are welcome.

- From staff reports

So far, they've rode more than 2,500 miles. On this particular day, Carr said they planned to make it as far as Fanning Springs.

Because they couldn't ride their bikes across the border from Canada, the pair flew to Portland to begin their adventure. Carr speaks of assembling his bike out of a box at the airport.

Since then, he's gone through two bikes and has had eight flat tires, as opposed to Leger, who's apparently easier on tires and has only had one flat so far.

Carr's first bike made it as far as a sewer grate in the New York area. which not only totaled the bike, but also injured him to the extent that they had to take a few days off for him to heal.

Along the way, they've been picking up little souvenirs they've

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Timothee Leger and Liam Carr pose with the recently adopted puppy, Brody, on Jan. 29 outside the Front Porch Restaurant & Pie Shop. They were eating lunch at the Dunnellon restaurant before heading north toward Fanning Springs.

found. Even a little puppy named Brody. They now have a little carriage attached to one of the bikes, and Brody is making the trip with them.

Carr's reasons for the ride are personal. Both of his parents have battled cancer.

The money they raise is being Snowbirds.

donated to The Pink Fund, whose mission is to provide financial support to help meet the basic needs of breast cancer patients.

The men plan to reach San Diego by the end of Februarv.

You can follow their journey on their Facebook page, Pink





Today's HOROSCOPES

Birthday - Bring your "A" game to the table; you will achieve what you set out to do. Refuse to let anyone push you or tempt you with something you know isn't right for you. Romance is encouraged.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Avoid the irrational and impractical. Be smart, direct and determined about what you want to accomplish.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) — Words and truth matter. Listen carefully and offer only information you have verified. Be kind and mindful of how others feel. Put your best foot forward.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Take a walk down memory lane with a loved one, and you'll discover something you didn't know.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - You'll get an unexpected earful from someone; listen well. Making a hasty decision isn't the answer.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) - An impromptu promise will lead to trouble when you change your mind. Try not to be fickle, as it will cause problems.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) - Embrace what makes you feel comfortable. Don't set yourself up for a fall when it isn't necessary.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - If you put in time and effort, the results will give you a new lease on life. Strive for better relationships, a stellar work ethic and a relentless drive toward a better future.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - A domestic change will encourage you to start a new hobby. Be creative, and you'll develop a unique idea that can help you bring in extra cash.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) - Don't jeopardize your financial status. Shared expenses will be problematic or limiting. Err on the side of caution when it comes to investments.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) - Someone close to you will offer false information. When something doesn't feel right, dig deep and gather facts.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Your experience will help you decide what's real and what isn't. An emotional incident will clear up a situation that's holding you back.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Don't get angry over a change of plans. Start to gather the information that will en-but not forgotten - dreams.

ENTERTAINMENT

ON THE SUPER BOWL STAGE: The Weeknd vows to tone it down

JONATHAN LANDRUM JR. AP Entertainment Writer

TAMPA — The Weeknd may be known for his graphic music videos and performances featuring blood and violence, but the three-time Grammy winner says he will tone down his act during the Super Bowl halftime show.

The pop star said he will "keep it PG" during his headliner slot on Sunday at Raymond James Stadium as the reigning Super Bowl champion Kansas City Chiefs take on the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in Tampa, Florida. He promised to be "respectful to the viewers."

"I will still incorporate some of the storyline. It's a very cohesive story I've been telling throughout this era and throughout this year," he said. "The story will continue, but definitely will keep it PG for the families.'

The 2021 Pepsi Super Bowl Halftime Show will be different this year due to the pandemic and The Weeknd said he will use different parts of the stadium, the field and a massive pirate ship. But the singer would not be drawn into specifics of his show. "You have to watch on Sunday," he said.

When asked for his favorite Super Bowl halftime show, The Weeknd cited Diana Ross' 1996 performance. She was lowered to the stage by a crane of sparklers, hundreds of dancers spelled out her name on the field, she made three costume changes and she left via helicopter.

"The show just makes me Emmy-nominated producer The Weeknd broke though

Jesse Collins will serve as co-executive producers of the halftime show. The game and halftime show will air live on CBS.

on a live halftime show that is "unique and reflects the creativity all of us bring to the process to help translate The Weeknd's unparalleled vision.'

The Weeknd, whose real name is, Abel Tesfaye, joins a list of celebrated musicians who have played during Super Bowl halftime shows, including Madonna, Beyoncé, Coldplay, Katy Perry, U2, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Lady Gaga, Michael Jackson and last year's duo of Shakira and and Jennifer Lopez.

Today in HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Feb. 7, the 38th day of 2021. There are 327 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:

On Feb. 7, 1962, President John F. Kennedy imposed a full trade embargo on Cuba.

On this date:

In 1943, the government abruptly announced that wartime rationing of shoes made of leather would go into effect in two days, limiting consumers to buying three pairs per person per year. (Rationing was lifted in October 1945.)

In 1984, space shuttle Challenger astronauts Bruce McCandless II and Robert L. Stewart went on the first untethered spacewalk. which lasted nearly six hours.

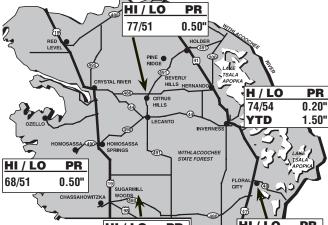
Ten years ago: Speaking to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, President Barack Obama echoed John F. Kennedy as he prodded business leaders to "ask yourselves what you can do for America," not just for company bottom lines. AOL Inc. announced the \$315 million purchase of The Huffington Post website.

Five years ago: North Korea defied international warnings and launched a long-range rocket that the United Nations and others called a cover for a banned test of technology for a missile that could strike the U.S. mainland.

One year ago: Hundreds more Americans who were evacuated from the virus-stricken zone in China began arriving in the U.S., where they would be quarantined on military bases for two weeks.

Today's Birthdays: Author Gay Talese is 89. Reggae musician Brian Travers (UB40) is 62. Actor James Spader is 61. Country singer Garth Brooks is 59. Rock musician David Bryan (Bon Jovi) is 59. Actor-comedian Eddie Izzard is 59. Actor-comedian Chris Rock is 56. Actor Jason Gedrick is 54. Actor Essence Atkins is 49. Rock singermusician Wes Borland is 46. Actor Ashton Kutcher is 43. NBA player Isaiah Thomas is 32. NHL center Steven Stamkos is 31.





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MARINE OUTLOOK

Today: Southwest winds around 15 knots then becoming northwest around 10 knots in the late morning and afternoon. Seas 2 to 3 feet. Bay waters a moderate chop

Gulf water temperature Ο

Taken at Crystal River

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- Those without computer access may call 352-249-2705.



on Aug 4, 2018. The three-time Grammy winner will perform at the 2021 Pepsi Super Bowl Halftime Show on Feb. 7 at Raymond James Stadium in Tampa.

smile," said The Weeknd.

into mainstream with his smash hit "Can't Feel My Face" that was featured on his second studio album, "Beauty Behind the Mad-"little bit" of the famously ness," which topped the Billboard 200 in 2015 and won a Grammy. He's had three other chart-topping albums including his recent offering 'After Hours," which was released in March.

Last year, The Weeknd's hit single "Blinding Lights" became his fifth song to peak at No. 1 on the Billboard Hot 100 chart. He's also won Grammys for his album "Starboy" and the song "Earned It (Fifty Shades of Grey).' Roc Nation

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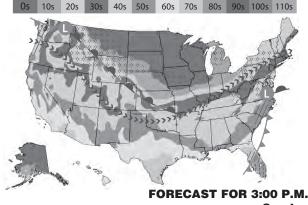
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Deputies and a K9 were able to apprehend the SUV's driver after he crashed into a tree on the 500 block of South Washington Street, a few blocks from Wood's home.

Through the fingerprints of the driver, who was giving out fake names, authorities identified him as Kissimmee 47-yearold Robert Joe Maracek — a 20-year fugitive out of two Florida counties.

Maracek faces seven felony and seven misdemeanor charges in connection to Monday night's chase, ranging from aggravated battery of a law enforcement officer to possessing counterfeit license plates.



He was booked into the county jail tage of its compensation programs. under a \$72,000 bond. At Maracek's first Insurance companies can also cover to court appearance Wednesday morning, a judge increased his bond to \$162,000, according to court records.

pected to enter a formal plea to his pond, the pursuit took a sharp left turn charges, is scheduled for Feb. 22.

Since Aug. 27, 2001, Maracek has been Dan Wilson's home. wanted by Osceola County authorities for failing to show for his trial on charges of law enforcement battery, resisting law enforcement and leaving a crash scene.

Maracek is also wanted for absconding from the probation he was sentenced to in May 2000 for January 1994 charges out of Broward County of armed burglary and theft.

According to Maracek's local arrest re- age to his lot. port, K9 Deputy Rudy Danner stopped a black Ford Expedition just after 9:50 p.m. Monday for traveling 62 mph in a 55 mph zone on State Road 200, near the intersection with County Road 491.

When Danner asked him for his information, the driver, allegedly Maracek, reversed the SUV, striking Danner with the vehicle's side-view mirror, before fleeing north on C.R. 491 with K9 Deputy David Elias following close in his own cruiser.

Maracek made a U-turn to start heading south on C.R. 491, according to his arrest report, almost striking Danner's pursuing patrol car while doing so.

With Danner and Elias chasing him, Maracek tossed tire-spikes from his SUV's window, which bounced on the roadway and struck both the deputies' cruisers

Maracek almost collided with two oncoming vehicles on C.R. 491 as the pursuit went into Beverly Hills and left onto Truman Boulevard, where Maracek of other states, an operational police began driving through yards, coming scanner and and 1 1/2 prescription pills.

For videos and a screenshot photo of the pursuit, click on this story at

case, allowing them rights to restitution from Maracek if a judge orders it.

Victims in a criminal report can also contact the Florida Attorney General's Office, at 850-414-3990, to take advan-

expedite repairs, and will be repaid through the court process, Carey noted.

As it reached the entrance of Sickler's Maracek's arraignment, when he's ex- property entrance, avoiding an in-ground onto West Woodview Lane and toward

circled around the back of the property

driveway and they left.'

Wilson said he didn't notice any dam-

suit as it barreled through a half-open gate near Woodview Lane's intersection with North Pinecone Avenue, where it turned south.

Sickler said the chase then made its way back toward Beverly Hills and through a retention pond in between C.R. 491 and South Washington Street.

Deputies had used spike strips to deflate the SUV's tires before it struck a tree at a slow speed and Maracek got out to run, according to the arrest report.

Danner unleashed his K9, Riggs, which

According to his arrest report, Maracek struck Riggs multiple times and

In the SUV Maracek was driving, dep-

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within feet of homes, according to his arrest report.

He made his way into Wood's yard and crashed through her fence on his way into Sickler's property. Wood said she's been in contact with the sheriff's office to figure out how fence repairs will be paid for.

Sheriff's office spokesman Sgt. Lee Carey told the Chronicle detectives are still following up with affected property owners to document their damages, which could elevate Maracek's charges.

Carey said impacted property owners will also be listed as victims in Maracek's



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"I heard my wife hollering at me to get up," Wilson said. "They had already made it out Herb's driveway, came up our road and they came into my property ... went between the house and garage,

. went in front of the house, down the

Sickler's cameras picked up the pur-

bit down onto Maracek's forearm to stop him.

tried to blind the canine by squeezing its eyes with his fingers. He also continued to strike and lash out at deputies while they handcuffed him.

uties found counterfeit license plates out

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Obituaries

Patricia Almand, 83

INVERNESS

Patricia S. Almand, 83, of Inverness, FL passed away 91 of Inverness, Fl passed on January 9, 2021 under the care of VITAS hospice of Lecanto, FL.

She was born to the late Joseph and Nora (Miles) Murphy on February 18, 1937 in Connellsville, PA.



ity of her life and in 1979, married her beloved late hus-Almand band. Wil-

bur, who passed away on February 27, 1996.

After visiting and spending weekends with friends at Turner's Fish Camp for several years, they loved the area so much that they decided to purchase their retirement home here where they spent most every weekend until retiring and relocating from Tampa in the mid 80's, enjoying the outdoors fishing from their canal, boating out to the lake or gathering with friends at Turner's.

She thoroughly enjoyed shopping, could always find a bargain and couldn't pass up the newest item from "Ás Seen on TV". She loved her crafts, making sequined patterns on t-shirts and jackets she created from sweatshirts to give as gifts to family and friends. She loved all animals and couldn't resist giving it a rub and some love, even if it was a reptile.

Those left to cherish Patricia's memory are her step-daughter and caretaker, Laura Gonzalez (Glenn) of Inverness and step-son Jeffrey Almand (Ellie) of Land O' Lakes and; her "adopted daughter", Becky Behrman of Inverness; three adored grandchildren, Marissa, Christina, and Taylor; and three cherished greatgrandchildren, Lily, Will & Kayden.

She is also survived by her loving cousins Jean Starling, Rich & Leah Robinson, Paula Baker, Ralph Robinson and Jim Robinson.

Patricia will be laid to rest at Florida National Ceme- follow at the Oak Ridge tery of Bushnell, FL along- Cemetery in Inverness. side her husband. Wilbur and a Celebration of Life will be held by the family at a later date. Cremation with Care is under the direction of the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home, Inverness, FL. Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

Georgiana **Baum, 91** INVERNESS

Georgiana H. Baum, age away January 29, 2021 in the Vitas Hospice in Lecanto, FL.

Georgiana was born in Valley Stream, NY on September 4, 1929 to the late Frederich and Gladys (Hyer) Beck and moved to this area in 1978 from Massapequa, keeper for NY. She was an Administra-

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Inverness Baum was

restaurant hostess and waitress. She was a proud, long standing member of the Inverness Woman's Club.

Left to cherish her memory are 4 sons: John J. Baum, Jr., Cochecton, NY; Robert (Deborah) Baum, Scott Baum, and Stephen Baum, all of Inverness; daughter, Nancy (Carmine) Urgola, Inverness; brother, George Beck, Belleview, Fl; 11 grand-children, 14 great-grandchildren and "1 on the way".

death by her husband, John J. Baum Sr. on Feb 25, 2003: step-dad, Carl J. Beck, step brother, Carl Beck; and step sister, Joan Beck.

There is a Celebration of Life Scheduled for Saturday, September 4, 2021 at the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home. (Service time to be announced.) Burial in Oak Ridge Cemetery in Inverness next to her late husband.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

Rollie Budd, 84 INVERNESS

Rollie Leroy Budd, 84, of Inverness, a longtime resident of Citrus County, passed away February 2, 2021, at Citrus Memorial Hospital. A Celebration of Life Service will be conducted on Saturday, February 13, 2021 at 4:00 PM, from the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home in Inverness, with Rev. Dr. Doug Alexander, officiating. Burial will spent their retirement inducted into the WHS

Genevieve 'Jenny' Gleason, 89

INVERNESS

Genevieve L. "Jenny" Gleason, 89, of Inverness, FL passed away January 30, 2021 at The Grove Health and Rehab in Hernando, FL. Private cremation arrangements by Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness.

Dr. Rafael Buaron, 90

Rafael Villariez Buaron, MD, age 90, gently passed away to be with our Lord on Thursday, January 14, 2021. He was a devoted husband and loving father where she of three children and 4 grandchildren. Rafael was preceded in death by his loving wife Remedios,



Buaron **Buaron**

lene); and grandchildren Donald Grecula and her Matthew, Amanda, Caro-She was preceded in line and Averie; his siblings, Felizardo Buaron, Lydia Garcia (Dominador), Nonina Lim. Nelson Buaron, Renita Garcia (Romulo) and Lorenzo Buaron

> gust 24, 1930 in the province of Capiz, Philippines to parents. Lorenzo Buaron and Marcella Villariez. He earned a Doctor of Medicine degree from Manila Central University, ated from Bridgeport Uniand it was here that he met his wife Remedios Buhat who was also a medical student in the same class. After immi-

grating to the US, Rafael practiced medicine in various NY and PA hospitals, before he settled his familv in Berlin, NJ, their home for almost 30 years. Rafael dedicated the majority of his medical career by working both at Newcomb Hospital, Vineland, NJ and at their family practice in Sicklerville, years in the community of



Brew, 84

WETHERSFIELD, CONN.

William D. Brew (aka Bill, Billy, Will, Papa Will, BB1, Bobby) formerly of Wethersfield, CT passed away on December 12, 2020 at age 84.

Bill is survived by his beloved

> and devoted wife of 41 years, Sue. In addition,

he is survived by William his sister-**Brew** in-law

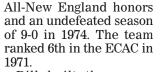
Deborah Dunlap (Jim Look) her daughters Lisa, Adrienne, Susanne and their families; his brothers-in-law Skip Stethers his son John and daughters Charlene Trisha and Sarah; Joe (Liz) and daughter Brianne and her family and several

nieces and nephews. Bill had many friends who mourn him including Pat Kask of CT, Stacy Macchildren Brody, Reese, Reagan and Treyton; Mark Fries of CT and Dominic Contessa of CT; Seth

(Henry) and Melissa Popper of FL. Bill was predeceased by his parents Charles Howard Brew and Anna Claire Cleary Brew, his two brothers; a sister-in-law and a brother-in-law.

Bill was a veteran of the U.S. Army having served from 1958-1959. He graduversity (BS) and Southern Connecticut State Universitv (MS)

While in high school Bill was an exceptional three sport athlete earning him a full scholarship to the University of Bridgeport. He was a member of the '51-'52 State Finalist Basketball team, and he received All State Basketball Honorable Mention. He was the MVP and leading scorer in soccer in CT 1953 and was the finalist in the CT State High School Golf NJ. Rafael and Remedios Championship. Bill was Athletic Hall of Fame in Citrus Hills, Inverness, 2001. This was the begin-



Bill built the soccer team into a nationally ranked program. His coaching earned him honors as the Small College Soccer Coach of the year in New England. In ten soccer seasons he had five tournament teams, was ranked fourth nationally in 1965 and was undefeated in 1966. He later served as the President of the New England Soccer Coaches Association.

Bill's teams were victorious as the New England Soccer Champions in 1965 and 1967. He developed 21 All-New England players and an All-American. Bill was inducted into the Quinnipiac University Athletic Hall of Fame in 1985. His 1965 soccer team was inducted into the Quinnipiac University Athletic Hall of Fame in 2003.

During 1967-1970 Bill was the Chairman of the All-American Committee in the NAIA. He was a National Rating Board member for the National Soccer Coaches Association and was Chairman of the Ethics Committee, which developed the yellow/red card system for players and coaches using unethical behavior during soccer matches.

Bill enjoyed an illustrious amateur golf career playing locally, nationally and internationally. Validating his exceptional skill throughout his playing days in 1985 he had a handicap of +1. While a member of Wethersfield Country Club Bill won the Club Championship three times. He scored a double eagle and had five holesin-one during his golf career. He qualified in the sectional round of the US Open championship in 1963, 1969 and 1970. In 1969 and 1970 he played in the qualifying round for the National Amateur Championship at Oakhill Country Club and in 1969 where he scored а hole-in-one.

Bill was the Connecticut State Amateur Champion in 1971. He often teamed with fellow Wethersfield member Fred Kask and "they were arguably the finest two-man team in Connecticut's rich golf history." Bill and Fred were the medalists in 1971 with a 65 at the Anderson Memorial Tournament at Winged Foot. Bill was the finalist in 1966 in the **Royal Canadian Amateur** Golf Championship at Summerlea Golf and Country Club and in 1973 he played in the Royal and Ancient Golf Club British Amateur Championship at Royal Porthcawl Golf Club in South Wales. He was a member of the prestigious Society of Seniors in his later years. As said by Bobby Jones, golf is the closest game to the game we call life. You get bad breaks from good shots; you get good breaks from bad shots, but you have to play the ball where it lies. After Bill retired as a **Major Accounts Executive** from Canon USA and Sue retired as a professor from Eastern Connecticut State University, they moved to Dunnellon FL.

Barbara De La Cruz, 86

INVERNESS

Barbara Ann (Gumm) De La Cruz, born May 7th, 1934 in Flushing, New York, died peacefully on January 24th, 2021, surrounded by family in Inverness, Florida.

Barbara De La Cruz was raised in Long Island, New York, and graduated from Manhasset High School in 1952. She was



predeceased by her husband William De La Cruz, children, Lawrence Ben-J.

nett, Jr.,

Lee Ann

Barbara **De La Cruz**

De La Cruz and Judith Williams, Grandchildren Robert V. Morea and Jennifer Lynn Bennett as well as siblings William Gumm, Helen Herring, and Stanley Gumm.

She is survived by siblings Katherine Daniels, David Gumm, daughters Katherine Kincer, and Kathy Williams sons Howard Bennett, Richard De La Cruz, William De La Cruz as well as numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Barbara De La Cruz owned and managed her business Professional Property Management and was the first woman president of the Citrus County Rotary Club.

Barbara was an accomplished artist in painting and ceramics where she worked with many local artists and won numerous awards for her work.

She was an active member of Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church and was a Eucharistic Minister bringing communion to congregants physically unable to attend mass.

Arrangements for her burial are being directed by Fero Funeral Home of Beverly Hills. In recognition of the pandemic, viewing and burial will be held for immediate family only.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (www.cff.org/give-today/) in her Memory.





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Thomas **Brunetto**, 77

INVERNESS

Thomas Brunetto, 77, of Inverness, FL, passed peacefully at home on January 27, 2021 surrounded by his loving family.

Thomas was born July 11, 1943 to Reverend Joseph Charles Brunetto and Josephine (Tarnowski) Brunetto.



Thomas **Brunetto**

during his time here where he met his beloved wife, Maguy Courtois, and began to start their family. Upon leaving France, Thomas transitioned into his career with the Albany NY Police department, where he worked to become a Sergeant before retiring in 1976.

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Thomas is survived by his wife of almost 60 years, Maguy Courtois Brunetto; his children, Phillip T. Brunetto, Donna Brunetto-Butler, and Paula Brunetto Abraham; his grandchildren, Holly Brunetto Seymour & Deanna Brunetto-Winfrey; and one sister, cause her heart was with Rosanne E. Brunetto.

Committal Service will take place at a later date at National Bav Pines Cemetery.

Sign the guest book at

Raymond **Fink, 88**

BEVERLY HILLS

The date for the Celebration of Life Memorial Service for Raymond Clayton Fink has been changed. It will now be held on Sunday, March 21st, 2021, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Lodge in Hernando, FL.

Marcie Patton

We lost our brave mother, Marcie Patton on New Year's Eve. To all who knew her, you know why we say she was brave. She peacefully passed with her 3 daughters ... Kathi Allen, Dana Beal, and Ellen Patton, by her side playing some of her favorite music. She was

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life alongside my father volunteering for Hospice, at 7 Rivers Hospital, through the Crystal River Womans Club and Meals on Wheels. She was very proud to have been chosen for Leadership Citrus one year.

Much of her happiness in life came from her family and friends and if you were lucky enough to have known her, you'll agree that she will surely be missed.

We're pretty sure that her husband of 60 years, James Patton, was waiting to greet her with their beloved rescued greyhound Lucky.

In lieu of flowers, berescue organizations for animals and St. Judes Hospital, a donation to one of these would be the best way to honor her memory.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com. www.chronicleonline.com.

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Rafael was much more

than a Medical Doctor. He was the epitome of a gentle, kind man with high Christian moral values and principles. Rafael's faith in the Lord was his Player, and the team rebiggest strength, and he imparted this faith to his family. He was an active member of Seven Rivers Presbyterian Church in Lecanto, and was truly an inspiration for us all. His passion was being an avid fisherman. Rafael enjoyed spending time with family and friends and especially sharing both his catch of the day and the story that went with it.

Due to the pandemic, all services for Rafael V. Buaron will be for family members only.

www.ferofuneralhome. com.

Lorraine **Dwinell, 88** HOMOSASSA

Lorraine S. Dwinell, 88, of Homosassa, FL passed away January 25, 2021 at Seven Rivers Hospital in Crystal River, FL. A Gathering of Family and Friends is scheduled for Thursday, February 11, between the hours of 1:00 P.M. until 3:00 P.M. at the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL.

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ning of his lifetime achievements, his honors, awards, and Hall of Fame inductions.

At Bridgeport University Bill was selected as an All-New England Soccer ceived All-American Soccer Team Honorable Mention. Playing in the first NCAA Soccer Championship in 1959, the team was runner-up. The soccer team once more played in the NCAA Soccer Championship in 1961 and placed third in the nation; Bill was named MVP of the 1961 game. While playing golf he was the New En-

gland Inter-Collegiate Golf Champion and the Metropolitan Inter-Collegiate Golf Champion. In 1973 Bill was awarded the outstanding UB Arnold College Division Alumni Award for the decade 1961-1970. The soccer team was inducted into the UB Athletic Hall of Fame in 2015.

One of Bill's lifetime passions was coaching, mentoring, and developing young student athletes, emphasizing the importance of personal development, team play, and respect for one another. At Quinnipiac College

he was the Assistant Athletic Director, soccer and golf coach from 1965-1974. Many of his players were the beneficiaries of his competitive spirit and drive both in soccer and guided seven players to teect.org).

Honoring Bill's wishes, there are no services. Roberts Funeral Home was in care of arrangements, and sentiments may be left on line at www.robertsof dunnellon.com.

For those wishing to honor his many contributions, his teaching, and his love of the game of golf may make a contribution to The First Tee of CT, 55 Golf Club Road, Cromwell, golf. As golf coach he CT 06416 (info@thefirst



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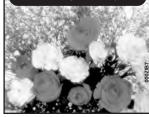
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2021 A7

Obituaries



Donald Julian Goclon of Hernando, FL passed away at Citrus Memorial Hospital on February 2, 2021 at the age of 86. Donald was born to the late Julian and Elenor (Geyer) Goclon in Los Angeles, CA on May 10, 1934. He proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army. Following his military service, Donald became a Machin-

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Donald Goclon

of years. Following retirement, Donald relocated to Arizona but made Florida his home 20 years ago. In his spare time he enjoyed playing golf with his buddies, enjoyed reading western books, and partying.

Those left to mourn Donald's passing include his wife of 22 years. Beverly Goclon; stepdaughters: Sharise McKeever and her husband Earl; Stacey Barnes, her husband An- Home.com. drew, and grandchildren Sabrina and Michael, Donald was preceded in death by his first wife, Betty J. Goclon on March 10,a 1997. Step-granddaughter, Yvette Jenkins, her husband Tim and greatgranddaughters: Paige and Heather; and 2 great-great grandchildren Alayna and Aiden.

Donald will be laid to rest at Riverside National Cemetery in Riverside, CA alongside his first wife, Betty J. Goclon. Florida arrangements are under the care of the Chas E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL.

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Mrs. Linda Sue Mc-Neight, age 69 of Beverly Hills, Florida, died Thursday, February 4, 2021 in Lecanto, FL.

Linda

She was born October 28, 1951 in Detroit, MI. She moved to Beverly Hills, Florida in 1996 from Philadelphia, PA. Linda loved being a wife, mother, grandmother and dialysis nurse. Mrs. McNeight's hobbies



Linda survivors McNeight

include husband of 51 years, Vernon Clark McNeight of Beverly Hills, FL, son, Christopher McNeight of Citrus Springs, FL, son, Scott McNeight of Panama City, FL, son, Justin Mc-Neight of Inglis, FL, 5 grandchildren, Connor McNeight, Duncan Mc-Neight, Novia Mc-Neight-Lema, Trinity Rayne Lema, Delmar Kurtis Lema, and best friend, Jennifer Sawver.

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Meadows, Sr., 78

INVERNESS

Earnest Eugene Meadows, Sr., 78 of Inverness, passed away February 3, 2021, at Citrus Memorial Hospital. Mr. Meadows was born October 1, 1942 in Stotesbury, West Virginia, to the late Roy O. and Millie (Blevins) Meadows. He was a US Army Veteran and retired industrial welder.

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Earnest Medows Sr.

things was to give a gift to every child at every service. They knew to find "Pop" when to the late Linwood and they came through the door. His family was his greatest joy, he loved them all. He also enjoyed reading war books and studying the history of war.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife of 58 years, Nina Meadows: his son. Earnest Meadows, Jr., of Dunnellon, FL; his daughters: Lorie Bloxton and her late husband of her husband. Jerry, of Inverness, Kina Hoffman of Dunnellon; his brother, Roy Meadows and his sisters: Eva Pritchett of Virginia, Charlotte Walton and her husband Jimmy, of Pennsylvania, Beverly Surber and her husband Mike, of Virginia; his 5 grandchildren: Kelli (Ryan) Derryberry, of Brooksville, FL, Mark (Emily) Bloxton of Geornellon, Justan (Lynn) Shaw of Pennsylvania, Vance Meadows of Maryland; his 5 great grandchildren: Max Bloxton, Memphis Bloxton, Paislee

Wesley Shaw. He was preceded in death by his brother, James Meadows, son in law, Doug and brother in law, Charles Pritchett.

Private graveside services with Military Honors, will be conducted at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell. Arrangements are under the care of the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home, Inverness.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.



June Newman, 98 INVERNESS

June Iris Newman, 98, of Inverness, FL peacefully passed away on January 30, 2021 at the Vitas Unit Inpatient Hospice in Lecanto, FL. She was born on February 16, 1922 in Wilmerding, Pennsylvania



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June, a veteran, served during WWII. She joined the Women's Army Corps, wife, Lou, of Maryland; his US Army in 1943 and served through 1945. She functioned as a cook and baker for US Army soldiers and German prisoners. It was during this time while serving her country that June met the first love of her life, and married Corporal Morris Ader.

June was a long-time gia, James Shaw of Dun- resident of Beverly Hills, FL and a long-time member of the Congregation Beth Shalom, joining over 50 years ago when it was established.

June was a devoted Bloxton, Jaxon Shaw and mother and homemaker. Home.com.

She loved all animals, and loved to knit and crochet, bowl, play cards and games, and interact with the people who surrounded her. She was never one to hold back her true feelings, opinions and thoughts, and everyone who knew June embraced her for her frankness and candid approach to life, its joys, surprises, and challenges. Those left to mourn

June's passing and cherish her memory are her two daughters, Ginger Keyser and her husband Edward. and Eileen Shellabarger and her husband Dennis. She is also survived by two grandsons, Damian Griffie and Daniel Griffie and his wife Mayumi. The family expresses

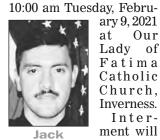
very sincere thanks to the staff at Highland Place who always made our loved one feel special. Additionally, the family wishes to extend their gratitude to Vitas Hospice for their exceptional support and care.

A private family graveside service and burial was held on February 2nd in the Garden of Mount Sinai at Fero Memorial Gardens. Arrangements by Fero Funeral Home with Crematory.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

Jack Presti, 60 INVERNESS

The Mass of Christian Burial for Mr. Jack J. Presti, age 60 years, of Inverness, will be celebrated



follow at Presti Oak Ridge

Cemetery, Inverness.

Online condolences for the family may be left at www.HooperFuneral

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Those, who wish, may make memorial donations to Tunnel to Towers, www. tunnel2towers.org, a nonprofit committed to helping heros both living and fallen.

Mr. Presti was born April 12, 1960 in New York City to Anthony and Mary Prestigiacomo and came to Inverness in 1972 from there. He passed away Thursday, February 4, 2021 in Inverness. Mr. Presti retired from the Inverness Police Department after 23 years of service from 1980 - 2003. He was a member of Our Lady of Fatima, Inverness and enjoyed shooting weapons with his boys, hunting, politics and Wal-Mart. Mr. Presti was a 1977 graduate of Citrus High School.

Left to mourn his passing are his wife: Susan Fitzgerald Presti: 2 sons: John Presti and Paul Presti: a stepson: Nicholas (Brooke) Fitzgerald; a stepdaughter: Marah (Frank) DeBord; a brother: Joe Prestigiacomo (Elaine Ponce); 2 granddaughters: Emily and Adilynn; many cousins and his faithful dog, Kong.

Arrangements under the direction of the Inverness Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes.

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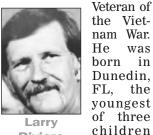
Larry A. Riviere of Crystal River, FL, beloved father, brother, uncle, pop-pop, and friend, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, January 30, 2021 at the age of 79 at Seven Rivers Hospital. He proudly served his country as a member of the United States Air Force from 1962-1966 and was a

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ber 10, 1941, to the late Lawrence L. and Viola (Henderson) Riviere and relocated to Crystal River from Safety Harbor over 40 years ago with his wife Trudy

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Trudy L. (Shade) Riviere, son Lawrence Jason Riviere, sister, and sister Fleda Riviere Wood.

When his wife passed away unexpectedly, he was left to raise his two young sons becoming both mother and father. He and his boys spent their time boating, camping, fishing and hunting. He was a member of Ducks Unlimited and had his sons active in the organization. He coached little league baseball and was involved in all their activities.

He graduated from Tarpon Springs High School in Tarpon Springs, FL in 1959 and studied business administration and horticulture at the University of Florida and Florida State University. He was an avid Gator fan attending many of the games with his sons in the Gator Limo.

His business background began as a young boy in his

Palm Harbor, FL, and later included the Clearwater police force, owner and manager of two restaurants, a trucking company, owner of the former Riviere apartment complex in Crystal River, Sears, and retiring from Xerox Corporation.

After retirement, he was involved in buying, remodeling and selling houses with several of his friends and for many years hosted weekly card games at his home with many of his friends. He was an avid reader always having a book in hand.

He was a member and former officer of the American Legion Post #155 Crystal River, Moose Lodge Crystal River, charter member of the Moose Lodge in Palm Harbor, and Ducks Unlimited.

He is survived by sons Christopher Michael Riviere and Fiancée Tricia Rowand, Troy Lawson Riviere and wife Katie, grandson Trent Lawson Riviere. sister Tuelah (Riviere) Keith and husband Gene Keith, life partner Debbie Pennington and many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Gathering will be held at 3:00 pm on Friday the 12th day of February, at Countryside Baptist Church, 10926 NW 39th Avenue Gainesville, FL 32606 with Pastor Bill Keith officiating. Burial will take place at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, the 16th day of February with military honors being rendered by the American Legion Post #155 Honor Guard, Crystal River, FL and the United States Air Force with masks and social distancing observed.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his name may be made to Countryside Baptist Church, 10926 NW 39th Avenue Gainesville, FL 32606, or American Legion Post #155 Honor Guard, 6585 W Gulf to Lake Hwy, Crystal River, FL 34429

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

Sign the guest book at family's orange groves in www.chronicleonline.com.

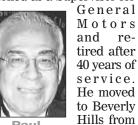


Rosales, 86

BEVERLY HILLS

Mr. Raul I. Rosales, age 86 of Beverly Hills, Florida, died Wednesday, January 27, 2021 in Inverness, FL.

He was born April 20, 1934 in Uvalde, TX, son of Emilio and Luz (Alejandro) Rosales. Raul was a veteran of the US Marine Corp. and worked as a Supervisor for



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graduated Summa Cum Laude from the Detroit College of Business and was named the Beverly Hills Citizen of the Year in 2009. He was member and served on the Boards for the Beverly Hills: Surveillance Unit, Skill Bank, Fishing Club, Recreation Center, and Civic Association. He was also a member of the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 2013 and the Elks Lodge both of Homosassa, FL.

Mr. Rosales was preceded in death by his parents and is survived by his wife. Dolores B Rosales of Beverly Hills, FL, 2 sons, Randy (Starr) Rosales of FL, Darryl (Nicole) Rosales of MI, 2 daughters, Becky Rosales of MI, daughter, Dee Dee (Chris) Osman of MI, sister, Tensha Reagen of MI, 7 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Friends who wish may send memorial donations to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital PO Box 1000 Dept 142 Memphis, TN 38101-9908. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.Hooper FuneralHome.com. Arrangements by the Beverly Hills Chapel of Hooper Funeral Homes & Crematory.

Angelina Trascoy, 87

Obituaries

INVERNESS

Angelina Theresa Trascoy of Inverness, FL passed away at Citrus Memorial Hospital on December 8, 2020 at the age of 87. She was preceded in death by her husband Robert, with whom she shared 67 years of loving marriage, just 3 days prior on December 5, 2020.

Angelina was born to the late Joseph and Theresa

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(Crisico) Poniatowski on April 6, 1933in Queens, NY. She and her husband Robert made Cit-

rus County their home in 1988 after relocating from Elmont, NY. She loved attending the bingo games at Our Lady of Fatima on a weekly basis. Angelina is the former Vice President of the Citrus County Italian American Club, she was also a member of the New York Club of Citrus County and Inverness VFW #4337. In her spare time she enjoyed playing cards with her friends but her favorite pastime was spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Those left to mourn Angelina's passing include his daughter, Tina Digangi and her husband Robert of Weeki Wachee, FL; son, Robert Trascoy and his wife Silvia of Seaford, NY; sisters: Dorothy and Dolores: grandchildren: Robert, Rose-Ann, Frank, Robert and Michael; and great grandchildren: Mila, Gavin, Makayla and Morgan. Angelina also leaves behind many dear friends. She was preceded death by her daughter, Kathleen Gut and her brother. John.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service for Angelina and her loving husband Robert is scheduled for Sunday, February 14, 2021 at 1:00 PM from the Chas E. Davis Funeral Home and his daughter, Tina Digangi Tim Cummings of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. ginning at 12:00 PM until the hour of service.

rest alongside her husband at the St. Charles Cemetery in Long Island New York at a later date.

Arrangements under the care of the Chas E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL.

www.chronicleonline.com.

Robert Trascoy, 89 INVERNESS

Robert Joseph Trascoy of Inverness, FL passed away at Citrus Memorial Hospital on December 5, 2020 at the age of 89.

Robert was born to the late Frank T. and Jennie (Bozenski) Trascoy in Queens, NY on May 18, 1931. On March 28, 1953 he



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retirement. Robert owned and operated his own Sanitation Company. He and Angelina made Citrus County their home in 1988 after relocating Elmont, NY.

He volunteered much of his time over the years to the Citrus County Sheriff's Department. Robert was a member of the Citrus County Italian American Club. He enjoyed food shopping and cooking for his family. Robert was a dedicated family man who adored his children and grandchildren and loved spending time with them. He loved sharing his life stories and experiences with others.

Those left to mourn Robert's passing include

will be conducted by Father and her husband Robert of Weeki Wachee, FL; son, Robert Trascoy and his Friends are invited to join wife Silvia of Seaford, NY; the family in visitation be- sister, Regina Plucinsk; grandchildren: Robert, Rose-Ann, Frank, Robert Angelina will be laid to and Michael; and great grandchildren: Mila, Gavin, Makayla and Morgan. Robert also leaves behind many dear friends. He was preceded in death by his daughter Kathleen Gut and his brother, Frank.

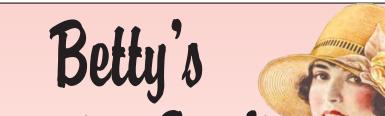
A Celebration of Life Me-Sign the guest book at morial Service for Robert and his loving wife Angelina is scheduled for is scheduled for Sunday, February 14, 2021 at 1:00 PM from the Chas E. Davis Funeral Home and will be conducted by Father Tim Cummings of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. Friends are invited to join the family in visitation beginning at 12:00 PM until the hour of service.

Robert will be laid to rest at the St. Charles Cemetery in Long Island New York at a later date.

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Key West airport's coronavirus-fighting robot gets new name

KEY WEST — A coronavirus-fighting robot that disinfects Key West International Airport's interior spaces has a new name.

Florida Keys tourism officials announced the winner Friday of a social media contest to pick the name. Chelsea Atkinsm, of Bat Cave, North Carolina, submitted "R2Key2," winning a three-night vacation for two in the island chain.

The competition, staged in mid-January, reached its 1,000-entry limit in less than six hours.

"While naming the robot is lighthearted in its nature, what we make a priority here in the Keys is protecting the health of our residents and tourists," said Monroe County Mayor Michelle Coldiron, one of the contest judges and a tourism council board member.

Key West International was among the first U.S. airports to employ one of the unique robots, debuting it in December to augment other cleaning practices.

Standing nearly 6 feet tall, "R2Key2" emits high-intensity ultraviolet UV-C wavelength light designed to remove 99.9% of harmful airborne and surface pathogens including COVID-19. After the airport closes to the public each night, it patrols autonomously for about 2 1/2 hours to disinfect the terminal and other areas.

The naming contest was conceived by the Keys tourism council to increase awareness of the island community's safety protocols to combat COVID-19, including mandatory masking requirements.

Disney World's Super Bowl parade may be nixed, but ad will still air

ORLANDO — Disney's Super Bowl parade has been nixed, but the filming of the "I'm Going to Disney World" commercial after the big game is still on.

Officials at Walt Disney World said Friday that the theme park resort wouldn't be hosting its annual Super Bowl parade this year featuring the game's star players because of the coronavirus pandemic. But the resort still plans to film its annual ad after the game, usually featuring the Most Valuable Player looking at the camera and saying those famous words.

The ads have featured Super Bowl stars since 1987 when Phil Simms of the New York Giants first appeared following his team's championship win.

In the ads, the song "When You Wish Upon a Star" plays over shots of the featured player passing or running and scenes of fans screaming and jumping. At the end, an off-camera announcer acknowledges the Super Bowl win and asks the player, "What are you going to do next?"

Amid jubilant celebration, the player responds "I'm Going to Disney World!"

"Be sure to stay tuned after the big game to catch the commercial on major TV networks and social media!" Disney officials said in a blog post. "Disney Parks hopes to be able to bring back our other Super Bowl traditions next year, including letting football and Disney fans see and cheer on their favorite player in the park."

- From wire reports



Charles 'Chuck' O'Donnell

Charles (Chuck) R. O'Donnell, peacefully passed away surrounded by his family on January 21, 2021 after fighting a long battle with cancer.

He is preceded in death by his parents Charles and Anna O'Donnell, his



Charles 'Chuck' O'Donnell He is survived by his

He is survived by his brothers, Peter O'Donnell, John O'Donnell, Steve O'Donnell, Joseph O'Donnell, sisters Mary Herring, Margaret Appel, and Ann Tyrpak. He is also survived by his daughter Rita Ann Bremer, Grandsons Levi and Gracen, and many sister and brother in laws, nieces and nephews.



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Chuck was a Vietnam War Vet and awarded the Silver Star, Air Service, Combat Medal for being wounded in hostile conditions, Presidential Citation, Good conduct, National Defense Service and other Medals for his service to his country and he was honorably discharged after his time in service. He was an avid fisherman and hunter, he liked nothing better than to throw his rod in and see what was good for catching. He enjoyed spending time with his friends and family, smoking a good cigar and chewing the fat. Chuck had a wonderful sense of humor and knew how to use it on anyone and everyone who was in close proximity. He is going to be greatly

missed by his family and his many friends and the many who loved him. A funeral Mass will be

held for Chuck on Wednesday February 10th, 2021 2:00 PM at St. Anthony's Catholic Church 6090 SE 193rd Place Inglis, Fl 34449. A reception will be held and the family will receive friends immediately after the service at Lyon's Club 22 59th St. Yankee Town, Fl 34498.

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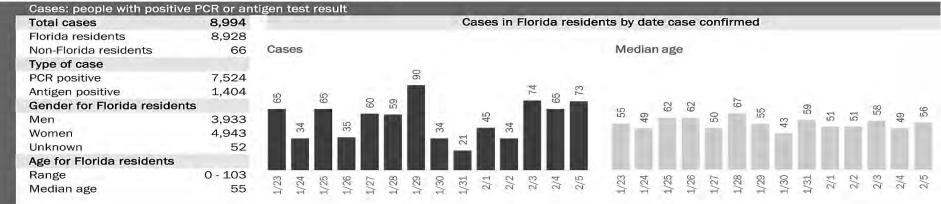
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COVID-19: summary for Citrus County

Data through Feb 5, 2021 verified as of Feb 6, 2021 at 09:25 AM

Data in this report are provisional and subject to change.



| Race, ethnicity | Cases | | Hospitaliza | tions | Deaths | 5 |
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| White | 7,037 | 79% | 533 | 89% | 319 | 88% |
| Hispanic | 295 | 3% | 12 | 2% | 7 | 2% |
| Non-Hispanic | 6,295 | 71% | 478 | 80% | 276 | 76% |
| Unknown ethnicity | 447 | 5% | 43 | 7% | 36 | 10% |
| Black | 366 | 4% | 24 | 4% | 7 | 2% |
| Hispanic | 28 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Non-Hispanic | 321 | 4% | 23 | 4% | 7 | 2% |
| Unknown ethnicity | 17 | 0% | 1 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Other | 545 | 6% | 29 | 5% | 17 | 5% |
| Hispanic | 102 | 1% | 5 | 1% | 3 | 1% |
| Non-Hispanic | 371 | 4% | 20 | 3% | 6 | 2% |
| Unknown ethnicity | 72 | 1% | 4 | 1% | 8 | 2% |
| Unknown race | 980 | 11% | 13 | 2% | 19 | 5% |
| Hispanic | 55 | 1% | 1 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Non-Hispanic | 89 | 1% | 1 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Unknown ethnicity | 836 | 9% | 11] | 2% | 19 | 5% |
| Total | 8,928 | | 599 | | 362 | |

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| Hospitalizations | 74,267 | (4% of all cases) |
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Graphic courtesy of the Florida Department of Health

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| 55-64 years | 1,484 | 17% | 15 | 21% | 82 📕 | 14% | 29 | 8% |
| 65-74 years | 1,488 | 17% | 17 | 23% | 148 | 25% | 76 | 21% |
| 75-84 years | 1,088 | 12% | 7 📕 | 10% | 183 | 31% | 129 | 36% |
| 85+ years | 498 📕 | 6% | 1 | 1% | 98 🔜 | 16% | 119 | 33% |
| Unknown | 3 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
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Hospitalization counts include anyone who was hospitalized at some point during their illness. It does not reflect the number of people currently hospitalized. Other race includes any person with a race of American Indian/Alaskan native, Asian, native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, or other.





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"We're going to leave it Super Bowl. to the customers," she said. "If the customers of their own free will want to come out and watch the game with like-minded people, that's what we're Bay so I think there's going to do.'

Sundberg praised Gov. Ron DeSantis for allowing bar and restaurant owners to make their own rules on how to run their establishments.

"Business owners in Citrus County are confident we're all taking the appropriate measures," she said. "(At) some point you've got to let the customer make their own decision. We shouldn't be making it for them.'

St. Johns Tavern in downtown Crystal River, said his staff will disinfect tables and do all they can to make it safe for patrons.

"You do the best you can and leave it up to adults to be adults,' Palmes said. "We do all that we can to make it as safe as we can."

Palmes said he expects a good crowd but believes many will be partying at home due to COVID-19.

But for those coming to St. Johns Tavern, he has this advice: "Come enjoy the Super Bowl. We're some don't. It's completely going to have some snacks up to them when they're out and have all the TVs on."

Kim Olinger, bartender will beat Kansas City.

going to draw more folks than usual because it's the first time since 2003 that the Tampa Bay Buccaneers have been in the

And it's the first time a home team will be playing in the city that is hosting the game.

"It's huge for Tampa going to be a lot of people who want to celebrate with others," Olinger said. Olinger said staff will

sanitize surfaces after each guest and masks are optional.

"It's going to be a good time," she said.

Dylan Kyler, a bartender at Scoreboard Sports Pub in Inverness, said it's up to patrons if they want to wear a mask or not.

His place will observe the usual disinfecting rou-Chase Palmes, owner of tine and take precautionary steps so people can feel safe, he said.

> "Everybody here is really excited with Tampa Bay in it," Kyler said. "(We) expect a really good-size crowd."

> "It's one of the few times the local community has a chance to celebrate." he said. "Everybody's been so distant so finally they have a chance to safely get together and get away. They can wear masks if they feel the need. Some do, sitting at the bar."

Kyler believes the Bucs

at Inverness' Sidebar "They have all the Tavern, said this game is weapons," he said.

Local organizations are welcome to submit news briefs for publication in the Chronicle. Send news releases to community@chronicleonline.com. Submissions are always subject to editing.



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Not only is the future Hall of Fame signal caller seeking to lead Tampa to its second Lombardi trophy in franchise lore, the former Patriots quarterback is seeking his year regardless of the seventh Super Bowl win.

Brady, in his first season with the Bucs, will play in a record 10th Super Bowl.

Brady is outstanding with his individual records as well since he has won more Super Bowls than any franchise," the Taylors said.

On the opposite side, the Chiefs are playing in their second consecutive title game, having beaten San Francisco, 31-20, a year ago for their first championship victory in 50 years.

Kansas City is attempting to win back-to- the day we do payroll, back Super Bowls since Brady led New England (It's about) 11 p.m. beto two straight titles in fore we have all the pain the 2003 and 2004 perwork completed.³

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seasons.

Brady's counterpart, Patrick Mahomes, seeks to become the youngest quarterback in league history to win a pair of Super Bowls before the age of 26.

"I definitely think it will indescribable as the mere fact that these are the two best teams this amount of fans in attendance and pre-game activities," Steven Taylor said. "I feel both of these are the deserving teams to be in the SB.³

Attending the game is a rare feat in of itself for the Taylors. The couple own and operate Fancy's Pets in Crystal River. Not only is the store open until 5 p.m. Sundays, but it's the same day they complete muchneeded paperwork.

"We rarely attend the games as being a small business owner," they explained. "Sundays are deposits and ordering.

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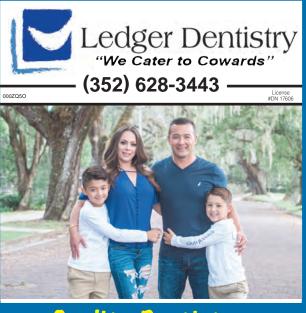
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Fancy Taylor, left, with Steelers receiver JuJu Smith-Schuster. The star receiver is friends with Taylor's son, Matt, a sports therapist for the Steelers.



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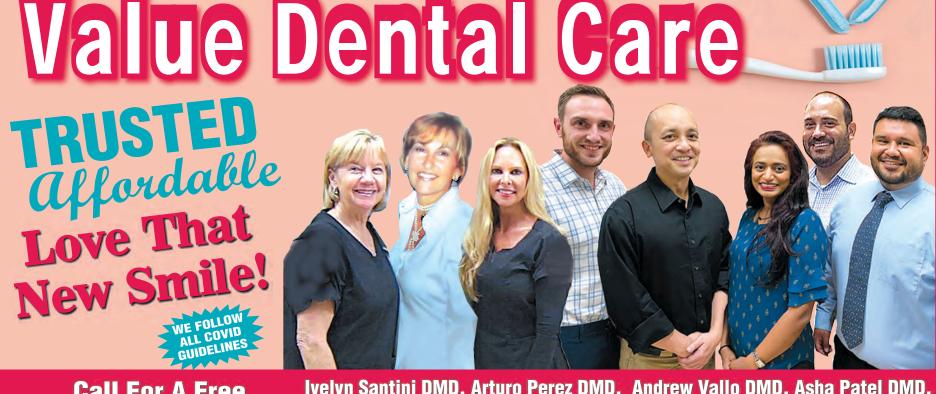
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Officials plead:



In this Nov. 11, 2020, file photo, medical works operate a testing tent at a COVID-19 mobile testing site in the Brooklyn borough of New York. School systems in several states are giving up on in-person classes, and some governors are reimposing restrictions on bars and restaurants or getting more serious about masks, as the coast-to-coast resurgence of the coronavirus sends deaths, hospitalizations and new infections soaring.

Don't let Super Bowl become superspreader

HEATHER HOLLINGSWORTH AND CURT ANDERSON Associated Press

Kansas City Chiefs superfan Ty Rowton hugged strangers in the streets of Miami last year after watching his team win the Super Bowl and then joined hundreds of thousands of fans back home at a victory parade, thinking little of a mysterious virus that his buddies were beginning to talk about.

The championship seems like a lifetime ago. Now the Chiefs are preparing to play in the Super Bowl again, and the virus has morphed into a once-in-a-century pandemic that has health officials on edge as fans congregate at parties and bars for the game.

The nation's top health officials sounded the alarm this week about the Super Bowl being a potential superspreader event, and they urged people to gather with friends over Zoom, not in crowds.

"I'm worried about Super Bowl Sunday, quite honestly. People gather, they

watch games together. We've seen outbreaks already from football parties.' said Rochelle Walensky, head of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "So I really do think that we need to watch this and be careful.'

The Super Bowl comes as the nation sees a dramatic drop in new virus cases a sign that the infection spike from holiday gatherings is easing. The virus has killed more than 459,000 people in the U.S., but the seven-day rolling average for daily new cases went from 180.489 as of Jan. 22 to 125,854 as of Friday, according to data from Johns Hopkins University.

Health officials fear the game could seed new cases at exactly the wrong time. Just this week, the new coronavirus strain that spread quickly in the United Kingdom was confirmed in Kansas after turning up in several other states. Other highly contagious variants also have scientists worried. States are in a race to vaccinate before the newcomers become widespread and additional strains emerge.

Around the **world** — — —



In this image made from video, a woman flashes the three-fingered salute from a vehicle as a crowd of protesters march past Saturday, Feb. 6, in Yangon, Myanmar. The military authorities in charge of Myanmar broadened a ban on social media following this week's coup, shutting access to Twitter and Instagram, while street protests continued to expand Saturday as people gathered again to show their opposition to the army takeover.

Somalia's talks on troubled election fail before vote

MOGADISHU, Somalia -A meeting on Somalia's troubled election has ended in failure as the federal government and regional states could not reach agreement on remaining issues two days before the scheduled vote, and President Mohamed Abdullahi Mohamed on Saturday blamed unnamed "foreign interventions."

Lawmakers in parliament booed the president, pounding their desktops, as he addressed them after days of discussions fizzled. He

accused Puntland and Jubbaland states of refusing to support an agreement last September on the electoral process.

"I've made every effort," said the president, who seeks a second four-year term. "Don't make us feel ashamed before the international community, and don't discourage our people."

He added: "There's still some hope that we can move forward, we just need to set another time for a meeting to solve our problems, and all these issues rest on the shoulders of parliament.'

But the president's critics accuse him of delaying to extend his current mandate.

The September agreement allows for the president and others to stay in office after Monday's election date if needed, but United Nations special representative James Swan has warned that going beyond that day brings "an unpredictable political situation in a country where we certainly don't need any more of that."

The uncertainty is ripe for exploitation by the Somaliabased al-Shabab extremist group, which has threatened to attack the polls and even launched a documentary series on Friday criticizing the president and the electoral process, which it accused of being riddled with corruption. - From wire reports



Unwilling to wait, poorer countries seek own vaccines

MARIA CHENG AND ANIRUDDHA GHOSAL Associated Press

NEW DELHI — With coronavirus cases still climbing, Honduras got tired of waiting to get vaccines through a United Nations program, so the small Central American country struck out on its own, securing the shots through a private deal.

Honduras "cannot wait on bureaucratic processes or misguided decisions" to give citizens "the peace of mind" offered by the COVID-19 vaccine, said Juan Carlos Sikaffy, president of the Honduran Private Business Council, which helped complete the purchase by providing a bank guarantee.

Other nations are getting impatient too. Unlike past disease outbreaks, where less wealthy countries have generally waited for vaccines to be delivered by the U.N. and other organizations, many are now taking matters into their own hands. Experts are increasingly concerned that these go-it-alone efforts could undermine a U.N.-backed program to get COVID-19 shots to the neediest people worldwide.

ico mercial deals — an approach that could leave of what they require." even fewer vaccines for the program known as COVAX, since rich countries have already snapped up the majority of this year's supply.



Associated Press

Sri Lankan health workers leave after receiving COVID-19 vaccines Jan. 29 in Colombo, Sri Lanka. The island nation has received 500,000 doses of the AstraZeneca-Oxford University vaccine donated by India and manufactured by the Serum Institute of India.

Organization, a coalition for epidemic preparedness known as CEPI and a vaccine alliance called GAVI, COVAX was created to distribute COVID-19 vaccines fairly. Countries can join either to buy vaccines or to get donated shots.

Mustaqeem De Gama, a diplomat at the South African mission in Geneva, cited "a level of desperation" fueled by spreading Countries including Ser- virus variants and "the unbia, Bangladesh and Mex- certainty of when any recently began COVAX vaccines might arvaccinating citizens rive." He doubted that through donations or com- countries that signed up for COVAX "will even get 10%

Even if the effort succeeds, COVAX's stated goal is to vaccinate less than 30% of people in poor counments must seek other

Led by the World Health sources to obtain enough shots to achieve herd immunity.

Serbian President Aleksandar Vucic said his country was forced to cut its own deals after watching rich countries scramble for the scarce shots. He criticized nations that, he said, bought more doses than they needed.

"It's as if they intend to vaccinate all their cats and dogs," he said.

Although Serbia paid 4 million euros to COVAX last year, it has not yet received any shots and last month began its immunization campaign with vaccines from Pfizer, China's Sinopharm and Russia.

Recent manufacturing delays in Europe raise concerns about whether drugtries, meaning that govern- makers will be able to fulfill the multiplying orders.

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Female **Veterans** Network members who helped to make the monument a reality

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Mission accomplished



Angela Vick leads scores of veterans and their families with her inspiring voice as the group sings "God Bless the USA."

Female Veterans Network thanks Citrus community for monument support

Chronicle

emale Veterans Network (FVN) members and community supporters gathered to mark a monumental moment on Jan. 30. After three tireless years of fundraising, the FVN was able to unveil a large, granite monument dedicated to all female veterans in service of the United States — from past, present and future — on the grounds of the historic Old Courthouse in downtown Inverness. The moving dedication was the culmination of a major effort spearheaded by FVN members working toward their long-held vision to erect the tribute in anticipation of teaching future generations the importance of steadfast female presence in the U.S. military.





and was a driving force behind the concept to erect a monument dedicated to the sacrifices made by female veterans.

Each Citrus County public high school and the Young Marines are represented as they present flags during the Female Veterans Network of Citrus County's Female Veterans Monument dedication last Saturday, Jan. 30.

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

NEW THIS WEEK

Air Force Association meets Feb. 18 in Ocala

OCALA - The Red Tail Memorial Chapter 136 of the Air Force Association will meet at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, in the conference room of the new Ocala Airport terminal at 1770 SW 60th Ave.

Physical distancing will be observed and masks will be required. Guests and anyone interested in joining the Air Force Association are welcome to attend.

Submit information for the Veterans page at least two weeks before the event.

Early submission of timely material is appreciated,

Contact chapter membership chairman Howard Burke at 352-861-0886 for more infor-

mation or to join. The Red Tail Chapter draws its nearly 500 members from Citrus, Alachua, Dixie, Levy, Marion, Sumter counties and parts of Lake and Putnam. The chapter name memorializes the Red Tail Squadron, Black airmen who forged a path into cockpits that were for whites only during World War II. The AFA promotes a dominant United States Air Force and strong national defense, and honor airmen and the Air Force heritage.

COMING UP

VFW Post 4252 flea market assists veterans in need

Members of VFW Post 4252 will host a flea market to benefit veterans in need and their families from 7:30 to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, March 21, at the post at 3190 N. Carl G. Rose Highway (U.S. 200), Hernando. Breakfast food will be available for

purchase.

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Table rental is \$10 inside; \$5 outside. Set up will begin after 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 20. Call the VFW to reserve a space at 352-726-3339.

Young artists wanted for Patriotic Art Contest

The VFW Post 4252 Auxiliary seeks entries for their sponsored Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest.

Young artists in ninth through 12th grade wanting to enter the contest should call 352-419-8981 and ask for Judy Prive. If no answer, leave your name, telephone number and a brief message to request an application to enter this contest.

Deadline to enter is March 31.

GOOD TO KNOW

Purple Heart Ceremony canceled due to COVID

The annual Purple Heart Ceremony hosted

each February by the combat wounded veterans and associate members of Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH), is canceled. Regretfully, cancellation of the ceremony is due to the surge in COVID-19 cases locally and across Florida, as well as the CDC guidelines that recommend large, indoor gatherings not be held.

CCVC cancels monthly yard sales

Due to the seemingly uncontrollable spread of the COVID-19 virus, the Citrus County Veterans Coalition (CCVC) has canceled monthly yard sales, effective immediately, until further notice.

We also are not accepting any donated items at this time.

However, it is our intention to continue offering our food services to veteran clients. We ask that any veteran coming to collect food on Tuesdays and the first and third Thursdays of the month, to please wait in their cars, until the

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but multiple publications cannot be guaranteed.

- Notes tend to run one week prior to the date of an event. Publication on a specific day is not guaranteed.
- Submit material at Chronicle offices in Inverness or Crystal River; by fax at 352-563-3280; or email to community@chronicleonline.com.

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Annie gives advice

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activities, including holidays and birthdays. The children have pictures of their mom (Hank's late wife) hung up in their home and speak often about her.

Gail is not very nice to my daughter. She purposely calls

says she does this because my daughter's invitation. Is my daughter name reminds her of her daughter.

Gail has done other children out of school talking to my daughter or her to turn over these re-But they have been together for 18 months now family.

The issue is that my daughter was concerned kindness with kindness.

ear Annie: My that Gail might speak ill daughter is marry- of her to other guests, as ing a widower, has happened on other "Hank," with three chil- occasions. The invitadren. The problem is with tions were sent out, and "Gail," the mother of his Gail immediately wanted to know where hers was. My daughter includes My daughter explained, Gail in the daily household as nicely as possible, that

she was not invited. Мy daughter was immediately met with mean, hateful comments.

The wedding had to be rescheduled due to COVID-19, and the delay has put the issue back to square one.

her the wrong name. She Gail has started all over, assuming she will get an wrong to exclude her? — Wedding Drama

Dear Wedding Drama: things — such as pull the If you have to ask the question, you probably after being told not to. know the answer. Yes, it is She has taken them to wrong for your daughter doctors and dentists for not to invite the grandappointments without mother of her stepchildren to the wedding. Your their father. She has been daughter is not starting asked to back off some. fresh with Hank; she's My daughter understands marrying a man who that Gail jumped in and comes with a family that helped for a year and that suffered a tragedy. While it might be difficult for Gail's behavior does sound a bit intrusive, try to responsibilities, so she has member where she is combeen patient with Gail. ing from. She lost her daughter. Try to show compassion for Gail. Your and live together as a daughter and Hank should have a very direct conversation with Gail, explaindaughter decided not to ing that they will not invite Gail to the wed- tolerate drama on their ding. This is intended to special day and that she is be a special day about the invited only on the condibride and groom. My tion that she meet their



LOCAL THEATER INFORMATION

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

VALERIE THEATRE CULTURAL CENTER

COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS ARE IN PLACE. "Selma" (PG-13) Feb. 7, 3 p.m. "Pillow Talk" (NR) Feb. 8, 1 p.m. "Madagascar 3" (PG) Feb. 9, 4:30 p.m. "Say Anything" (PG-13) Feb. 12, 7 p.m. "The Princess Bride" (PG) Feb. 13, 3 p.m. "Ghost" (PG-13) Feb. 14, 3 p.m.

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

goods are in short supply.

During these trying times, we wish to adhere to an over abundance of safety in order to protect our staff as well as our clients. We ask that you please bear with us, until there is some sense of normalcy returned to our lives. For information, call 352-400-8952 or visit

www.veterans-coalition.com.

Apply for Chapter 776 MOPH scholarships

Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 Military Order of the Purple Heart is pleased to announce two scholarship opportunities for local graduating high school seniors. Chapter 776's College of Central Florida

(CF) Endowed Scholarship awards \$1,250 to a graduating senior accepted or currently enrolled as a full time student (12 or more semester credit hours) at CF for academic year 2021-22.

Chapter 776's Sgt. Dennis J. Flanagan Memorial Scholarship awards \$1,000 to a graduating senior enrolled in the JROTC program and accepted as a full time student (12 or more semester credit hours) at any accredited U.S. college for Academic Year 2021-22.

The Chapter 776 scholarship information and application can be obtained at www.citruspurpleheart.org, by contacting your school guidance department or by either emailing info@citruspurpleheart.org or calling 352-382-3847. Chapter 776 must receive scholarship

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applications no later than 5 p.m. Feb. 26, 2021.

CCVC expands services to those affected by COVID-19

In addition to existing clients at the Citrus County Veterans Coalition (CCVC), the coalition is now accepting any veteran who now be unemployed, due to the COVID-19 outbreak. Also, any veteran, whose financial situation has changed, is also invited to attend the CCVC food pantry for assistance.

A DD-214 certificate or other proof of honorable discharge must be shown to qualify for assistance.

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| Citrus Health & Rehabilitation Center 701 Medical Ct E, Inverness, FL 34452 352-860-0200 | | | | | > | 5 | | > | | > | < | 5 |
| Grand Living at Citrus Hills 850 W. Norvell Bryant Highway, Hernando, FL 352-301-8500 GrandLiving.com | √ | √ | √ | \ | | \ | < | 1 | | 1 | | |
| The Royal Dalton House Assisted Living & Memory Care 5445 West Oak Park Blvd., Homosassa, FL 352-765-3259 | √ | 1 | √ | \ | | ~ | < | \ | | \ | | |
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| Comfort Keepers 352-726-4547 SeniorServicesCitrusCounty.com | 1 | | | | | √ | 1 | √ | 1 | | < | 1 |
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The CCVC pantry is located at 1081 N. Paul Drive, Inverness, and is open from 9 a.m. to noon every Tuesday, and the first and third Thursdays of the month.

For further information, call 352-400-8952.

Transit available for appointments

Citrus County Transit provides service to veterans on a weekly basis, excluding holidays. Transportation to VA appointments for both wheelchair and ambulatory patients are available Tuesday to Tampa; Wednesday to Gainesville; and Thursday to the Villages VA.

Other appointments may be available if capacity is available. For reservations and information, contact Janet Gramann at 352-527-7630.

Dog tag sales benefit programs

Veterans dog tags now being made at the Beverly Hills American Legion Post 237 at 6726 N. Lecanto Highway.

These are the genuine notched and un-notched type tags as were issued. Chains and silencers also in stock. Custom made tags for any

purpose, veterans, pets, luggage, etc.

Call the post at 352-897-4776 to make an appointment. Proceeds go to Post 237 veterans programs.

Dine to help veterans in need

AMVETS Post 89 host a spaghetti supper from 4 to 6:30 p.m. every fourth Tuesday to benefit community projects and veterans in need.

Dinners are hosted at the Citrus Springs Hope Evangelist Church, 9425 N. Citrus Springs Blvd., and consist of spaghetti, sauce, meatballs, bread, salad, dessert, coffee, tea or water. Cost is \$7. Open to the public.

Call 352-464-0931.



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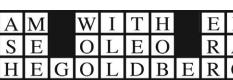
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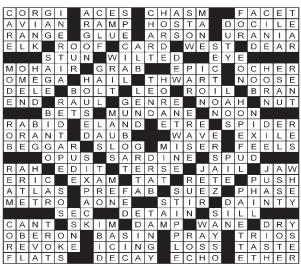
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Kathryn Beasley and Ryan Walerski

Kathryn Beasley, daughter of Joseph and Anne Beasley, and Ryan Walerski, son of

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Pro Football Hall of Famers inducted at 35 years old or younger with Calvin Johnson set the join that group this year.



SUPER BOWL LV PREVIEW



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> PATRICK MAHOMES

BATTLE FOR THE THAN SUPERSTAR QBs BRADY, MAHOMES TO FACE OFF IN SUPER BOWL LV

BY ARNIE STAPLETON AP Pro Football Writer

om Brady vs. Patrick Mahomes. The ageless quadragenarian quarterback and the magnificent millennial are the superstar attractions in Super Bowl 55 at Raymond James Stadium, the pinnacle of the NFL's pandemic season marked by Zoom calls, juggled schedules, nasal swabs and mandated masks.

Mahomes is the defending Super Bowl MVP who will become the only quarterback to start two Super Bowls by age 25. He'll try to secure a second straight title for the Kansas City Chiefs (16-2), who ended a half-century drought last year with a furious fourth-quarter rally to beat San Francisco in Super Bowl 54.

A week after beating scrappy Cleveland 22-17 in the divisional round for their eighth consecutive victory by six points or less, the cardiac Chiefs earned a return trip to the Super Bowl by rolling over the Buffalo Bills 38-24 in the AFC championship.

Brady is seeking his record seventh ring but first with Tampa Bay after leading the Buccaneers (14-5) to their first NFC title in 18 years. It's his first Super Bowl without Bill Belichick, whom he teamed up with in New England to make nine Super Bowl appearances over two decades of dominance in the AFC.

In beating Green Bay 31-26 in the NFC championship at Lambeau Field behind Brady's three touchdown passes and Shaq Barrett's three sacks of Aaron Rodgers, the Bucs became the first team to get to play a

That was in the AFC championship at Arrowhead Stadium two years ago when the Patriots won 37-31 in overtime.

Mahomes nearly prevailed that night but Charvarius Ward's game-sealing interception of Brady's pass in the final minute of regulation was negated by Dee Ford's offsides penalty when he lined up in the neutral zone. Brady went on to lead the Patriots past the Los Angeles Rams 13-3 in Super Bowl 53.

Chiefs coach Andy Reid said he appreciated Brady coming into the Chiefs' locker room after the conference championship to console a young Mahomes, who never got his hands on the ball in overtime.

"He talked to Patrick, and Patrick responded like a young guy would respond to the G.O.A.T.," said Reid, using the sobriquet that stands for "greatest of all time." Mahomes said Brady's gesture meant the

world to him. "He just kind of re-emphasized that I

was doing things the right way, that I was putting in the right work and that I would have more opportunities to be in these games," Mahomes recounted. "I've been lucky enough to be in two more of them since and win both of those."

Now Mahomes gets another crack at beating Brady with the Lombardi Trophy on the line.

The superstars separated by 18 years, one month and 14 days have split four previous matchups, with Mahomes winning the last two: 23-16 over New England in 2019 and 27-24 in Week 12 at Tampa Bay. Brady is playing in his 10th Super Bowl of a 21-year career and not only can he strengthen his claim as the greatest QB in history by winning one without Belichick, he can join his pal and one-time rival Peyton Manning as the only starting quarterbacks to win Super Bowls with two different teams.

Indianapolis Colts and Super Bowl 50 in his fourth and final season with the Denver Broncos a month before he retired.

Brady faded down the stretch in his final season with the Patriots in 2019 but his departure from New England and subsequent signing with Tampa Bay stunned the NFL.

While Brady had led the Patriots to 17 AFC East titles in 18 seasons as a starter (he was a backup as a rookie and suffered a season-ending knee injury in the 2008 opener), the Bucs hadn't reached the playoffs since 2007, five years after winning their only Super Bowl.

Moreover, Brady had to adjust to head coach Bruce Arians, offensive coordinator Byron Leftwich and his new teammates save for old buddy Rob Gronkowski without the benefit of a normal offseason because of COVID-19.

Despite some early stumbles, Brady led his star-studded cast that included wide receivers Mike Evans, Chris Godwin and Antonio Brown, running backs Ronald Jones and Leonard Fournette and tight ends Gronkowski and Cameron Brate to an 11-5 record and a return to the playoffs.

À 1-5 mark against teams that reached the playoffs made the Bucs a longshot to win the George Halas Trophy as the NFC's champ, but behind a terrific defense and Brady's steady leadership on offense Tampa Bay joined the 1985 Patriots, 2005 Steelers, 2007 Giants and 2010 Packers as the only teams to reach a Super Bowl by winning three road playoff games.

and New Orleans 30-20 before beating the Packers for their eighth consecutive road win

Not that Brady saw any of this coming as he steered the Bucs through one obstacle after another in earning the first wild-card berth of his 21-year career.

"This is a goal, but at the same time it's a week-to-week league. We were at 7-5 seven games ago, not feeling great," Brady said. "We felt like we needed to find our rhythm and (we) played four great games down the stretch the last quarter of the season. After that, it was all bonus. We just had to go play well."

Now, they're the first team that won't have to hit the road for the Super Bowl.

"That's the scary thing about having the Super Bowl at home — we've been playing so good on the road," said Arians.

This is Arians' first Super Bowl appearance as a head coach at age 68.

"I don't think about what it means for me," Brady said. "I do think about what it means for everyone else."

Like Arians, a three-time cancer survivor who stepped down as Arizona's coach in 2017 and came out of retirement two rears ago, leading the Bucs to a 7-9 record in 2019 before Brady's momentous arrival.

Super Bowl in their home stadium. "That's not where history has to end," Barrett said. "We could be the first team to win it, as well, and that's the key."

At 43, Brady will be the oldest player at any position to play in the Super Bowl.

Mahomes and Brady have squared off four times before, including once in the playoffs.

Manning won Super Bowl 41 with the

The Bucs dispatched Washington 31-23

"There were times when I never thought it would happen," Arians said. "I never thought I would get a head coaching job. After the cancer scare in Arizona, sitting out that year and coming back, this has been the most rewarding year of coaching in my life."



From Tom Brady becoming the oldest player at age 43 to ever play in a Super Bowl to Patrick Mahomes becoming the first quarterback to start in two Super Bowls by age 25, there are plenty of subplots in the Buccaneers-Chiefs showdown at Raymond James Stadium. Here are some fans should keep an eye on:

SEVENTH HEAVEN

Brady is shooting for his record seventh NFL championship, which would break a tie he shares with three members of Vince Lombardi's great Green Bay Packers teams of the 1960s. Herb Adderley won five titles in Green Bay, including the first two Super Bowls, plus another with Tom Landry's Dallas Cowboys in 1971, as did fellow Hall of Famer Forrest Gregg. Their teammate, Fuzzy Thurston, won his first title as a rookie with the Baltimore Colts in 1958 before winning five championships in Titletown. Brady won each of his half dozen rings in New England with coach Bill Belichick.

- TORCH PASSING



Coming out of retirement for a reunion with Brady, Rob Gronkowski had a solid season with 623 yards and seven TDs on 45 receptions but has been quiet in the playoffs (eight catches for 43 yards and no TDs). Travis Kelce has succeeded Gronk as the league's top tight end.

He had a record-setting season with 105 catches for 1,416 yards and 11 TDs and has collected another 21 catches for 227 yards and three TDs in two playoff games. That gives Kelce 1,643 total receiving yards in the regular and postseason, passing Gronk's 1,585 yards in 2011. Kelce's nine postseason TDs are second all-time to Gronk's dozen.

- SHOOTOUT SHOUTOUT

The game is a rematch of the Chiefs' 27-24 win on Nov. 29 at Tampa Bay in Week 12 when Mahomes threw for 462 yards and connected with Tyreek Hill 13 times for 269 yards and three TDs. The Chiefs built a 27-10 lead before Brady threw for a pair of fourth-quarter touchdowns to Mike Evans. Mahomes completed 37 of 49 passes and Brady was 27 of 41 for 345 yards and three TDs but was picked off twice. The only time Mahomes piled up more passing yards was on Nov. 19, 2018, when he threw for 478 yards in a 54-51 loss to the Rams. Hill is coming off a franchise-best 172-yard performance in the AFC championship.

PILFERING PIRATES

The Buccaneers lead the NFL with 41 points off seven takeaways in the playoffs. That included 14 points off two Green Bay turnovers in the NFC championship that gave Tampa Bay a big enough cushion to withstand a furious rally by Aaron Rodgers. Scotty Miller sped past Kevin King to haul in a 39-yard TD pass from Brady with 1 second left in the first half following an interception by Sean Murphy-Bunting. Brady's next pass was an 8-yard scoring strike to

tight end Cameron Brate that followed Aaron Jones' second fumble - both forced by safety Jordan Whitehead.

TWICE IS NICE

Brady can become the first starting QB to win a Super Bowl in both conferences. Peyton Manning is the only starting QB to win titles with two different franchises (Indianapolis over Chicago 29-17 in Super Bowl 41 and Denver over Carolina 24-10 in Super Bowl 50). Before Brady, the only starting QB to lead teams from the NFC and AFC to the Super Bowl was Craig Morton, whose Cowboys lost to the Baltimore Colts 16-13 in Super Bowl 5 and whose Broncos lost to Dallas 27-10 in Super Bowl 12. Kurt Warner led the St. Louis Rams past Tennessee 23-16 in Super Bowl 34 but lost Super Bowl 43 to Pittsburgh 27-23 as the Arizona Cardinals' starter.

RIDING SHOTGUN

Both teams have defensive coordinators who used to be NFL head coaches: Tampa Bay's Todd Bowles and Kansas City's Steve Spagnuolo. Bowles went 26-41 as Jets head coach from 2015-18. When Bruce Arians came out of retirement in 2019 he quickly hired Bowles, whom he coached at Temple in the 1980s and who had been his DC in Arizona from 2013-14. The Bucs have led the NFL in rushing defense the last two seasons. Spagnuolo went 11-41 with the Rams from 2009-11 and as Giants interim head coach in 2017. He joined Andy Reid in 2019 and played a big role in turning around the Chiefs' defense in their championship season a year ago.

CHAMPIONSHIP CHOPS



Arians is making his first Super Bowl appearance as a head coach and Reid is making his third. Reid is the only coach in NFL history to coach a team that hosted three consecutive

conference championships, and he's done it in both Kansas City and Philadelphia. His Eagles hosted the NFC title games following the 2002-04 seasons, losing to Tampa Bay and Carolina before beating Atlanta prior to their loss to New England in Super Bowl 39. Reid's Chiefs lost to New England in the AFC title game at Arrowhead Stadium following the 2018 season before beating Tennessee last year on their way to winning Super Bowl 54.

PRECISION PASSING

Mahomes, whose 17 TD throws in seven playoff games are the most by a QB in his first four seasons in the NFL, has been insanely accurate in these playoffs, completing 73.5% of his throws (50 of 68) for 580 yards with four touchdowns and zero interceptions in wins over the Browns and Bills. He's been sacked one time. Brady, on the other hand, has completed just 55 percent of his throws (60 for 109) in three playoff games for Tampa Bay. He's thrown for 860 yards with seven TDs and a trio of interceptions, all in the NFC championship at Lambeau Field. He's been sacked five times in this postseason.

AT STAKE

National Football League Championship for the Vince Lombardi Trophy. The Chiefs are seeking their third trophy and second in a row after a 50-year drought; the Buccaneers are seeking their second trophy to go with the one they hoisted after the 2002 season.

KICKOFF Sunday, Feb. 7, at 6:30 p.m. Eastern

PARTICIPANTS

Tampa Bay Buccaneers (NFC) and Kansas City Chiefs (AFC). This is the fourth appearance for the Chiefs (2-1), who lost to the Green Bay Packers in Super Bowl 1 in 1967, then beat Minnesota in Super Bowl 4 in 1970. It took them 50 years to get back but they beat San Francisco in Super Bowl 54 last year in Miami. The Buccaneers (1-0) are making their second appearance. They beat the Oakland Raiders in Super Bowl 37.

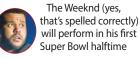
VENUE

Raymond James Stadium, Tampa, Fla., home to the Buccaneers, the first team ever to play a Super Bowl in its home stadium. This is the third Super Bowl at Raymond James and fifth in Tampa.

SEATING CAPACITY -

The stadium seats 65,000 normally and is expandable to 75,000 but attendance will be limited to 22,000 because of the pandemic with 7,500 tickets going to healthcare workers who have received the COVID-19 vaccine.

HALFTIME SHOW



show. The Canadian singer-songwriter is a three-time Grammy winner whose given name is Abel Makkonen Tesfaye. Billboard named his song "Blinding Lights" as the No. 1 song of 2020.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Country artist Eric Church and R&B vocalist Jazmine Sullivan with sing "The Star Spangled Banner."



FIRST FEMALE SUPER BOWL OFFICIAL

Down judge Sarah Thomas will become the first woman ever to officiate a Super Bowl. She also

was the first woman to officiate a major college football game before being hired by the NFL in 2015. "Her



elite performance and commitment to excellence has earned her the right to officiate the Super Bowl," said Troy Vincent, the NFL's executive vice president of football operations. Carl Cheffers, a 21-year veteran NFL official, will referee his second Super Bowl. He also was in charge during Super Bowl 51 in 2017, when Brady and the Patriots overcame a 25-point deficit and beat the Falcons in the biggest comeback and first overtime game in Super Bowl history.

GAME COVERAGE

Game can be watched on CBS television affiliates and on the CBS All Access app.



CONTENT BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Brady, improved defense key for Bucs

Tampa Bay started roll after loss to Chiefs

FRED GOODALL AP sports writer

TAMPA — Tom Brady and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers won't be denied.

The 43-year-old six-time Super Bowl champion may no longer be the best quarterback in the NFL, however, he's shown in his first season with the Bucs that he's still good enough to lead a team to the NFL title game.

And the way Tampa Bay's defense has played since Patrick Mahomes manhandled it in Week 12 of the regular season gives the NFC champions confidence that Sunday's rematch with the defending Super Bowl winners will be different.

Brady and the Bucs haven't lost since falling to the Chiefs 27-24 on Nov. 29, rattling off seven consecutive wins on the way to the franchise's first appearance on football's biggest stage in 18 years.

This is exactly what general manager Jason Licht and coach Bruce Arians had in mind when coming off a 7-9 finish and hoping to end a 12-season hiatus from the playoffs — they signed the former New England Patriots star to a two-year, \$50 million contract in free agency.

"Naturally, I think you envision it every year in the offseason. You want to make some moves that hopefully get your team into the Super Bowl. I think when you sign a guy like Tom, it makes it a little more realistic," Licht said.

"Just talking to him the days after we signed him, you could just hear and feel the confidence that he had," the GM added. "It made it a little bit more real."

Arians has also worked with Peyton Manning, Ben Roethlisberger, Andrew Luck and Carson Palmer during a long coaching career in which he's developed a reputation as a quarterback whisperer. He said what sets the great QBs apart like that, and the guys that we from others is a unique passion to win.

'They have the ability to will themselves on other people to



Tampa Bay Buccaneers linebacker Shaquil Barrett (58) celebrates with teammate Jason Pierre-Paul after sacking Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers during the second half of the NFC championship, Jan. 24 in Green Bay, Wis.

cause is a ring, putting a championship in your trophy case," Arians said. "Tom brings that attitude every single day and it permeates through the entire locker room."

And has since Day 1. "This man has been to a lot of these before, so most definitely coming in we knew we had a shot at all these goals. We were taking it week by week, but we definitely knew with a leader had in place already, that the sky was the limit," third-year running back Ronald Jones said.

make sure that everybody has added. "They definitely spoke it former Patriots teammate out of already young secondary by things we had to do to make it happen."

Brady inherited a talented receivers Mike Evans and Chris tight ends O.J. Howard and Cam- too. eron Brate.

But Licht didn't stand pat in his determination to transform the offense into a high-scoring outfit capable of putting up enough points to keep pace with Kansas City's high-octane attack led by Mahomes, All-Pros Tyreek Hill and Travis Kelce.

bought in to the cause. The into existence and we did the retirement, then solidified the offensive line that protects Brady by drafting tackle Tristan Wirfs. Running backs LeSean array of playmakers, including McCoy and Leonard Fournette, and eventually receiver Antonio Godwin and Scotty Miller, and Brown, were added to the mix,

That's a lot of firepower.

But ultimately, what will make the difference Sunday is the team's commitment to keeping an improved defense together.

Licht placed the franchise tag on 2019 NFL sacks leader Shaquil Barrett and re-signed linebacker Jason Pierre-Paul The GM traded for Rob Gron- and defensive tackle Ndamu-"And, here we are," Jones kowski after Brady lured his kong Suh before bolstering an to be the best on Sunday."

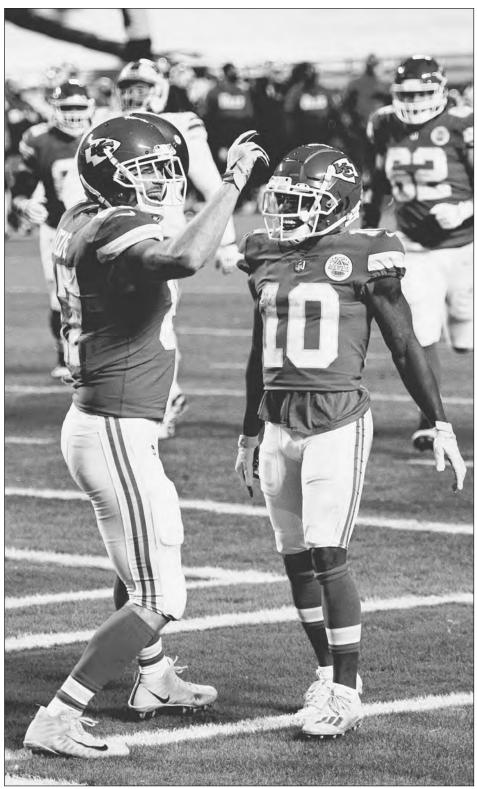
drafting safety Antoine Winfield, Jr.

Mahomes lit up the Bucs with 462 yards passing, including 13 completions to Hill for 269 yards and three touchdowns, during the Chiefs' win in Week 12. But Tampa Bay's defense has made strides over the past two months, building confidence and playing its best during a playoff run that includes wins over Drew Brees and Aaron Rodgers.

Taking down Mahomes won't be easy, but it's not impossible.

'We don't have to be the best every day," defensive coordinator Todd Bowles said. "We have

From players to pedigree, Chiefs hold the edge



Associated Press

Kansas City Chiefs tight end Travis Kelce (with ball) and teammate wide receiver Tyreek Hill (10) celebrate Kelce's touchdown catch against the Buffalo Bills during the second half of the AFC championship game, Jan. 24 in Kansas City, Mo.

Champs are favored to earn repeat

DAVE SKRETTA AP sports writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. -Patrick Mahomes has surpassed Tom Brady as the NFL's best quarterback.

Tyreek Hill is superior to Mike Evans at wide receiver.

Travis Kelce against Rob Gronkowski is no longer the contest it might have been five years ago.

Based on offense alone, the Kansas City Chiefs are head and shoulders better than the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. That's not the only reason why they will win their second consecutive Super Bowl on Sunday.

Directing all that talent is the league's most brilliant offensive mind in Andy Reid, helped along by arguably its premier offensive coordinator in Eric Bieniemy. Defensive coordinator Steve Spagnuolo has proven to be the kryptonite to Tampa Bay quarterback Tom Brady in the big game. Even the Chiefs' special teams are more special.

'We've had everybody's best shots, all shots thrown at us — guys throwing cheap shots, guys wanting to fight us," Chiefs wide receiver Sammy Watkins said. "We've been taking on the world. That's what makes us who we are. I think that's what makes us the best team in the world."

Within each of those reasons are yet more reasons why the

are 3 1-2 point favorites their ground game merely sports books, and why the bit honest. majority of money from the landing on Kansas City.

Super Bowl MVP, has only NFC title game)," Reid gotten better since last said. "Our guys are workseason. That was evident ing hard to make sure in a Week 12 win over the they're fundamentally Buccaneers, when he sound, schematically shredded their vaunted defensive front and aggressive blitzing scheme. Mahomes finished with mastermind of the Kansas 462 yards passing and three touchdowns without third Super Bowl trip as a an interception in the head coach. Tampa Bay 27-24 victory.

feel for what we want to do twice as a coordinator in and how we want to exe- Pittsburgh, but never in cute on game day," Ma- charge. homes said, "and when you have that much com- defense, which critics like munication, you understand why things are coming. But the reality is called, it's a cool thing to have on your team."

Having Hill, Kelce and the rest of the Chiefs' playpretty cool, too.

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have one of the NFL's best Chiefs much: They had 49 pass plays against just Chiefs 16 runs in that game, using Super Bowl.

over the Buccaneers at the to keep the defense a little

"That group is playing at betting public has been a very high level. You saw that with their front Mahomes, the reigning against Green Bay (in the sound. Just keep it tight there."

Speaking of Reid, the City offense is making his counterpart Bruce Arians "We have a really good has been to the big game

Then there's the Chiefs' to consider their short-Spagnuolo's bunch held the Buccaneers to a mere 10 points until the fourth quarter of their meeting makers at his disposal is earlier this season. They have plenty of star power Kelce had 13 catches for in All-Pro safety Tyrann

As for Spagnuolo, he

"At the end of the day, postseason especially when you get into the postseason, it's Yes, the Buccaneers about which team has the best defense on the field,' run defenses, and they'll Mathieu said. "It's about have back Vita Vea after winning third down, not the big defensive tackle letting the other team missed their Week 12 score 17 or 20 points. If we game with an injury. But stay in that mindset, we that shouldn't affect the give ourselves a chance to win any big game.'

None is bigger than the

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Rangers deal Elvis Andrus to A's for DH Kris Davis

Elvis is leaving Texas.

Veteran infielder Elvis Andrus was traded to the Oakland Athletics on Saturday, just over two months after the Texas Rangers said the only player remaining from their only two World Series appearances would no longer be the starting shortstop after 12 seasons in that role.

Texas sent the 32-year-old Andrus, catcher Aramis Garcia and \$13.5 million to the A's for designated hitter Khris Davis, catcher Jonah Heim and righthander Dane Acker.

"At the beginning it was a little shock but at the same time I understood what was going on in our (Texas) organization, they're rebuilding and that process," Andrus said. "When I found out, the opportunity playing for Oakland opened up, it makes sense for me for my career, for where I'm at right now."

Andrus is owed \$14 million in each of the next two seasons. The \$120 million, eight-season deal he signed in 2015 also includes a \$15 million option for 2023 that now, because of the trade, becomes a player option if he has 550 plate appearances in 2022, or 1,100 combined in 2021-22.

The AL West champion A's, who made the playoffs in each of the last three seasons, recently lost shortstop Marcus Semien to Toronto in free agency.

"Elvis will fit in very well with our infielders. He has a passion for defense as do our other guys," Oakland manager Bob Melvin said via text message. "I've seen his leadership qualities from the opposing dugout for 10 years now."

Rangers president Jon Daniels said the deal had been discussed earlier in the winter, and conversations picked up in the past week. Daniels spoke Thursday night with Andrus, who could have vetoed any trade.

"From a career standpoint, I think he understood it right away," Daniels said. "This is an opportunity for him to play shortstop ... and (he) is very confident in his abilities to do that for a very good club."

Correa, Astros reach deal for \$11.7 million, 1-year

HOUSTON - Shortstop Carlos Correa and the Houston Astros settled their arbitration case Saturday, reaching a deal on a one-year contract for \$11.7 million.

Correa had asked for \$12.5 million and the Astros had offered \$9.75 million.

The 26-year-old All-Star had an \$8 million salary that became a prorated \$2,962,963 during the pandemicshortened season.

Correa hit .264 with five home runs and 25 RBIs in 58 games last year, then excelled in the postseason. He hit .362 with six homers and 17 RBIs in 13 playoff games as Houston came within one win of reaching the World Series.

Correa led major league shortstops

of business.

"I'm happy that we were able to come to an agreement and avoid arbitration," he said. "Arbitration is not a good process.'

Barty back with a tournament win; Russia wins ATP Cup final

MELBOURNE, Australia - Ash Barty didn't play competitive tennis in almost a year. It seems like she didn't miss a beat.

Top-ranked Barty cashed in on her first championship point against Garbine Muguruza in the Yarra Valley Classic and Daniil Medvedev clinched the ATP Cup title for Russia within seconds of each other Sunday as the tuneup tournaments for the Australian Open were culminating the eve of the year's first major.

After a hectic preparation, which included 14-day quarantines under strict COVID-19 pandemic regulations for the 1,200 or so players, coaches and staff who flew in for the Australian Open, the warmup week of tournaments was being capped with five finals and two semifinals.

Barty kicked it off by claiming her second WTA on home soil — just over a year after her first — with a 7-6 (3), 6-4 win over sixth-seeded Muguruza, the Australian Open runner-up last year.

Barty hasn't left Australia since the coronavirus outbreak became a global pandemic. Instead of playing the U.S. Open or trying to defend her French Open title, she spent her time practicing, playing golf and doing things like watching her favorite football team win the Australian Football League.

"Absolutely no regrets for me," Barty said. "I felt like it's been a challenging 12 months for everyone all across the world. Everyone has been in a very different, unique situation, depending on what country they're in - even what state here in Australia.

"I feel very fortunate to have had the year that I have had - there was nothing but positive vibes. Now I'm really happy to be back playing tennis with an opportunity to play in front of a crowd here at the Australian Open. It's really special."

There were small clusters of spectators at Margaret Court Arena to watch Barty's final. Still, that's more of a crowd than most players have been accustomed to seeing at their matches during the pandemic. On Monday, when the Australian Open starts, there's expected to be up to 30,000 fans at Melbourne Park.

To the crowd on Sunday, Barty said: "For us, this is what makes the magic happen."

"I'm so grateful you can be here making it extra special for us," she added. "Seeya next week."

Muguruza had dropped only 10 games - never more than two in a set — in her previous four straight-set victories at the tournament, including a 6-2, 6-2 quarterfinal win over 2020 Australian Open champion Sofia Kenin.

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with a .995 fielding percentage, making just one error.

"Going through the arbitration process is necessary sometimes and it's there for a reason," Astros general manager James Click said. "But we're all glad to have it behind us so we can focus on our top priority, which is getting out there to compete for a championship with Carlos and the rest of the team."

Correa said he was glad to take care

The two-time major winner got the first break of serve to lead 3-1 before Barty broke back. Muguruza broke again and had a chance to serve for the first set, before Barty went on a roll.

The Australian star used her slice backhand and drop shots to keep Muguruza moving around the court, and mixed some powerful forehands with variety ---clinching the match with a lob.

- From wire reports

Lee scores late to lift **Islanders over Penguins**

Associated Press

UNIONDALE, NY - Anders Lee scored on the power play late in the third period to lift the New York Islanders over the Pittsburgh Penguins 4-3 on Saturday night, snapping a fivegame skid.

Lee scored with 2:44 left after Pittsburgh's Teddy Blueger was penalized for delay of game. It was the fourth goal this season for the Islanders captain. Ryan Pulock and Mathew Barzal had assists.

Semyon Varlamov made 28 saves for the Islanders.

Jake Guentzel put the Penguins ahead 3-2 at 3:19 of the third before Cal Clutterbuck tied it for the Islanders with his first goal of the season at 8:23.

Penguins captain Sidney Crosby assisted on Guentzel's fourth goal of the season. Crosby has 114 points against Islanders, the most of any active player against one team.

Maple Leafs 5, Cancucks 1

TORONTO - Auston Matthews scored twice to extend his goal streak to a career-best seven games and Toronto heaped more misery Vancouver.

Wayne Simmonds scored twice and Zach Hyman had a goal and an assist, providing the rest of the offense for Toronto. Frederik Andersen made 27 saves.

Mitch Marner added three assists to extend his point streak to seven games as the Leafs won their second straight against the Canucks following Thursday's

7-3 blowout. Mikko Lehtonen chipped in with two assists for his first two-point night in the NHL.

Coyotes 3, Blues 1

ST. LOUIS — Jakob Chychrun scored twice and Clayton Keller added a powerplay goal, helping Arizona beat St. Louis.

Keller, a St. Louis native, rushed by Oskar Sundqvist and beat rookie Ville Husso through the goaltender's legs 10:44 into the second period. Chychrun added an empty-netter in the final minute.

Coyotes goalie Darcy Kuemper, who lost his previous start Tuesday, stopped 24 shots to improve to 3-5-1.

Robert Thomas scored for St. Louis. Husso made 16 saves in his third start.

The teams split two games earlier in the week, and they play again on Monday night. St. Louis won 4-3 on Tuesday, but Arizona rebounded with a 4-3 victory Thursday.

Canadiens 2, Senators 1

OTTAWA, Ontario — Jake Allen made 34 saves and Josh Anderson broke a tie early in the third period, leading Montreal to the victory.

Jeff Petry also scored as Montreal gave coach Claude Julien his 200th win with the franchise.

Colin White scored for Ottawa, which was playing its first home game since Jan. 21. Matt Murray had 30 saves for the Senators, who beat the Canadiens 3-2 in Montreal on Thursday for their only win on a seven-game road trip.

Anderson scored 1:35 into the third, knocking in a rebound for his fourth goal in three games.

Former boxing champ Spinks dies at 67

Heavyweight who beat Ali battled cancer

TIM DAHLBERG AP boxing writer

LAS VEGAS - Leon Spinks, who won Olympic gold and then shocked the boxing world by beating Muhammad Ali to win the heavyweight title in only his eighth pro fight, has died. He was 67.

Spinks, who lived his later years in Las Vegas, died Friday night, according to a release from a public relations firm. He had been battling prostate and other cancers.

His wife, Brenda Glur Spinks, and a few close friends and other family members were by his side when he passed away.

A lovable heavyweight with a drinking problem, Spinks beat Ali by decision in a 15-round fight in 1978 to win the title. He was unranked at the time, and picked as an opponent because Ali was looking for an easy fight.

He got anything but that, with an unorthodox Spinks swarming over Ali throughout the fight on his way to a stunning win by split decision. The two met seven months later at the Superdome in New Orleans, with Ali taking the decision this time before a record indoor boxing crowd of 72,000 and a national television audience estimated at 90 million people.

"It was one of the most unbelievable things when winning six of his first Ali agreed to fight him because you look at the fights months before he met Ali, he had up to then and he he could manage just a was not only not a top con- draw with journeyman tender but shouldn't have Scott LeDoux and he been a contender at all," promoter Bob Arum said in the heavyweight title Saturday. "He was just an opponent but somehow he found a way to win that fight."

rematch to Ali in New Orleans and fought for the bout against Ken Norton. title only once after that,

the third round in 1981 by Larry Holmes. He continued fighting on and off into the mid-1990s, finishing with a record of 26-17-3.

Spinks, with a big grin that often showed off his missing front teeth, was popular among boxing fans for both his win over Ali and his easygoing personality. But he burned through his earnings quickly, and at one point after retiring was working as a custodian at a YMCA in Nebraska, cleaning locker rooms.

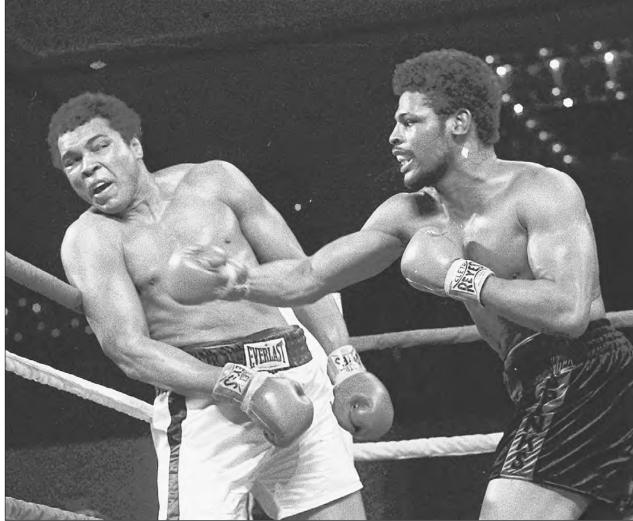
He later was part of a group of ex-fighters who had their brains studied by the Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health in Las Vegas. Spinks was found to have brain damage caused by a combination of taking punches to the head and heavy drinking, though he functioned well enough to do autograph sessions and other events late in his life.

"He was a good soul," said Gene Kilroy, who was Ali's business manager when he fought Spinks and became friends with the fighter.

Spinks won the light heavyweight division at the 1976 Olympics in Montreal, beating Sixto Soria of Cuba in an upset to become one of five U.S. fighters to win gold. His brother, Michael, who would later become heavyweight champion himself, won the middleweight gold, and Sugar Ray Leonard took the welterweight title.

Spinks was hardly spectacular after turning pro, seven fights. Just four wasn't on anyone's radar picture.

brutal fight with Earnie Shavers and wasn't look-Spinks would lose the ing forward to what would have been a mandatory whom he had already



Leon Spinks, right, connects with a right hook to Muhammad Ali, during the late rounds of their championship fight Feb. 15, 1978 in Las Vegas. Former heavyweight champion Leon Spinks Jr. died Friday night after battling prostate and other cancers. He was 67.

number. Instead, he sought quick rematch. The two an easy mark for a fight fought seven months later that was to be nationally televised on ABC, even CBS that set television knowing he would be viewing records at the stripped of one of his titles time, with nearly half the for taking another fight.

Enter Spinks, who was such a big underdog most more seriously than he did sports books didn't even take bets on the fight.

"In that fight everything was competitive. Spinks clicked," Arum said. "He came in with a game plan and he beat Ali. It wasn't that Ali wasn't at his best, but Leon shocked everybody with how good Leon was.

Suddenly, Spinks was the heavyweight cham-But Ali was coming off a pion of the world at the age of 25.

"I'm not The Greatest," Spinks said afterward. "Just the latest."

Arum was in the dressing room with Ali after the when he was stopped in fought three times and fight, and said Ali directed fast and Leon got in the 1985, defending it three acted."

in a prime-time fight on country tuning in.

Ali took the rematch the first fight, winning a decision though Spinks might have been better, Arum said, but enjoyed the life of being heavyweight champion too much and partied much of

the time between fights. "Leon posed in a bathtub with a glass of champagne smoking a cigar. He suddenly had an entourage as big as one that Ali had," Arum said. "We were all staying at the same hotel in New Orleans for the rematch and one morning I was coming down to break-

who seemed to have Ali's him to sign Spinks to a elevator and collapsed on times before said, `Leon, are you crazy, you're fighting in just a few in from roadwork."

Among the notable people in Spinks' entourage Houpe in St. Louis. was Lawrence Tureaud, who would later be known as the actor Mr. T and the champion.

poverty along with his brother Michael. After discovering boxing both teurs, culminating in the middleweight gold.

go on to win the heavy- love him even though you weight title himself in shook your head at how he

being the floor. Obviously he had knocked out by Mike Tyson been out drinking and I in 91 seconds in their 1988 fight in Atlantic City. By then, the best part of days.' He said `What do Leon's career was over, you mean? I'm just coming though he would fight until losing a December 1995 fight against Fred

After moving to Las Vegas, Spinks was married to Brenda Glur Spinks in served as bodyguard for 2011. The two were often seen at boxing-related ac-Spinks was born July 11, tivities, including Spinks' 1953, in St. Louis, raised in 2017 induction into the Nevada Boxing Hall of Fame.

"He was happy go lucky, brothers became top ama- the salt of the earth,' Arum said, chuckling at 1976 Olympics where Leon the memories. "Leon was won the light heavyweight nutty but you couldn't get gold and Michael won the angry at the guy. He never meant any harm to any-Michael Spinks would one. You couldn't help but

No. 16 Virginia Tech escapes with OT win at Miami

No. 24 OSU tops No. 6 Texas Tech in two overtimes

Associated Press

CORAL GABLES — Virginia Tech had to go to overtime to avoid a losing streak.

Justyn Mutts scored 22 points and Keve Aluma added 16 as the No. 16 Hokies defeated Miami 80-76 Saturday.

Nahiem Alleyne hit a goahead jumper with 25 seconds remaining in the extra period and Hunter Cattoor made two free throws with four seconds left as the Hokies (14-4, 8-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) needed a late 3-pointer to avoid consecutive losses.

"Good teams don't lose two games in a row," Virginia Tech coach Mike Young said. "Good teams find ways to hang in there and continue to keep your shoulders back and hit the practice floor to improve. You've heard me say it many times. I've got great dudes."

14 points and forced the overtime with a 3-pointer at the buzzer to tie the game at 74-all. The basket erased Isaiah Wong's go-ahead 3-pointer seconds earlier for Miami.

There was question as to whether Cattoor stepped out of bounds before his game-tying conversion.

"I don't know if that's true or not; I know there were several very close calls at the end," Miami coach Jim Larranaga said. "It's a strange ending to a game if in fact the guy who made the game-tying shot was out of bounds. I'll be very disappointed if I find out that was a violation.

Young had not heard anything about Cattoor stepping out of bounds.

"I don't really care. The kid made a great shot. We got it to overtime," Young said.

19 points each for the Hurricanes (7-11, 3-10). Kameron Mc-Gusty added 18 points.

"With Hunter we've seen him hit that shot so many times,' Mutts said of Cattoor's 3-pointer. "For him to make it at that big of a time in the game it's really not a surprise to anybody. But my mindset at that point was now let's go win the game."

Miami erased a double-digit deficit with a 20-7 spurt late in the second half. Wong hit two 3-pointers to key the surge and Nysier Brooks' dunk with 3:34 to go gave the Hurricanes a 68-66 lead.

The Hokies opened their first double-digit lead with a 12-2 run midway through the second half. Mutts' layup with 8:03 remaining capped the surge and gave Virginia Tech a 59-48 lead.

Mutts' two free throws gave Virginia Tech a 31-28 lead at halftime.

No. 24 Oklahoma St. 75, No. 6 Texas Tech, 20T

STILLWATER, Okla. - Cade Cunningham scored five of his 19 points in the second overtime, in-Cattoor finished with cluding a contested 3-pointer with 1:33 left, to help No. 24 Oklahoma State beat sixth-ranked Texas 75-67.

Kalib Boone led OSU with 22 points, 15 rebounds and five blocks, including two in the second overtime after Cunningham had staked the Cowboys to a 74-67 lead with the 3-pointer and two free throws.

Avery Anderson added 16 points and 10 rebounds for the Cowboys (12-5, 5-5 Big 12).

No. 5 Houston 112, Our Lady of the Lake 46

HOUSTON — Cameron Tyson made a school-record 10 3-pointers on his way to a career-high 32 points to lead No. 5 Houston over the NAIA's Our Lady of the Lake.

No. 9 Oklahoma 79, Iowa State 72

NORMAN, Okla. - Elijah Hark-

less scored a season-high Wong and Elija Olaniyi scored 19 points and No. 9 Oklahoma sent Iowa State to its seventh straight loss

No. 18 Missouri 68, No. 10 Alabama 65

COLUMBIA, Mo. - Dru Smith had 16 points and eight rebounds and No. 18 Missouri held off a frantic rally at the end to hand Alabama its first conference loss.

No. 12 Illinois 75, No. 19 Wisconsin 60

CHAMPAIGN, III. - Kofi Cockburn scored 23 points and Ayo Dosunmu had the third triple-double in school history with 21 points, 12 rebounds and 12 assists to lead the Illini.

No. 13 Texas Tech 73, **Kansas State 62**

MANHATTAN, Kan. - Mac Mc-Clung scored 23 points as No. 13 Texas Tech handed the Wildcats their 10th straight loss.

No. 14 Virginia 73, Pittsburgh 65

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. - Sam Hauser scored 10 of his 23 points during a key second-half stretch to key No. 14 Virginia.

No. 15 Creighton 71, **Marguette 68**

MILWAUKEE — Christian Bishop scored 14 points and No. 15 Creighton withstood a late comeback, denying a 3-pointer in the final seconds.

No. 17 West Virginia 91, No. 23 Kansas 79

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. - Miles McBride scored a career-high 29 points and Taz Sherman added a career-best 25 for No. 17 West Virginia.

No. 24 Purdue 75, **Northwestern 70**

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. -Jaden Ivey scored a career-high



Associated Press

Miami guard Elijah Olaniyi (4) dunks the ball against Virginia Tech forward Keve Aluma (22) during the second half of a game Saturday in **Coral Gables.**

20 points and grabbed seven rebounds to provide the energy for No. 24 Purdue.

No. 25 Drake 80, Valparaiso 77

VALPARAISO, Ind. - ShanQuan Hemphill scored 18 points, including a dunk that jump started a late 11-0 run as No. 25 Drake won its

second straight game since entering the AP poll earlier in the week for the first time in nearly 13 years.

UCF 65, Tulsa 58

TULSA, Okla. - Darius Perry scored 18 points with five 3-pointers and Brandon Mahan posted 15 points, all from behind the arc, as Central Florida topped Tulsa 65-58.

Serena, Nadal eye records at Aussie Open

Yet COVID-19 looms over first Grand Slam

HOWARD FENDRICH AP tennis writer

Easy as it is to assemble a list of significant Australian Open story lines — from Rafael Nadal's bid for a men's-record 21st Grand Slam singles trophy to Serena Williams' try for her 24th, from Novak Djokovic's attempt to win a third consecutive title at Melbourne Park to Sofia Kenin's defense of her first major championship, and so on nothing hangs over the upcoming two weeks quite like questions involving the coronavirus.

There is, after all, still a pandemic in progress.

"During the tough months of quarantine in Spain," said Nadal, who equaled Roger Federer at 20 majors, three ahead of Djokovic, by winning the French Open in October, "(there) have been too many problems to think about tennis, no?"

And no matter how much better Australia has contained its COVID-19 outbreak than countries such as the United States, a reminder of the precarious nature of a large, international sports event came just a handful of days before the scheduled beginning of the year's first Grand Slam tennis tournament on Monday (Sunday EST): A full day of competition at the halfdozen tuneups in Melbourne was postponed because of a positive test for a worker at a hotel that housed 160 players in January

The draw for the Australian Open was pushed back a you cannot prepare 100%,"



Serena Williams serves to Australia's Daria Gavrilova during a tuneup tournament ahead of the Australian Open tennis championships on Monday in Melbourne, Australia.

day, too.

Before the 24-hour break was announced, Australian player Nick Kyrgios captured a common sentiment, tweeting: "Am I playing tomorrow?"

"It was a bit of uncertainty," he said later. "I had no idea what was going on."

Those sorts of doubt could linger at a major tournament that already was pushed back three weeks from its original start date to allow for all of the entrants and their entourages to quarantine upon arrival on the continent.

"From a tennis point of view,

2019 U.S. Open runner-up Daniil exposed to the virus during the Medvedev said. "You try to do what you can."

Williams, a seven-time champion in Melbourne, said that the Achilles tendon issue that hampered her last year in a loss at the U.S. Open and forced her to withdraw from the French Open said. "Some had it a lot more difmight have prevented her from ficult than others, that's for competing at all in Australia if sure." not for that extra bit of rest.

Most participants were limited to leaving their hotels for five hours of training per day. More than 70 players were banned from leaving their thrown off-guard a lot. I think rooms at all during that period because they potentially were tience and a lot of flexibility and best as possible."

chartered flights that carried them from various spots in the globe to Melbourne.

"Everyone experienced different challenges when it came to that period," three-time major semifinalist Johanna Konta

The mental and physical tolls of that kind of lockdown certainly would be liable to affect anyone, athlete or otherwise.

"The players are just getting it's going to demand a lot of pa-

who is going to really adjust and adapt the best," said Chris Evert, whose 18 major championships include the 1982 and 1984 Australian Opens.

"Players are so used to routines. They like to be in control. They're not in control," said Evert, now an ESPN analyst. "I mean, even Djokovic, who is like a control freak — just, you've got to throw everything to the wind and wake up every morning and just be ready to go with whatever is going to happen. It's not easy."

Because of that one positive COVID-19 test, more than 500 people associated with the Australian Open and its warmup tournaments were told to isolate until they tested negative.

One day later, action resumed.

Australian Open tournament director Craig Tiley chalked it up as "just one of those addi-tional challenges" and stated unequivocally: "We are starting on Monday.'

"The players, from the feedback we're getting from them ... have come to accept the fact that now, with their travel around the world, the environment's different. And anything can happen," Tiley said. "Every day you wake up, it can be different. And I think they have gotten used to that."

The plan is to let in 30,000 spectators per day, about 50% of the usual crowds — and a big departure from the last Grand Slam tournament of 2020, the French Open, which had about 1,000 fans per day, and the U.S. Open, which did not allow any.

"There's no such thing as no risk," Tiley said, offering what he called a paraphrasing of a government official. "There's always going to be risk. And the objective is to minimize that as

Spieth shoots 61, raises volume at Phoenix Open

Asssociated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. a 10-under 61 on Saturday for a share of the lead in chipped in from 70 feet. the Waste Management Phoenix Open. He then repeated himself.

happened," Spieth said.

A day after saying he the front nine for a share needed to be patient about of the lead, then had an 69 to drop into a tie for sevresults, Jordan Spieth shot unexpected birdie on the par-4 10th when he

"Got quite a few really good breaks," Spieth said. Each shot that ended up "What I'm looking for- in the desert I think I ward to is just staying the ended up playing those course, trusting it," Spieth holes 2 or 3 under today. tee-to-green better than I said "I have no expecta- You could easily end up in cactus with unplayable.' Spieth hit inside a foot 2017 British Open, Spieth from 170 yards for birdie was tied with Xander on the par-411th, then just missed eagling the two "I built some freedom back-nine par 5s. On 13, he now seeing these results couldn't get a 5 1/2-foot eagle putt to fall after a 208-yard second shot from the desert hardpan. On the water-guarded 15th, he left a 24-foot eagle putt inches short A week after missing the cut at Torrey Pines in his first start since the Mastrying to recapture the form ters in November, he matched his tour best of 61 set in the third round of his 2015 victory in the John Deere Classic. fourth-ranked The really, really patient and Schauffele, coming off a second-place tie at Torrey eth said. "Just tried to hit it Pines in his hometown event, shot a 65 to match Spieth at 18-under 196. Schauffele birdied four of the last holes, making a 7-footer on 17 to tie Spieth. "I just kind of hung in there and sort of capitalized on the holes I needed to on the back nine," Schauffele said. Spieth and Schauffele were last paired together in the final group on the last round of the 2018 British Open at Carnoustie. years, attendance is Schauffele shot a 74 to tie for second behind Francesco Molinari, and Spieth had a 76 to tie for ninth. "Hopefully, we both play "I told Michael (caddie a little bit better," Spieth said Scottie Scheffler and Kyoung-Hoon Lee each shot 66 to get to 15 under. Third-ranked Justin Thomas, third the last two years in the event, had a 64 to join Louis Oosthui-30-footer for birdie on zen (63) at 14 under. 17 after driving well left Thomas squandered five strokes on two holes late Thursday and early Friday, making a triple bogey on 17 in the first round and opening the second with a double on 10. Steve Stricker,

Cup captain trying to be-He made four birdies on come the oldest winner in PGA Tour history, had a enth at 13 under with Brooks Koepka (66) and James Hahn (66). Stricker began the day a stroke behind Schauffele after opening rounds of 65 and 66.

> "I actually played from did the first two days

of felt like nothing had the 53-year-old U.S. Ryder behind Graeme McDowell. "I would say the game is in better form right now than two years ago," said Johnson, the reigning Masters champion, "but I think I holed a lot more putts two years ago than I did this year so far. "But there's always

tomorrow." Victor Perez of France is

Waste Management

Johnson's nearest rival after shooting 66. Four players -Soren Kjeldsen (65), Tony Finau (67), Andy Sullivan (68) and Tyrrell Hatton (66), the recent Abu Dhabi Championship winner — are a stroke further back at 10 under overall.

They are all chasing a player who has had six top-three finishes in his last eight events

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Paul Casey, England

Shane Lowry, Ireland

Saudi International

stretching back to the PGA Championship in August.

Johnson returned to Royal Greens Golf & Country Club early Saturday to complete his second round and rolled in a birdie putt from 15 feet at the last for a 6-under 64, leaving him a shot off the lead shared by Ryan Fox and Stephen Gallacher.

tions on the results tomor- a row. I really don't.'

Winless since the Schauffele at 18-under 196.

the first few days here to where I feel really good about the path I'm on," Spieth said. "I feel good about what the long term ahead looks like for me. And sometimes that's been in question. To myself."

The 27-year-old Texan is that carried him to 11 PGA Tour victories — three of them majors — in his first five seasons on the tour.

"I just felt like I stayed struck the ball well," Spito the fat parts of the greens when I was out of position and try and attack when I could."

He raised the volume on the back nine at mostly empty TPC Scottsdale, drawing the biggest roar of the week from the limited crowd on the par-3 16th when he curled in a 36-footer for birdie and the outright lead.

Instead of the usual Saturday crowd that has topped 200,000 in recent capped at 5,000 a day the most for a tour event during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Greller) the only downside of the birdie putt on 16 is that it would have been arguably the loudest roar I've ever had if it were last year," Spieth said. "But it was still loud."

He followed with a on the short par 4.

"All of a sudden today when you kind of get in the thick of things and the crowd was feeding off and really willing those putts in with me, it actually kind

an thought," Stricker said. "Hit a lot of quality shots. Just didn't make the putts that I had been making the last couple days."

Johnson moves in sight of victory at **Saudi International**

KING ABDULLAH ECO-NOMIC CITY, Saudi Arabia Dustin Johnson is in sight of another victory at the Saudi International, a European Tour event the top-ranked American has virtually made his own.

Johnson birdied the last two holes of his third round to shoot 4-under 66 and take a two-stroke lead on 13 under overall as he looks to win the tournament for the second time, after the inaugural edition in 2019.

In the defense of the title last year, he placed second



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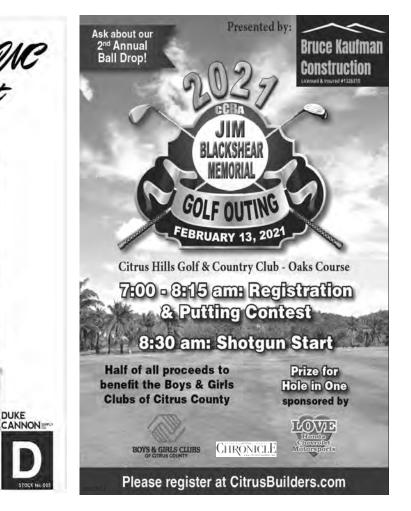
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| | Saturday |
| | At TPC Scottsdale |
| | Scottsdale, Ariz. |
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| Jordan Spieth | 67-67-61—195 |
| Xander Schauffele | 66-64-65—195 |
| Scottie Scheffler | 67-65-66—198 |
| Kyoung-Hoon Lee | 66-66-66—198 |
| Louis Oosthuizen | 69-67-63—199 |
| Justin Thomas | 70-65-64—199 |
| James Hahn | 67-67-66—200 |
| Brooks Koepka | 68-66-66—200 |
| Steve Stricker | 65-66-69—200 |
| Will Zalatoris | 71-66-64—201 |
| J.T. Poston | 68-66-67-201 |
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| Matthew NeSmith | 63-71-68—202 |
| Nate Lashley | 64-69-69-202 |
| Jon Rahm | 68-69-66-203 |
| Scott Stallings | 67-70-66—203 |
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| Cameron Tringale | 71-64-69-204 |
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| Sam Burns | 64-68-73—205 |

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| | King Abdullah Economic City, Saudi Arabia | | | | | | |
| | Purse: \$3.5 million; Yardage: 6,900; Par: 72 | | | | | | |
| | | Third Round | | | | | |
| | Dustin Johnson, US | 67-64-66—197 | -13 | | | | |
| | Victor Perez, France | 67-66-66-199 | -11 | | | | |
| | Tony Finau, United States | 68-65-67—200 | -10 | | | | |
| -18 | Tyrell Hatton, England | 67-67-66-200 | -10 | | | | |
| -18 | Andy Sullivan, England | 66-66-68-200 | -10 | | | | |
| -15 | Soren Kjeldsen, Denmark | 69-66-65-200 | -10 | | | | |
| -15 | Ryan Fox, New Zealand | 65-65-71-201 | -9 | | | | |
| -14 | David Horsey, England | 61-71-69-201 | -9 | | | | |
| -14 | Calum Hill, Scotland | 65-68-68-201 | -9 | | | | |
| -13 | Viktor Hovland, Norway | 68-66-67-201 | -9 | | | | |
| -13 | Sergio Garcia, Spain | 70-67-64—201 | -9 | | | | |
| -13 | George Coetzee, S. Africa | 66-70-65-201 | -9 | | | | |
| -12 | Martin Kaymer, Germany | 67-68-66—201 | -9 | | | | |
| -12 | Laurie Canter, England | 66-68-68-202 | -8 | | | | |
| -12 | S. Gallacher, Scotland | 62-68-72-202 | -8 | | | | |
| -11 | M. Southgate, England | 70-67-65—202 | -8 | | | | |
| -11 | Justin Rose, England | 68-66-68-202 | -8 | | | | |
| -11 | Bernd Wiesberger, Austria | | -7 | | | | |
| -10 | Kevin Na, United States | 69-63-71-203 | -7 | | | | |
| -10 | Bryson Dechambeau, US | | -7 | | | | |
| -10 | Kurt Kitayama, US | 67-68-68-203 | -7 | | | | |
| -10 | lan Poulter, England | 67-69-67-203 | -7 | | | | |
| -10 | Thomas Pieters, Belgium | 65-71-68-204 | -6 | | | | |
| -10 | Chris Paisley, England | 68-67-69-204 | -6 | | | | |
| -10 | Robert Macintyre, Scotland | | -6 | | | | |
| -9 | Ashun Wu, China | 68-68-68-204 | -6 | | | | |
| -9 | Lee Westwood, England | 67-70-67—204 | -6 | | | | |
| -8 | Fabrizio Zanotti, Paraguay | 66-71-67—204 | -6 | | | | |

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LaVine lifts Bulls past Magic



Associated Press

Chicago Bulls guard Zach LaVine, right, makes a 3-point shot over Orlando Magic forward Dwayne Bacon, left, during the first half of a game Saturday in Orlando.

Associated Press

LaVine bounced back cit to 20 in the fourth quarfrom a poor performance ter. The guard, who a night earlier and scored entered the night 10th in 39 points Saturday as the the NBA with 26.5 points Chicago Bulls routed the per game, had another injury-plagued Orlando 12 points before exiting for Magic 118-92.

LaVine scored just two points in the first three started in place of the inquarters of Friday's loss to jured Lauri Markkanen, the Magic and responded scored 20 points and hit to coach Billy Donovan's four 3-pointers. Rookie request that he play with Patrick Williams chipped more aggression early in in 16 points and 10 rethe game. He scored 22 points in the first half added 13 points. and chipped in seven rethe Bulls snapped a twogame losing streak.

Orlando's career-best 43 points in of a myriad of injuries. Friday's win, had 17 points Aaron Gordon, Markelle and eight rebounds. He Fultz and Jonathan Isaac didn't play in the fourth were already out and the quarter because of the lopsided score.

25-8 burst over the final 273-point shots. nine minutes of the first half to build a 61-43 edge at 16 points, while Terrence intermission. From there, Ross had 13 off the bench. the Bulls pushed their lead Mo Bamba scored all of to as much as 33 by making his 14 points in the fourth eight of their first 11 shots quarter of the blowout.

of the second half.

LaVine reentered after ORLANDO — Zach Orlando trimmed the defigood.

Denzel Valentine, who bounds, while Coby White

bounds and four assists as scratched just minutes scored a season-high prior to tipoff because of 23 points. Hassan Whiteside back spasms, meaning Or- added 11 points and 11 re-Nikola lando was without four bounds, and Richaun Holmes Vucevic, who scored a would-be starters because had 21 points for the Kings. Magic had little working offensively on Saturday. Chicago broke open a They shot 38.9% from the one-point game with a floor and made only 6 of

Dwayne Bacon scored

Kings 119, Nuggets 114

SACRAMENTO, Calif. -Harrison Barnes had 28 points and seven rebounds to help offset a career-high 50 points by Denver's Nikola Jokic, and the Sacramento Kings beat the Nuggets 119-114 to complete a season sweep.

Barnes made five 3-pointers, shot 10 of 16 overall and scored 13 points in the third quarter. Barnes also made a pair of free throws with 0.5 seconds remaining.

Sacramento first-round Evan Fournier was draft pick Tyrese Haliburton

Knicks 110, **Trail Blazers 99**

NEW YORK - Elfrid Payton and Julius Randle scored 22 points apiece to power New York over Portland.

Six players scored in double figures for New York, which has won two straight and improved to 11-13. RJ Barrett scored 18 points, Alec Burks added 16 and fellow reserve Immanuel Quickley had 12.

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Section C - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2021 MENTARY

COVID protocol and clucking chickens



Gerry Mulligan

OUT THE

WINDOW

phone all connected to the Publix vaccine website last Friday morning when I finally hit pay dirt. After getting up at 5 a.m. to log into the COVID vaccine queue for the fourth time. I was finally invited to come get the first of my two shots.

I did so on Wednesday evening. A month from now I will get the second shot.

I consider it my responsibility to follow the directions of the public health professionals, hospital instead look to politicians to

our community. We have been told to take precautions like wearing masks, washing our hands and keeping social distance in order to limit the spread of this virus.

vaccine shot when it is made available. To the best of my ability, I followed have those recommendations.

I realize lots of people don't believe the medical professionals and

'had two computers and my cell- administrators and physicians of provide the answers to this pan- they tell us this pandemic is fake? demic. It is a strange world when we start taking medical advice from politicians. We don't believe the same politicians when they tell us they're going to lower taxes and im-And we have been told to get the prove services, but we believe them when they give us medical advice?

Excuse me for my skepticism, but if I run into a politician at a restaurant and he tells me the steak is really good, I'm going to order the chicken.

Why listen to these folks when

More than 450,000 Americans have died from this catastrophe. We have had 354 die right here in Citrus County. I know some of the deceased — they are not faking this.

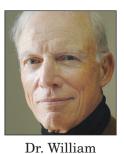
Would you listen to your CPA if she gave you advice on how to fix a broken leg? If the guy who cuts the lawn gave you stock tips would you follow his advice? If a Yankee fan had advice on how the Mets should improve their pitching rotation — See WINDOW/Page C3



JEFF BRYAN/Chronicle

A nurse with DOH-Citrus administers the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine to an area resident Thursday, Jan. 7, at DOH-Citrus' drive-thru vaccine clinic at Central Ridge Park.

'The end of this pandemic is in sight': Suggestions from a coronavirus survivor



tory reaction in the lungs creased immunity. that leads to low oxygen levels and ultimately respiratory failthe lungs and other body organs.

he COVID-19 virus can as obesity, diabetes, hyperten- breathing problems. cause a massive inflamma- sion or anything causing de-

Just before Christmas, my wife contracted the virus. She ure and death. It causes clotting knew she had been exposed in small vessels that damages and then lost her sense of smell. She tested positive the It can affect the brain, causing next day. My wife developed ocbrain fog, memory loss and gen- casional headaches along with mild fatigue. I had an occasional from the vaccine appears to be eral irritability that may not brain fog and irritability. She cough and a slight temperature more effective against the latest completely resolve over time. had an occasional cough and elevation one day only. I attri- virus mutation as well. The risk This is a very dangerous virus if reported being very, very fa-

took hydroxychloroquine and Ivermectin along with a daily baby aspirin tablet, vitamins and zinc. I tested positive.

Despite my being in the highrisk age group, the only major symptom I experienced was ger and longer lasting. Immunity bute escaping the virus to my

Cregg Dalton

GUEST

We will both be getting the The two of us immediately vaccine in 90 to 120 days from the end of our viral courses. Let me explain.

Our immunity to the virus will last at least 90 to 120 days. However, when we get vaccinated, our immunity will be both stronfrom occasional reactions to the

GUES COLUMN

Dixon

you are older than 45 years of tigued. She did not become fe- having started on Ivermectin vaccine is tiny in comparison to age and have comorbidities such brile or have any significant early in the course. See DIXON/Page C3

School bus drivers make lasting impressions on young students

elementary school bus driver and last school-related seem like a real giant to was named Mr. face I saw every day. He

Coin. I remember him well.

When I was growing up I didn't think too much about where I lived in comparison to the places I went every day. It just wasn't a part of my thought process. Being the first one on the

was.

Cortney Stewart SEEING BEYOND

bus every morning and school are intimidating the last one off every af- enough. But add to that a my first plane trip and ternoon was just the way it 45-minute ride on a big

set a tone for the remains of a rough one.

I wasn't sure

loud yellow bus and

Mr. Coin was the first elementary school can conquer.

Mr. Coin was a bit the beginning brusque. I remember his of the day and hair was always perfectly could salvage combed and he always wore short sleeves and rolled them up, even when

The thing it was cold outside. But I about Mr. Coin always knew what to exwrite our names on index were by the window, in the of middle or on the aisle.

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New construction in Citrus County adding to the tax base

has been rewarding and exhilarating.

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fice will also continue to develop. We are trans-My main forming our website to areas of focus give visitors valuable and for the past 30 adequate content, improvhave ing our social media sites been developto inform the public, ining prosperous creasing our educational relationships networking around the with our emcounty to educate our citiployees, creat- zens on the responsibiliing a positive ties of the property and thriving appraiser's office, and building solid relationships with our fellow city

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Since growth within our



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I distinctly remember

Page C2 - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2021 PINION "Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of." **Beniamin Franklin**

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FOLLOW THROUGH

Listening to Beverly Hills residents

't's nice to see that a newly recreational elements that elected member of the had no-term plan for Citrus County Commis- operation. sion is following through on It's not just parks and

campaign а pledge.

Founded

by Albert M Williamso

Residents of Beverly Hills have long been disappointed because the county keeps treating them like a "redheaded stepchild" when it comes to provid-

community.

missioner Ruthie Schlabach must share in the responsipledged during the 2020 campaign that if she was elected she would pay attenshe is doing just that.

THE ISSUE: County's help is

needed. **OUR OPINION:**

Good work Commissioner

Schlabach.

imum standards. When the time came, the county refused to accept the road network into the county

pools; the county

let Deltona Cor-

poration build

Citrus Springs

with roads that

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ing public services in their system. But the county let Citrus Springs build the Newly elected county com- roads in the first place, so it bility for the construction of inferior network.

The same is true for recreroof, claiming the state has tion to their concerns. Now ation facilities such as the been withholding all that vac-Beverly Hills park and pool. cine for use as second doses a 180-degree flip from three Commissioner Schlabach The county permits developweeks earlier, when he'd has called for a town hall ers to use infrastructure as a meeting in March to hear the sales tool, but does not adethreatened to cut off hospitals ty's 1.5 million residents. Miami, FL 33172 quately protect taxpayers from the inevitable problems **LETTERS** to the Editor once the developer is done with its business. Beverly Hills is the most No help with speeding problem nity in Citrus County, but it is not a municipality like In-For weeks I have comverness or Crystal River. It plained to the sheriff's office depends on county governabout speeding in our area. Deputies call us back stating ment to help solve commuthey will look into it. Nothing nity problems — but county has been done to solve the government just hasn't been problem. that interested in helping. A couple of weeks ago, We're glad Commissioner there were six deputies on Schlabach has called for the Ottawa working speed control town hall meeting to discuss for two days. It seems odd the future of community that we cannot get one deputy amenities. We are sure she out for a couple hours to help has an open mind and will with the problem. I looked on work with the largest group the sheriff's Facebook page of taxpayers we have to try to see many of the same proband find solutions to commulems throughout the county. nity problems. We are also It's a shame that it comes to needing help from the shermore confident that a new iffs office and you get no remajority on the county comsponse. What are the citizens mission will be open to the of this county supposed to do? proposals that are offered. I don't know what else to do. I Commissioner Schlabach's hope this letter gets some acrus County made some big initiative is a good first step. tion from the sheriff's office. mistakes years ago when (The Chronicle will publish the details of the town hall Philip Schwartz 65- to the 75-year-old person meeting when they are made Lecanto is much less susceptible to available). die from the virus than those

Gov. DeSantis is right: Florida doesn't need Biden's vaccine plan

lorida's COVID vaccine for doing the same thing. rollout is more like a less organized.

asperated seniors

armed with laptops, cellphones, iPads and tech-savvy grandchildren try to penetrate swamped local websites that fleetingly offer appointments.

Meanwhile, in the blue-sky parallel universe accessible only to the mind of Gov. Ron DeSantis, the state's distribu-

tion networks are humming along like well-oiled machines. The only problem is a shortage of vaccines.

Space limitations prevent recapping all the governor's boasting, bungles and deceptions since the pandemic began. Now that his hero Donald Trump is out of office, there's nobody at the White House to give DeSantis cover when he equivocates.

The result is a daily display of doubletalk that would be comical if so many lives and jobs weren't at stake. The governor never had a master plan for getting out the vaccine, but he's determined to ignore and discredit Joe Biden's.

As soon as the new administration began discussing the use of FEMA to set up mass inoculation sites, DeSantis curtly blew off the idea, saying we don't need federal help in Florida; just send more vaccines!

A White House spokesman responded with interesting supply statistics that DeSantis had either overlooked, or hidden from the public — the state had administered only about half of the 3.1 million doses it had been sent.

Snap! Trump would never have burned the governor so bluntly, and with actual facts.

DeSantis then commenced to pivot like a palm rat on a hot

flaming ant farm, only hasn't been able to hide is Florida's toll of COVID-related Day after day, millions of ex- deaths, which after only a year

is approaching 26,000. Who knows how many of those people wouldn't have gotten infected if DeSantis had been courageous enough to impose a statewide mask mandate ahead of the deadly and predictable surges.

Now, while older Floridians from the Panhandle to the

Keys desperately scramble to line up their first shots, DeSantis labors to appear competent by holding media conferences at various Publix, where grandstanding is a pleasure.

The governor's nightmare is that Biden will overshadow him by dramatically accelerating the local pace of vaccinations, something that pouty Trump never tried to do during his final days.

A photo-op embodying De-Santis' perpetually premature claims of victory over COVID-19 happened in Tallahassee when a 100-year-old World War II veteran received his first vaccination dose.

DeSantis was there proudly declaring that the man was the one millionth Florida senior to get a shot in the arm. Big surprise: It wasn't true.

The governor's own health department had just published data showing that fewer than 840,000 residents 65 or older had gotten their first vaccinations. On a positive note, De-Santis embellished the truth by only 20% that time, so maybe he's getting better.

Partnering with Publix pharmacies isn't a bad thing, as long as it doesn't hinder rural communities from receiving shipments of vaccines. But that's what DeSantis is doing in Palm Beach County, a move that has surprised —and angered many officials there.

Publix stores would be the only *may write to him at: The Miami* source of vaccine for the coun- Herald, 3511 NW 91st Ave.,

bypassing not only the health One number that DeSantis department but minority farm communities with no nearby Publix and many elderly folks who don't drive.

> The mayors of Belle Glade, Pahokee and South Bay immediately wrote to DeSantis, urging him to reconsider his "unconscionable" decision. On Friday, the state decided to give some of the vaccines to two Palm Beach County health agencies to distribute them in areas not served by Publix.

> It would be cynical to think DeSantis chose Publix because the company gave \$100,000 to the Friends of Ron DeSantis political action committee last month. It would also be naive to think it wasn't a factor.

> On Jan. 30, the Wall Street Journal reported that Julie Jenkins Fancelli, an heiress to the Publix chain, gave \$300,000 through a GOP connection to help bankroll Trump's ill-fated Stop the Steal" rally in Washington on Jan. 6.

Whatever his motive for favoring Publix, DeSantis is morally obligated to reveal exactly how many doses of vaccine have been stockpiled, and where (and when) he plans to distribute them. Don't hold your breath. And don't hold your breath while you're trying crack open the Publix coronavirus web page for a vaccine date. Seriously, do not hold your breath.

It took weeks of chaotic online bottlenecks for the DeSantis administration to announce that it's finally creating a statewide website where seniors will be able to put their names on an actual waiting list for inoculation.

And if that website works as well as the governor's COVID unemployment website, everyone who doesn't die first might be vaccinated by the year 2045.

By the way, about those FEMA sites that DeSantis can we please take a vote on that?

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Carl Hiaasen is a columnist He abruptly decided that 67 for the Miami Herald. Readers



OTHER VOICES

suggestions of Beverly Hills residents about what should be done with the community park on the civic circle. Most importantly, the residents want a better decision made densely populated commuabout the future of their now-empty community pool.

The residents and business community want to partner with county government to find solutions that work for everyone. Commissioners have been unwilling to come up with a permanent solution and instead have backed the idea of just closing the pool down. The residents are currently the proud owners of a "hole in the ground" that sits empty.

The county doesn't want to accept responsibility for facilities once owned by specific communities because the politicians are afraid of the cost. We can appreciate that.

But at the same time, Citgovernment permitted private developers to create communities with

Vaccine age should be raised

Editor's note: This letter was written to the director of the Citrus County Health Department.

It appears that the COVID-19 vaccine program is having some problems getting most of the Citrus residents vaccinated. I believe this is due to a limited number of doses available to this county. As of now, the county is letting those 65 and older register for the vaccinations. We are a county that is made up mostly of an older population, and I think most are much older than the 65 years of age that is allowed for the shots. The

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of us 80 and above. A great

for a place in line. Or even

myself have risen before

6 a.m. and tried to register

taken. That is after waiting

more than an hour on line.

I know that the state has

used the age 65 and above to

ever, those in the range of 65

to 75 are much less (likely) to

die from the virus than those

of us 80 and above. I believe it

is in your power to set an age

of 75 and above. I believe it is

your duty to provide the vac-

cine to those of us in a much

more critical situation. I

register for the shots. How-

only to be told spaces are

deal of us in the 80 range may

not be able to readily register

wait in those very long lines. I

believe that here in Citrus County we are receiving a limited number of doses because of the lower population. That most of the state allotment goes to the southern counties with a much higher population per county. Also, those of us in the 80 and above range are most likely to have more and more serious health conditions than those 65 to 75.

Thank you for your kind attention. I hope this letter brings thought in this matter and provides the vaccine to those of us most in need.

> James C. Booth Homosassa

The overthrow of democracy

I have concerns about Mitch McConnell and his brethren (including Rick Scott, Marco Rubio and Daniel Webster) who still support our twice impeached ex-president, even after his defeat by our legal no fraud — election in 2020.

McConnell and his fellow **Republicans supported** Trump's lie-based disenfranchising vote of the four states Trump lost and now the Republicans do not want to support holding Trump accountable for his induced insurrection against our democracy.

Does this not imply that the Republicans support the overthrow of our democracy? Does this also not imply that our elected officials by supporting Trump have committed treason against our country?

> Leslie Burdick Inverness

A refreshing editorial page

I want to thank the Chronicle for Sunday's editorial page (Jan. 31, 2021). There were no... blaming Trump letters on the editorial page. Thank you so much. It was quite refreshing.

Fill the empty strip malls

Why isn't there a push to fill empty strip malls and empty stores at the mall? We could use a Costco, Sam's, Target, Kohl's, Michaels



in Crystal River doesn't improve the blight of all the empty, rundown stores.

and those choices could fill

those empty mall stores. How

Some may admit they were wrong To all our no-

maskers: Best wishes for a long life. When all is said and done, some

of you will have the grace and good humor to admit being snookered.

THE CHRONICLE invites you to call "Sound Off" with your opinions about local subjects. You do not need to leave your name, and have less than a minute to record. COMMENTS will be edited for length, libel, personal or political attacks and good taste. Editors will cut libelous material. OPINIONS expressed are purely those of the callers.

Chamber supports COVID bills protecting small businesses

yers promising large cash awards for iniuries sustained during an accident, and who wouldn't want an extra million bucks in their bank account? If you have been injured you are

of someone



John Murphy **GUEST**

working help protect the interest of **COLUMN** all Floridians

and the Citrus certainly due fair compen- County Chamber of Comsation to cover bills and merce applauds their efinjuries incurred because forts. Both the House and else's the Senate are working on

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poised to destroy the fabric The bills are to protect of our society if small businesses, nonprofsafeguards its, school systems, and their facilities with proteceven religious institutions tive infrastructure and not from frivolous and poten-The legislatially limitless litigation.

has created a situation that has made running a business, nonprofit or school system extremely difficult. nesses in Citrus County is Although the leaders of these small businesses, nonprofits, and schools may take extraordinary measures to follow government guidelines to ensure their ments in retrofitting, PPE,

employees to use PPE and socially distance themselves and have retrofitted spacing to provide the safest environment possible, The COVID-19 pandemic the nature of COVID-19 cannot guarantee 100% protection.

The protection of busiat the core of what the Chamber of Commerce does for our community. Many local businesses have made sizable invest-

We need a less

partisan nation

Te have all seen the negligence. But it is these a Civil Liability for Dam- are properly sanitized, and keep their customers and lawsuits, according to the our community safe. HB 7 and SB 72 work to protect those businesses from frivolous lawsuits for those businesses and institutions that have worked diligently to keep us safe.

Our state senator, Senate President Wilton representing Simpson, and Rep. Ralph Massullo have both expressed support for SB 72 and HB 7 respectively. Again, the Chamber applauds the continued leadership shown by our legislative delegation.

enacted liability protecoffices, stores and schools and additional staffing to tions from COVID-19

Letters to THE EDITOR

National Conference of State Legislatures. Citrus County residents must be allowed to earn a living and support their families without the fear of frivolous lawsuits.

We thank the leadership Citrus County with Sen. Simpson and Rep. Massullo and we hope for all of our sakes they are successful in passing SB 27 and HB 7.

John Murphy is the chair-At least 14 states have man of the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce government affairs committee.

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the risks of exposing the population to the actual COVID-19 virus.

The new vaccines represent a major leap forward in technology. They ble. Take vitamins D3, C are not live viruses that and zinc daily. If you've pend on it. have been weakened nor been exposed or have suscause some sort of a reac- one aspirin per day to in sight. tion. All of the new vac- protect against clotting cines contain protein disorders. This is key: particles that pass a message to our cells to make a mediately small portion of the coro- prescriptions for hydroxynavirus that can be recognized by our immune tin. system. Once our cells effective when taken College of Business Admanufacture these pieces early. They have few side ministration at the Uniof virus, our immune system recognizes them and develops immunity to them and consequently to mild shortness of breath, Georgia and he has the virus itself. Since the have your doctor meavaccine "message" to sure your oxygen satura- administration system. manufacture virus parti- tion cles is made of proteins, the message deteriorates You dare not let this special forces officer, over time and is not a per- viral inflammatory pro- achieving the rank of lieumanent part of the cell. cess gain a foothold in tenant colonel.

We need have no fear that your lungs. it remains within us and that it might do some irreversible damage at some future date.

nated or immune, my sug- (now covered by most ingestions are these: Avoid surances) to be treated exposure to the virus so early and properly. Your far as reasonably possi- long-term health and dead viruses that may picious symptoms, take end of this pandemic is Contact your doctor imto get chloroquine and Ivermec-They are both effects and they are inexpensive.

If your doctor tells you to rest, hydrate and take Tylenol, ignore his advice and go online to a For those not vacci- telemedicine service even your life may de-

Hang in there! The

A fellow letter writer recently remarked that the elites/congresspeople are increasingly differing from what their constituents want; the

writer terms this the swamp. I agree with this. We are losing our Joe Manchins, our Lisa Murkowskis, our Susan Collins in favor of more extreme figures such as Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez or Majorie Taylor Greene.

As our representatives and senators increasingly drift towards opposite sides of the political spectrum, they leave out the voters in the center and opposite side.

Another letter writer in early January wrote that he would never vote Republican again due to the actions of President Trump. I encourage you to reconsider your decision. President Trump's values do not necessarily define the Republican Party. Of course, he is a very large voice, but he is not everything. More logically, by deciding not to ever vote for one party, you exclude yourself from supporting half of the nation's politicians. Here in Citrus County, there are at least three positions that you would not have a voice in deciding if you decided not to vote for a Republican. No politician is perfect; every one as other lawsuits that of them has vices, and then some. Both sides are not quintessential, and you may find yourself wanting to support a candidate supporting maverick issues in the Republican Party. It is gratifying to see that even though our elites increasingly become polarized, some of their constituents are able to see this. Ronnie Rozier, Dave Greer, Jimmy Madison and Donald Slough are all local

examples of being able to discern this gulf, and agree upon the remedy. Based on their past letters, the four aforementioned letter writers have fairly different views upon various topics. I also disagree with some of the views expressed in their letters. But they and I can agree on at least one thing: A good basis for a better nation lies in less partisanship. As Mr. Slough succinctly put it, we are indeed at the crossroads to apply LIDMAC. Thank you four; I look forward to future letters.

> Jason Lu Homosassa

Letter brought facts to light

In the 15 years I have been reading the Chronicle, I have never read a letter with so much realism. Finally, a person who accepts and is smart enough to know facts matter. I will not mention the person's name, but the title of the letter was "Think, think, think."

This person voted for Trump and is a conservative, and in great description brought the facts to light. facts that I knew as well. But to say that in public would bring you a punch in the face from the majority of MAGA people. This person spoke of the dozens of lawsuits filed as well made Fox News and the

conservative, read the letter in the Jan. 24 Chronicle and take the advice to think, think, think!

I have one word for this person: bravo!

> John Ohle **Beverly Hills**

Thankful for health dept. staff

It's been an entire year. Imagine working in a small county health department during the biggest public health emergency in a century. Imagine having to figure out how to test thousands of people with not enough staff and not enough supplies. Imagine having to do the same for vaccinating thousands of people with very little outside help actually, no computer capacity or phone/staff capacity to set up a reservations system (larger counties tried and failed) and to have to do this with a woefully limited vaccine supply. Imagine the endless hours.

And then imagine all the criticism. natural of course, from a community afraid, tired of being trapped at home, and anxious because getting vaccinated is so difficult.

Imagine how tired and exhausted our home town health department staff must be after a year of this. Imagine their physical and emotional investment

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Dr. William Dixon graduated from Columbia College in New York City, from New York Medical College and from the versity of South Florida. He was an assistant pro-If you develop even fessor at the University of worked in the veterans initiate He served 11 years in the treatment as necessary. Army as a surgeon and as

woman who proclaimed to see votes being tampered with, back off publicly and in shame.

Always remember, a fact is a fact. It can be contested and even dismissed, but it is still a fact. It is backed up with other facts.

Words matter too, even if most of the time they are lies. I recommend anyone who wants to see and know some of the truth from a

Now imagine how meaningful it would be if took the time to thank them, on behalf of a grateful community.

Thank you! You are my heroes and I deeply appreciate everything you've done and are doing. Hang in there, and please take the time to take care of yourselves too.

> **Charles Higgins** Hernando

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and county constituents.

As of Feb. 1, the most current projections to be added to the 2021 tax roll are:

922 residential homes commercial $\mathbf{28}$ buildings

To date, these estimated 950 new structures will be

Though these numbers are subject to change, this new construction has never been taxed before and will add value to the 2021 tax roll. New construction contributes to a tax base while also shar-

ing the tax burden. If you are a new homeowner or recently purchased a new home, you must apply for homestead exemption. Once the

added to the tax roll. ownership has been updated in our records, you may then file online for your 2021 homestead ex-\$600 in property taxes each has been completed within our office. After qualifying, will be renewed for you annually as long as you con- matter the size of your par-

exemption.

Visit citruspa.org to e-file for your homestead. This is also an excellent emption. The filing dead- time of year to review your line is March 1. You can current homestead exsave approximately \$400 to emption status and examine additional exemptions year once your exemption that may yield tax savings.

It is my goal to create an engaging atmosphere your homestead exemption both in person and online – for all our customers, no tinue to qualify for the cel. Every citizen should

feel welcome to come to remember to pray for our our office, call our customer service department or visit our website. Our website offers property ownership information, assessment roll data, building sketches, sales data, parcel ownership maps, aerials, and additional information on the properties within Citrus County, Florida.

As we all embark on a

military members, first responders, health professionals, educators, law enforcement, and the countless other essential workers who continue to work the front lines tirelessly each and every day during this unprecedented pandemic.



Cregg Dalton is the Citrus new year in 2021, may we County Property Appraiser.

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would you listen?

My advice would be no. If you did listen, you would probably walk with a limp, have no money in the bank and have a team that alof last place.

I am not smart enough to give medical advice. I a daily basis, and there are will admit that I urge people to follow the advice of physicians and it was I who proposed that we publish a photo of county commissioner Jeff Kinnard when he was getting sioner, but because he his vaccine shot last week. deals with patients. Politi-

some members of our county commission who have refused to follow the advice of the medical experts, and I thought it would send a safe and informed message to Chronicle readers to show Dr. Kinnard getting his shot. While Dr. Kinnard is not over the required age 65, ways finishes one spot out he is a medical professional who comes in contact with many patients on recommendations that medical professionals get the vaccine.

He was urged to get the vaccine shot not because he was a county commis-I realized there were calstrings were not pulled.

we could run a photo and he complied. He then got beat up all over Facebook and social media sites for that our scientists and getting a vaccine when medical experts have adothers are still waiting.

I apologize to Dr. Kinnard; it is sometimes difficult to anticipate the do the right thing.

This is not the first time the world has been slammed with a pandemic that has overwhelmed us. (which really started in Kansas).

There were people who the impacted area. denied the pandemic during those years and

I asked Dr. Kinnard if they also died at a disproportionately high number.

In our collective arrogance, we like to believe vanced enough from 1918 to get this under control quickly. But when the public doesn't follow the adresponse you get from vice of the medical experts some folks when you try to and instead follows the politicians, the job is so much more difficult.

The pandemic of all pandemics happen during the Middle Ages (1347-1352) Many millions died in the when more than 30 million 1918 Spanish Flu outbreak people died from The Black Death. That was about 40% of the total population of

One of the interesting

The "Vicary chicken. Method" was named after an English doctor named Thomas Vicary who dreamed it up. "A healthy chicken was taken and its back and rear plucked clean, this bare part of the live chicken was then applied to the swollen nodes of the sick person and the chicken was strapped in place. When the chicken showed signs of illness, it was thought to be drawing the disease from the person. It was removed, washed, and strapped back on and this continued until the chicken or the patient died."

Thirty million people proposed cures at the time died. I'm not sure about

involved the use of a live how many chickens were lost.

> My suggestion is that when the current pandemic finally wanes, we identify those politicians who have spent this time dispensing crackpot medical advice (and demonstrating bad behavior). We can then go down to Sen. Wilton Simpson's chicken farm and buy a truckload of chickens.

> Only good things can happen from there. The clucking chickens will give them away.

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Sound OFF =

We should charge to use bike trails

What's good for the goose is good for the gander. While the goose may be required to pay a launch fee to take a ride in her boat, the gander will be getting a free ride on the bicycle trail. Oh well, our BOCC knows best.

It's time to widen SR 200

Who's sitting on the money to widen (State Road) 200? This has been going on for years. Are they going to do it or not going to do it? Why don't

you get it done? There are people being killed on (S.R.) 200. There are people being hurt. It's ridiculous, absolutely ridiculous that this has been going on this long and nobody has noticed or taken care of the situation. Anyhow, let's get something done. On weekends, it's so full of police activity, it's unbelievable. Get something done. It's time. It's time.

Boat ramp fee seems reasonable

I just had a comment on the boat ramp fees. I like to camp in state parks and even though my tax dollars built the

pay \$24 a night to park my travel-trailer there and camp. Someone has to maintain the parks. Someone has to maintain the facilities at the parks. Somebody's got to empty the trash. It's the same thing at a boat ramp or the parking lot at a boat ramp. Someone has to maintain it. Someone has to pick up the trash. Someone has to clean the restrooms. Someone has to maintain the safety of the parking lots. I don't see the problem. Just \$25 a year? Stop your complaining and pay the \$25.

state parks, I still have to

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feeling like there was nothing to be afraid of because it was just like a flying school bus — complete with the same kinds of seating assignments.

were always full of antici- me come to the front seat pation as you waited to see after the second to last stuwhat your school bus seat destiny was going to be. As you got older, you made your way toward the back of the bus. Safety patrols got to sit in the last seats — and that was the highest honor.

Mr. Coin was a man of efficiency. We all knew the rules — lights on meant quiet and the thought of getting out of our seats while the bus was moving was simply unthinkable. Mr. Coin ran a tight ship and we all knew what was expected of us.

We don't generally think of riding the bus as a formative experience in our lives. And maybe for some people it isn't. But I lived far enough away from school that I spent a good bit of time sitting on those rubbery seats, praying that the person in front of me didn't put his window down when it was cold outside or hoping that the boy Justin from down the make such important beyondccc@gmail.com.

school so I could have the whole seat to myself. Riding the school bus was a foundational part of my elementary school experience.

part, made sure it was a good one.

As the last kid on the The first days of school bus, Mr. Coin would have dent was delivered safely home and we'd have a chat. I knew I could tell Mr. Coin about the bad spelling test, the mean kid on the playground or how excited I was that I got moved to the Advanced Reading Group. And by the time I'd finished telling him about my day, we'd be at my stop. On Fridays he'd give me a Dum-Dum lollipop and tell me to have a good weekend.

> All of that to say, it's been a long time since I rode the bus from my house to Citrus Springs Elementary School. But I still remember my bus master's degree in interculdriver. I still remember that I felt safe on that big, loud, yellow bus and that I could count on Mr. Coin to management. She most redeliver me to and from *cently* spent two years school every day without incident.

We often think about how our teachers and coaches

road was absent from impacts on our lives. But the school systems we thrive in are held up by people who often don't get much limelight — janitors and bus drivers and lunchroom workers. Their day-in And Mr. Coin, for his and day-out commitment make what happens in the classroom possible.

The Citrus County School District needs bus drivers. It needs good people who are willing to be a steady influence — the first face kids connect with school every morning and the last one they see in the afternoon.

It's an important job so much so, that decades later, I still remember Mr. Coin.

To apply, visit tinyurl. com/54m42s5q. For information, call 352-726-1931, ext. 2370.

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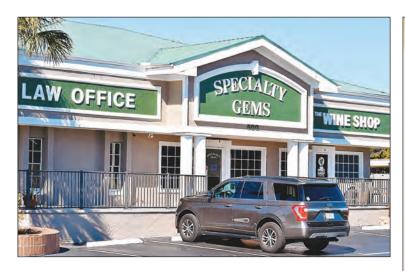
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Retiring without quitting



Longtime local jewelry store Specialty Gems will close at the end of the month.

Carol Kimbrough will shutter Specialty Gems, but her local civic involvement continues

MICHAEL D. BATES Staff writer

or over 20 years, Carol Kimbrough has owned and operated her Specialty Gems store in Crystal River.

It's time, she said, to retire. A liquidation sale is going on now and the doors will then close for good.

But Kimbrough is not going away. She's been a dynamo in the community and a member of numerous civic boards. She's a frequent visitor at government meetings. None of that will change.

Without the oversight of her store, Kimbrough said she can devote even more time to her civic pursuits.

"My passion is working in the community," Kimbrough said. "Now, probably even more so. I'm not leaving the (county). I've lived here over 40 years, and this is where my heart is.'

The COVID-19 pandemic might have nudged her to make the decision to retire sooner. But, really, she had been thinking of it for quite some time. Business had been down somewhat due to the virus. But she is confident she could have weathered it.

"We have such a wonderful business family who has been here for us through thick and thin," Kimbrough said.

Specialty Gems, at 600 SE U.S. 19, was established in 1985 and Kimbrough has owned and operated it most of that time. The store offered a variety of jewelry pieces and she did custom-made orders.

She and her staff repaired and restored jewelry as well.

When she wasn't at the store, she was involved in all manner of local initiatives.

For example, she lobbied hard for the King's Bay Riverwalk and it was she who



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle Specialty Gems owner Carol Kimbrough will permanently close the doors of her jewelry store at the end of February. She has been in business at the location for more than two decades.

helped rally the waterfront homeowners to approve of the project and get government officials to understand its tourist and economic benefits.

As past president and

current member of the Crystal River Main Street board, Kimbrough has been instrumental in efforts to revitalize and market the historic downtown section of the city.

"It's just time," Kimbrough said of leaving now. "I never really had an exit strategy.

The pandemic, she said, created "a great segue into the next chapter of my life."

Managing finances with COVID burnout

LAURA MCMULLEN Nerd Wallet

'm writing this between my daughter's diaper changes, bottle breaks and naps, as well as my own weepy fits of anxiety and despair. Our day care closed because of a COVID-19 case, so our baby gets to gurgle at my husband and me as we stare at our computers — tense shoulders at ears — and attempt to work.

The very last thing I want to do is think about my finances.

I'm sure I'm not alone. Money is a major source of stress for many people, and who needs more stress right now? After nearly a year of the pandemic, you may already be wading through desperation, loneliness, grief, exhaustion or, of course, fear.

"The stress is compounded by the fact that you might actually die," says Brad Klontz, certified financial planner, psychologist and author of "Money Mammoth." "A ridiculous amount of stressors has fallen on everybody.'

Cue good old avoidance. That's my go-to — just don't deal with the thing that's making you pull out your hair. But avoiding money issues makes them worse. And if you're like the many, many people who've taken a financial hit, you can't afford to let your situation get much worse.

TALK IT OUT

Now that we're all thoroughly depressed, here's a gentle reminder from Klontz: "You might feel alone, but you're not." In fact, he adds, "chances are your friends are sitting there feeling exactly the same way.'

So reach out to a trusted friend or family member about what's stressing you out. You



Associated Press

Money is a huge source of stress for many people and more stress is the last thing anyone needs during a global pandemic. It can be easy to avoid checking your finances and dealing with issues, but that avoidance tends to backfire.

may not get solutions, but you'll likely feel better after venting and getting some commiseration. And your friend may be grateful to learn that you're open to talking about money issues — they may be weighing on them, too.

To keep each other safe, you'll probably have to jump on the phone or a video call, or bundle up for a February stroll. But try it anyway. "In the midst of stress, the worst thing you can possibly do is socially isolate," Klontz says. "That is a recipe for depression."

LIST NOW, **HANDLE LATER**

To start fixing money problems, you first have to face them - but not all at once and right this second. That's a reminder for those who obsess, rather than avoid. "There are two ways people handle their money in extreme situations," says certified financial planner Pamela Capalad. "It's either all they think about and look at, or they completely ignore it and hope it works out."

Whatever your tendency is, consider keeping a financial task list. "If there's a place you can park all this stuff and know that you're going to take care of it later, that will help prevent future burnout," says Capalad, who's also the founder of the financial planning business Brunch & Budget.

GO ON A 'MONEY DATE'

Now for that whole "take care of it later" thing. Capalad recommends scheduling a "money date" with yourself. Plan a specific date and time when you can focus, and choose a room that you don't usually work in, if possible. It's fine to keep the date short. If you can only think about money for 20 minutes before feeling anxious, then stick to 20 minutes.

Go into your date being specific and intentional about what you want to do. If you only have 20 minutes, don't try to dive into your whole financial history.

'Just look at the thing that's been simmering in the back of your head," Capalad says. Maybe you finally peek at that credit card debt and brainstorm ways to chip away at it. Or perhaps you list all your bills, their due dates and how to pay them - or catch up. (You may learn that you should try to lower your bills.)

If no one thing is nagging you, consult your task list. Or review bank and credit card statements to learn how much you're spending on what, and how those expenses compare to your income. Over time, a few 20-minute reviews of your cash flow may help you feel more comfortable thinking about money and less likely to avoid it.

BE KIND TO YOURSELF

If you don't like what you find on your money date, please don't beat yourself up. After all, you faced something you didn't want to see — and you did it at a time when everything is extra hard.

"We all need to give ourselves a little bit of grace," Capalad says, adding that clinging to pre-pandemic standards can lead to burnout. Just like you should forgive yourself for not being the fittest, happiest, most productive person during a horrifying global crisis, cut yourself some slack for not being totally on top of your money.

Maybe you have to dip into savings or ask your credit card issuer for help because you can't make payments. Yes, that really sucks. But you'll likely be able to rebuild, Capalad says.

'You may be living in the worst-case scenario right now, but all of this stuff can be fixed," she says. "It's OK if your credit score drops from a 700 to 600 because of a global pandemic."

Laura McMullen is a writer at NerdWallet. Email: lmcmullen@ nerdwallet.com.

BUSINESS DIGEST

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Business DIGEST

CF to host virtual chat Feb. 17

OCALA — The College of Central Florida's Business and Technology Department will host a free event about careers in logistics and supply chain management from 12:15-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, online.

Participants will hear how they can start training for a career in logistics and supply chain management and about skills employers seek in today's job market.

This session will be hosted by Mark Davis, program manager for Logistics and Supply Chain Management at CF.

Register now at CF.edu/ BusTechEvents. One event participant will be selected to receive a grand prize.

For information, contact Bonnie Hays at haysb@ CF.edu.

For more information about CF, visit www.CF.edu.

SUNDAY. **February 7, 2021**

Promotional information provided by the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce. **Mission of the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce**

The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce is an organization of businesses unified in efforts to advance the economic growth of theregion, promote the interests of the business community, provide key leadership on key commerce issues and preserve the county's quality of life.



Chamber Connection 915 N. Suncoast Blvd., Crystal River, FL 34429 · 352-795-3149 · 106 W. Main St., Inverness, FL 34450 · 352-726-2801

Loving Local for your Valentine

Whether your love prefers romantic dinners, a relaxing brunch, exciting adventures, or sparkling gifts our Chamber members have a full arsenal of Valentine's day opportunities to ensure you're not only loving each other, but LOV-ING LOCAL!

EAT YOUR **HEART OUT!**

*Reservations may be required. Please call ahead to check availability.

- Backwater Fins 13982 W Ozello Tr Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 794-6000
- Beef O'Bradys 6738 W Gulf to Lake Hwy Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 564-0544
- ♥ Boulevard Bistro 9576 N Citrus Springs Blvd Citrus Springs, FL 34434 (352) 897-5155
- ♥ Breakfast Station #9 1675 US Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 228-4077
- BubbaQue's BBQ 631 N Citrus Ave, Ste A Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 795-7BBQ (7227)
- ♥ Castaways Bar & Grill 5430 N Suncoast Blvd Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 794-3476 ♥ Cattle Dog Coffee
- Roasters Inverness 210B Tompkins St Inverness, FL 34450 (352) 726-7060 ♥ Cattle Dog Coffee
- Roasters Crystal River 638 N Citrus Ave Crystal River, FL 34428

♥ Charlie's Fish House 224 NW US Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 795-3949

Cody's Original Roadhouse 305 SE US Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 795-7223

- ♥ Cracker's Bar & Grill 502 NW 6th St Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 795-3999
- ♥ Dan's Clam Stand, Inc 1201 NW 5th Terrace Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 795-9081
- ♥ Elegant Pelican 7395 W Pinebrook St Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 795-2100
- ♥ Joe Eder's Coney Island 674 NE 5th St Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 228-8125
- ♥ Joe's Family Restaurant 911 W. Main St Inverness, FL 34450 (352) 726-1688
- ♥ Kane's Cattle Co. 508 N Citrus Ave Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 794-6721
- ♥ Katch Twenty-Two 2924 W Gulf to Lake Hwy Lecanto, FL 34461 (352) 746-6691
- ♥ KC Wine and Koffee Bar 564 N Citrus Ave Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 460-9808
- ♥ Kelly's Half Shell Pub 390 N Suncoast Blvd Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 228-8366
- La Casa Di Norma 1609 SE US Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 795-4694 Lakeside Grill of

- ♥ Mariana's The Stinky Rose ♥ World Fusion 2649 N Forest Ridge Blvd Hernando, FL 34442 (352) 270-8432
- ♥ Nine State Brewery 200 Tompkins St Inverness, FL 34450 (352) 419-4067
- ♥ Olive Garden 2151 E Gulf to Lake Hwy Inverness, FL 34453 (352) 344-0943
- Oysters Restaurant & Catering 606 NE US Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34429
- (352) 795-2633 ♥ Paige's Rootbeer 2147 W Norvell Bryant Hwy Lecanto, FL 34461 (352) 746-3351
- ♥ Papa Willie's Bar & Grill 4105 N Lecanto Hwy Beverly Hills, FL 34465 (352) 746-1770
- Riviera Mexican Cantina & Sports Lounge 1935 SE US 19 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 564-9636
- Seafood Seller and Café 300 SE US Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 228-4936
- ♥ Sonny's BBQ 750 W Main St Inverness, FL 34450 4620 (352) 341-2686
- St. Johns Tavern 572 N Citrus Ave Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 794-6367
- ♥ The Boil Yard 1601 SE Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 564-2529
- ♥ The Cove 1242 S Cove Camp Point Inverness FL 34450

1988 N Future Terr Lecanto, FL 34461 (352) 513-3800

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Agogi Academy of Combatives 136 Heights Ave Inverness, FL 34434

- (352) 566-4305 Citrus County Speedway & Track, LLC 3600 S Florida Ave
- Inverness, FL 34451 (352) 634-5953 ♥ Crystal Lodge Dive
- Center, Inc. 525 NW 7th Ave Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 795-6798
- Crystal River Kayak Company and Dive Center 1422 SE Hwy 19, Bldg B Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 795-2255
- Crystal River Room Escape
- 8740 Mayo Dr #5 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 228-4033
- Crystal River Segway Tours 9301 W Fort Island Trail -
- Hotel Lobby Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 212-0375 Crystal River Watersports
- 2380 NW Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 795-7033 Explorida Adventure
- Center 545 N Citrus Ave Crystal River, FL 34428
- (352) 423-3798 Homosassa Springs

- ♥ Inverness Bicycle & Fitness ♥ Cumbie Jewelers 130 N Pine Ave Inverness, FL 34450 (352) 637-2453
- ♥ Just Amuse Me! Indoor **Entertainment Center** 1801 NW US Hwy 19, Ste 201
- Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 228-8228 ♥ Merry Manatee Tours
- (352) 419-8391
- ♥ Nature Coast Charters 1911 NW 17th St Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 746-9067
- Nature Coastin' 217 N Apopka Ave Inverness, FL 34450 (352) 212-0375
- ♥ Paddles Outdoor Rentals & Coastal Shop
- 469 NE 1st St Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 586-5259
- ♥ Plantation on Crystal River 9301 W Fort Island Trail Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 795-4211
- Seaport Tours & Travel 349 N Turkey Pine Loop Lecanto, FL 34461 (352) 513-5084
- ♥ Soquili Stables 5529 Equestrian Terrace Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 206-2990

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- ♥ A Bead In The Hand 2602 Hwy 44 W Inverness, FL 34453 (352) 637-6846
- Anchored Souls 37 NW US Hwy 19, Ste 15 Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 601-1910

Inverness, FL 34450 (352) 419-6951 ♥ Dockside Gift Shoppe 300 NW Hwy 19

101 Courthouse Sq

- Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 563-2730 ♥ Franklin Anderson Gal-
- lery of Arts 659 N. Citrus Ave
- Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 697-2702 ♥ Heritage House
- 657 N Citrus Ave Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 564-1400
- Moonbeams Crystals 8018 W Gulf to Lake Hwv Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 228-4382
- ♥ New 2 You Estate Sale Emporium 2008 Hwy 44 West
- Inverness, FL 34450 (352) 419-4226 Ritz and Glitz on the
- Square 109 N Apopka Avenue Inverness, FL 34450
- (352) 476-1086 Shipyard Dog 255 SE US Hwy 19, Unit 1 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 228-8039
- ♥ Specialty Gems 600 SE US Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 795-5900
- The Cotton Club 626 N Citrus Ave Crystal River, FL 34428 (352) 563-2582
- ♥ The Honey Hole Unique **Gifts Treasures & Trinkets** 244 SE US Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 228-8908
- Whalen loweler 255 E Highland Blvd Inverness, FL 34452 (352) 726-4709 Wisteria Boutique 2408 N Heritage Oaks Path Hernando, FL 34442 (352) 789-9596

(352) 228-8818 Cattle Dog Coffee

- Roasters Hernando
- 2416 N Heritage Oaks Path Hernando, FL 34442 (352) 249-3166
- Cedar River Seafood 804 S US Hwy 41 S Inverness, FL 34450 (352) 341-2278

Inverness 4543 E Windmill Dr Inverness, FL 34453 (352) 419-4560

- ♥ Lollygaggers Pub & Grill 744 SE US Hwy 19 Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 794-3888
- (352) 344-5894 ♥ The Loft Bar & Grill 10131 N Citrus Ave Crystal River, FL 34429
- (352) 564-4100 ♥ Waterfront Social 1610 SE Paradise Cir Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 795-3113

Floral City Strawberry Festival Vendor Space available

The 34th Annual Floral City Strawberry Festival, March 6th & 7th, is accepting applications through February 21st. Spaces are limited and going fast!



Don't miss this opportunity to be a part of this family fun salute to local agriculture! Easily apply online at www.GoStrawberryFest.com.

We encourage festival-goers to stay home if they are vulnerable or feeling ill. We encourage all attendees to practice social distancing, wash hands regularly, utilize the on-site sanitation stations and wear a mask if social distancing is not possible.

The Floral City Strawberry Festival, and the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce, will be implementing and practicing safety precautions to ensure the health of our attendees, volunteers, vendors, and staff.

Wildlife State Park 4150 S Suncoast Blvd Homosassa, FL 34446

- (352) 628-5343 Hunter Springs Kayaks 36 NE 4th St Crystal River, FL 34429 (352) 228-4715
- Betty's Creative Studio 2143 W Norvell Bryant Hwy Lecanto, FL 34461 (352) 513-4366
- ♥ Connors Gifts 218 Tompkins St Inverness, FL 34450 (352) 344-9790



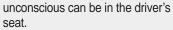
CORPORATE COLLEGE

Science Behind Our Lightning-Quick Judgements

■ Tuesday, Feb 16, 8:30 - 10:30 am via Zoom

For personal safety, the caveman had to make instant decisions: Is the other like me or not like me? Is it relationship or run? Fight or flight?

While such quick judgments aren't required today, we still have deep assumptions that can manifest in behavior. Even if you don't think you hold certain biases, your



Attend this workshop to explore and understand your reflexive preferences through assessment tools and peer discussions. Individual workshop fee is \$29. Register and pay online at: CF.edu/CorporateCollege or call 352-873-5855. No refunds will be granted five (5) business days prior to each workshop.



'Chamber Report' on WYKE

Watch the weekly Chamber Report show on WYKE-TV to stay informed on Chamber events, issues, and member spotlights. Chamber Report is broadcast on Tuesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays at 5:00 p.m. on Spectrum Channel 16 or through LiveStream (www.livestream.com/watch and search for "WYKE TV 47").



Dennis Bailey

This week, host Jade White, Chamber Public Relations & Communication Coordinator, talks with the Chamber Special Events Manager, Erika Corley, about the upcoming Floral City Strawberry Festival and what festival goers can expect this year. Also joining Jade is Dennis Bailey and Karen Ginda, owners of Bailey's Electric and Signs, highlighting the work their company does and their community involvement, including their presenting sponsorship of the Florida Manatee Festival! Chamber Report is your ticket to the many happenings in Citrus County!

RECENT RIBBON CUTTINGS

he Chamber is growing every week. We welcome our new members and thank all of them for joining the Chamber. We encourage the community to support their businesses.

Rebecca

Martin

Webinar Host.

New 2 You Estate Emporium

352-419-4226



Congratulations on your new location, New 2 You Estate Emporium! 2008 Hwy 44, Inverness, in the Colonial Plaza. With a variety of reasonably priced items, they have something for everyone!





D4 SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2021





Leighla Meggan Cumbus 2020-DR-1721 Termination of Parental Rights and Proposed Adoption of Minor Child PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2020-DR-1721

IN THE MATTER OF THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AND PROPOSED ADOPTION OF MINOR CHILD:

LEIGHLA MEGGAN CUMBUS d/o/b 02/16/2016, Minor Child/Adoptee

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AND STEPPARENT ADOPTION

TO: PABLO M. PEREZ PRADO ADDRESS: EMPIRE CHURCH ROAD, MASCOTTE, FLORIDA

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Citrus County Code Compli-ance will conduct a Special Master Hearing on Wednesday, Febru-ary 17, 2021 @ 9:00 AM at the Lecanto Government Building, Room 166, 3600 West Sovereign Path, Lecanto, Florida 34461, to conduct its regular meeting and any other business to come before the Code Compliance Special Master, at which time and place any and all persons interested are invited to attend. If you have questions, contact Code Compliance at (352) 527-5350.

Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the County Administrator's Office, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, FL 34461, (352) 527-5210, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service.

Si necesita un traductor de espanol por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de dos dias de la notification de la publicacion -527-5370

that provides a free at no cost to Bidders, a secure, user-friendly Internet portal and one-stop service center to register with County. This system also allows you to receive automatic email notifications regarding County's upcoming competitive solicitations as opportunities become available.

Sealed Bids shall be opened and read aloud publicly on March 10, 2021 at 2:15 PM via call-in phone number, information is listed in the Solicitation Document found on VendorLink.

**All public Meetings are subject to change or can be cancelled due to the current events.

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YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Joint petition for Adoption by Stepparent has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on CHARI GENDRON CUMBUS AND DANIEL EARL CUMBUS, whose address is c/o LAW OFFICE CHARLES P. VAUGHN, 120 N. SEMINOLE AVE, INVERNESS, FL 34450, on or before March 2, 2021, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 110 N. APOPKA AVENUE, INVERNESS, FLORIDA 34450 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for

the relief demanded in the petition.

The minor child is identified as follows: Place of Birth CLERMONT, FLORIDA Date of Birth February 16, 2016

Physical Description of Respondent: Age: 46 Race: White Hair Color: BROWN Eye Color: BROWN Approximate height: 5'7" Approximate Weight: UNKNOWN

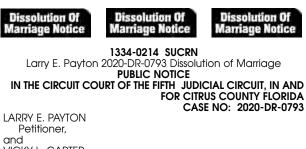
Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may re-view these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mail-ing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office. Dated: 1/22/2021

{COUNTY SEAL}

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT /s/ L. Pickett, Deputy Clerk

Published January 31, and February 7, 14 & 21, 2021



VICKY L. CARTER Respondent,

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: Vicky L. Carter 133 McClellan Street Schenectady, NY 12304

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to Larry E. Payton whose address is 106 N. Mill Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450 on or before February 23, 2021, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in petition.

This action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property, and the name of the county in Florida where the property is located: None

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

English Translation: (If you need a Spanish Translator please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at 352-527-5370).

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Code Compliance Special Master with respect to any matter considered at this public hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which record shall include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

GREGG R. BRENNAN, SPECIAL MASTER CITRUS COUNTY CODE COMPLIANCE

Published February 7, 2021

1351-0207 SUCRN PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ACTION: ORDERS TO VACATE AND DEMOLISH - VI-OLATION OF CITRUS COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAP-TER 20 ARTICLE V UNSAFE STRUCTURES AND/OR CONDI-TIONS

CASE NUMBER: 270305

Description of Property: 1594421; APACHE SHORES UNIT 1 PB 4 PG 40 LOT 2 BLK 4; Parcel ID: 19E18S140010 00040 0020

Marvin H. Partain 3451 E. Buffalo Lane Hernando, Florida

On February 3, 2021, orders were issued by the Citrus County Certified Building Official to vacate and demolish the structure(s) on the property located at: **3451 E. Buffalo Lane, Hernando, FL**. If the property owner(s) fail to comply with these orders, the Code Compliance Division will issue a work order to abate the nuisance condition.

Any person(s) having a legal interest in this property may contact the Code Compliance Office within 30 days of this publication. Board of County Commissioners, Dept. of Growth Management, Code Compli-ance Division, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Lecanto, FL. 352-527-5350. you are hearing or speech impaired, use the TDD telephone (352) 341-6580.

Si necesita un traductor de espanol por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de dos dias de la notification de la publicacion 352-527-5370

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1347-0207 SUCRN City of Inverness WHISPERING PINES PARK POOL RESURFACING -RFP # 2021-01-WPP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Inverness will receive sealed bids for construction of Whispering Pines Park Pool Resurfacina

All contractors licensed by the State of Florida are hereby invited to submit a bid on the above referenced project. Bids will be received until <u>200pm on February 15,2021</u> in the City Clerk's Office, located on the 2nd floor of the City of Inverness City Hall, 212 West Main Street, Inverness, Florida 34450. Bid submittals will be opened at <u>2:10pm on February 15,</u> 2021 in a public meeting on the 1st floor of the Inverness Gov-ernment Center at 212 W. Main Street, Inverness, FL. For more information, contact Kellie Powell, Aquatics Complex Director at (352) 726-1995.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: All work for the Project shall be constructed in accordance with the Specifications prepared by To obtain a copy of the Invitation to Bid Document for this announce-VendorLink please visit ment.

https://www.myvendorlink.com/common/register.aspx- register and once registered, you will be able to obtain the documents or go to DemandStar at <u>https://www.demandstar.com/beta/buyers/bids</u>. Cop-ies can also be obtained by calling the Department of Management & Budget/Purchasing at (352) 527-5457.

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CITRUS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Scott Carnahan, Chairman

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1352-0207 SUCRN PUBLIC NOTICE

Invitation to Bid ITB 21-044 Mowing at Water Wastewater Facilities & Lift Stations

Solicitation Overview

Citrus County, Florida ("County") invites interested parties to submit a Bid to provide mowing, edging, trimming and clean-up services at multiple water wastewater and lift stations throughout Citrus County.

MINIMUM REQUIRMENTS Bidders are encouraged to carefully review all the materials contained herein and prepare your Bid accordingly.

Submission of Bids

SEALED Responses are to be submitted on or before March 11, 2021 at 2:00 PM (EST). The County only receives proposal submittals through the online solicitation management portal, www.myvendorlink.com.

Public Opening Sealed Responses shall be opened and read aloud publicly on March 11, 2021 at 2:15 PM. Electronic Proposals shall be opened via "Microsoft Teams Meeting". See Solicitation document for detail information on www.myvendorlink.com.

**All public Meetings are subject to change or can be cancelled due to the current events.

Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting be-cause of a disability or physical impairment should contact the County Administrator's Office, (352) 527-5210, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service.

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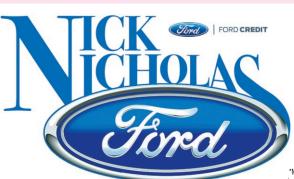
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To obtain a copy of the Solicitation Document for this announcement, please visit the Citrus County Website at www.citrusbocc.com and select "Departments-drop down," "Management & Budget," "Purchas-ing & Bids," and under Solicitations/Vendors select <u>https://www.myvendorlink.com/common/register.aspx</u>- to register or Demandstar. Copies can also be obtained by calling the Department of Management & Budget/Purchasing at (352) 527-5457.

CITRUS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SCOTT CARNAHAN, CHAIRMAN

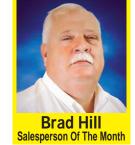
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See Our Entire Inventory at: NickNicholasFord.com

2901 Hwy. 44 W., Inverness, FL 352-726-1231 Mon-Fri: 8-7 · Sat: 8:30-5 · Closed Sunday





*MSRP for base vehicle. Excludes destination/delivery fee plus government fees and taxes, any finance charges, any dealer processing charge, any electronic filing charge, and any emission testing charge. Optional equipment not included. See dealer for qualifications and complete details. Limited time offer Dealer retains incentives. Not all buyers will qualify for Ford Credit financing. Prices do not include tax, tag, title and administrative fee of \$399. W.A.C. Dealer is not responsible for typographical errors. Vehicle shown are for illustrative purposes only and may have optional equipment not included. All offers, prices and incentives end 1/31/21.

February 7, 2021 Funday, February 7, 2021

Once dry, the wood chips can be used as an inch of top mulch around newly installed trees, shrubs and coontie cycads where wildflower seeds are not wanted to sprout. Sprouting seeds under the mulch will smother and not reach daylight. Those seeds landing on top of the mulch will sprout but usually die before their roots can reach the fertile amended soil below the top mulch. Repurposing and using this valuable and free resource prevents it from being dumped in a landfill site. Jane's garden sends a thank you to Duke and Nelson.

JANE WEBER/Special to the Chronicle

Inside this week: Jane's Garden Planting in Florida⊡s sandy soils./Page E8

Construction spending up 1% in December

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - U.S. construction spending jump in spending on resirose a moderate 1% in December as the number of new homes offset a sustained weakness in nonresidential construction.

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Monday. Last month's tion and in the category dential projects with ilv homes surging by 5.8%. While home construc-

tion is gaining, there was a The increase followed a 1.7% decline in nonresi-

Department reported hotel and motel construc- performer over the past recession. strength came from a 3.1% that includes shopping centers.

Spending on governmoney going to single-famment projects which had sharp split between a while we expect the pace been hit by falling tax revenues rose 0.5% in December

In an era of extraordi-1.1% gain in November, dential construction, narily how interest rates, country pulls out of the Economics. Commerce which had declines in housing has been a star pandemic-induced

year even as other parts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We look for a gradual the economy are rayaged by recovery in private, nonresidential investment as Economists believe the the recovery takes hold strong housing sector and of housing starts to moderweak nonresidential con- ate slightly," said Nancy struction may narrow in Vanden Houten, senior the coming year as the economist at Oxford

government construction would continue to be constrained by tight state and local budgets.

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Construction totaled \$1.49 trillion at a seasonally adjusted annual rate in December, 5.7% higher than the level in December 2019. Residential construction was up 20.7% She said she expected over December 2019.



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Real Estate DIGEST

Terry is tops in sales at Citrus Hills

Scott Terry has been named the top sales executive for the month of January at the Villages of Citrus Hills. Scott helped three happy new



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Steve Latiff ERA American Suncoast Realty.

Systems LLC, a global franchise leader in the residential real estate industry. This designation recognizes the ERA network's highest level of excellence in real estate sales and is announced at the end of January with additional recognition at the 2021 ERA FUEL Virtual Conference, March 16 to 18.

WEEKLY LINEUP

- Nearly a dozen medical professionals contribute their expertise to columns in Health & Life./Tuesdays
- Read up on all things schoolrelated in the Education section./Wednesdays
- Plan menus for the week from the tempting recipes in the Flair for Food section./ Thursdays
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US long-term mortgage rates flat; 30-year stays at 2.73%

WASHINGTON — U.S. long-term mortgage rates were flat this week, staying near record lows as the economy remains burdened by the coronavirus pandemic.

Mortgage buyer Freddie Mac reported Thursday that the average rate on the benchmark 30year fixed-rate home loan remained at last week's 2.73%. By contrast, the rate stood at 3.45% a year ago.

The average rate on 15-year fixed-rate loans, popular among homeowners seeking to refinance their mortgages, ticked up to 2.21% from 2.20%.

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The number of Americans seeking unemployment benefits fell to 779,000 last week, the government reported Thursday, a still-historically high total showing that a sizable number of people keep losing jobs to the coronavirus pandemic.

The damage from the pandemic to the U.S. and global economies suppressed mortgage rates through most of 2020.

Economists forecast modest increases in home-loan rates this year. But they likely will remain relatively low, with the Federal Reserve keeping interest rates near zero as needed until the economy recovers.

- From wire reports

Six tips to make your shower doors sparkle

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Like dishwashers and washing machines, shower doors help get other things clean — while accumulating an impossible-to-get-rid-of ring of soap scum themselves. Luckily, a little preventive care (and a few quick cleaning tricks) can help your shower door stay sparkling clean.

1. Banish buildup with pantry ingredients.

People swear by the incredible soap scum-slaying ability of distilled vinegar (heated first) mixed with grease-cutting dish detergent such as Dawn, in equal proportions. If your shower is made of stone, however, the vinegar could damage it. Instead, mix some liquid soap with baking soda until it's the consistency of frosting, says Kris Koenig, CEO of Natura Clean. Scrub it onto the glass shower door with a nonabrasive sponge.

2. Multitask by cleaning right after a shower.

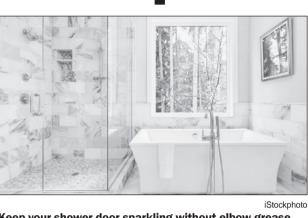
Clean the shower door as you're finishing up your shower. The warm water has already loosened up the grime, plus you don't have to worry about getting messy or wet. Use a sponge or foam cleaning pad, and you won't need to mess around with additional cleaning products or chemicals.

3. Use a lemon to clean.

Leslie Reichert, aka the Green Cleaning Coach, offers this trick for cleaning your glass shower door: Cut a lemon in half. Dip one half in baking soda, then rub on the glass door. "Once you get the glass clean, I like rubbing it with a little lemon oil, too," she says. "The oil will repel the water so the soap doesn't dry on the glass."

4. Find the right tool for the job. Use a toothbrush for scrubbing the metal frame around your shower door. A paint scraper can help get

See LIVING/Page E10



Keep your shower door sparkling without elbow grease.



MEET AND GREET

- Clubs are invited to submit information about regular meetings for publication in The Meeting Place each Thursday.
- Include the name of the organization, the time, day and place of the meeting, whether it meets weekly, biweekly or monthly, and whom to call for details.
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- Photos need to be in sharp focus.
- Photos submitted electronically should be in maximum-resolution JPEG (.jpg) format.

Reader has Monarch success



A butterfly will eventually emerge from this chrysalis.

ear Readers: Here is an update from Doris, the Monarch butterfly mom, along with my response. She did raise her caterpillars on cucumber as I suggested and now

has the following update. Dear Gardener Gal: Guess what? My caterpillar went from caterpillar chrysalis to **OVERNIGHT!** Have a swell

Dear Doris:

the

Leslie Derrenbacker GARDENER GAL

cent dots at the top. Did you know that what's going on inside the chrysalis isn't so pretty? Your caterpillar must first turn to mush before recreating itself into a butterfly. Sorry for the icky visual. Maybe we should focus on the before and the after, and kinda forget the middle part.

See GAL/Page E7

Nicely-made tortilla warmer is carved from soapstone

metal, but my hubby thinks it is some kind of stone. I have no idea what it is supposed to be used for. Hoping you can solve this mystery for me. -L.N., internet

Dear L.N.: The item is made of soapstone. Soapstone is a soft

kitchens from small utensils to sinks, countertops

ear John: I always and other household thought this shal- items. It has also been low little dish with used to produce figural the fish on the lid was carvings throughout Eu-

rope and Asia for hundreds of vears. The item you have is a tortilla warmer. The carved dolphin on the lid and detail is quite nice. The tortilla

warmer John Sikorski heated in the SIKORSKI'S oven and then ATTIC as

cook, they are natural stone with excel- placed in it, when full it is lent thermal properties used to keep the tortillas that finds many uses in warm at the dinner table.

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tortillas



See ATTIC/Page E10 This item is a tortilla warmer carved from soapstone.

GAL

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Thank you for your updates and keep them coming!

Dear Gardener Gal: We have a large pond on our property and it attracts lots of wildlife. We have started seeing what my neighbor called a water turkey sunning himself on a tree stump. He was pretty weird looking, but all are welcome here.

Is there any reason we wouldn't want this bird hanging out at our pond?

Thanks in advance. — Steve

Dear Steve: Unless you are raising koi in your pond, I'd say it should be welcomed.

Sometimes called a water turkey or a snake bird, your visitor is an Anhinga.

Some folks confuse them with cormorants. The two are very different, so I don't get the confusion, but apparently it's a real thing.

Your visitor has a long sharp bill for spearing fish. Once speared, it takes them to shore and shakes the fish off, tosses it into the air and swallows it head first. Cormorants have a short hooked bill and grab their prey and eat while still in the water.

Two distinct anhinga traits are:

Swimming with only their neck and head showing (hence the name "snake bird").

■ Sunning with their wings outstretched in order to dry and warm up between feedings.

You referred to your anhinga as a male. Next time it visits, check out the color of its head and neck. If black, it is indeed a male. If golden brown, it's a female.

I have a soft spot for these birds. Many years ago a friend brought me an adolescent with obvious problems. I suspected he had swallowed a hook. Unfortunately he passed away before I could get him to a vet, but while I had his company I found him to be an intelligent, proud bird. He didn't go nuts while contained as so many wild birds do. He seemed to know I wanted to help.

Thanks, Steve, for giving your visitor a safe haven.

"Gardener Gal" Leslie Derrenbacker is a Master Gardener and native Floridian. Send your questions to askgardenergal@gmail.com.



This is an anhinga, sometimes called a "water turkey" or a "snake bird."



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Plan before planting in sandy soils

when selecting a plant, homeowners must decide on its place and purpose in the landscape. Are low wildflowers wanted along the roadside or amid mowed greenspace or turfgrass? How about phlox, gaillardia, iris, salvia and coreopsis? A clump of bunchgrass may be desired — perhaps a

large Eastern Gamagrass or a smaller growing Muhlvgrass. Are canopy trees needed like Longleaf Pines, oaks or **Red Maples?** Or perhaps the space available needs a small tree like crapemyrtle or Winged Elm. Large shrubs



Jane Weber JANE'S GARDEN

like Yellow Anise or hybrid azalea will not grow tall to interfere with overhead powerlines.

In shade beneath existing mature trees, an owner may want evergreen bushes as a privacy screen. Select shade-tolerant understory plants. Most flowering plants will not bloom as prolifically in dense shade. High filtered shade will protect understory plants from the hot, leaf-burning, summer sun as well as from light winter frosts.

Then there is the problem of welldrained sandy soils atop Florida's limestone base rock. Deep sand filters storm- and wastewater while the porous limestone stores our drinking water in aquifers. Locally, amending sandy topsoil for gardening is a simple matter of adding finely milled mulch available for free from Central Landfill on State Road 44 east of Lecanto. It is organic, carbon-based, decaying plant humus full of nutrients and natural microorganisms necessary to all life on Earth. Many cities and municipalities around the world collect organic kitchen and yard waste to recycle into valuable soil amendment material.

Gardeners with sandy soils can dig a large planting hole and mix in some humus (about half sand and half humus), then tamp and water the bottom. Carefully remove the plant from



JANE WEBER/Special to the Chronicle

The two-year old cloned Red Cedar, *Juniperus virginiana*, in a 10-inch diameter pot has plenty of root room. These junipers are a dense, compact named variety called 'Robin Blue,' propagated from cuttings by Dr. Sue Kossuth at B K Cedars in Alachua. Jane's compact tractor can haul 15 little trees at a time in its loader bucket. The mature 'Robin Blue' behind the tractor, cloned in 2010 and planted in 2012. is about 15 feet tall and 10 feet in diameter. The deep sandy soil in the entire planting bed was well amended with organic humus from Central Landfill in Citrus County prior to planting. There is no irrigation in the bed, but the trees were hand watered as needed during their first year until they became established.



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Dear John: My mother purchased a set of Limoges at an auction decades ago. The pieces all match, but some have different marks on them. Some plates have Elite Works on them and on the back of one platter it reads "Limoges, France, Elite." Can you give me an idea of when they were made and the approximate value? — R.D., internet

Dear R.D.: The set of china was manufactured in Limoges, France, and decorated at the Elite Works as marked. The time of production was between World War I and II. There is no specific collector interest. If you are thinking of selling the set. contact Replacements Ltd. in Greensboro, NC. The phone number is 1-800-REPLACE (737-5223). Good luck.

Dear John: I have attached a poor picture of a mahogany elephant coffee table that we were told is from Nigeria. The glass tabletop rests on the backs of two carved standing elephants with small ivory tusks. I do not think it is an antique, but I would appreciate anything you tell me about it and any value it might have. - C.T. internet

Dear C.T.: I wish you had sent good clear photographs. Tables like vours were and are still being commercially produced as souvenirs. Tourists buy them when visiting the country of origin. They make nice decorative items and generate Remember When stories for friends and family while visiting.

John Sikorski has been a professional in the antiques business for 30 years. Send questions to Sikorski's Attic, P.O. Box 2513, Ocala, FL 34478 or asksikorski@aol.com.

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the gunk where the metal meets the shower or door. and a razor, carefully and scrape mineral spots off flat glass.

5. Use a squeegee.

Prevention is key. "The best thing you can do is squeegee the door after each use," Koenig says. Keep one hanging in your shower to make it easy. "It'll help keep hard-water deposits from building up, so you won't have to scrub so much later," she says.

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them- gled roots. Older, larger selves and grow to maturity. trees in small pots can de-Most plants in retail nurs- velop circling roots when grown in too small a pot.

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> Jane Weber is a professional gardener and consultant. Semi-retired. she grows thousands of native plants. Visitors are welcome to her Dunnellon, Marion County, garden. Contact herat jweber12385@gmail.com or phone 352-249-6899.



JANE WEBER/Special to the Chronicle

Compare these same species of native evergreen trees that were planted across the road from Jane's privacy screen seen in the previous photo. Both roadside plantings were installed in 2012 with the trees and shrubs propagated and grown at the same time. The only difference is the amount of soil amendment. Jane used about eight times as much as the young neighbor could afford while raising a family and paying mortgage and car loans.





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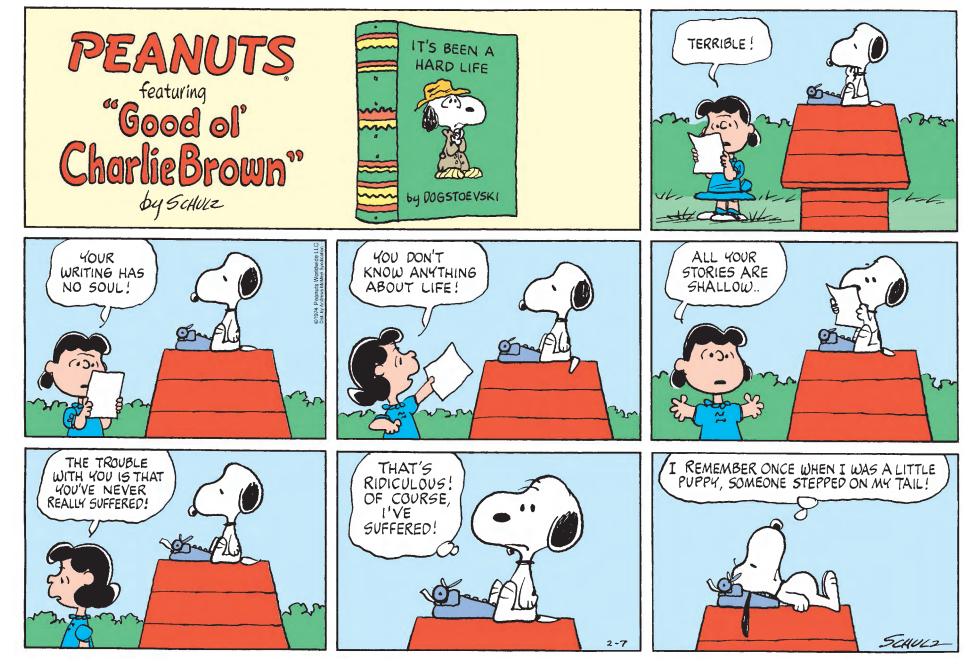
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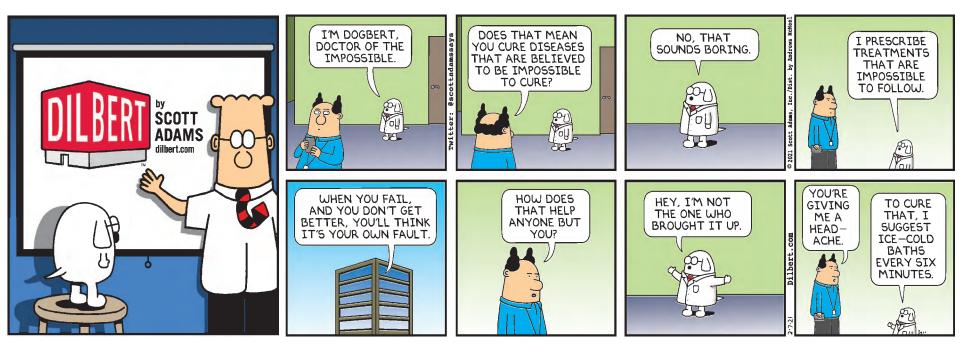
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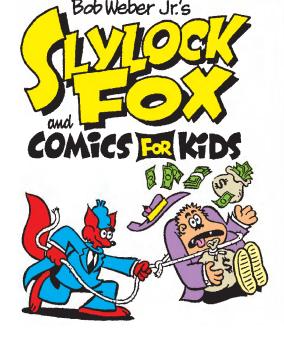
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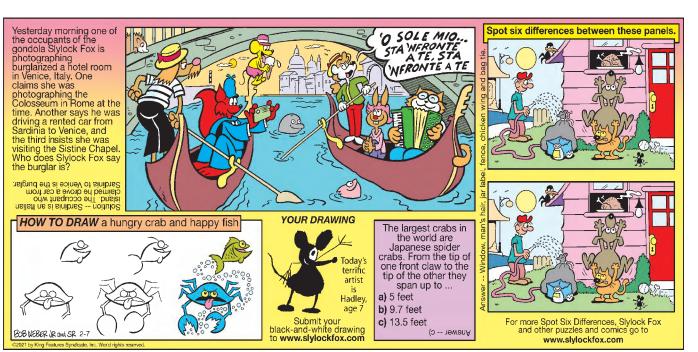








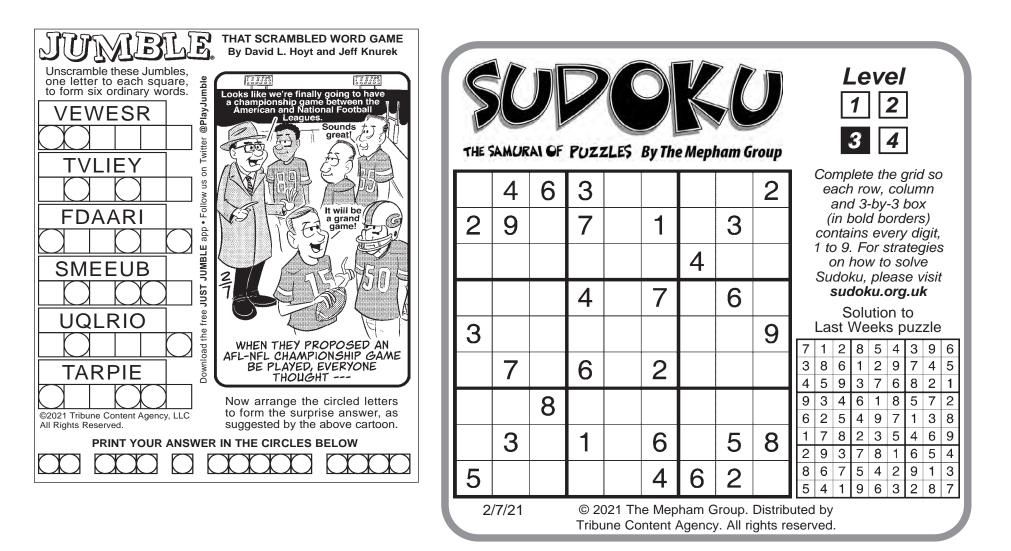










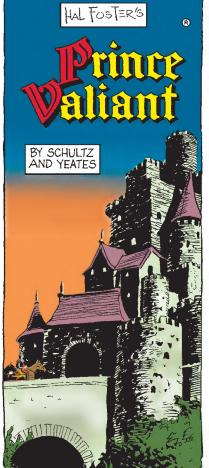






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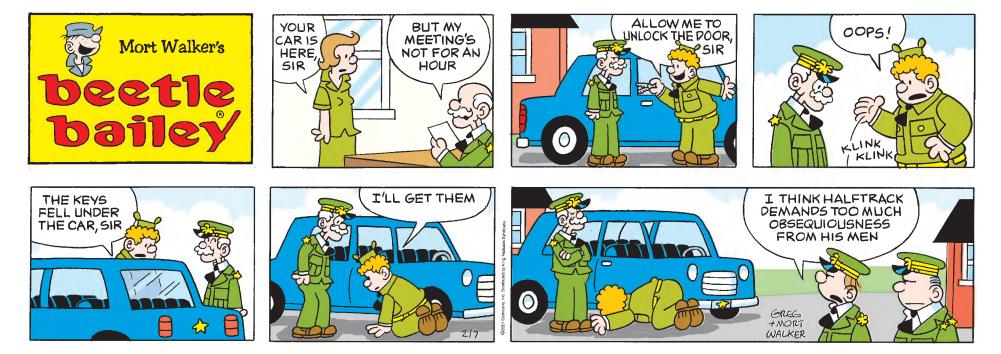
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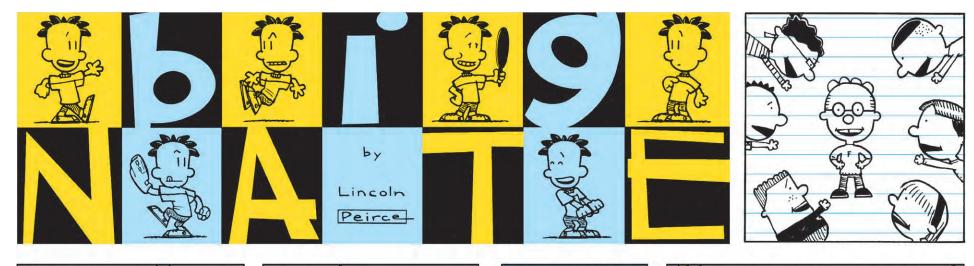




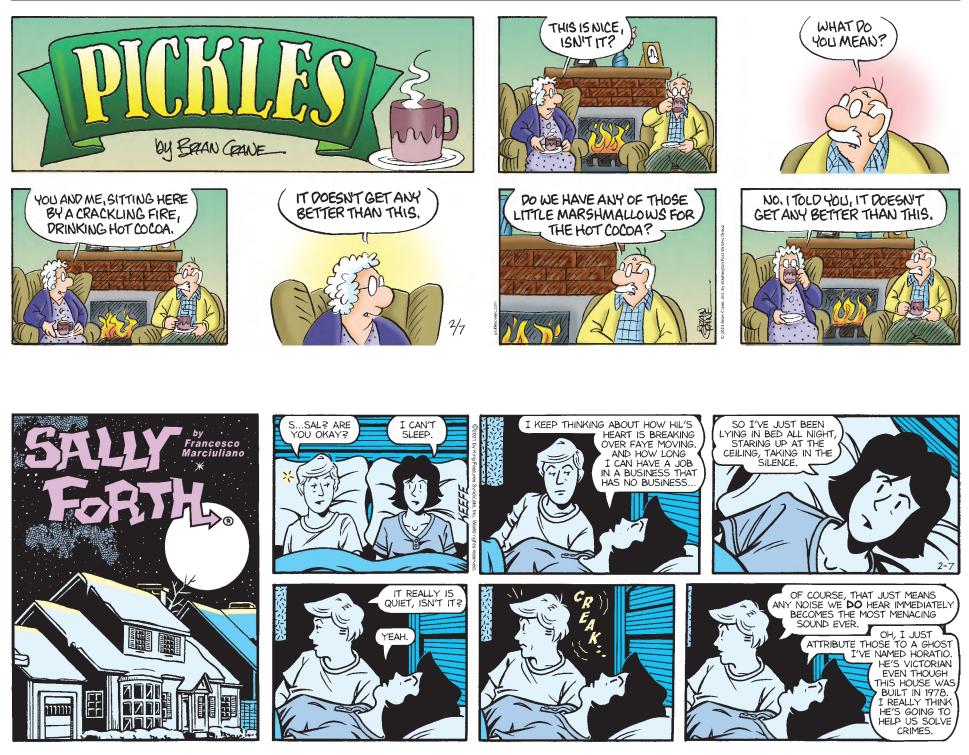
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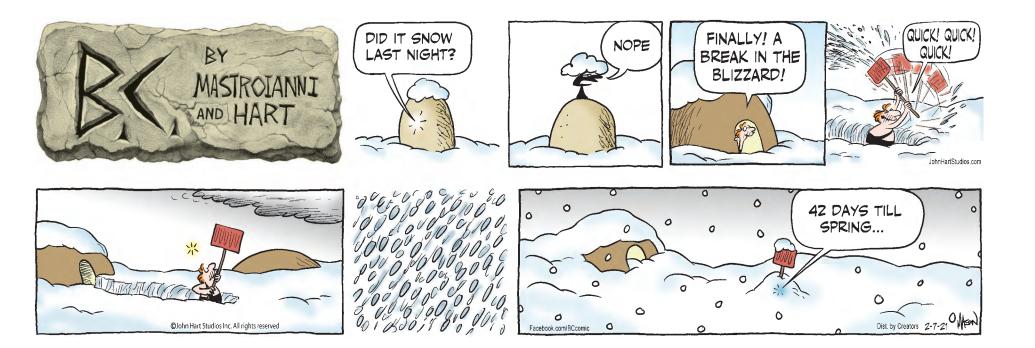


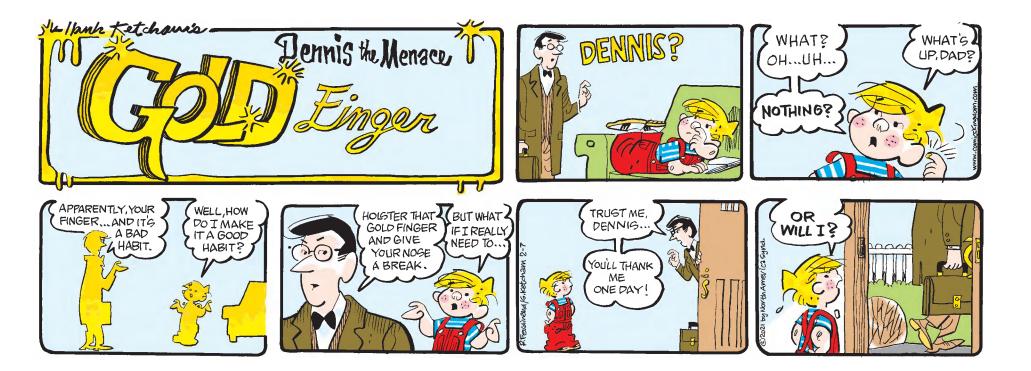










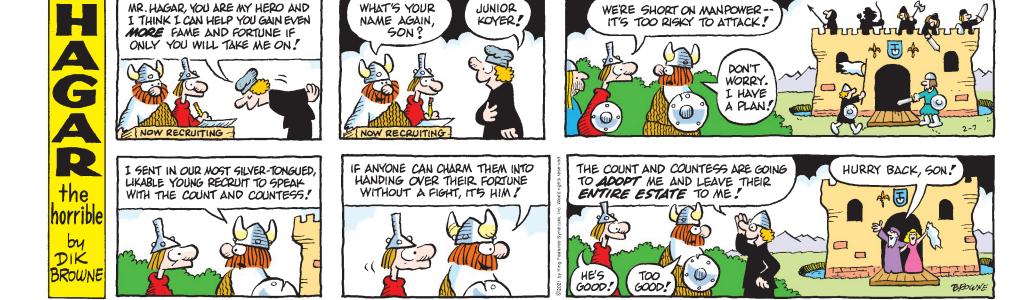






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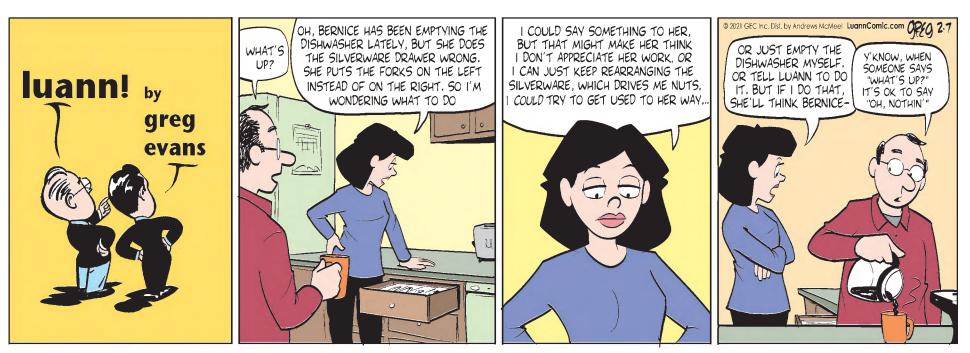


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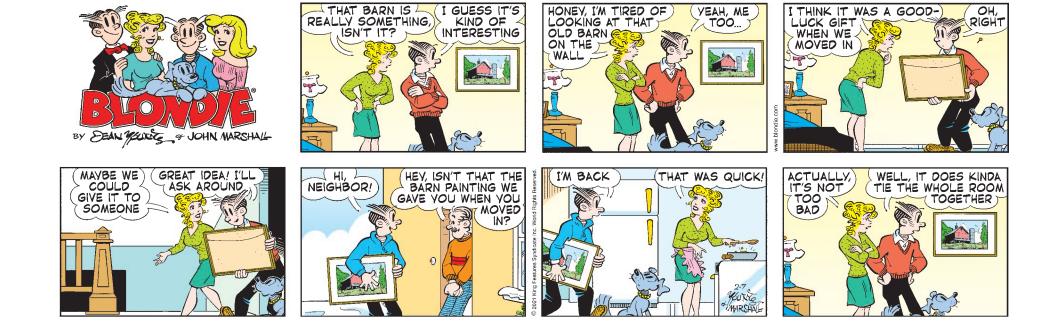
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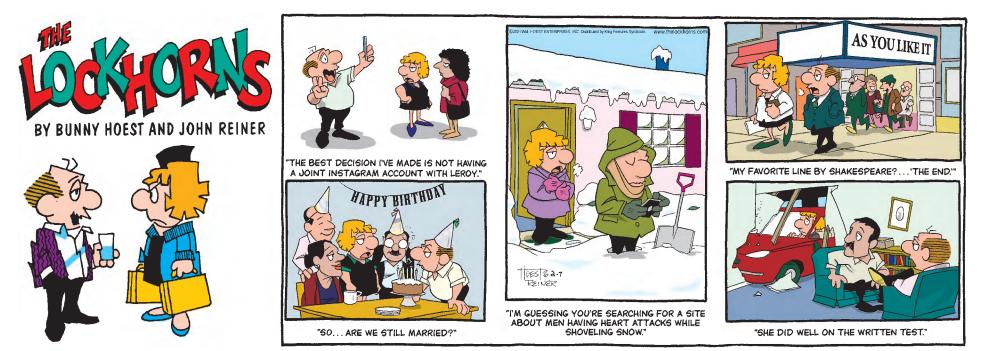
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ONLINE CAKE AUCTION We're looking for people to donate Cakes to our Online Cake Auction to set place on February 5th-7th. Cakes will need to be dropped off on February 5th, and will be available for pick up on February 7th.



TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Tickets are available for \$25, and they include: a goodie box filled with desserts, tea for one, a party favor, discounts from vendors, and a week head start on our virtual auction!



VIRTUAL SILENT AUCTION Ready to bid on 120+ exciting items?! Items range from trips, to baskets, to gift certificates, to services and more! Auction goes from February 1st-February 7th, with items being able to be picked up on February 7th.



DRIVE THROUGH PICK UP

On February 7th from 10am-3pm, you will be able to pick up your Goodie Box, Winning Cake Auction and Virtual Silent Auction items; be able to shop Labels items from your car and see our Fashion models.



Please register at CitrusBuilders.com

To purchase tickets, more information, or to donate to our event: Call 352-795-5541 Ext. 312, or visit: www.keytrainingcenter.org

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