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NEWS BRIEFS

Legislative Delegation meeting Dec. 10

Rep. Dr. Ralph Massullo, chairman of the Citrus County Legislative Delegation, announced Thursday, Nov. 18, the annual Legislative Delegation public meeting will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, at the County Commissioner's Chamber, Room 100, in the Citrus County Court House, 110 N. Apopka Ave., Inverness.

All proposals for local bills will be presented at the hearing and accompanied by a resolution from the local government supporting the proposed legislation. This information must be submitted to Rep. Massullo's office, 4067 N. Lecanto Hwy., Beverly Hills, FL 34465, on or before noon Monday, Dec. 6.

If you would like to be placed on the printed agenda, contact Rep. Massullo's office at adele.hembree@myfloridahouse.gov or at 352-527-4510 on or before noon Monday, Dec. 6. Please bring or submit four copies of all handouts to the meeting for distribution.

For more information regarding this meeting, contact Adele Hembree by email or at 352-527-4510.

County seeks applications for advisory council

The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is seeking applications for the Beverly Hills Advisory Council. They are seeking two qualified regular members to fill the two-year terms that will expire Jan. 31, 2024.

Eligible applicants must reside full time and own property within the boundaries of the Beverly Hills Municipal Service Benefit Unit as approved by the BOCC. The council meets at 10 a.m. the second Monday of every month at the Beverly Hills Civic Center, 1 Civic Circle. The purpose of this board is to provide street lighting and landscaping services for the Beverly Hills area.

Applications are due by Dec. 9 and can be accessed at citrusbocc.com/boardapplication. Completed applications should be sent to Citrus County Administration, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, FL 34461.

— From staff reports

ONLINE POLL

Your choice?

Medicare open enrollment is ongoing and ends Dec. 7. What is the toughest part of it all to understand?

A. Which local providers are in-network.

B. What the plans covers and does not cover.

C. What prescriptions will the plan cover.

To vote, visit www.chronicleonline.com. Scroll down the home page and look for the poll box in the right-hand column.

Results will appear next Monday. Find last week's online poll results. /Page A3

Kinnard to offer new plan

Commissioner to suggest new approach to purchase Pirate's Cove property

MICHAEL D. BATES
Staff writer

Earlier this month, the owner of the Pirate's Cove property off Ozello Trail shot down the county's bid to buy the property for \$616,000.

Undaunted, County Commissioner Jeff Kinnard will propose a new plan at Tuesday's commission meeting that he

hopes will pass muster with his fellow board members and the property owner.

Kinnard, who has been leading the charge to buy Pirate's Cove, will ask his colleagues to update the property appraisals with the county's contribution not to exceed \$375,000 to come out of these revenue pots:



Jeff Kinnard
Citrus County commissioner.

■ \$190,000 from District 1 park fees.

■ \$100,000 from the Citrus County Tourist Development Council (TDC) special projects fund (subject to TDC approval).

■ \$85,000 from the Duke Energy special projects funds.

Kinnard said the county

would make an offer on four of the five lots on the property. He's been working with several individuals and a nonprofit to negotiate a purchase for the remaining lot, which it would then convey to the county.

Kinnard stressed that these sources are "highly restricted funds" and cannot be used for road repaving. The general fund won't be touched, he added.

Kinnard said the first county offer was rejected "because it was not a formal offer" and the property owner wanted more money.

Pirate's Cove is a pristine 3.6-acre site with 750 feet of water frontage and abuts an existing park. The property has sat idle since the restaurant/motel housed on it was

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Young filmmaker draws notice



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Inverness native Chase Davis is a filmmaker and recent Florida State University graduate. She has received international acclaim for her short documentary, "Becoming Wonder Woman." She was honored with the Jury Award for Best Student Documentary at the American Pavilion Emerging Filmmaker Showcase at Cannes, in France.

Citrus County native earns spot at Cannes with her short documentary

HANNAH SACHEWICZ
Staff writer

In 2017, "Wonder Woman" debuted in theaters and changed the course of two women's lives forever.

Inspired by the film, 22-year-old writer, director and producer Chase Davis would help another woman share her battle with stage four

breast cancer in the award-winning short documentary, "Becoming Wonder Woman."

Just before leaving for college, Davis, a 2017 Citrus High School graduate, watched "Wonder Woman" for the first time.

"I saw it and absolutely loved it," she said. "I think I saw it in the theater eight times."

Davis began her college career in Florida

State University's (FSU) theater program.

"I just wasn't finding my place," she said.

Having just moved away from home — away from everything she knew — Davis said she was having a difficult time adjusting.

One night, she was in her dorm watching "Wonder Woman" on DVD. This time, she watched a bonus feature, where director

Patty Jenkins invited young filmmakers to the set, encouraging them to pursue film.

"I can do this," Davis said to herself. So, she decided to interview for FSU's film school and was accepted.

For a school project, Davis was tasked with creating a short documentary. Each group was instructed to pick a subject with two weeks to film anywhere in the

continental U.S. "Wonder Woman" changed the course of Davis' life and helped her find her path. She thought to herself, "I wonder if it's changed anyone else's life?"

"The idea of the documentary was finding women who were inspired by the character of 'Wonder Woman' in a really big way," Davis said.

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Public meeting on Homosassa park set for Dec. 2



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Giant oaks fill the land that will soon be the Old Homosassa Heritage Park and Working Waterfront. The structure at left will be converted into a museum.

BUSTER THOMPSON
Staff writer

Now that Homosassa has its waterfront park, those who spearheaded its public purchase want to get the word out about what's in store for the land.

Members of the Old Homosassa Heritage Park and Working Waterfront Steering Committee are hosting a meeting from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at the Homosassa Civic Club headquarters, 5530 S. Mason Creed Road, Homosassa.

This meeting is required by the Florida Communities Trust as a condition of the Stan

Mayfield Working Waterfronts grant the Homosassa Civic Club was awarded to buy the 2-acre waterfront park along the Homosassa River in July 2020 for roughly \$1.4 million.

Steering committee chairman and civic club member Rodney MacRae said the meeting will be an informative experience for attendees to learn about the parcel's future.

"To let folks know what's happened, to let them know the park actually exists," he said, "that the property is out of private hands and now in the position where it would never

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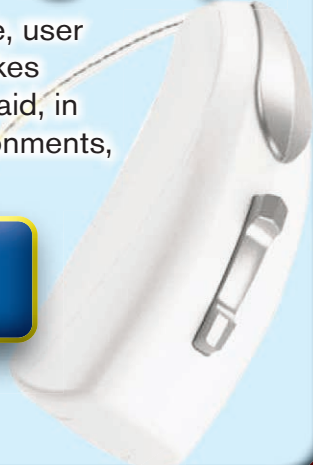
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Hospital to offer obesity seminar

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Staff writer

As obesity continues to be on the rise both nationally and in Citrus County, Citrus Memorial Hospital will on Tuesday offer a free online class offering participants a general overview of obesity and weight loss options, including surgical gastric sleeve procedures.

The online address to register is [invernesssurgical.com/services/bariatric-surgery](https://www.citrusmemorialhospital.com/services/bariatric-surgery).

Obesity can lead to shortened life expectancy, chronic health conditions such as diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, osteoarthritis and some forms of cancer.

Citrus Memorial's bariatric surgery program is headed by bariatric surgeon Dr. Parth Patel of Inverness Surgical

Associates. The surgery and program also includes weight management education and strategies.

"The first, important step in making a decision about weight loss surgery is to understand the options available, along with the potential benefits and risks," according to Citrus Memorial Hospital's website

The registration website also includes a body mass index calculator for potential candidates to help determine if they might be a candidate for the robotic assisted procedure.

Typically, the minimally invasive surgery is appropriate for patients with a body mass index of 40 or greater. People with a body mass index of 35 to 40 may also be eligible if they have obesity-related medical conditions.

People interested in learning about the procedure should also collect evidence of previous, unsuccessful attempts at non-surgical treatments for obesity.

They should also demonstrate a commitment to follow-up care, including a clear understanding of the dietary, exercise and medical guidelines required following surgery and throughout the rest of their lives, according to the Citrus Memorial website.

Obesity is not unique to Citrus County.

More than 70 million Americans are obese, according to [stateofobesity.org](https://www.stateofobesity.org).

Until the past few decades, obesity primarily affected adults. But recently childhood obesity has also become a significant problem.

From the mid-1980s to the mid-2010s, obesity roughly doubled among U.S. children ages 2 years to 5 years and tripled among children 6 and older, according to the National Institutes of Health.

In 2017-2018, an estimated 19.3% of US children and adolescents aged 2 to 19 years had obesity, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

It was 25.6% for Hispanic children, 24.2% for Black children, 16.1% for White children, and 8.7% for Asian children, according to the CDC.

That's important, because children who are overweight or obese are five times more likely to be obese or overweight adults than children of normal weight, according to Healthline Media.

The data for Citrus County is worrisome.

In 2019, the most recent year data is available, 31.2% of Citrus County adults were obese, according to Florida HealthCharts, which collects and compiles county health data from county departments of health. That was greater than the Florida average of 27%.

When Citrus County's obesity rate is divided by sex, nearly 34% of Citrus County adult males are obese, according to Florida HealthCharts. For women, it was 28.6%.

The age group that saw the greatest obesity rates in Citrus County was those 45 years to 64 years, according to Florida HealthCharts. In Citrus County nearly 42% of those in the 45-64 age group were obese. That was nearly 10 percentage points

above Florida's average for that age group.

For those 18-44, nearly 26% were obese in Citrus County. That was three percentage points above the Florida average for that age group.

Obesity costs Americans \$147 billion each year, according to the CDC.

And people who are obese pay more out of pocket than people who are not, with medical costs for people with obesity \$1,429 greater each year than those of people with a normal weight, according to the CDC.

As of 2017, all 50 states had an obesity rate of over 20%. Just two decades ago, no state had a rate above 15%, according to the CDC.

Today, Americans eat 23% more calories than we did in 1970, according to the CDC.

Friends of Library MEGA sale a success

Special to the Chronicle

This year, Friends of the Citrus County Library System (FOCCLS) celebrated their 20th anniversary and kicked off Friends of the Library Month in October with the return of the MEGA Book Sale.

This highly anticipated event was their first large-scale book sale since March 2020. However, the Friends were anything but idle during the time between sales.

From September 2020 to June 2021, they hosted 15 pop-up sidewalk sales at various library branches and their Book House location in Lecanto. The success of those sales brought in more than \$31,000, thanks to the support of the Citrus County community.

"What started as a way to move inventory, quickly became a meeting of old friends who all love books," FOCCLS vice president Janet Genova said. "We were able to do something for the libraries and keep ourselves immersed in volunteering."

As the MEGA sale's return grew closer, the Friends closed up shop on the pop-up sales and moved into preparation mode.

The Friends spend that time packing up the banana boxes full of donated items. On Sept. 29, volunteers met the movers to pack 923 boxes of books and puzzles into moving trucks and made the journey across the county.

Once they arrived at the Citrus County Auditorium, a small army of volunteers began sort-



On opening night of the Friends of the Citrus County Library System's MEGA Book Sale, shoppers browsed through more than 900 boxes of materials for the first time since March 2020.

ing and unpacking.

"A book sale of this magnitude requires help from a variety of sources," FOCCLS president Sandy Price said. "Over the years, we have formed fantastic partnerships with the Inverness Rotary and the Citrus High School JROTC.

"On our first morning in the auditorium, the Rotary comes in to set-up the more than 100 tables that are needed. Then, after school gets out, the JROTC students come over to help us place the 900-plus boxes in the correct locations," Price added.

After the boxes are placed, the

Friends spend almost two days making final preparations before the doors opened Friday afternoon.

"This year, we made a few changes to our sale," FOCCLS secretary Karen Slaska said. "In an effort to allow people additional time to shop on Friday, we opened the doors at 3 p.m. instead of 5 p.m.

"I had a shopper come to me and express how happy she was that she had additional time to shop," she added. "She told me that she has been coming to the sale for years, but because she can't drive at night, it was

difficult for her to shop for more than an hour. With the time change, she had plenty of time to browse."

As the weekend continued on and the boxes were emptied, Friends volunteers knew this was one of the best sales they had in years.

In addition to the 300-plus people who attended on opening night, many returned on the following days. Teachers looking to fill classroom libraries, grandparents shopping for the holidays and families of all ages flocked to the sale.

In the end, the four-day sale

brought in more than \$31,000 to be donated to the Citrus County Library System.

"Supporting the libraries in our county is why we do what we do," FOCCLS treasurer Deb Driskill said. "We even had the opportunity to donate materials left over after the sale to two additional groups."

Additional donations included books for the Citrus County Habitat for Humanity stores and a donation of kids' books to the Citrus County Education Foundation's teacher supply store.

The Friends will have two additional Saturday Sidewalk Sales from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dec. 4 and Jan. 15 at their Book House in the Village West Plaza, 593 E. Gulf-to-Lake Highway in Lecanto.

Official dates for the Spring 2022 MEGA Book Sale are March 11 to 14 at the Citrus County Auditorium.

To become a friend, stop at your local branch and ask for an application. For more information, visit citruslibraries.org/support-us/friends or foccls.org.

To make a tax-deductible donation, send a check made out to FOCCLS to 425 W. Roosevelt Blvd., Beverly Hills, FL 34465.

Library branches accept donations of new and gently-used books and puzzles from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

To stay up-to-date on upcoming sales, follow FOCCLS or Citrus County Library System on Facebook. For more information, call 352-513-4221 or email friendsfofcls@gmail.com.

Special to the Chronicle

ONLINE POLL RESULTS

QUESTION: The offer to purchase Pirate's Cove resulted in no counteroffer. What should county commissioners do next?

- A.** The board should increase their bid. (76 votes)
- B.** If private support is coming, citizens shouldn't have to wait for more details. (61 votes)
- C.** It's time to move on, the county has other pressing matters. (380 votes)

Total votes: 517. For this week's online poll question, see **Page A1**.

Christmas Trees Around the Square marks 28th year

This year marks the 28th anniversary of Christmas Trees Around the Square in Inverness. Twenty trees, each representing one of the nonprofits or service organizations in Citrus County, will shine throughout the holiday season.

They will be put up and decorated by Santa's elves at 9 a.m. Nov. 27. The public is welcome to decorate with the Citrus County Historical Society and museum staff.

This year's tree lighting ceremony will be something special. The historical society is holding a free holiday concert with Greta Pope from 4 to 6 p.m. Dec. 5 at the Old Courthouse Heritage Museum, 1 Courthouse Square in Inverness.

The concert is meant to

spread holiday cheer and thank the community for their continued support of the society and the museum. Greta Pope and her trio will perform the holiday edition of the Great American Songbook.

To reserve a seat, visit cccourthouse.org/shop or call 352-341-6428. These events are offered to the public free of charge, but donations are always welcome.

WTC to have open house, information session

Withlacoochee Technical College (WTC) will have an open house at 12:30 p.m. Dec. 2, 1201 W. Main St. in Inverness. They will also have an information session at 6 p.m. Dec. 7. The \$30 registration fee for January 2022 enrollment will be waived for anyone attending the information session who completes registration

requirements for an upcoming program (pending seat availability) by Dec. 21.

Information sessions permit students to spend concentrated time with the instructor in the shop or classroom to learn detailed information about a specific program. This is a "pick one and visit" scenario.

CF Foundation to meet

The CF Foundation will have a board of directors meeting at 4:30 p.m. Dec. 8 at CF, 3001 SW College Road, building 40, in Ocala. The meeting is open to the public.

Have fun with the Floral City Heritage Council

Join the Floral City Heritage Council (FCHC) from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Dec. 3, for a Lions Club fish fry with horse-drawn wagon rides, luminarias, carolers and

tree lighting at the museum, 8394 E. Orange Ave.

The FCHC will showcase their modified historic home tour from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 4. It will be presented as a free walking tour to the door with no entry inside. The Historic Duval-Metz House will be open for a donation. Docents in period costumes will greet visitors.

There will be interpreters of early Florida arts, trades and daily living skills, folk music, children's activities, free museum access and hay ride. Mt. Carmel Methodist Church's BBQ and sweet potato pies will also be available.

Visitors are welcome to learn about happenings in Floral City, including the drive for contributions to further develop the "Flowers 'N' Fountain Corner."

Donations for that enhancement may be sent to FCHC, P.O. Box 328, Floral City, FL 34436. For more information, call

352-419-4257, email ther-fchc@hotmail.com or visit floralcityhc.org.

Police: Endangered teen may be in North Carolina

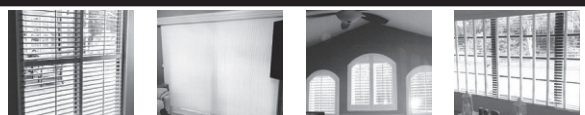
NORTH MIAMI BEACH — A 15-year-old South Florida girl may have been kidnapped and taken to North Carolina by someone she met in an online video game, police said Sunday.

North Miami Beach police said Jeimy Henriquez left her home in North Miami Beach on Saturday morning with someone she met while playing Fire Max.

Around 10 p.m. Saturday, she called her mother, weeping that she was hungry and was far from home. She then hung up. Detectives were able to ping the call to North Carolina, police said.

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Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21): Keep the momentum flowing. Procrastination will stand between you and your destination. Position yourself for success.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Stay on target. Don't let your mind wander. Use your imagination to create, not to confuse. Execute your plans with precision, ingenuity and savvy.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19): Choose intellect over brawn. Communication is the path to success. Explain your thoughts and feelings, and you'll captivate your audience.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20): Two wrongdoings won't make things right. Take a moment to adjust to what others do or say. How you handle matters will determine your success.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Dive in and get things done. Your energy and wit will draw others to your side and encourage opportunities that allow you to use your skills to your liking.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Uncertainty will make you nervous about your future. Don't overreact or take on something you cannot handle.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Expand your interests, skills and knowledge to fit trends. Work to develop a plan that helps you use your talents.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Keep your personal and professional problems separate. Letting your emotions get in the way will ruin your concentration.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Connect with someone who can offer clarity regarding a situation that perplexes you. Speak up, ask direct questions and find out where you stand. Anger and impulse won't solve anything.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Live up to your word. Uncertainty and inconsistency will make others question your ability to get things done. Concentrate on self-improvement. Romance is favored.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): If you want to make changes at home or to how you live, be prepared to do the labor yourself. Minimize expenses to fit your budget.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22): Pay attention to what's going on at home and the changes that others make. Reach out to people you can rely on to help you get what you want.

ENTERTAINMENT

'Encanto,' 'House of Gucci' fuel holiday box office

NEW YORK — Thanksgiving weekend moviegoing was still far from the feast it normally is, but Disney's "Encanto" and the Lady Gaga-led "House of Gucci" both gave a lift to two genres that have been particularly battered by the pandemic: family movies and adult dramas.

"Encanto" led the box office with \$27 million over the weekend and \$40.3 million across the five-day holiday frame, according to studio estimates Sunday. While well off the pace of past Disney animated movies released over Thanksgiving — "Coco" launched at the same time of year with \$72 million and "Ralph Breaks the Internet" did as well with \$84 million — the result was the best opening for an animated movie during the pandemic.

Family films have been especially slow to bounce back, though with kids increasingly getting vaccinated, hopes have been rising that releases such as "Encanto" can lead a rebound. Disney earlier this year released films like Pixar's "Luca" straight to Disney+, but put out "Encanto," reportedly made for \$120 million, exclusively in theaters.

The film, about a magical Colombia family and featuring original songs from Lin-Manuel Miranda, took in \$70 million globally.

MGM's "House of Gucci," from director Ridley Scott, debuted with \$14.2 million over the three-day weekend and \$21.8 million across five days. That, too, was among the best performances for an adult drama. Scott's own "The Last Duel," for Disney's 20th Century Studios, launched with a pal-



Associated Press

This image released by Disney shows Mirabel, voiced by Stephanie Beatriz, left, and Bruno, voiced by John Leguizamo, in a scene from the animated film "Encanto."

try \$4.8 million in October.

The \$75 million-budgeted "House of Gucci," about the family behind the Italian fashion brand, features a large cast including Adam Driver, Jared Leto and Al Pacino. But its star, Lady Gaga, who plays Patrizia Reggiani, especially drove the turnout. According to MGM, 59% of the audience was female and 45% were between the ages of 18-35. About 34% were 45 years and older — a higher turnout among older moviegoers than most releases have seen.

"Originality still counts in the public's mind," said Erik Loomis, distribution chief for MGM. "We were really pleased with the results. If you asked me going into the weekend, I was praying that the predictions were right because you just don't know today. You just don't know how the market's going to react."

Thanksgiving weekend often accounts for around \$250 million in ticket sales domestically. Overall business this weekend came in at about \$142 million, according to data firm Comscore — a bit more

than half of typical business but also almost seven times better than Thanksgiving 2020, when many theaters were still shuttered.

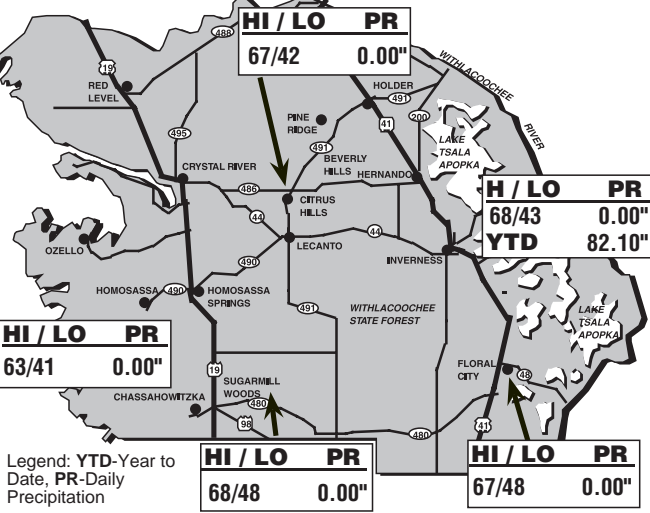
MGM has bet bigger on the theatrical recovery than most studios; its James Bond film "No Time to Die," with \$755 million globally, will rank as the No. 1 film of the year.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Comscore. Final domestic figures will be released Monday.

1. "Encanto," \$27 million.
2. "Ghostbusters: Afterlife," \$24.5 million.
3. "House of Gucci," \$14.2 million.
4. "Eternals," \$2.5 million.
5. "Resident Evil: Welcome to Raccoon City," \$5.3 million.
6. "Clifford the Big Red Dog," \$4.9 million.
7. "King Richard," \$3.3 million.
8. "Dune," \$2.2 million.
9. "No Time to Die," \$1.8 million.
10. "Venom: Let There Be Carnage," \$1.6 million.

— From wire reports

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER



THREE DAY OUTLOOK

TODAY & TOMORROW MORNING
High: 67° Low: 37°
Sunny and cool with very low humidity

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY MORNING
High: 70° Low: 41°
Sunny, light winds

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY MORNING
High: 74° Low: 46°
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Mean temp.		63		Yesterday at 3 p.m.	
Departure from mean		-8		POLLEN COUNT**	
PRECIPITATION		Yesterday	0.00"	Today's active pollen:	
		Total for the month	2.18"	Composites, grasses, palm	
		Total for the year	61.64"	Today's count: N/A	
		Normal for the year	49.29"	Tuesday's count: N/A	
As reported from https://citrusmosquito.org		UV INDEX:	4	Wednesday's count: N/A	
		0-2 minimal, 3-4 low, 5-6 moderate, 7-9 high, 10+ very high		AIR QUALITY	
BAROMETRIC PRESSURE		Yesterday observed	Good	Yesterday observed	
		30.07	PM2.5	Pollutant	

SOLUNAR TABLES				Provided by ezfshn.com	
DATE	DAY	MINOR	MAJOR	MINOR	MAJOR
		(MORNING)		(AFTERNOON)	
11/29	MONDAY	7:03	8:10	5:31	8:34
11/30	TUESDAY	7:04	8:58	5:31	9:23

CELESTIAL OUTLOOK

SUNSET TONIGHT 5:31 pm
SUNRISE TOMORROW 7:04 am
MOONRISE TODAY 1:48 am
MOONSET TODAY 2:25 pm

BURN CONDITIONS

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

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

WATERING RULES

For established lawns and landscapes, irrigation may occur during only one (1) of the specified time periods, 12:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., or 4:00 p.m. - 11:59 p.m., on the allowable watering days below:

Addresses with house numbers ending in:

0 - 1	Monday	6 - 7	Thursday
2 - 3	Tuesday	8 - 9 -or- Common Areas	Friday
4 - 5	Wednesday		

Questions, concerns or reporting violations, please call: City of Inverness at 352-726-2321; City of Crystal River at 352-795-4216, Ext. 313; Inverness incorporated Citrus County at 352-527-7669. For more information, visit: https://www.citrusbocc.com/departments/water_resources/watering_restrictions.php

TIDES

*From mouths of rivers **At King's Bay ***At Mason's Creek

MONDAY								
City	High	Low	High	Low	High			
Chassahowitzka**	1:41 a.m.	0.3 ft	1:42 p.m.	0.4 ft	8:22 a.m.	0.2 ft	9:15 p.m.	0.1 ft
Crystal River**	11:53 a.m.	1.8 ft	None	n/a	6:37 a.m.	0.7 ft	6:59 p.m.	0.5 ft
Withlacoochee*	9:17 a.m.	2.6 ft	9:56 p.m.	2.9 ft	4:07 a.m.	1.0 ft	4:27 p.m.	0.7 ft
Homosassa***	1:07 a.m.	0.9 ft	1:07 p.m.	0.9 ft	7:25 a.m.	0.3 ft	7:57 p.m.	0.2 ft

FLORIDA TEMPERATURES

City	H	L	F'cast	City	H	L	F'cast
Daytona Bch.	65	50	s	Miami	75	62	pc
Fort Lauderdale	74	59	s	Ocala	66	39	s
Fort Myers	73	51	s	Orlando	68	47	s
Gainesville	66	37	s	Pensacola	63	41	s
Homestead	75	55	pc	Sarasota	70	49	s
Jacksonville	64	41	s	Tallahassee	63	34	s
Key West	71	65	pc	Tampa	70	47	s
Lakeland	69	46	s	Vero Beach	69	54	s
Melbourne	69	54	s	W. Palm Bch.	71	63	s

MARINE OUTLOOK

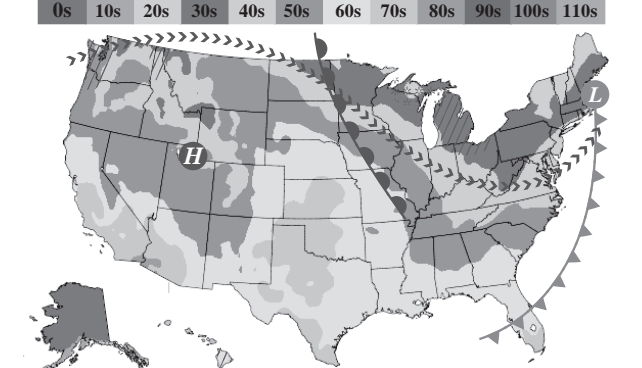
Today: North winds around 15 knots then becoming northeast 5 to 10 knots after midnight. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland waters a moderate chop. Tonight: Northeast winds around 10 knots then becoming north late in the afternoon.

Gulf water temperature
63°
Taken at Crystal River

LAKE LEVELS			
Location	SUN	SAT	Full
Withlacoochee at Holder	30.46	30.47	34.64
Tsala Apopka-Hernando	37.95	37.96	38.66
Tsala Apopka-Inverness	39.26	39.27	39.73
Tsala Apopka-Floral City	40.45	40.46	41.37

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

THE NATION



FORECAST FOR 3:00 P.M. Monday

City	SUN				MON				City	SUN				MON			
	H	L	Pcp.	H	L	Fest	H	L		Pcp.	H	L	Fest				
Albany	34	25	0.01	36	21	ss		New Orleans	61	53	0.04	62	48	s			
Albuquerque	60	34	0.00	63	35	s		New York City	41	33	Trace	44	31	pc			
Asheville	55	30	0.00	45	28	s		Norfolk	62	42	0.00	48	32	s			
Atlanta	61	33	0.00	53	36	s		Oklahoma City	59	36	0.00	73	45	s			
Atlantic City	57	34	Trace	46	32	pc		Omaha	49	24	0.00	66	38	s			
Austin	72	48	0.09	74	47	s		Palm Springs	83	48	0.00	85	60	s			
Baltimore	58	32	Trace	46	31	pc		Philadelphia	54	37	0.00	44	30	pc			
Billings	61	44	0.00	59	35	cl		Phoenix	82	49	0.00	81	51	s			
Birmingham	58	41	0.00	56	37	s		Pittsburgh	43	32	0.03	36	31	mc			
Boise	55	32	0.00	53	31	s		Portland, ME	37	19	0.00	35	24	sn			
Boston	38	28	0.00	35	25	ss		Portland, OR	63	53	0.02	56	49	ra			
Buffalo	36	30	0.12	35	30	ss		Providence, RI	37	28	Trace	37	23	ss			
Burlington, VT	30	12	Trace	30	21	mc		Raleigh	63	35	0.00	49	29	s			
Charleston, SC	63	39	0.00	56	38	s		Rapid City	64	26	0.00	62	38	s			
Charleston, WV	54	41	Trace	43	32	pc		Reno	63	28	0.00	67	33	s			
Charlotte	63	33	0.00	50	32	s		Rochester, NY	34	28	0.08	34	27	ss			
Chicago	41	28	0.00	39	32	rs		Sacramento	67	41	0.00	68	45	s			
Cincinnati	47	30	Trace	43	35	pc		Salt Lake City	54	30	0.00	56	36	hz			
Cleveland	39	34	0.11	36	33	ss		San Antonio	76	45	0.00	72	47	rt			
Columbia, SC	63	36	0.00	54	32	s		San Diego	77	46	0.00	73	52	s			
Columbus, OH	41	32	Trace	40	34	mc		San Francisco	70	50	0.00	68	51	s			
Concord, NH	34	19	0.00	36	18	sn		Savannah	65	41	Trace	58	38	s			
Dallas	66	46	0.01	72	48	s		Seattle	61	54	0.12	56	49	ra			
Denver	67	29	0.00	70	34	s		Spokane	59	53	0.12	51	41	ra			
Des Moines	45	27	0.00	62	33	pc		St. Louis	49	35	0.00	59	38	pc			
Detroit	39	32	0.07	37	30	mc		St. Ste Marie	34	25	0.23	35	29	ss			
El Paso	63	39	0.00	67	44	s		Syracuse	34	30	0.09	34	25	ss			
Evansville, IN	49	35	0.00	48	37	pc		Topeka	55	28	0.02	72	39	s			
Harrisburg	43	34	Trace	42	30	pc		Washington	57	37	0.00	46	32	pc			

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

Today in
HISTORY

Today is Monday, Nov. 29, the 333rd day of 2021. There are 32 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Nov. 29, 2001, former Beatle George Harrison died in Los Angeles following a battle with cancer; he was 58.

On this date:
In 1929, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Richard E. Byrd, pilot Bernt Balchen, radio operator Harold Gurn and photographer Ashley McKinney made the first airplane flight over the South Pole.

In 1972, the coin-operated video arcade game Pong, created by Atari, made its debut at Andy Capp's Tavern in Sunnyvale, California.

Ten years ago: Eurozone ministers sent Greece an 8 billion-euro (\$10.7 billion) Christmas rescue package to stem an immediate cash crisis.

Five years ago: President-elect Donald Trump continued to fill out his Cabinet, choosing former Goldman Sachs executive Steven Mnuchin as secretary of the Treasury Department, Georgia Rep. Tom Price to oversee the nation's health care system, and Elaine Chao, a former labor secretary and the wife of Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, to lead the Department of Transportation.

One year ago: Mayor Bill de Blasio announced that New York City would reopen its school system to in-person learning, and increase the number of days a week many children attend class, even as the coronavirus pandemic intensified in the city.

Today's Birthdays: Hall of Fame sportscaster Vin Scully is 94. Blues singer-musician John Mayall is 88. Actor Diane Ladd is 86. Former Olympic skier Suzy Chaffee is 75. Actor-comedian-celebrity judge Howie Mandel is 66. Former Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel is 62. Actor Cathy Moriarty is 61. Actor Andrew McCarthy is 59. Actor Don Cheadle is 57.

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Pioneering Black former congresswoman Meek dies

FREIDA FRISARO
Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE — Carrie Meek, the grandchild of a slave and a sharecropper's daughter who became one of the first Black Floridians elected to Congress since Reconstruction, died Sunday. She was 95.

Meek died at her home in Miami after a long illness, family spokesperson Adam Sharon said in a statement. The family did not specify a cause of death.

Meek started her congressional career at an age when many people begin retirement. She was 66 when she easily won the 1992 Democratic congressional primary in her Miami-Dade County district. No Republican opposed her in the general election.

Alcee Hastings and Corrine Brown joined Meek in January 1993 as the first Black Floridians to serve in Congress since 1876 as the state's districts had been redrawn by the federal

courts in accordance with the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

On her first day in Congress, Meek reflected that while her grandmother, a slave on a Georgia farm, could never have dreamed of such an accomplishment, her parents told her that anything was possible.

"They always said the day would come when we would be recognized for our character," she told The Associated Press in an interview that day.

In Congress, Meek championed affirmative action, economic opportunities for the poor and efforts to bolster democracy in and ease immigration restrictions on Haiti, the birthplace of many of her constituents.

She also was known for her liberal opinions, folksy yet powerful oratory and colorful Republican bashing.

"The last Republican that did something for me was Abraham Lincoln," she told the state delegation to the 1996 Democratic Convention in Chicago.



Carrie Meek

Around the STATE

Man killed after pulling gun on 2 officers on I-4

LAKELAND — Police officers in central Florida fatally shot a man who pointed a gun at them early Sunday as they were investigating reports of a suspicious car parked in a construction zone along Interstate 4, authorities said.

Officers Tammy Hathcock and Garret Zeigler arrived at the scene just after 2 a.m. Sunday and saw a man sitting in the car, the Lakeland Police Department said in a news release.

The officers tapped on the car window to speak to the man and he pulled a handgun and pointed it at one of the officers, the agency said.

"In fear for their safety, officers returned fire, shooting the driver," a police report said.

The 61-year-old man, whose name has not been released, was the only occupant of the car. He died at the scene. Police recovered his gun.

The officers were not injured, the agency said. Authorities closed Interstate 4 for hours as they investigated the shooting. Westbound lanes were reopened later Sunday morning while eastbound lanes were restricted to one lane in the area.

The shooting is being investigated by the agency's violent crimes unit and will also be under review by the department's professional standards board, the state attorney's office and

the medical examiner's office, officials said.

The officers have been placed on administrative leave with pay, pending the outcome of the investigations.

Chief: Officer kills man suspected of vehicle theft

CORAL GABLES — Police officers responding to a call about vehicle thefts on Sunday morning fatally shot one of the suspects, officials said.

Coral Gables police officers arriving at the scene observed two people breaking into a U-Haul pickup truck.

"Upon engaging the individuals, the first arriving officer and the second arriving officer discharged their firearms in an attempt to protect their lives," police Chief Ed Hudak told the Miami Herald.

The second suspect was taken into custody, police said.

WPLG reported that the truck had several bullet holes on the driver's side. The body of the person who was shot was inside, covered by a tarp.

One of the officers was injured in the lower body and was being treated, Hudak told news outlets.

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement will be investigating the shooting.

— From wire reports

ACCLAIM

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While researching, she stumbled upon a Facebook sweepstakes to meet the people from the film.

Someone wrote, "Heather Abbott should meet her," Davis said. She saw Abbott's Instagram, which at the time was @chemowonderwoman. Davis contacted her and Abbott asked to FaceTime.

"I think that's when we really hit it off," Davis said.

And so, the short documentary, "Becoming Wonder Woman," was born. According to the film's description, "A determined woman utilizes the symbol of 'Wonder Woman' to rally herself, her family and her community in her fight against stage four breast cancer."

The documentary — produced, written and directed by Davis — was filmed over the course of two weeks in the spring of 2019 in Seattle, Washington.

"I got to meet her children — these three beautiful girls," Davis said. And as far as Abbott, "She's literally sunshine incarnate as a human being."

The documentary opens with Abbott speaking to the camera: "No one expects to be diagnosed with cancer at age 37 — or at any age," she said. "No one expects to be told from the very beginning your case is really serious and technically you're not curable."

Abbott showed up to every single one of her treatments dressed as Wonder Woman; it became a symbol of perseverance for her and everyone around her.



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Chase Davis, 22, is an Inverness native and Citrus High School graduate. She recently won a prestigious international award for a short documentary she directed, "Becoming Wonder Woman."

"I think that image of Gal Gadot ('Wonder Woman') running into No Man's Land — facing a very big, intimidating struggle head-on — that was really inspiring," Abbott said.

The crew filmed after Abbott was cancer free — she had a complete metabolic response.

"From what I've heard, what's really important to her is telling her story in the hopes that it uplifts other people," Davis said.

Davis said Abbott's

reaction to the film was the most nerve-wracking part of the process.

"I just loved this woman so much that it was really important to me that she at least felt her story had been told in a way that she agreed with," she said. "I think she really liked it."

Most recently, the film won the Jury Award for Best Student Documentary at the American Pavilion Emerging Filmmaker Showcase at Cannes, France.

Davis said she found on

break at work.

"In my car, we did a Q & A for the film," she said. "I had to drive right back to work and pretend it hadn't happened."

In-person screening in Cannes was postponed in 2020 and 2021, but it's set to be screened in May 2022. Davis said she and Abbott both hope to attend.

"It is a dark story, but it just felt so light the whole time," Davis said.

"Heather is just a bright person, even in the midst

of the most terrible thing that could ever happen to someone."

Today, there's so much life ahead of both women. Abbott is cancer free and Davis graduated with a bachelor's of fine arts in film production in April. She's living in Los Angeles, California, and continues to pursue screenwriting and directing.

Davis even got to have a one-on-one Zoom conversation with Jenkins, "Wonder Woman" director, after

she completed the film.

"'Wonder Woman' is what brought me into film school and then to tell this story," Davis said. "I got to meet the person who it inspired it all, so it kind of came full circle."

To view the trailer for "Becoming Wonder Woman," visit tinyurl.com/becomingwonderwoman.

Hannah Sachewicz is a reporter for the Chronicle. She can be reached at 352-564-2929 or hannah.sachewicz@chronicleonline.com.

PLAN

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destroyed by the no-name storm in 1993 and later demolished in 2010.

The county commission meeting is at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30 at the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Ave., Inverness.

Also on the agenda:

- Commissioners will select a new chairperson to replace

previous chair Scott Carnahan. Commissioner Ron Kitchen, who served as vice chairman last year, is slated to take the reins.

- The board will hold a public hearing, set for 2:10 p.m., on a tougher ordinance pertaining to

simulated gambling devices and Internet cafes.

- County Administrator Randy Oliver will discuss recent hefty private donations for the new animal shelter and seek direction on financing the project.

To view the entire agenda for Tuesday, visit <https://bit.ly/3FInxh3>.

Contact Chronicle reporter Michael D. Bates at 352-563-3205 or mbates@chronicleonline.com. To see more of his stories, visit tinyurl.com/y6kb23vv.

PARK

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be developed."

In 2015, the steering committee — then under a different name — approached Citrus County commissioners and Florida legislators in 2015, asking for funds to help purchase the waterfront property on the corner of South Boulevard Drive and West Seminole Place.

It was one of two potential sites committee

members had in mind as a site for public access to the Homosassa River.

State lawmakers allotted \$850,000 toward the endeavor. While supportive of the project, commissioners didn't want to spend county money on it.

Sen. Wilton Simpson, R-Trilby, suggested the civic club committee apply for the Stan Mayfield Working Waterfronts grant.

"It has been a well-worth struggle," MacRae said. "We're going to start dressing up the area."

Plans are for Old Homosassa Heritage Park to be a passive and educational waterfront park with walking trails, benches, a fishing pier and picnic tables. There will be no swimming, boat ramp or parking of boat trailers.

There's also an 80-year-old, Cracker-style house on the property with a future as a maritime museum, and a barn the civic club wants to convert into a pavilion. Shelly's Seafood & Fish Market, the Wild Sassa Seafood Trailer and the

commercial shipping docks will also remain.

For more information about the Homosassa Civic Club, visit homosassacivicclubinc.org.

Contact Chronicle reporter Buster Thompson at 352-564-2916, bthompson@chronicleonline.com or visit tinyurl.com/yxrn2ahso to see more of his stories.

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THOSE THAT ARE INTERESTED IN QUALIFYING:

QUALIFYING DATES ARE:
December 06, 2021 - December 10, 2021

QUALIFYING TIMES ARE: 8:00 am - 12 Noon

QUALIFYING LOCATION:
Yankeetown Town Hall,
6241 Harmony Lane, Yankeetown, Florida 34498

Mayor Seat (two year term)
One (1) Council Seat (two year term)

YANKEETOWN GENERAL ELECTION INFORMATION:

ELECTION DATE / TIME:
Tues. Feb. 22, 2022 7:00 am - 7:00 pm

ELECTION LOCATION:
Ingls/Yankeetown Lions Club
22 59th Street, Yankeetown, Florida 34498

TO REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, YOU MAY:

Email us at Town Hall: yankeetownadm@bellsouth.com
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► “I have become quite good at repurposing and reusing much of what comes into the house. The goal is to generate as little waste as possible.”
Anna Getty, actres and producer

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MOVE AHEAD

Time for trash talk is over

For the past 25 years, the county has talked a lot about countywide garbage collection. Come Tuesday, the talk might come to a decisive conclusion.

Commissioners, in a special meeting, are set to evaluate a number of proposals to finally put the county and its residents on a path toward universal garbage collection.

It’s imperative, that despite any criticism, the board put its best foot forward and choose a plan that works best for citizens, companies and the county.

As part of Tuesday’s discussion, county leaders will hash out the particulars of a countywide service: whether to have one single, countywide area, two separate service areas or multiple quadrants.

As it stands now, the current county garbage collection policy is basically free market. Homeowners can either pay a hauler — and there are multiple choices — for curbside service or take trash to the landfill themselves.

It’s been messy, because folks who don’t want to haul trash to the service find the nearest, closest vacant lot and create a makeshift landfill of their own.

Another issue, for those living in deed-restricted

communities that prohibit curbside services, commissioners will have to work with those respective homeowners and property owners associations (HOA/POA) and find a resolution.

The largest hurdle will be the associated costs.

A 2015 consultant’s study noted an economic imbalance at the landfill. Garbage haulers account for 9% of the transactions, but 73% of tonnage.

Residents who bring their garbage to the landfill equate to 75% of the vehicles entering the landfill, but only 25% of the revenue.

Universal garbage is designed to end that imbalance by eliminating the need for self-haul. Depending on each scenario and going with the lowest bidder, Citrus County’s cost in all this would range from \$9.55 million to \$13.8 million.

Homeowners now pay a \$25 annual fee to offset operation costs at the landfill. Under the proposed plan, that fee would be hiked to \$65.

Citrus is the lone county in Florida which does not have universal garbage. It’s time to end it and move us into the 21st century.

Commissioners cannot cave to public pressure over the costs to scrap plans for countywide services.

THE ISSUE:

Countywide universal trash pickup.

OUR OPINION:

Chose best plan and move forward.

Gospel Island Road dangerous

The county and the city of Inverness need to be made aware of the danger of traveling on Gospel Island Road. Gospel Island Road is in desperate need of improvement.

The road is extremely narrow. There is absolutely no shoulder for walkers or bicyclists. The road has absolutely no lighting. People that walk or bike down Gospel Island Road are in danger of being killed.

This road needs to be widened or at least given a 2- to 3-foot shoulder on each side. This is desperately needed or somebody will die on Gospel Island Road.

This needs to be corrected as soon as possible.

Was this a scam call?

Received a strange phone call last night — one of 23 unwanted phone calls we received yesterday. Came from a person who said her name was Leslie, representing the Florida Department of Health, who wanted to ask questions about my health. Obviously, we suspect that’s

just another scam, but would like to know if others may have heard from Leslie and to beware of the scams going around.

Editor’s note: You can contact the Citrus County office of the health department at 352-527-0068.

How much tax paid by boaters?

Why won’t the commissioners publish how much money boaters already pay in taxes? There’s fuel tax, boat registration tax. It’s supposed to go into a trust fund for improvements of waterway things, like boat ramps and parks. I have seen no improvements.

They have collected hundreds of thousands of dollars and that money just disappears somehow. Now they want to charge us \$10 to use an 80-year-old ramp that they didn’t put there and there’s no parking to go with it.

Nothing but gouge, gouge, gouge, gouge. “How can we make more money and waste it?” Be a little transparent.

How much did you collect? I’d like to see that number, Chronicle.



Getting the most bangs for the buck

Have you ever been caught up in a “free for all” sale, battling flailing arms and sweaty palms to grab the best merchandise at some ridiculously low price? Are you one of those individuals who camps out in semi-frigid temperatures to be the first one through the door on Black Friday at Best Buy? Do you have your tree decorated or your Menorah lit?

Not me. This is one of those years where I find myself at a total loss in just about every category — when it comes to gift giving, decorating, all the traditions I used to anticipate like a child.

First, there’s the cat, Rapunzel, Punzi for short. Nothing is off-limits or out of reach for this feline. I think she could give the monkeys on Monkey Island a run for their money with her tree climbing, table hopping capabilities. Thus, ornaments and garland go kaput.

Add in losing my sister to ALS three years ago. When it came

to diversion, we were both clothes hoarders, needing nothing, but still driven to hunting down bargains at specialty shops, giggling as we modeled the latest fashions for one another. Usually, one of us would make a find. In second hand stores, we would often score bigtime. Well, those days are history. I have the clothes, some of hers now mixed in with mine. But the treasure hunt with her beside me is over.

We adapt though, don’t we? About 15 years ago, my new Toyota Celica was totaled, sideswiped by a couple of guys who vouched for one another while I lay unconscious on a stretcher, suffering a concussion and receiving 22 stitches in my forehead because my airbag did not deploy. Oh and I had two black eyes to boot.

It was as a result of this brush with the hereafter that my bangs were born. I look at Joan of Arc. Artists’ renderings usually depict her with a blunt,

boyish haircut, and bangs. I always identified with her valor. Why not her hair?

Meanwhile, my scar has faded long ago, replaced by furrows you could plow a cornfield in. So, besides being a badge of honor, my bangs serve the dual function of providing a perfect camouflage for the ravages of aging, as I fall short in the grace department.

Some years ago, I survived what could have been a catastrophic accident. My bangs, a fringe benefit. Now that time has allowed me to heal sufficiently from the loss of my sister, I may yet have some treasure hunting genes left in me. I consider that getting bangs for my buck, whether socializing or shopping.

The tree trimming, sadly, will have to be consigned to the cutting room floor.

Lynne Farrell Abrams has a bachelor’s degree in communications. She has been a writer and editor, an adult education writing instructor, and a substance abuse counselor. A resident of Citrus County for more than 10 years, she is now happily retired.

LETTERS to the Editor

Commissioners need to earn their keep

I keep reading we should allow building closer to the water.

Where in the devil have these commissioners been the past few years? All this coastal flooding is only going to increase. Who wants this restriction lifted? The only ones would be developers.

Who is kidding who? Now they want to buy swamp land that is absolutely no use as a year-round park. Sorry folks, but this smells like money.

I can’t in good conscience come to any other conclusion. If it walks like a duck and sounds like a duck and this even looks like a duck, well you know the rest.

Commissioners: the roads need fixed, we need paramedics and new ambulances. We need a new animal shelter, we need more sidewalks and the sheriff needs new deputies because the commissioners are promoting growth.

I have another question that has been bugging me for years. We have been giving out road contracts to the same company for eons and the poor results are very visible, not to mention they are now out of business.

How many dollars are we out of on this mess? You could not put any money in a middle class community like Beverly Hills for a swimming pool for old folks and kids: However, you have the audacity to try and spend money on swampland.

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Hot Corner: THE OTHER GUY COLUMN

■ I’m calling Sound Off in reference to “Effective communication key for public officials” (Nov. 21’s Page C1, “The Other Guy” column by Jeff Bryan). I totally agree with you. It applies to the county commissioners and the (Inverness) city council. They do not listen to the residents.

We did not want the mural. Did they listen? No, they wasted \$11,000 on a mural. They don’t listen.

Did we want the park? No, but Kinnard still made a bid on (Pirates Cove) for the park, knowing the people of Citrus County did not want it.

If you want to stay in office, I recommend you listen to the residents of Citrus County. The residents are always getting stepped on because all you care about is tourists, tourists, tourists. Listen to the residents.

I totally agree that communication is the key for public officials. I totally agree with that.

Unfortunately, these commissioners and council members think it does not apply to them.

■ Applause to Jeff Bryan’s

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commentary on “Effective communication key for public officials” in Sunday’s paper. We never expected you to replace Gerry Mulligan but to find your way, and you have definitely done that. You are quite a positive addition to the Chronicle. Thank you so much.

■ Thank you, Jeff Bryan, for expressing the views of many homeowners and taxpayers in Citrus County with your commentary article on Sunday, Nov. 21, regarding our commissioners. They would do well to pay attention, but there are a couple that probably will continue as they do, and shame on them.

■ Bravo and kudos to Jeff Bryan for his commentary about “Effective communication is key for public officials” (Sunday, Nov. 21, Page C1). The “Poop in the Shoe” is back.

■ I just read Sunday’s paper about the two fantastic county commissioners. One guy don’t return phone calls because he does his own homework and the other guy doesn’t talk to anybody. I’ll tell you one thing: They’ve got everybody buffaloed and when it comes time for re-election, the stupid people of this county will re-elect them.

You get what you get, girls and boys.

Cut out the 'praise bands'

We've been visiting around to find a church home and have found the majority of churches now have what is called a praise band. We don't get it.

A band stands up there and plays contemporary songs that most in the congregation have never heard and you look around and no one is singing. We stand there for 15 minutes holding onto the pew for balance. If they

are trying to appeal to a younger crowd, it is fruitless, as most of the audience are older and want to hear familiar hymns so they can sing along. You would think that having songs you know would be better financially, too, since the older crowd has the means to give while the young don't. Also, a church choir allows many more people to use their musical talents for God. A praise band uses maybe three or four people. What happened to being part of

a church that has a fun and inspiring choir that sings familiar songs? What do you think?

What about city hall?

Years ago in the Crystal River area when we had a hurricane, immediately afterwards, the city council was trying to either re-vamp city hall, rebuild city hall or whatever.

It was supposed to be very important criteria, top of the list, supposed to get done. That was over three years ago and we haven't seen a thing happen to city hall, even though it was supposed to be such a priority, top-level thing

because it got wet. Yet again, whenever they need something like some benches or a water park or something like that, it seems to get done right away.

So I think the city has its priorities mixed up and it shows in their budgets that they don't have the money for this other stuff, but they have plenty of money for the downtown.

What are the priorities?

Nov. 17, the Chronicle front page said that somebody donated a half-million dollars to build a shelter for dogs.

In today's paper, Nov. 18, it said we desperately need low-income housing for human beings and thousands of people are lined up in Inverness for food. What are our priorities?...

Not much of a discount

I'm responding to Sound Off. I got a speeding ticket, which I deserved. The thing was only \$131 and I was told that once I go to school online, they would discount the ticket. No problem.

I did the online class and they reduced my ticket by \$4.58, which brings it down to \$126.50.

But then upon paying, I used my debit card and they charged me \$4.43 to use my debit card. So my total savings, in all, was 7 cents. I guess, so much for a discount.

Fish heads left on my porch

If anybody's got any ideas of what I can do with all these fish heads and feathers I found on my front porch, I'd appreciate it. Somebody's playing a joke on me and I think it's funny ... but stinky. I guess I'll just pick it up, mop it up and get rid of it all. But anyway, fish heads and feathers? Now I've heard it all.



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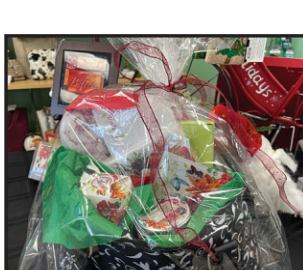
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Nations lock down

Precautions in place as new COVID variant is studied

MIKE CORDER, GEIR MOULSON AND JEFFREY COLLINS
Associated Press

THE HAGUE, Netherlands — Cases of the omicron variant of the coronavirus popped up in countries on opposite sides of the world Sunday and many governments rushed to close their borders even as scientists cautioned that it's not clear if the new variant is more alarming than other versions of the virus.

The variant was identified days ago by researchers in South Africa, and much is still not known about it, including whether it is more contagious, more likely to cause serious illness or more able to evade the protection of vaccines. But many countries rushed to act, reflecting anxiety about anything that could prolong the pandemic that has killed more than 5 million people.

Israel decided to bar entry to foreigners, and Morocco said it would suspend all incoming flights for two weeks starting Monday — among the most drastic of a growing raft of travel curbs being imposed by nations around the world as they scrambled to slow the variant's spread. Scientists in several places — from Hong Kong to Europe — have confirmed its presence. The Netherlands reported 13 omicron cases on



People, some wearing face masks, walk in Regent Street, in London, Sunday, Nov. 28. Britain's Prime Minister Boris Johnson said it was necessary to take "targeted and precautionary measures" after two people tested positive for the new variant in England. He also said mask-wearing in shops and on public transport will be required.

Fauci fires back at Cruz over COVID claims

WASHINGTON — Dr. Anthony Fauci, the government's top infectious diseases expert, blasted Sen. Ted Cruz for suggesting that Fauci be investigated for statements he made about COVID-19 and said the criticism by the Texas Republican was an attack on science.

"I should be prosecuted? What happened on Jan. 6, senator?" Fauci, who is President Joe Biden's chief medical adviser, said in an interview that aired Sunday on CBS' "Face the Nation." It was a reference to the violent insurrection at the U.S. Capitol by supporters of then-President Donald Trump that was stoked as Cruz helped lead GOP objections to Congress' certifying the 2020 election results.

"I'm just going to do my job and I'm going to be saving lives, and they're going to be lying," Fauci said.

Some Republicans, including Cruz and Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., have accused Fauci of lying to Congress when

he denied in May that the National Institutes of Health funded "gain of function" research — the practice of enhancing a virus in a lab to study its potential impact in the real world — at a virology lab in Wuhan, China. Cruz has urged Attorney General Merrick Garland to appoint a special prosecutor to investigate Fauci's statements.

Fauci, the director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, called the GOP criticism nonsense.

"Anybody who's looking at this carefully realizes that there's a distinct anti-science flavor to this," he said.

Cruz and Paul say an October letter from NIH to Congress contradicts Fauci. But no clear evidence or scientific consensus exists that "gain of function" research was funded by NIH, and there is no link of U.S.-funded research to the emergence of COVID-19. NIH has repeatedly maintained that its funding did not go to such research involving boosting the infectivity and lethality of a pathogen.

— From wire reports

Court gears up for abortion case

Both sides in this week's case say justices have no wiggle room

MARK SHERMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Both sides are telling the Supreme Court there's no middle ground in Wednesday's showdown over abortion. The justices can either reaffirm the constitutional right to an abortion or wipe it away altogether.

Roe v. Wade, the landmark 1973 ruling that declared a nationwide right to abortion, is facing its most serious challenge in 30 years in front of a court with a 6-3 conservative majority that has been remade by three appointees of President Donald Trump.

"There are no half measures here," said Sherif Girgis, a Notre Dame law professor who once served as a law clerk for Justice Samuel Alito.

A ruling that overturned Roe and the 1992 case of Planned Parenthood v. Casey would lead to outright bans or severe restrictions on abortion in 26 states, according to the Guttmacher Institute, a research organization that supports abortion rights.

The case being argued Wednesday comes from Mississippi, where a 2018 law would ban abortions after 15 weeks of pregnancy, well before viability. The Supreme Court has never allowed states to ban abortion before the point at roughly 24 weeks when a fetus can survive

outside the womb.

The justices are separately weighing disputes over Texas' much earlier abortion ban, at roughly six weeks, though those cases turn on the unique structure of the law and how it can be challenged in court, not the abortion right. Still, abortion rights advocates were troubled by the court's 5-4 vote in September to allow the Texas law, which relies on citizen lawsuits to enforce it, to take effect in the first place.

Lower courts blocked the Mississippi law, as they have other abortion bans that employ traditional enforcement methods by state and local officials.

The Supreme Court had never before even agreed to hear a case over a pre-viability abortion ban. But after Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg's death last year and her replacement by Justice Amy Coney Barrett, the third of Trump's appointees, the court said it would take up the case.

Trump had pledged to appoint "pro-life justices" and predicted they would lead the way in overturning the abortion rulings. Only one justice, Clarence Thomas, has publicly called for Roe to be overruled.

The court could uphold the Mississippi law without explicitly overruling Roe and Casey, an outcome that would satisfy neither side.

Abortion rights

first two cases of omicron were found in Ontario after two individuals who had recently traveled from Nigeria tested positive.

Authorities in Australia said two travelers who arrived in Sydney from Africa became the first in the country to test positive for the new variant. Arrivals from

nine African countries are now required to quarantine in a hotel upon arrival. Two German states reported a total of three cases in returning travelers over the weekend.

The U.S. plans to ban travel from South Africa and seven other southern African countries starting Monday.

advocates say that result would amount to the same thing as an outright ruling overturning the earlier cases because it would erase the rationale undergirding nearly a half-century of Supreme Court law.

"A decision upholding this ban is tantamount to overruling Roe. The ban prohibits abortion around two months before viability," said Julie Rikelman, who will argue the case for the clinic.

On the other side, abortion opponents argue that the court essentially invented abortion law in Roe and Casey, and shouldn't repeat that mistake in this case.

If the justices uphold Mississippi's law, they'll have to explain why, said Thomas Jipping, a Heritage Foundation legal fellow. They can either overrule the two big cases, Jipping said, "or they're going to have to come up with another made-up rule."

Conservative commentator Ed Whelan said such an outcome would be a "massive defeat" on par with the Casey decision in 1992, in which a court with eight justices appointed by Republican presidents unexpectedly reaffirmed Roe.

This court appears far more conservative than the one that decided Casey, and legal historian Mary Ziegler at Florida State University's law school, said the court probably would "overrule Roe or set us on a

Nation/World BRIEFS

Tuba time



Associated Press

Thomas Barr joins dozens of other tuba musicians to play Christmas music, Sunday, Nov. 28, at Downtown Crossing in Boston. Boston's TubaChristmas has been happening for more than 40 years. It is one of more than 180 such celebrations throughout North America this year.

News crew guard dies after being shot in attempted robbery

OAKLAND, Calif. — A security guard has died after he was shot while he protected a San Francisco Bay Area television news crew covering a smash-and-grab theft, part of a rash of organized retail crime in the region.

"We are devastated by the loss of security guard and our friend, Kevin Nishita. Our deepest sympathy goes to Kevin's wife, his children, his family, and to all his friends and colleagues," KRON-TV's vice president and general manager, Jim Rose, said in a statement issued Saturday.

Nishita was an armed guard for Star Protection Agency and provided security for television news crews in the region, who are often targeted by robbers for their equipment.

He was shot in the abdomen during an attempted robbery of KRON-TV's camera equipment near downtown Oakland on Wednesday, police said.

Atlanta to give cash to some poor residents to ease poverty

ATLANTA — Atlanta city leaders are planning pilot programs that will give cash directly to small groups of low-income residents in hopes of lifting them out of poverty, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution reported.

Pilot projects have taken off in cities from Los Angeles and Stockton, California, to Columbia, South Carolina, the newspaper reported.

In Atlanta, the initiatives were spearheaded by outgoing Atlanta Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms and City Councilman Amir Farokhi, the newspaper reported.

One of the programs is expected to launch by the end of this 2021. It will provide \$500 month to at least 275 low-income recipients for a year.

Thousands protest coronavirus restrictions in Czech capital

PRAGUE — Thousands rallied in the Czech capital of Prague on Sunday to protest the government's restrictive measures to tackle a record surge of coronavirus infections.

The protesters included members and supporters of a number of fringe political parties and groups that failed to win any parliamentary seats in October's election. It was their third protest in the last two weeks. The participants didn't wear face coverings or follow social distancing rules and drank beer despite a ban on drinking alcohol in public.

The country has been setting repeated records in new daily infections, hitting a record high of almost 28,000 cases on Thursday.

Swiss vote to approve COVID restrictions as infections rise

BERLIN — Swiss voters on Sunday gave clear backing to legislation that introduced a system with special COVID-19 certificates under which only people who have been vaccinated, recovered or tested negative can attend public events and gatherings.

Final results showed 62% of voters supporting the legislation, which is already in force. The referendum offered a rare bellwether of public opinion on the issue of government policy to fight the spread of coronavirus in Europe, which is currently the global epicenter of the pandemic.

The Swiss federal government, unlike others, hasn't responded with new restrictions. Analysts said it didn't want to stir up more opposition to its anti-COVID-19 policies before they faced Sunday's test at the ballot box.

— From wire reports

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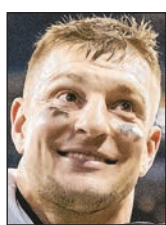
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Rob Gronkowski

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UF hires Napier for head coach

La-Lafayette headman will replace Mullen

MARK LONG
AP sports writer

Florida went back to Nick Saban's coaching tree in hopes of finding its next great coach.

The Gators hired Louisiana-Lafayette's Billy Napier on Sunday, ending a quick process that landed them their top target a week after firing Dan Mullen.

The 42-year-old Napier will remain with the Ragin Cajuns (11-1) this week as they prepare to host Appalachian State (10-2) in the Sun Belt Conference championship game Saturday. He is 39-12 in four seasons in Lafayette, including 32-5 the past three years.

"We are humbled and honored to accept this incredible opportunity to be the head football coach at the university of Florida," Napier said in a statement. "Our team, staff and

entire organization will work daily to establish a program with integrity and class that we all can be proud of.

"We embrace the expectations and are excited about the challenge ahead."

Florida scheduled an introductory news conference with Napier for Dec. 5, the day after his finale in Lafayette, Louisiana.

Mullen was fired last Sunday after the Florida's fourth loss in five games. He was let go less than a year after leading the Gators to a third consecutive New Year's Six bowl. His stunningly swift downfall ended a tumultuous two seasons that included mounting losses, numerous public relation missteps and NCAA sanctions.

Florida athletic director Scott Stricklin moved quickly to land Napier, a former receivers coach at Alabama under Saban and a former offensive coordinator at Clemson and Arizona State. Florida previously hired Jim McElwain (2015-17), who worked under Saban.

McElwain was fired in 2017, and Stricklin surely expects a better working relationship



Associated Press

Louisiana-Lafayette head coach Billy Napier is congratulated by Louisiana-Monroe offensive coordinator Rich Rodriguez after Louisiana-Lafayette won Saturday's game in Lafayette, La.

with Napier.

"We felt confident he would be an excellent leader for the Gators, which is why he was the only candidate I met with about

the job," Stricklin said in a statement.

Napier has been one of college football's rising stars and hottest names in recent years.

He was in the mix for current openings at Virginia Tech and TCU.

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Bucs rally back



Associated Press

Tampa Bay Buccaneers running back Leonard Fournette (7) goes in for a touchdown against Indianapolis Colts linebacker Bobby Okereke (58) during the first half of Sunday's game, in Indianapolis.

Fournette scores 4 TDs, Brady guides Tampa Bay past Indy 38-31

MICHAEL MAROT
AP sports writer

INDIANAPOLIS — Tom Brady came to Indianapolis in a new uniform.

He followed the same old script — turning mistakes into points and leading his team on another decisive last-minute scoring drive.

This time, Leonard Fournette broke the tie with a 28-yard scoring run with 20 seconds left to give Tampa Bay a critical 38-31 come-from-behind win for Brady's first win over the Colts since joining the Buccaneers.

"Not a lot of love lost, I think," Brady said, referring to the rivalry he's had with the Colts. "It was good to win."

For Brady, it seemed as if nothing changed.

He improved to 16-4 all time against the Colts, leading the Bucs (8-3) to a second straight victory while relying on his supporting cast to do most of the heavy lifting.

Fournette carried 17 times

for 100 yards and three scores and caught Brady's only TD pass of the game, a career-high four touchdowns. Ronald Jones II gave the Bucs their first lead, 28-24 on a 1-yard TD run late in the third quarter and Rob Gronkowski caught seven passes for a season-best 123 yards.

Yet when Brady got the ball with 3:29 left and the score tied at 31, he again proved to be the maestro that makes Colts fans cringe.

The difference Sunday was turnovers. Indy (6-6) had five and Brady made them pay every time except for the interception on the game's final play.

And somehow despite all the errors, the Colts still had a chance to force overtime when Isaiah Rodgers returned the final kickoff 71 yards to the Bucs 32-yard line with 20 seconds left. But Carson Wentz's first pass fell incomplete and the second was picked off near the goal line.

"It is frustrating," Wentz said after going 27 of 44 with 306 yards, three

touchdowns and two interceptions. "I don't know how many times we can turn the ball over against a good team like that, that many times, and still score that many points. It's not going to happen."

Indy led at halftime, but the Bucs swung the momentum when Shaquil Barrett sacked Wentz early in the second half, ripped the ball out and recovered it at the Bucs 35. Six plays later, Fournette scored on a 4-yard TD run.

Antoine Winfield outfought Michael Pittman Jr. for the ball on Indy's next series and Brady wasted no time converting that mistake into Jones' go-ahead score. Tampa Bay settled for a short field goal after Nyheim Hines fumbled a punt return.

Indy finally tied the score on Jonathan Taylor's 4-yard TD run with 3:29 remaining — more than enough time for Brady & Co. to create another perfect ending in Indy.

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Riley jumps to USC

Coach stolen away from Oklahoma

GREG BEACHAM
AP sports writer

Southern California hired Oklahoma's Lincoln Riley to be its next coach Sunday in a stunning and rare move of one traditional college football powerhouse swiping another's highly accomplished head coach.

Riley went 55-10 in five seasons leading the Sooners, winning four Big 12 titles and making three College Football Playoff appearances in his first head coaching job. The 38-year-old Texan is widely considered one of the top offensive minds in the college game, and USC sold him on the chance to return the Trojans to their glory days as a national championship contender and the West Coast's premier program.

"USC has an unparalleled football tradition with tremendous resources and facilities, and the administration has made a deep commitment to winning," Riley said in a statement. "I look forward to honoring that successful tradition and building on it. The pieces are in place for us to build the program back to where it should be and the fans expect it to be."

Riley "will immediately transition to USC," according to the school. Interim coach Donte Williams will lead the Trojans in their season finale at California on Saturday night.

USC fired Clay Helton in September of his seventh season in charge. The school has been searching for a head coach to revive a program that has had meager success since a dominant run through the 2000s under Pete Carroll that included two national titles.

Since Carroll left for the Seattle Seahawks in late 2009, the Trojans have struggled under three former Carroll assistants and Helton, who brought stability and professionalism to USC, but not nearly enough

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WEEK 12

Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE						
East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	8	4	0	.667	336	190
Buffalo	7	4	0	.636	326	182
Miami	5	7	0	.417	234	279
N.Y. Jets	3	8	0	.273	199	334
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tennessee	8	4	0	.667	304	290
Indianapolis	6	6	0	.500	340	283
Houston	2	9	0	.182	164	292
Jacksonville	2	9	0	.182	173	283
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	7	3	0	.700	247	230
Cincinnati	7	4	0	.636	309	226
Cleveland	6	5	0	.545	244	251
Pittsburgh	5	5	1	.500	224	267
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	7	4	0	.636	281	250
Denver	6	5	0	.545	228	196
L.A. Chargers	6	5	0	.545	273	293
Las Vegas	6	5	0	.545	259	295
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	7	4	0	.636	326	250
Philadelphia	5	7	0	.417	304	273
Washington	4	6	0	.400	212	267
N.Y. Giants	4	7	0	.364	202	253
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tampa Bay	8	3	0	.727	347	253
Atlanta	5	6	0	.455	199	302
New Orleans	5	6	0	.455	257	249
Carolina	5	7	0	.417	236	253
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	9	3	0	.750	283	242
Minnesota	5	6	0	.455	281	276
Chicago	4	7	0	.364	179	254
Detroit	0	10	1	.045	174	289
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	9	2	0	.818	310	202
L.A. Rams	7	4	0	.636	299	263
San Francisco	6	5	0	.545	280	248
Seattle	3	7	0	.300	194	209

Scores and

upcoming schedule

Thursday's Games									
Chicago 16, Detroit 14									
Las Vegas 36, Dallas 33, OT									
Buffalo 31, New Orleans 6									
Sunday's Games									
Atlanta 21, Jacksonville 14									
Cincinnati 41, Pittsburgh 10									
Miami 33, Carolina 10									
N.Y. Giants 13, Philadelphia 7									
N.Y. Jets 21, Houston 14									
New England 36, Tennessee 13									
Tampa Bay 38, Indianapolis 31									
Denver 28, L.A. Chargers 13									
Green Bay 36, L.A. Rams 28									
San Francisco 34, Minnesota 26									
Cleveland at Baltimore, late									
Open: Kansas City, Arizona									
Today's Game									
Seattle at Washington, 8:15 p.m.									
Thursday, Dec. 2									
Dallas at New Orleans, 8:20 p.m.									
Sunday, Dec. 5									
Arizona at Chicago, 1 p.m.									
Indianapolis at Houston, 1 p.m.									
L.A. Chargers at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.									
Minnesota at Detroit, 1 p.m.									
N.Y. Giants at Miami, 1 p.m.									
Philadelphia at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.									
Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 1 p.m.									
Jacksonville at L.A. Rams, 4:05 p.m.									
Washington at Las Vegas, 4:05 p.m.									
Baltimore at Pittsburgh, 4:25 p.m.									
San Francisco at Seattle, 4:25 p.m.									
Denver at Kansas City, 8:20 p.m.									
Open: Cleveland, Tennessee, Carolina, Green Bay									

Monday, Dec. 6

New England at Buffalo, 8:15 p.m.



Tampa Bay 38, Indianapolis 31

Tampa Bay	0	1414	10	— 38
Indianapolis	3	21	0	7 — 31
First Quarter				
Ind_FG Badgley 45, 12:31.				
Second Quarter				
TB_Fournette 1 run (Succop kick), 13:22.				
Ind_Dulin 62 pass from Wentz (Badgley kick), 11:44.				
Ind_Doyle 15 pass from Wentz (Badgley kick), 5:07.				
TB_Fournette 4 pass from Brady (Succop kick), 1:56.				
Ind_Hilton 4 pass from Wentz (Badgley kick), :18.				
Third Quarter				
TB_Fournette 4 run (Succop kick), 8:06.				
TB_R.Jones 1 run (Succop kick), 1:06.				
Fourth Quarter				
TB_FG Succop 25, 10:06.				
Ind_Taylor 4 run (Badgley kick), 3:29.				
TB_Fournette 28 run (Succop kick), :20.				
	TB	Ind		
First downs	28	24		
Total Net Yards	359	392		
Rushes-yards	27-142	20-107		
Passing	217	285		
Punt Returns	2-3	3-22		
Kickoff Returns	3-66	1-72		
Interceptions Ret.	2-31	1-0		
Comp-Att-Int	25-34-1	27-44-2		
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-9	3-21		
Punts	4-41.0	3-44.7		
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-3		
Penalties-Yards	4-44	6-66		
Time of Possession	29:59	30:01		
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS				
RUSHING_Tampa Bay, Fournette 17-100, Jones 7-37, Godwin 1-3, Brady 2-2. Indianapolis, Taylor 16-83, Wentz 3-21, Hines 1-3.				
PASSING_Tampa Bay, Brady 25-34-1-226. Indianapolis, Wentz 27-44-2-306.				
RECEIVING_Tampa Bay, Gronkowski 7-123, Fournette 7-31, Godwin 4-24, Brate 3-23, Evans 3-16, Johnson 1-9. Indianapolis, Doyle 6-81, Pittman 4-53, Hilton 4-28, Taylor 4-14, Hines 3-26, Granson 2-22, Pascal 2-12, Dulin 1-62, Alie-Cox 1-8.				
MISSED FIELD GOALS_None.				

Dolphins win 4th straight, roll past Panthers 33-10

MIAMI GARDENS — Jaylen Waddle had nine catches for a season-best 137 yards and a touchdown, and the Miami Dolphins forced Cam Newton into one of the worst statistical days of his career on the way to beating the Carolina Panthers 33-10.

Myles Gaskin had two short rushing scores for Miami (5-7), which became the sixth team in NFL history to immediately follow a 1-7 start with four consecutive wins. Duke Riley blocked a punt that led to a score for Miami.

The quarterback matchup was totally one-sided. Miami's Tua Tagovailoa completed 27 of 31 passes for 230 yards and a score. Newton was pulled in the fourth quarter after completing just five of 21 passes for the Panthers (5-7), who lost for the seventh time in their past nine games.

Miami 33, Carolina 10

Carolina	7	3	0	0	— 10
Miami	7	14	6	6	— 33
First Quarter					
Mia_J.Coleman 2 blocked punt return (Sanders kick), 9:11.					
Car_Newton 1 run (Gonzalez kick), 6:01.					
Second Quarter					
Mia_Waddle 9 pass from Tagovailoa (Sanders kick), 9:01.					
Mia_Gaskin 3 run (Sanders kick), 4:26.					
Car_FG Gonzalez 41, :00.					
Third Quarter					
Mia_Gaskin 3 run (kick failed), 4:11.					
Fourth Quarter					
Mia_FG Sanders 46, 10:58.					
Mia_FG Sanders 33, 3:41.					
A_62,389.					
	Car	Mia			
First downs	10	22			
Total Net Yards	198	315			
Rushes-yards	18-64	39-111			
Passing	134	204			
Punt Returns	0-0	3-26			
Kickoff Returns	0-0	0-0			
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	3-16			
Comp-Att-Int	10-31-3	27-31-0			
Sacked-Yards Lost	5-45	2-26			
Punts	6-43.5	4-40.5			
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	4-1			
Penalties-Yards	7-61	5-35			
Time of Possession	22:26	37:34			
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS					
RUSHING Carolina, Mc Caffrey 10-35,					
Chandler 1-14, Hubbard 2-66, Newton 3-5,					
Abdullah 2-4, Miami, Gaskin 16-49, Lindsay					
12-42, Ahmed 5-17, Smythe 2-3, Tagovailoa					
4-0.					
PASSING Carolina, Newton 5-21-2-92,					
Walker 5-10-1-87, Miami, Tagovailoa 27-31-0					
0-230.					
RECEIVING Carolina, DJ.Moore 4-103,					
Abdullah 2-20, Zylstra 1-24, Anderson 1-15,					
Ericksen 1-13, Tremble 1-4, Miami, Waddle					
9-37, Smythe 5-32, Wilson 5-17, Gesicki					
3-17, Gaskin 2-3, Ford 1-11, Ahmed 1-9,					
P.Williams 1-4.					
MISSED FIELD GOALS None.					

FOOTBALL
AP Top 25

The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Nov. 27, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Georgia (62)	12-0	1550	1
2. Michigan	11-1	1449	6
3. Cincinnati	12-0	1422	4
4. Alabama	11-1	1388	3
5. Oklahoma St.	11-1	1291	7
6. Notre Dame	11-1	1264	5
7. Ohio St.	10-2	1147	2
8. Mississippi	10-2	1105	8
9. Baylor	10-2	1066	9
10. Oregon	10-2	932	11
11. Michigan St.	10-2	877	12
12. BYU	10-2	839	13
13. Oklahoma	10-2	837	10
14. Utah	9-3	667	16
15. Iowa	10-2	662	17
16. Houston	11-1	603	19
17. Pittsburgh	10-2	589	20
18. Wake Forest	10-2	485	21
19. San Diego St.	11-1	416	22
20. La-Lafayette	11-1	317	23
21. NC State	9-3	310	24
22. Clemson	9-3	269	-
23. Arkansas	8-4	214	25
24. Texas A&M	8-4	117	14
25. Kentucky	9-3	82	-

Others receiving votes: Wisconsin 68, UTSA 58, Appalachian St. 50, Minnesota 37, Purdue 21, Mississippi St. 7, Penn St. 5, Army 5, Fresno St. 1.

USA Today Sports
AFCA College
Football Coaches
Top 25

The USA TODAY Sports AFCA Coaches Poll Top 25 with team's records FROM THROUGH SATURDAY in parentheses, total points based on 25 for first place through one point for 25th, ranking in last week's poll and first-place votes received:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Georgia (62)	12-0	1550	1
2. Alabama	11-1	1440	2
3. Michigan	11-1	1408	6
4. Cincinnati	12-0	1399	4
5. Oklahoma St	11-1	1285	7
6. Notre Dame	11-1	1250	5
7. Ohio State	10-2	1133	3
8. Mississippi	10-2	1097	8
9. Baylor	10-2	1046	10
10. Oregon	10-2	932	11
11. Oklahoma	10-2	851	9
12. Iowa	10-2	845	12
13. Michigan St	10-2	840	13
14. BYU	10-2	741	15
15. Pittsburgh	10-2	640	17
16. Houston	11-1	607	16
17. Utah	9-3	596	19
18. Wake Forest	10-2	531	21
19. San Diego St	11-1	396	22
20. NC State	9-3	334	24
21. La-Lafayette	11-1	268	23
22. Kentucky	9-3	226	25
23. Texas A&M	8-4	202	14
24. Clemson	9-3	170	NR
25. Arkansas	8-4	128	NR

Dropped out: No. 18 Wisconsin (8-4); No. 20 Texas-San Antonio (11-1).

Others receiving votes: Wisconsin (8-4) 100; Texas-San Antonio (11-1) 36; Appalachian State (10-2) 30; Air Force (9-3) 16; Minnesota (8-4) 13; Purdue (8-4) 11; Utah State (9-3) 8; Coastal Carolina (10-2) 8; Penn State (7-5) 5; UCLA (8-4) 3; Fresno State (9-3) 3; Mississippi State (7-5) 2.

How the
AP Top 25 Fared

No. 1. Georgia (12-0) beat Georgia Tech 45-0. Next: vs. No. 3 Alabama, SEC championship at Atlanta, Saturday.

No. 2. Ohio St. (10-2) lost to No. 6 Michigan 42-27. Next: TBD.

No. 3. Alabama (11-1) beat Auburn 24-22. OT. Next: vs. No. 1 Georgia, SEC championship at Atlanta, Saturday.

No. 4. Cincinnati (12-0) beat East Carolina 35-13. Next: vs. No. 19 Houston, AAC championship at TBD, Saturday.

No. 5. Notre Dame (11-1) beat Stanford 45-14. TBD.

No. 6. Michigan (11-1) beat No. 2 Ohio St 42-27. Next: vs. No. 17 Iowa, Big Ten championship at Indianapolis, Saturday.

No. 7. Oklahoma St. (11-1) beat No. 10 Oklahoma 37-33. Next: vs. Baylor, Big-12 championship at Arlington, Saturday.

No. 8. Mississippi (10-2) beat Mississippi St. 31-21. Next: TBD.

No. 9. Baylor (10-2) beat Texas Tech 27-24. Next: vs. Baylor, Big-12 championship at Arlington, Saturday.

No. 10. Oklahoma (10-2) lost to No. 7 Oklahoma St 37-33. Next: TBD.

No. 11. Oregon (10-2) beat Oregon St. 38-29. Next: vs. No. 16 Oregon, Pac-12 championship at Las Vegas, Friday.

No. 12. Michigan St. (10-2) beat Penn St. 30-27. Next: vs. TBD.

No. 13. BYU (910-2) beat Southern Cal 35-31. Next: TBD.

No. 14. Texas A&M (8-4) lost to LSU 27-24. Next: TBD.

No. 15. UTSA (11-1) lost to North Texas 45-23. Next: vs. W. Kentucky, Ryan Conference USA championship at San Antonio, Texas, Friday.

No. 16. Utah (9-3) beat Colorado 28-13. Next: vs. No. 11 Oregon, Pac-12 championship at Las Vegas, Friday.

No. 17. Iowa (10-2) beat Nebraska 28-21, Friday. Next: vs. No. 6 Michigan, Big Ten championship at Indianapolis, Saturday.

No. 18. Wisconsin (8-4) lost to Minnesota 23-13. Next: TBD.

No. 19. Houston (11-1) beat UConn 45-17. Next: vs. No. 4 Cincinnati, AAC championship at Cincinnati, Saturday.

No. 20. Pittsburgh (10-2) beat Syracuse 31-14. Next: vs. Wake Forest, ACC championship at Charlotte, N.C., Saturday.

No. 21. Wake Forest (10-2) beat Boston College 41-10. Next: ACC championship at Charlotte, N.C., Saturday.

No. 22. San Diego St. (11-1) beat Boise St. 27-16, Friday. Next: vs. Utah St., Saturday.

No. 23. Louisiana-Lafayette (11-1) beat Louisiana-Monroe 21-16. Next: vs. Appalachian St., Sun Belt Championship, Saturday.

No. 24. NC State (9-3) beat North Carolina 34-30. Next: TBD.

No. 25. Arkansas (8-4) beat Missouri 34-17. Next: TBD.

HOCKEY
NHL standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE					
Atlantic Division					
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts
Toronto	23	16	6	1	33
Florida	21	14	4	3	31
Tampa Bay	20	12	5	3	27
Detroit	22	10	9	3	23
Boston	18	11	7	0	22
Buffalo	21	8	10	3	19
Montreal	23	6	15	2	14
Ottawa	19	4	14	1	9
Metropolitan Division					
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts
Washington	22	14	3	5	33
Carolina	20	15	4	1	31
N.Y. Rangers	20	13	4	3	29
Columbus	19	12	7	0	24
Pittsburgh	21	10	7	4	24
New Jersey	19	9	6	4	22

Florida LOTTERY

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

PICK 2 (early) 5 - 1	PICK 5 (early) 2 - 5 - 8 - 1 - 4
PICK 2 (late) 7 - 7	PICK 5 (late) 3 - 1 - 3 - 3 - 2
PICK 3 (early) 5 - 3 - 9	FANTASY 5 6 - 16 - 18 - 21 - 27
PICK 3 (late) 5 - 3 - 1	CASH 4 LIFE 2 - 9 - 18 - 35 - 41
PICK 4 (early) 4 - 6 - 0 - 6	CASH BALL 2
PICK 4 (late) 6 - 6 - 9 - 0	

Saturday's winning numbers and payouts:

Powerball: 8 – 32 – 55 – 64 – 66	5-of-6 5x 2 winners \$15,000
Powerball: 10	5-of-6 10x 1 winner \$30,000
5-of-5 PB No winner	Fantasy 5: 6 – 10 – 13 – 17 – 28
No Florida winner	5-of-5 1 winner \$205,606.26
5-of-5 2 winners \$1 million	4-of-5 372 \$89
No Florida winner	3-of-5 9,966 \$9
Lotto: 2 – 3 – 6 – 12 – 20 – 51	Cash 4 Life: 4 – 5 – 8 – 55 – 56
6-of-6 No winner	Cash Ball: 1
5-of-6 2x 8 winners \$6,000	5-of-5 CB No winner
5-of-6 3x 9 winners \$9,000	5-of-5 No winner
5-of-6 4x 1 winner \$12,000	

On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S SPORTS	
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL	
6 p.m. (ESPNU) Norfolk State at Grambling State	
7 p.m. (ACCN) South Florida at Boston College	
7 p.m. (ESPN2) Iowa at Virginia	
8:30 p.m. (ESPNU) Morgan State at Hampton	
9 p.m. (ESPN2) Notre Dame at Illinois	
12 a.m. (ESPNU) Notre Dame at Illinois (Taped)	
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL	
7 p.m. (SEC) North Carolina A&T at South Carolina	
2 a.m. (ESPNU) Teams TBA (Taped)	
NBA	
7 p.m. (BSFL) Orlando Magic at Philadelphia 76ers	
7:30 p.m. (NBA) (SUN) Denver Nuggets at Miami Heat	
COLLEGE FOOTBALL	
6 a.m. (ESPNU) Oregon State at Oregon (Taped)	
9 a.m. (ESPNU) Texas A&M at LSU (Taped)	
12 p.m. (ESPNU) Penn State at Michigan State (Taped)	
3:30 a.m. (ESPN2) Oregon State at Oregon (Taped)	
4 a.m. (ESPNU) Kentucky at Louisville (Taped)	
NFL	
8 p.m. (ESPN) Seattle Seahawks at Washington Football Team	
3:15 a.m. (NFL) Seattle Seahawks at Washington Football Team (Same-day Tape)	
NHL	
12 p.m. (NHL) Washington Capitals at Carolina Hurricanes (Taped)	
RUGBY	
12 p.m. (NBCSPT) Dubai Rugby 7's (Taped)	
TENNIS	
8 a.m. (TENNIS) Sao Paulo-ATP Challenger, Early Rounds	
2:30 p.m. (TENNIS) Sao Paulo-ATP Challenger, Early Rounds	

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

Prep CALENDAR

TODAY'S PREP SPORTS	
GIRLS SOCCER	
6 p.m. Central at Citrus	
7 p.m. Crystal River at Nature Coast	
7:30 p.m. Lecanto at Springstead	
BOYS SOCCER	
7 p.m. Citrus at Crystal River	
7:30 p.m. Springstead at Lecanto	
GIRLS BASKETBALL	
6 p.m. Seven Rivers at St. John Lutheran	
6:30 p.m. Central at Citrus	

Philadelphia	20	8	8	4	20
N.Y. Islanders	17	5	10	2	12
WESTERN CONFERENCE					
Central Division					
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts
Minnesota	21	14	6	1	29
St. Louis	21	11	7	3	25
Winnipeg	21	10	7	4	24
Colorado	18	11	6	1	23
Nashville	21	11	9	1	23
Dallas	19	10	7	2	22
Chicago	21	7	12	2	16
Arizona	21	4	15	2	10

Pacific Division					
	GP	W	L	OT	Pts
Edmonton	20	15	5	0	30
Calgary	21	12	4	5	29
Anaheim	22	11	8	3	25
Vegas	21	12	9	0	24
San Jose	21	11	9	1	23
Los Angeles	20	9	8	3	21
Seattle	22	7	13	1	15
Vancouver	22	6	14	2	14

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

Saturday's Games	
Seattle 4, Florida 1	
Detroit 3, Buffalo 2, OT	
Edmonton 3, Vegas 2	
Los Angeles 4, Ottawa 3	
Montreal 6, Pittsburgh 3	
St. Louis 6, Columbus 3	
Dallas 3, Arizona 2	
Colorado 6, Nashville 2	
Winnipeg 4, Calgary 2	
Sunday's Games	
Washington 4, Carolina 2	
Minnesota 4, Tampa Bay 2	
San Jose 2, Chicago 0	
New Jersey 5, Philadelphia 2	
Boston 3, Vancouver 2	
Toronto 5, Anaheim 1	
N.Y. Islanders at N.Y. Rangers, ppd	
Today's Games	
Seattle at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.	
Arizona at Winnipeg, 7:30 p.m.	
Vancouver at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.	
Pittsburgh at Calgary, 9 p.m.	
Tuesday's Games	
Detroit at Boston, 7 p.m.	
N.Y. Islanders at Philadelphia, ppd	
San Jose at New Jersey, 7 p.m.	
Washington at Florida, 7 p.m.	
Arizona at Minnesota, 8 p.m.	
Columbus at Nashville, 8 p.m.	
Tampa Bay at St. Louis, 8 p.m.	
Carolina at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.	
Anaheim at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.	

BASKETBALL
Men's college
scores

EAST	
Binghamton 110, Hartwick 41	
Boston U. 61, Merrimack 60	
Brown 72, Quinnipiac 61	
Bucknell 65, Siena 56, OT	
Dartmouth 63, Bryant 61, OT	
Duquesne 88, American U. 79	
Fordham 89, CCSU 83, 2OT	
Kansas 96, Iona 83	
Loyola (Md.) 75, Fairfield 70	
Princeton 89, Fairleigh Dickinson 79	
Seton Hall 84, Bethune-Cookman 70	
St. Francis (Pa.) 79, Lehigh 68	
Stony Brook 85, Yale 81	
Villanova 72, La Salle 46	
SOUTH	
Alabama 96, Miami 61	
Dayton 63, Belmont 64	
FIU 84, North Florida 69	
Florida 84, Troy 45	
Florida Gulf Coast 85, Fort Wayne 78	
James Madison 69, FAU 65	
Kennesaw St. 89, Charleston Southern 52	
Lipscomb 86, Kentucky Christian 67	
Norfolk St. 70, Hampton 61	
North Alabama 81, Alabama St. 69	
Radford 88, E. Kentucky 75	
South Carolina 65, Rider 58	
Southern U. 82, Tennessee St. 80	
Stephen F. Austin 72, Northwestern St. 68	
The Citadel 91, SC State 79, OT	
UNC-Asheville 106, St. Andrews 36	
W. Michigan 81, SE Louisiana 77, OT	
Wofford 68, Georgia 65	
MIDWEST	
Alcorn St. 61, Milwaukee 57	
Bellarmine 75, Franklin 37	
Bowling Green 75, Chicago St. 57	
DePaul 101, E. Michigan 63	
Evansville 70, E. Illinois 54	
Kansas St. 84, North Dakota 42	
North Texas 57, Drake 54	
SOUTHWEST	
Arkansas 76, Penn 60	
Arkansas St. 66, UMKC 55	
Portland 77, Incarnate Word 68	
SMU 74, Louisiana-Monroe 67	
FAR WEST	
Academy of Art 79, UC Davis 60	
CS Northridge 56, San Diego 52	
California 65, Fresno St. 57	
Colorado 80, Stanford 76	
Montana St. 75, SE Missouri 68	

SPORTS BRIEFS

Magic's Carter, Heat's Dedmon fined by NBA

NEW YORK — Orlando Magic center-forward Wendell Carter Jr. and Miami Heat center Dewayne Dedmon were fined by the NBA on Sunday.

Carter was fined \$35,000 for "forcefully throwing" his protective glasses at a game official in the Magic's loss at Cleveland on Saturday night. He received a technical foul and was ejected with 2:09 remaining.

Dedmon was docked \$15,000 for kicking a seat cushion from the team bench into the spectator stands Saturday night in a victory at Chicago. He was assessed a technical foul and ejected early in the fourth quarter.

Rangers agree with Semien on 7-year deal

The Texas Rangers have reached an agreement on a seven-year contract with Gold Glove second baseman and potential shortstop Marcus Semien, according to a person familiar with the deal, and the team has also come to terms with right-handed starter Jon Gray and outfielder Kole Calhoun.

That person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity Sunday night, when all the deals were pending physicals and not finalized. ESPN, which first reported the Semien agreement,

said it was worth \$175 million.

Blue Jays reach deal with pitcher Kevin Gausman

TORONTO — The Toronto Blue Jays have reached an agreement with right-hander Kevin Gausman on a five-year, \$110 million contract, pending a physical, a person familiar with the deal told The Associated Press late Sunday.

Twins, Buxton agree on 7-year, \$100M contract

MINNEAPOLIS — The Minnesota Twins and center fielder Byron Buxton agreed to a seven-year, \$100 million contract Sunday, according to a person with knowledge of the deal.

Marlins agree with Alcantara, Garcia on deals

MIAMI — The Miami Marlins are finalizing an extension with right-hander Sandy Alcantara and have reached an agreement with free agent outfielder Avisail Garcia, a person with knowledge of the situations said Sunday.

Alcantara's deal, first reported by The Miami Herald, will be worth \$56 million over five seasons. Garcia's deal will pay \$53 million over four seasons.

— From wire reports

BUCS

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"It was great capping off the game like that with a punch," Fournette said. "It got scary at the end, but it's a team sport. We came together and made it happen."

Taylor ran 16 times for 83 yards and caught four passes for 14 yards — finishing 3 yards short of a NFL record-breaking ninth consecutive game with 100 or more yards from scrimmage and a rushing TD.

INJURY REPORT

Michigan rises to No. 2 in AP

Oklahoma St up to 5th

RALPH D. RUSSO
AP college football writer

Michigan jumped to No. 2 in The Associated Press college football poll on Sunday and Oklahoma State joined the top five for the first time since 2015.

Georgia was a unanimous No. 1 in the AP Top 25 presented by Regions Bank for the eighth consecutive week. For the fourth straight week, there is a different No. 2 team behind the Bulldogs.

Michigan has its highest ranking since it peaked at No. 2. in 2016. The Wolverines moved up four spots after emphatically beating Ohio State on Saturday to break an eight-game losing streak in the rivalry.

Cincinnati moved up to No. 3, flip-flopping with Alabama at No. 4. The Crimson Tide slipped after beating Auburn in overtime.

Oklahoma State moved up two spots after beating Oklahoma for the first time since 2014. The Sooners fell three places to No. 13.

Notre Dame dropped a spot to No. 6 and Ohio State tumbled five spots to No. 7 a week after it peaked at second last week.

The week before the Buckeyes were No. 2, Alabama held that spot. The Tide had replaced Cincinnati the week before.

Mississippi, Baylor and Oregon rounded out the top 10.

POLL POINTS

The longest streak of weeks as unanimous No. 1 was Alabama's run of nine in 2018.

There are two more polls left this season, after next week's championship games and then after the College Football Playoff national title is decided on Jan. 10.

If Georgia can beat Alabama in the Southeastern Conference title game next weekend and make a run through the playoff, it could break

Alabama's record. But something to keep in mind for the Bulldogs: Alabama's run of unanimous No. 1 rankings ended in a national championship game loss to Clemson and the Crimson Tide finished No. 2.

IN

— No. 22 Clemson (9-3) is back in the Top 25 after falling out after the last weekend of September. The Tigers have climbed back, winning seven of their final eight games.

— No. 25 Kentucky returns after routing rival Louisville on Saturday. The Wildcats had a run of five weeks in the rankings.

OUT

— Wisconsin dropped out after its seven-game winning streak was snapped by Minnesota.

— UTSA tumbled out of the rankings after its first loss of the season. The Roadrunners were thumped by North Texas on Saturday to end their unbeaten regular season, but they will still host the Conference USA title game next week.

CONFERENCE CALL

SEC — 6 (Nos. 1, 4, 8, 23, 24, 25).
ACC — 4 (Nos. 17, 18, 21, 22).
Big Ten — 4 (Nos. 2, 7, 11, 15).
Big 12 — 3 (Nos. 5, 9, 13).
American — 2 (Nos. 3, 16).
Pac-12 — 2 (Nos. 10, 14).
Mountain West — 1 (No. 19).
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TCU hires SMU's Dykes

Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — Sonny Dykes is set to be introduced as TCU's new coach on Tuesday after four seasons at SMU, according to a person familiar with the decision.

The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity Sunday because there were no official announcements from TCU or SMU amid numerous reports citing unnamed sources that Dykes would be the Horned Frogs' new coach. The Fort Worth Star-Telegram was the first to report plans for Dykes to be formally introduced Tuesday.

Dykes' return to the other side of the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex is a much-anticipated move. The son of former Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes had been considered a top candidate for the Frogs job since Gary Patterson and TCU mutually agreed Oct. 31 to part ways with four games left in the season.

Patterson, the school's winningest coach with 181 wins, was in his 21st season. The Frogs finished 5-7 after splitting the final four games under interim head coach Jerry Kill.

After SMU's regular-season finale at home Saturday, Dykes thanked the school's administration for a great four years, thanked players for their efforts and said he hated the way the season ended, though it's not over for the bowl-bound Mustangs (8-4).

"I just couldn't be more proud of our players. They've had to fight through a lot of stuff," Dykes said after the 34-31 loss to Tulsa. "It hasn't been easy this week and certainly not in the last 48 hours, but I told them in the locker room how much I appreciated their efforts and the way they handled things. I love those guys."

Dykes then declined to answer when asked directly about the TCU job, responding, "We're not talking about that right now."

Previously the head coach at California and Louisiana Tech, Dykes worked during the 2017 season as a special offensive assistant at TCU in an off-field role for Patterson. He became SMU's coach when Chad Morris left for Arkansas at the end



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SMU head coach Sonny Dykes watches from the sideline in the first half of a Nov. 6 game against Memphis, in Memphis, Tenn.

of that regular season.

Dykes was 30-18 with the Mustangs, overseeing the program's best stretch of success since returning in 1989 after being the only team ever to serve the NCAA's so-called death penalty.

The Mustangs went 5-7 in Dykes' first full season in 2018 after an 0-3 start. Then with an influx of transfer players, most of them returning home to North Texas like quarterback Shane Buechele, SMU started 8-0 in 2019 on way to a 10-3 record. The Mustangs then won their first five games in the pandemic-shortened 2020 season and finished 7-3.

SMU started 7-0 this season before losing four of the past five games. The Mustangs recognized 32 seniors before the Tulsa game.

TCU had its third losing season in six years, after only two the previous 18 seasons. That 24-season span included Patterson's three years as defensive coordinator before his promotion when Dennis Franchione left at the end of the 2000 regular season to become Alabama's coach.

While TCU did a nationwide search, athletic director Jeremiah Donati had familiarity with the coach at the school about 40 miles away that fit the primary requirements set out for Patterson's replacement.

Dykes was a current head coach, and one who understands the changing climate of college football

such as name, image and likeness, and the transfer portal. Donati also had indicated his desire to find an offensive coach.

The Mustangs averaged 39.7 points and 483 total yards over 35 games since the start of the 2019 season. They had 595 total yards (350 rushing, 245 passing) in a 42-34 win at TCU earlier this season. The two schools play annually, with next year's meeting set Sept. 24 in Dallas.

The 52-year-old Dykes was 22-15 at Louisiana Tech from 2010-12 before going to Cal, where he was 19-30 and had only one winning season in his four years there.

Duke's Cutcliffe won't return after 'mutual' separation

David Cutcliffe won't return for a 15th season as Duke's coach after the school announced a "mutual agreement for separation" on Sunday following the Blue Devils' winless Atlantic Coast Conference record.

The school's announcement came a day after the Blue Devils (3-9, 0-8) closed a three-win season with a 47-10 home loss to Miami.

That marked the first winless slate for Duke in league play under Cutcliffe, who transformed the Blue Devils from one of the nation's worst performers into a regular bowl contender and even claimed a division title in the ACC in 2013 before the program slid badly in the past two seasons.

In a statement, Cutcliffe, 67, said the decision came

after "some detailed and amiable discussions" with new athletic director Nina King, who took over earlier this year but has worked at Duke since 2008 and handled primary administrative duties for the football program.

"I'm not sure just yet what the future will look like, but I am looking forward to some family time to reflect a bit on the past and see what the future holds," Cutcliffe said.

Associate head coach Trooper Taylor will serve as interim coach while Duke searches for Cutcliffe's permanent successor.

The Blue Devils were adrift when they turned in December 2007 to Cutcliffe, the former Mississippi coach and Tennessee offensive coordinator who tutored both Peyton and Eli Manning at the college level. The Blue Devils had just completed a 13-year run with four or fewer wins each season, including Ted Roof going 2-33 over the three seasons that preceded Cutcliffe. And the Blue Devils had gone 19-117 with just eight ACC wins over 12 seasons.

Duke won 77 games in Cutcliffe's 14 seasons with six bowl appearances and three postseason wins, the program's first since 1961.

"We are extremely grateful for David's leadership over the past 14 seasons," King said in a statement. "He lifted our program to unprecedented heights, both on and off the field, while maintaining the core values of the university and we could not be more appreciative of his mentorship of every student-athlete who played for Duke during his tenure."

No. 7 Oklahoma St downs No. 10 Oklahoma

Associated Press

STILLWATER, Okla. — Oklahoma State finally broke through against its greatest nemesis.

Spencer Sanders threw for a touchdown and ran for another and No. 7 Oklahoma State beat No. 10 Oklahoma 37-33 on Saturday night to keep alive its College Football Playoff chances and stop the Sooners' streak of Big 12 titles at six.

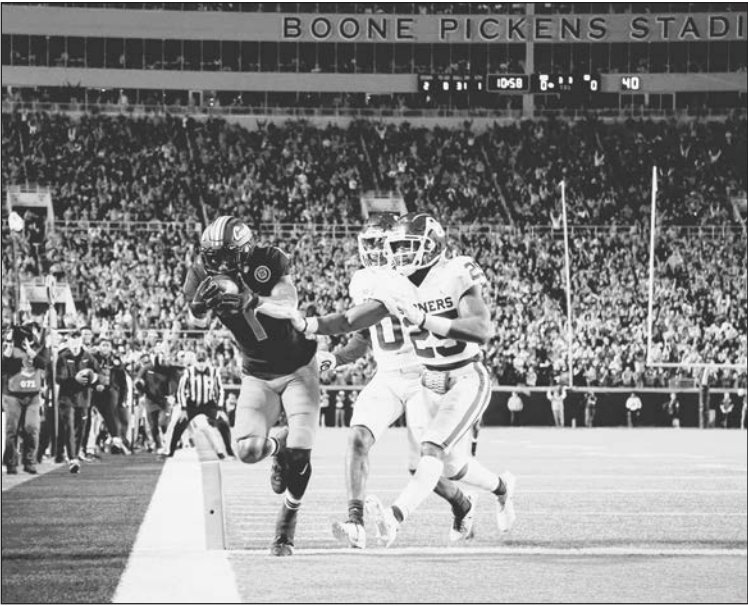
Oklahoma State (11-1, 8-1, No. 7 CFP) snapped a six-game losing streak to Oklahoma. The Cowboys will play No. 9 Baylor next Saturday for the Big 12 championship. The Cowboys have a shot at their first Big 12 title since 2011.

"I told them we couldn't be more proud of them for what they've accomplished," Oklahoma State coach Mike Gundy said. "That's the good news. Next thing is, we need them all back here tomorrow afternoon. We're in a one-week playoff again."

Oklahoma (10-2, 7-2, No. 10 CFP) got the ball one last time at its 20-yard line with 54 seconds remaining and no timeouts. Caleb Williams scrambled and ran 56 yards to put the Sooners in scoring range.

"I wasn't sure we were going to be able to catch him and get him down," Gundy said. "I've seen him do that on TV two, three, four times this year. Nobody ever catches him. He scores."

Oklahoma State's Collin Oliver sacked Williams on fourth down at the Oklahoma State 32 with eight seconds remaining, setting off a wild celebration. Fans clad in orange and black



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Oklahoma State wide receiver Tay Martin (1) catches a touchdown pass next to Oklahoma cornerback Woodi Washington (0) and defensive back Justin Broiles (25) during Saturday's game in Stillwater, Okla.

poured onto the field to celebrate Gundy's third win in 17 tries against the Sooners. Songs such as "Friends in Low Places" by Garth Brooks and "All I Do Is Win" by DJ Khaled blared over the sound system.

Oklahoma State already had clinched a spot in the Big 12 title game, but the stakes remained high. With Baylor's victory over Texas Tech earlier Saturday, Oklahoma needed a win to reach the conference championship game. Oklahoma State took advantage of the opportunity to eliminate its rival.

For Oklahoma, the loss provided perspective.

"I think for everybody, what this does is it makes you appreciate it," Oklahoma coach Lincoln Riley said. "What this program's been able to do here

over the last seven years is pretty amazing, and it makes you appreciate how hard winning is, how hard winning championships are, how hard winning against good football teams on the road — how hard that is."

The game turned when Oklahoma's Eric Gray muffed a punt and Oklahoma State recovered at the Oklahoma 5. Jaylen Warren then punched it in from the 1 to give Oklahoma State a 37-33 lead with 8:54 remaining.

Tay Martin had a 30-yard touchdown catch and a 4-yard touchdown run in the first quarter to help Oklahoma State take a 14-7 lead.

Oklahoma tied it when Williams, backpedaling and under pressure, found Austin Stogner for a 29-yard touchdown pass to tie it. Brennan Presley

immediately responded with a 100-yard kickoff return for a touchdown that put the Cowboys back in front.

Late in the second quarter, Oklahoma's Woodi Washington intercepted Sanders' pass and returned it to the Oklahoma State 14. Williams connected with Brayden Willis for a 10-yard score, and the extra point tied it at 24.

Oklahoma opened the second-half scoring in an odd way. Oklahoma's Perrion Winfrey hit Oklahoma State's Dominic Richardson, the ball came loose, and Oklahoma State recovered in the end zone for a safety.

Oklahoma struck again after forcing a three-and-out. Presley muffed the punt, and Justin Broiles recovered in the end zone to give the Sooners a 33-24 lead.

Sanders went 37 yards for a touchdown on an option keep, and Oklahoma State cut Oklahoma's lead to 33-31 with 13:52 remaining.

The Sooners couldn't hold on. "We just have to keep our heads up," Washington, who intercepted two passes, said. "Of course, we're going to be sad because we lost the game. We have one game ahead of us. We just have to go out and keep fighting."

No. 5 Notre Dame 45, Stanford 14

STANFORD, Calif. — Jack Coan threw two touchdown passes and ran for another score and Notre Dame finished off the regular season with a victory over Stanford to keep its playoff hopes alive.

The Fighting Irish (11-1, No. 6 CFP) won their final seven

games following a home loss to Cincinnati but will likely need some help next week to get into the College Football Playoff for the third time in the past four seasons.

Stanford (3-9) lost its seventh straight game to end the season following an upset of then-No. 3 Oregon for its longest losing streak and most losses in a season since a 1-11 campaign in 2006. The Cardinal were outscored 173-46 over the final four games.

LSU 37, No. 14 Texas A&M 24

BATON ROUGE, La. — Max Johnson hit Jaray Jenkins with a 28-yard scoring pass down the right sideline with 20 seconds left, and LSU knocked off Texas A&M to give coach Ed Orgeron a triumphant send-off in his final game in Tiger Stadium.

The victory gave LSU (6-6, 3-5 SEC) two straight wins to close the regular season as a bowl eligible team. The loss likely relegated Texas A&M (8-4, 4-4) to a less prestigious bowl while ending the Aggies chance for a first 10-win season since 2012.

No. 20 Pittsburgh 31, Syracuse 14

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Kenny Pickett threw for four touchdowns to break the Pittsburgh school record for scoring passes in a season.

Pittsburgh (10-2, 6-1 Atlantic Coast Conference, CFP No. 20) won its fourth straight and finished the regular season 5-0 on the road. It's the Panthers' first 10-win season since 1981.

Syracuse finished 5-7 overall and 2-6 in the ACC.

Warriors beat Clippers

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Stephen Curry is among the most dangerous players in the NBA. But an angry Curry proved to be more lethal.

The Golden State star took out his frustrations Sunday on the Los Angeles Clippers after being called for a technical foul with 9:08 remaining in the fourth quarter. He scored 11 of his 33 points after that as the Warriors extended their winning streak to eight with a 105-90 victory.

“It was just an accumulation of all types of weird stuff. All that led into where I thought I got a foul,” said Curry, who also had a season-high six steals to go with five rebounds and six assists. “It definitely fired me and the team up. After that it was time to direct my energy into putting the ball in the basket.”

Curry lost his temper when he didn’t draw a foul while driving to the basket after it appeared Clippers guard Terance Mann made contact. Coach Steve Kerr said he figured Curry was going to get a technical when he saw him go toward the official and pump his fist.

Golden State had a 79-70 lead when Curry’s outburst happened, but they would put it away afterward with a 21-7 run during a nearly five-minute span. Curry made three 3-pointers during the spurt, and applied the dagger shot with an off-balance triple from the right corner with 5:20 remaining.

Otto Porter Jr. added 18 points and 10 rebounds, and Jordan Poole scored 17 points for the Warriors. They improved their NBA-best record to 18-2 heading into a showdown Tuesday night in Phoenix against the streaking Suns — 17-3 after winning 16 straight.

Paul George led Los Angeles with 30 points, and Eric Bledsoe and Marcus Morris added 13 apiece. The Clippers came into the game with wins in eight of their last 10 home games.

Bucks 118, Pacers 100

INDIANAPOLIS — Giannis Antetokounmpo had 26 points and 13 rebounds and Milwaukee beat Indiana for its seventh straight victory.

Jrue Holiday scored 11 of his 23 points in the third quarter. Bobby Portis added 15 points, and Khris Middleton and Pat Connaughton each had 14.

Caris LeVert led the Pacers with a season-high 23 points.

Celtics 109, Raptors 97

TORONTO — Marcus Smart scored 21 points, Al Horford had 17 points and 11 rebounds and Boston beat Toronto to snap a two-game losing streak.

Josh Richardson scored 18 of Boston’s 32 bench points. Jaylen Brown added 16 points, and Grant Williams had 15 to help the Celtics improve to 11-10. Fred VanVleet led Toronto with 27 points.

Grizzlies 128, Kings 101

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Dillon Brooks scored 21 points, Desmond Bane added 18 and Memphis took advantage of Sacramento’s poor shooting.

Memphis was playing its first game without scoring leader Ja Morant. He sprained his left knee Friday night in a loss to Atlanta.

Buddy Hield led the Kings with 14 points.

No. 23 Florida handles Troy 84-45

Ellis scores 22 for No. 10 Alabama in win over Miami

Associated Press

GAINESVILLE — Florida is off to its best start in coach Mike White’s seven seasons.

Myreon Jones and Tyree Appleby scored 12 points apiece, and the 23rd-ranked Gators remained unbeaten with a 84-45 victory over Troy on Sunday.

Florida (6-0) scored the first 13 points of the game and never relinquished its double-digit lead. Kowacie Reeves connected on a turnaround jumper at the first-half buzzer to give the Gators a 49-20 advantage, their largest of the game.

“I was really pleased with the mental approach and the start that we got off to,” White said. “I anticipated this game being closer.”

Florida leading scorer Colin Castleton finished with a season-low 10 points, eight rebounds and a pair of blocks. White said the Gators anticipated Troy would try to make Castleton a non-factor.

“We did a pretty good job playing through Colin in different spots on the post, and they were pretty aggressive with bringing a double (team),” White said. “We had some possessions we didn’t execute as well as we could have, and then we had two or three where we handled the double pretty well and got good looks out of it, so we’re still a work in progress with teams sending a guy or two at Colin.”

Troy (4-3), which came into the game ranked 11th in the nation in steals, managed eight against Florida. Duke Deen, who entered averaging 13.3 points, led the Trojans with 10 points on 2-of-8 shooting.

Troy committed a season-high-tying 21 turnovers. The Gators finished the game with 32 points off turnovers, connected on 17 of 19 free-throw attempts and out-rebounded the Trojans 40-37.

Florida’s Phlandrous Fleming made his first start of the season in place of Brandon McKissic and scored 11 points. McKissic suffered a hamstring injury in Wednesday’s win over Ohio State and came off the bench Sunday, finishing with 10 points.

“That’s the thing with this team: Anybody could start,” Jones said. “We know even if (Fleming) wasn’t starting, he probably would play starter minutes and be a big factor in the game. So I feel like to start, I mean, it doesn’t really matter. Phlan is an unselfish player on this team, and being ready, I feel like that’s just what he does.”

Elijah Kennedy had a season-high six points, and Reeves finished with eight points after knocking down a pair of 3-pointers in the waning minutes. With McKissic limited, White was encouraged by the play of the



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Florida forward Anthony Duruji (4) dunks against Troy during the first half of Sunday’s game, in Gainesville.

team’s freshmen, saying they didn’t look to force any shots despite the disparity on the scoreboard.

“With the size of the lead, you’re playing subs at the end of the game,” White said. “And I just don’t think there was much shot-hunting.”

No. 10 Alabama 96, Miami 64

LAKE BUENA VISTA — Keon Ellis had 22 points, Jaden Shackelford contributed 15 and No. 10 Alabama defeated Miami 96-64 in the fifth-place game at the ESPN Events Invitational.

Alabama (6-1), which also got 13 points each from JD Davison and Juwan Gary, found itself in the consolation bracket after losing its tournament opener to coach Rick Pitino’s Iona team. Davison added 10 assists. “We took an ‘L’ the first game but it’s not the end of the world,” Ellis said. “You just got to learn from it and move on. I think tonight showed how we bounced back from that.”

Kameron McGusty had 21 points and 10 rebounds for Miami (4-3), and Isaiah Wong scored 10 of his 14 points in the second half.

The Crimson Tide trailed by as many as nine points but grabbed a 33-30 halftime lead thanks to Jahvon Quinerly’s 3 with 2 seconds left. Alabama then used a 15-6 stretch to open up a 48-36 advantage 4 minutes into the second half, and broke the game open with a 17-0 run over five minutes — including two 3s from Shackelford.

“I thought our second half was as good of basketball as we’ve played all year,” Alabama coach Nate Oats said.

“I thought as the tournament went along the ball moved better, guys playing more unselfish.”

Alabama finished with 22 assists, compared to Miami’s six. The Crimson Tide also won the rebound battle 42-23.

No. 4 Kansas 96, Iona 83

LAKE BUENA VISTA — Christian Braun had 18 points and seven rebounds, Ochai Agbaji added 17 points, and No. 4 Kansas beat Iona 96-83 in the first meeting between Hall of Fame coaches Bill Self and Rick Pitino.

David McCormack scored 13 points for Kansas (5-1). The Jayhawks were was coming off their first loss of the season, 74-73 to Dayton on a buzzer-beater in an ESPN Events Invitational semifinal on Friday.

Beating Pitino’s Iona team, which opened the tournament with a win over No. 10 Alabama, was enough to salvage third place in the tournament for Self’s Jayhawks.

Iona (6-2) got 14 points apiece from Tyson Jolly and Ryan Myers.

No. 7 Villanova 72, La Salle 46

PHILADELPHIA — Collin Gillespie scored 13 points in a balanced team effort for Villanova, which beat La Salle.

Brandon Slater added 12 points and Caleb Daniels and Eric Dixon each had 11 for the Wildcats (4-2), who played for the first time since a Nov. 21 loss to No. 3 Purdue.

Khalil Brantley scored 17 points and

Jhamir Brickus had 13 for La Salle (2-3), which had just one assist on 14 field goals.

No. 13 Arkansas 76, Pennsylvania 60

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — JD Notae scored 28 points in Arkansas’ win over Pennsylvania.

Stanley Umude had 19 points and Au’Dise Toney scored 12 for the Razorbacks (6-0). They combined with Notae to score 32 of the team’s 37 points in the first half as Arkansas built an 11-point lead.

Clark Slajchert led Penn (3-6) with 25 points and Lucas Monroe had 14. Max Martz had 13 rebounds but was held to four points on 2-of-10 shooting.

No. 21 Seton Hall 84, Bethune-Cookman 70

NEWARK, N.J. — Jared Rhoden scored 18 points, Alexis Yetna had 14 points and 13 rebounds, and Seton Hall pulled away in the second half to beat Bethune-Cookman.

Bethune-Cookman had a 34-33 lead at halftime, but Rhoden’s jumper a minute into the second half gave Seton Hall (5-1) the lead for good and started a 9-0 run. The Pirates stretched their advantage to as much as 23 points.

Joe French scored 30 points for the Wildcats (1-6), and Marcus Garrett scored 11.

Florida Gulf Coast 85, Purdue Fort Wayne 78

FORT MYERS — Tavian Dunn-Martin had 27 points as Florida Gulf Coast defeated Purdue Fort Wayne 85-78 at the FGCU Invitational.

Cyrus Lergie had 17 points and seven rebounds for Florida Gulf Coast (6-2), which earned its fifth consecutive win. Kevin Samuel added 16 points, 13 rebounds and five blocks. Matt Halvorsen had 11 points.

James Madison 69, FAU 65

BOCA RATON — Charles Falden had 17 points as James Madison narrowly beat Florida Atlantic 69-65.

Falden added two free throws with three seconds left as the Dukes (6-2) made five of six in the last 20 seconds. Justin Amadi added eight points and Jalen Hodge scored nine and 10 of 11 players scored.

Michael Forrest had 18 points for the Owls (3-4). Alijah Martin added 12 points. Giancarlo Rosado had 12 points.

FIU 84, North Florida 69

MIAMI — Petar Krivokapic had 18 points, making five 3-pointers, as Florida International defeated North Florida 84-69.

FIU made 12 of 23 shots from beyond the 3-point arc. The Panthers shot 67% overall in the second half, including 7-of-11 from distance.

Denver Jones had 17 points for Florida International (6-1), which won its sixth consecutive game. Clevon Brown added 13 points. Seth Pinkney had 10 points.



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Hartman scores in 3rd straight; Wild beat Lightning

Capitals claw back to defeat Carolina

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ST. PAUL, Minn. — Ryan Hartman broke a 2-all tie midway through the third period, and the Minnesota Wild beat the Tampa Bay Lightning 4-2 on Sunday.

Hartman scored for the third straight game and has goals in five of the last six games to give him 12 on the season. Nick Bjugstad, Victor Rask and Marcus Foligno also scored for Minnesota, which has won three in a row and scored the most goals in the NHL since Nov. 2.

“Every time he touches the puck in the slot, you kind of figure it’s going in,” Bjugstad said of Hartman. “He’s a great player and he’s really finding his way here in the Wild sweater. Good teammate, tough player. Guys don’t like playing against him, I don’t think. Just a huge, huge player for us.”

Corey Perry scored for the second time in three games for Tampa Bay. Alex Killorn added his first goal in 11 games, tying the game in the second period.

Kirill Kaprizov went to the net after collecting the puck near the side boards and passed across for Hartman, who spun and delivered a quick shot past Tampa Bay goaltender Andrei Vasilevskiy 9:15 into the third.

“When you’re drifting,



Minnesota Wild right wing Ryan Hartman (38) scores the go-ahead goal past Tampa Bay Lightning goalie Andrei Vasilevskiy as Wild left wing Kirill Kaprizov, left, and Lightning defenseman Mikhail Sergachev look on during the third period of Sunday’s game, in St. Paul, Minn.

the puck kind of drifts with you,” Hartman said. “Sometimes you try to overcompensate. Those kind of shots, really, I’m just trying to get on net.”

Vasilevskiy stopped 33 shots for the Lightning, who had won three games in a row and six of seven.

“That third goal is on me,” Tampa Bay defenseman Victor Hedman said. “For some reason, I thought they had three guys in the corner and kind of left the guy alone in front. Small differences in the game that cost us at the end, but I think overall it was good.”

Minnesota’s Cam Talbot made 28 saves.

Bjugstad opened the scoring midway through the first after picking up a loose puck in the neutral zone. He skated down the

side and outraced Mathieu Joseph, turning the corner before sneaking the puck past Vasilevskiy’s left shoulder in a small window in the corner of the goal.

Perry answered 48 seconds later with a quick wrist shot from the faceoff circle past Talbot. But Rask, who had been a healthy scratch the previous two games, scored his third goal of the season before the end of the first.

“The commitment level was really high tonight and obviously when you’re playing against the Stanley Cup champions, our guys are really dialed in,” Wild coach Dean Evason said. “We made a couple turnovers but certainly in those last empty net, they were real committed. We had great blocks. Good

sticks. Yeah, we were really happy.”

Killorn, who had scored seven goals in his first nine games, scored for the first time since Nov. 1 with a wrist shot through traffic for the only goal of the second.

Capitals 4, Hurricanes 2

RALEIGH, N.C. — Dmitry Orlov scored on a power play with 2:55 remaining, and the Washington Capitals recovered after blowing a two-goal lead to beat the Carolina Hurricanes 4-2.

Alex Ovechkin and Aliaksei Protas scored 59 seconds apart in the second period for the Capitals, who’ve won nine of their last 11 games (9-1-1). John Carlson added an empty-netter after Orlov’s goal put

Washington ahead to stay.

Jesper Kotkaniemi and Nino Niederreiter scored in the third period for the Hurricanes. Niederreiter’s goal, his first since Oct. 28, tied the game at 2-2 with 6:28 remaining.

Ilya Samsonov stopped 30 shots for Washington, while Carolina’s Frederik Andersen made 21 saves.

Maple Leafs 5, Ducks 1

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Michael Bunting, Alexander Kerfoot and William Nylander each had a goal and an assist, and Toronto beat Anaheim to tie a franchise record with its seventh straight road win.

The Maple Leafs also had seven straight road wins in 1940-41, 1960-61 and 2002-03.

Auston Matthews scored for the third consecutive game, Wayne Simmonds had a goal, and Jack Campbell made 37 saves for the Maple Leafs.

Hampus Lindholm scored and John Gibson made 26 saves for the Ducks, who have lost four of five following an eight-game win streak.

Sharks 2, Blackhawks 0

CHICAGO — Timo Meier scored on a deflection and added an empty-net goal, James Reimer earned his 42nd career shutout, and San Jose beat Chicago.

The Sharks won for the third time in four starts, all with Reimer in goal. He was only occasionally challenged en route to his first shutout in 22 months, stopping 29 shots.

The loss was the third in five games for Chicago, and dropped the Blackhawks to 6-3-0 since Derek King took over as head coach.

Devils 5, Flyers 2

NEWARK, N.J. — Andreas Johnsson had two goals and two assists, Jesper Bratt had a goal and two assists, and New Jersey beat Philadelphia.

Dougie Hamilton had a goal and an assist, and Nathan Bastian also scored for New Jersey. Mackenzie Blackwood made 22 saves for New Jersey, which snapped a two-game losing streak and won at home for the first time since Nov. 11.

For the Flyers, Joel Farabee scored in his third straight game and Scott Laughton had a goal and an assist. Martin Jones made 30 saves, and Philadelphia dropped its sixth game in a row.

Bruins 3, Canucks 2

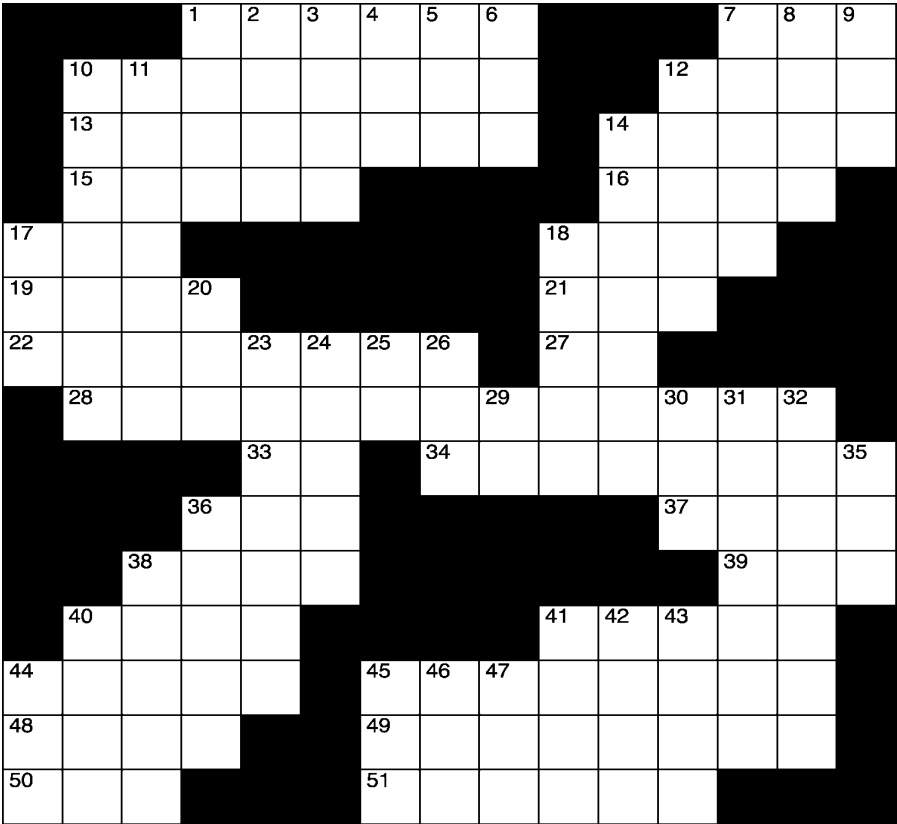
BOSTON — Brad Marchand scored the tying goal on a power play in the third period and set up David Pasternak’s go-ahead score, helping Boston over Vancouver.

Anton Blidh also scored for Boston, and Linus Ullmark made 36 saves. The Bruins won for the fifth time in seven games.

Tanner Pearson and Conor Garland scored for Vancouver. Former Bruins goalie Jaroslav Halak made 39 saves and remains winless (0-4-1) in his first season with the Canucks. The 36-year-old Halak signed as a free agent with the Canucks after playing three seasons with Boston.

Puzzles Galore!

CROSSWORD



- CLUES ACROSS**
1. Topsides
7. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
10. A Sultan's court
12. Maine city
13. Largest living land animal
14. Appetizer
15. Encounters
16. Leader
17. The source of bacon
18. Nuclear near reach weapon (abbr.)
19. Celery (Spanish)
21. Pie ___ mode
22. Eye disease
27. Hello (slang)
28. Those in their 80s
33. Law enforcement agency (abbr.)
34. Business organizations
36. Mimic
37. For indicating speed of rotation (abbr.)
38. Feeling
39. Visual way to interact with computers (abbr.)
40. "Let It Snow!" songwriter
41. Essential oil used as perfume
44. Norwegian composer
45. Coast
48. ___ lang syne, good old days
49. Gland behind the stomach
50. Tooth caregiver
51. King of Camelot
- CLUES DOWN**
1. N. American indigenous people
2. Fascinated by
3. Root of out
4. Patti Hearst's captors
5. Atomic #50
6. Habitual drunkard
7. Arabic for "peace"
8. Trickery
9. One's physique (slang)
10. Not quite there
11. Wistfully mournful
12. Popular dance
14. Cut of meat
17. A way to stand
18. "Gunga Din" screenwriter
20. 10th month of the year (abbr.)
23. A way of jumping
24. Utah town
25. Of I
26. Actress de Armas
29. Silver
30. Play a role
31. ___ Falls
32. Attaches to
35. Japanese title
36. Expressed pleasure
38. Buckets
40. Dirt
41. Hypnotists' group (abbr.)
42. Restaurant drive-___
43. Digs up
44. He voices "Olaf"
45. Relaxing place
46. Body part
47. Pesky house critter

SUDOKU

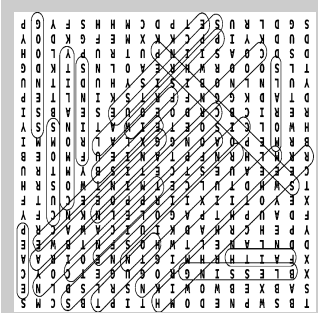
Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

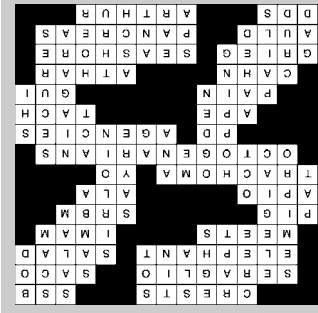
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Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



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



Answers to "Puzzles Galore!"

WORD SEARCH (Spirituality)

- AFTERLIFE
AWAKENING
BELIEF
BLESSING
COMMONALITY
CONCEPT
CONGREGATION
CONSCIOUSNESS
CONTEMPLATION
CUSTOMS
ESSENCE
EXISTENCE
- FAITH
FRIENDS
GOODNESS
HIGHER POWER
MEDITATION
MORALS
PEACE
PRINCIPLES
RELIGION
SPIRITUAL
TRUTH
WORSHIP

T B S W P N E D O M H T I P T B S C M S
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MONDAY EVENING NOVEMBER 29, 2021										C: Comcast, Citrus S: Spectrum D/I: Comcast, Dunnellon & Inglis									
	C	S	D/I	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30				
2 (WESH) NBC	19		19	News	NBC News	Ent. Tonight	Hollywood	The Voice The top 10 artists perform. (N) 'PG'				That's My Jam (N) 'PG'		News	J. Fallon				
3 (WEDU) PBS	3	3		World News America	BBC News	PBS NewsHour (N) (In Stereo)		Great Performances "Broadway Musicals: A Jewish Legacy" Jewish artists excel on Broadway. 'G'				Hanukkah: A Festival of Delights History of Hanukkah. (In Stereo)		Change Your Brain					
5 (WUFT) PBS	5		5	DW News	BBC News	PBS NewsHour (N)		The Carpenters: Close to You & Christmas Memories				Suze Orman's Ultimate Retirement Guide 'G'							
8 (WFLA) NBC	8	8	8	News	NBC Nightly News - Holt	NewsChannel 8	Ent. Tonight	The Voice "Live Top 10 Performances" The top 10 artists perform. (N) (In Stereo Live) 'PG'				That's My Jam (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'		NewsChannel 8	Tonight Show				
9 (WFTV) ABC	20	7	20	News at 6pm	ABC World News	Jeopardy! (N) 'G'	Wheel of Fortune 'G'	CMA Country Christmas A holiday celebration. 'PG'				The Great Christmas Light Fight Families show off their light displays. (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'		Eyewitness News 11PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live!				
10 (WTSP) CBS	10	10	10	10 Tampa Bay	CBS Evening News	Wheel of Fortune 'G'	Jeopardy! (N) 'G'	The Neighborhood (N)	Bob Hearts Abishola (N)	NCIS A Navy reservist's body is found. (N) '14'		NCIS: Hawai'i "Legacy" A protester is murdered. '14'		10 Tampa Bay	Late Show-Colbert				
13 (WTVT) FOX	13	13		FOX13 6:00 News (N)	FOX13 6:30 News (N)	Access Hollywood 'PG'	TMZ (N) 'PG'	9-1-1 Athena investigates a cold case. (N) '14'				FOX13 10:00 News (N) (In Stereo)		FOX13 11:00 News (N) (In Stereo)					
20 (WCJB) ABC			11	TV20 News	World News	Ent. Tonight	Inside Ed.	CMA Country Christmas				The Great Christmas Light Fight (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'		News at 11	J. Kimmel				
22 (WCLF) IND	2	2	2	Christian	Bridges	Jewish	Great Awakening with	Love/Child				Miracles	Andrew	Freedom	Christ	Keith Moore	The Great A		
23 (WYKE) FAM	16	16	16	Vegas Unveiled		Daily Flash	Citrus	Sully's Biz Brew				Small Town	L. McKenzie	Neighbor..	Madison	Citrus Court	Citrus		
23 (WFTS) ABC	11	11		News	World News	Inside Ed.	The List (N)	CMA Country Christmas				The Great Christmas Light Fight (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'		News	J. Kimmel				
32 (WMOR) IND	12	12		Sheldon	Sheldon	Big Bang	Big Bang	Mom '14'	Mom '14'	Last Man	Last Man	Creek	Creek	Big Bang	Sheldon				
33 (WTTA) MNT	6	6	6	Extra 'PG'	Ent. Tonight	Family Feud	Family Feud	NewsChannel 8				Noticias	Seinfeld	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU				
40 (WACX) TBN	21		21	S.Channel	The 700 Club	Lovelsrael	Love/Child	Kenneth Cox Ministries				Living Room	SuperChannel Presents	Faith Build.	Prince				
44 (WTOG) CW	4	4	4	Mike & Molly '14'	Mike & Molly '14'	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	The Black Pack: We Three Kings (N) 'PG'				4400 Rev continues to grow his flock. (N) 'PG'		CW44 News (N)	CW44 News (N)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit '14'			
50 (WVEA) UNI	15	15	15	Noticias	Noticiero	¿Qué le pasa a		La Rosa de Guadalupe				Vencer el pasado (N)		La desalmada (N)	Noticias	Noticiero			
51 (WOGX) FOX			13	Fox 51 at 6	Fox 51	Big Bang	Big Bang	9-1-1 (N) (In Stereo) '14'				The Big Leap (N) '14'		FOX 51 News	DateLine "The Alibi"				
55 (WXPX) ION			17	NCIS: Los Angeles '14'	NCIS: Los Angeles '14'	NCIS: Los Angeles '14'	NCIS: Los Angeles '14'	NCIS: Los Angeles '14'				NCIS: Los Angeles 'PG'		NCIS: Los Angeles '14'					
(A&E)	54	48	54	The First 48 '14'				The First 48 '14'				Hoarders 'Peggie' (N) (In Stereo) 'PG'		Intervention "Ryan" '14'		Hoarders 'PG'			
(ACCN)			99	College Football				College Basketball South Florida at Boston College.				All ACC (N) (Live)		All ACC		All ACC			
(AMC)	55	64	55	"Charlie & Chocolate"				*** "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" (1971) 'G'				*** "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" (1971) 'G'							
(ANI)	52	35	52	Homestead Rescue 'PG'				Homestead Rescue 'PG'				Homestead Rescue "Paradise in Peril" 'PG'				Homestead Rescue 'PG'			
(BET)	96	71	96	** "Nutty Professor II: The Klumps" (2000) Eddie Murphy. 'PG-13'				*** "Barbershop" (2002, Comedy) Ice Cube. 'PG-13'											
(BIGTEN)	742	809		Illinois Basketball Classic				B1G Football in 60				B1G Volleyball in 60 (N)		Big Ten	B1G Football in 60	B1G Show			
(BRAVO)	254	51	254	Housewives/OC				Below Deck '14'				Below Deck (N) '14'		Watch What	Below Deck '14'	Wintr Hse			
(BSFL)	35	39	35	Celebrity				NBA Basketball Orlando Magic at Philadelphia 76ers. (N) (Live)				Postgame		In Magic	In Magic	Under	Sports Stars		
(CC)	27	61	27	The Office				The Office 'PG'				The Office		The Office	The Office	Daily Show	Seinfeld		
(CMT)	98	45	98	Last Man				Last Man				Mom '14'		Mom '14'	Mom '14'	Mom '14'	Mom '14'		
(CNN)	40	29	40	Situation Room With Wolf				Erin Burnett OutFront (N)				Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)	Don Lemon Tonight (N)	Don Lemon Tonight (N)			
(ESPN)	33	27	33	Monday Night Countdown (N) (Live)				NFL Football Seattle Seahawks at Washington Football Team. (N) (Live)				Postgame		SportsC.					
(ESPN2)	37	28	34	SportsCenter				College Basketball Iowa at Virginia. (N) (Live)				College Basketball Notre Dame at Illinois. (N) (Live)		To Be Announced					
(FBN)	106	149	106	The Evening Edit (N)				Kennedy (N)				How America Works (N)		American	American	American	American		
(FLIX)		118	170	*** "School Ties" (1992)				Brendan Fraser. 'PG-13'				*** "A Room With a View" (1986) 'NR'		*** "Quartet" (2012) Maggie Smith.		Outbreak			
(FNC)	44	37	44	Special Report				FOX News Primetime (N)				Tucker Carlson Tonight		Hannity (N) (Live)	The Ingraham Angle (N)	Gutfeld! (N)			
(FOOD)	26	56	26	Holiday Baking				Holiday Baking				Holiday Baking		Christmas Cookie	The Big Bake (N) 'PG'				
(FREEFORM)	29	52	29	Just Go				*** "Brave" (2012) Voices of Kelly Macdonald.				*** "Ratatouille" (2007) Voices of Patton Oswalt. 'G'		The 700 Club					
(FS1)	732	112	732	NASCAR Race Hub 'PG'				Unrivals: Earnhardt				Refuse to Lose		Boxing PBC: Manny Pacquiao vs. Yordenis Ugás.					
(FX)	30	60	30	*** "Sicario" (2015) Emily Blunt. 'R'				** "The Equalizer 2" (2018, Action) Denzel Washington. 'R'				** "The Equalizer 2" (2018) 'R'							
(GOLF)	727	67	727	Golf Central 'G'				Golf Acad.				DP World Tour Golf Joburg Open, Final Round.				Golf Central 'G'			
(HALL)	59	68	39	"Picture a Perfect Christmas" (2019) 'NR'				*** "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year" 'NR'				"Coyote Creek Christmas" (2021) Janel Parrish. 'NR'							
(HBO)	302	201	302	Succession				*** "Wonder Woman 1984" (2020) Gal Gadot. 'PG-13'				We're Here 'MA'		We're Here 'MA'	Insecure	Conjuring			
(HBO2)	303	202	303	Music Box				*** "Clueless" (1995) 'PG-13'				Succession (N) 'MA'		*** "Dreamgirls" (2006) Jamie Foxx. 'PG-13'	*** "Little Man" (2006)				
(HGTV)	23	57	23	Love It or List It 'PG'				Love It or List It 'PG'				Love It or List It (N) 'PG'		Call the Closer (N)	Love It or List It 'PG'				
(HIST)	51	54	51	Ancient Aliens Chariots of the Gods? theories. 'PG'				Ancient Aliens 'PG'				Ancient Aliens 'PG'		Ancient Aliens 'PG'	Ancient Aliens 'PG'				
(LIFE)	24	38	24	"Christmas in Mississippi" (2017) Jana Kramer. 'NR'				"Welcome to the Christmas Family Reunion" (2021)				"Christmas Hotel" (2019) Tatyana Ali. 'NR'							
(LMN)	119	50	119	"Lust: A Seven Deadly Sins Story" (2021) 'NR'				* "Addicted" (2014) Sharon Leal. 'R'				* "The Perfect Guy" (2015) Sanaa Lathan.							
(MSNBC)	42	41	42	The Beat With Ari Melber				The ReidOut (N)				All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show	The Last Word	The 11th Hour			
(NBCSN)	448	26	730	Poker Central 'G'				Poker Central 'G'				Poker Central 'G'		Chess	Chess	Poker Central 'G'			
(NGEO)	109	65	109	9/11: One Day in America				The Hot Zone: Anthrax				The Hot Zone: Anthrax		The Hot Zone: Anthrax	The Hot Zone: Anthrax	The Hot Zone: Anthrax			
(NICK)	28	36	28	Loud House Loud House				Lay Lay Loud House	Loud House Loud House	Loud House Loud House	Loud House Loud House	Friends 'PG'	Friends 'PG'	Friends 'PG'	Friends 'PG'				
(NWSNTH)	18	18	18	The Donlon Report (N)				On Balance				Dan Abrams Live (N)		NewsNation Prime (N)	Banfield (N)	On Balance			
(OWN)	125	24	103	Dr. Phil 'PG'				Deadline: Crime				Deadline: Crime		Deadline: Crime	Deadline: Crime	Deadline: Crime			
(OXY)	123	44	123	911 Crisis Center				911 Crisis Center 'PG'				911 Crisis Center 'PG'		DateLine: Secrets	DateLine: Secrets	DateLine: Secrets			
(PARMT)	37	43	37	Two Men Two Men				** "Bad Santa 2" (2016) Billy Bob Thornton. 'R'				To Be Announced							
(SEC)	745	72		The Paul Finebaum Show				Women's College Basketball: Aggies at Gamecocks				Thinking Out Loud (N)		SEC in 60	SEC Feat.	Thinking			
(SHOW)	340	241	340	Dexter: New Blood 'MA'				"The Humans" (2021) Richard Jenkins. 'R'				Wakefield (N)		Dexter: New Blood 'MA'	Yellowjackets 'MA'				
(SUN)	36	31	36	Under Inside HEAT				Pregame NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets at Miami Heat. (N) (Live)				Postgame		Inside HEAT	Inside HEAT	Under			
(SYFY)	31	59	31	*** "John Wick: Chapter 3 -- Parabellum" (2019) Keanu Reeves. 'R'				*** "Journey 2: The Mysterious Island" (2012) 'PG'				*** "Blade" (1998)							
(TBS)	49	23	49	Sheldon Sheldon				Big Bang Big Bang				Big Bang Big Bang		Close	Harry Potter: Hogwarts	Amer. Dad			
(TCM)	169	53	169	Wanted ** "The Big Steal" (1949) 'NR'				*** "Cabaret" (1972) Liza Minnelli. 'PG'				*** "All That Jazz" (1979) Roy Scheider. 'R'							
(TDC)	53	34	53	Street Outlaws				Street Outlaws				Street Outlaws (N) (In Stereo) '14'		Street Outlaws: No Prep Kings: Team Attacks '14'					
(TLC)	50	46	50	The Family Chantel '14'				The Family Chantel '14'				The Family Chantel '14'		90 Day Fiancé (N) 'PG'	1000-Lb. Sisters (N) '14'	1000-Lb. Sisters '14'			
(TMC)	350	261	350	"Blithe Spirit" (2020) Dan Stevens. 'PG-13'				*** "The Station Agent" (2003) 'R'				*** "Finding Forrester" (2000) Sean Connery. 'PG-13'							
(TNT)	48	33	48	*** "Spider-Man 3" (2007) Tobey Maguire.				*** "Doctor Strange" (2016) Benedict Cumberbatch. 'PG-13'				"Hercules: The Thracian Wars" (2014)							
(TOON)	38	58	38	*** "Minions" (2015) *** "Tim Burton's Corpse Bride" (2005) 'PG'				King of Hill King of Hill				Burgers Burgers Amer. Dad Amer. Dad							
(TRAV)	9	106	9	Mysteries of the Unknown 'PG'				Mysteries of the Unknown (N) 'PG'				UFO Witness (N) '14'				UFO Witness '14'			
(truTV)	25	55	25	Jokes Jokes				Jokes Jokes				Jokes Jokes				** "We're the Millers" (2013) Jennifer Aniston. 'R'			
(TVL)	32	49	32	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith				Andy Griffith Andy Griffith				Raymond Raymond		Raymond Raymond	Raymond Raymond	King King			
(USA)	47	32	47	Chicago P.D. '14'				Chicago P.D. '14'				WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (In Stereo Live) 'PG, V'							
(WE)	117	69	117	Criminal Minds '14'				Criminal Minds '14'				Criminal Minds '14'		Criminal Minds '14'		Criminal Minds '14'			

Peanuts



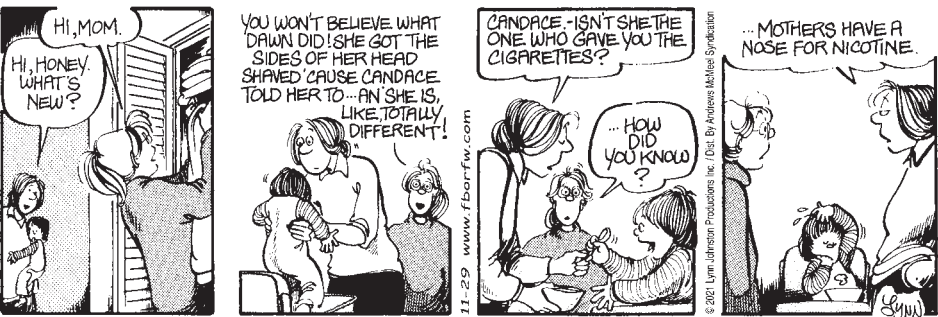
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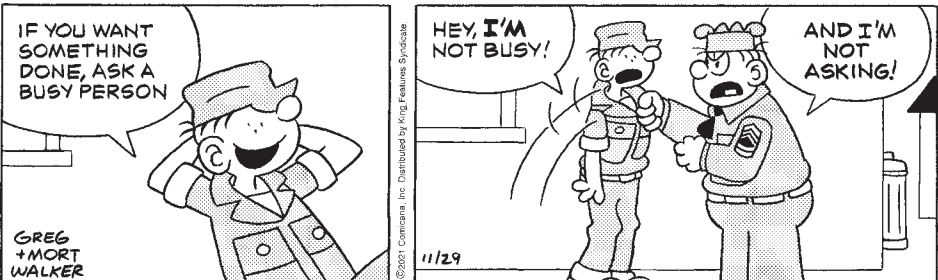
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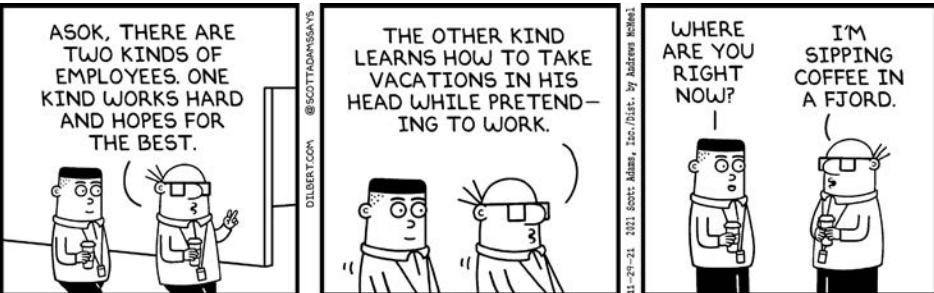
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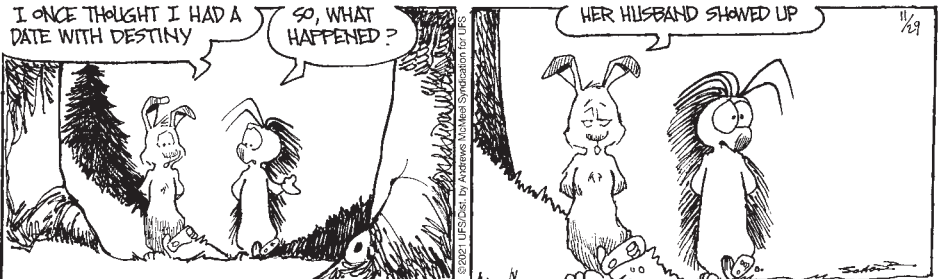
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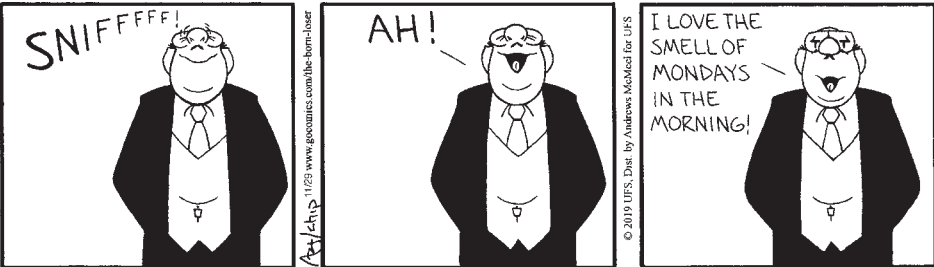
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The Grizzwells



The Born Loser

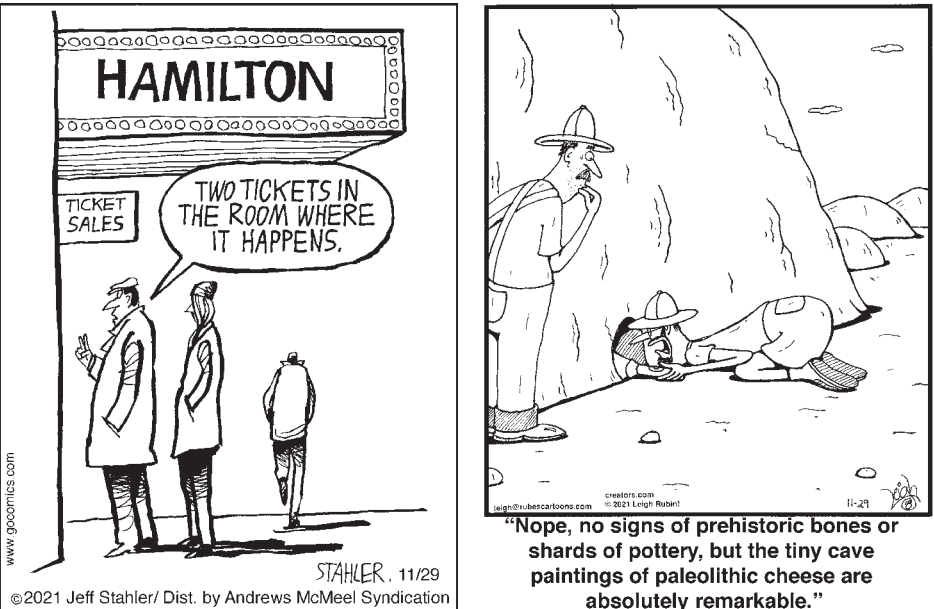


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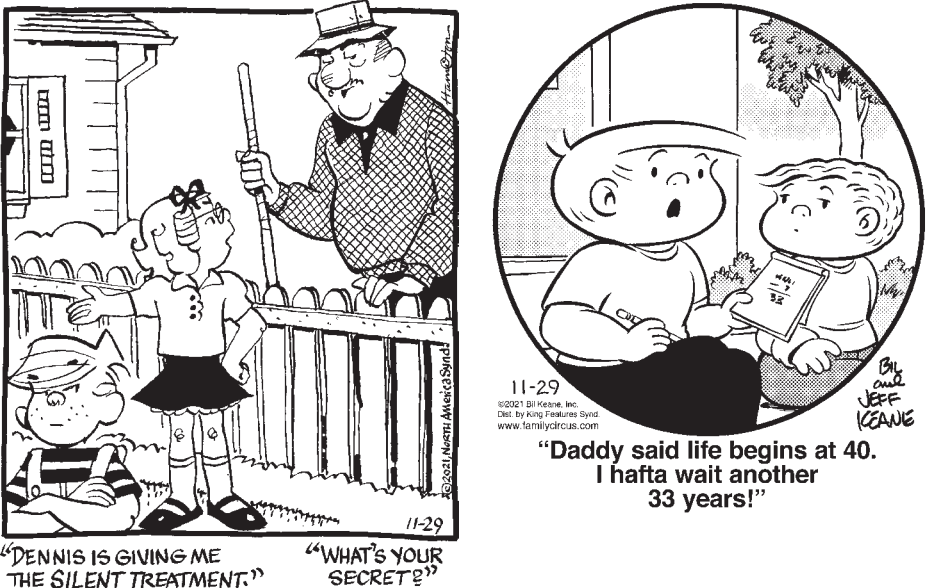
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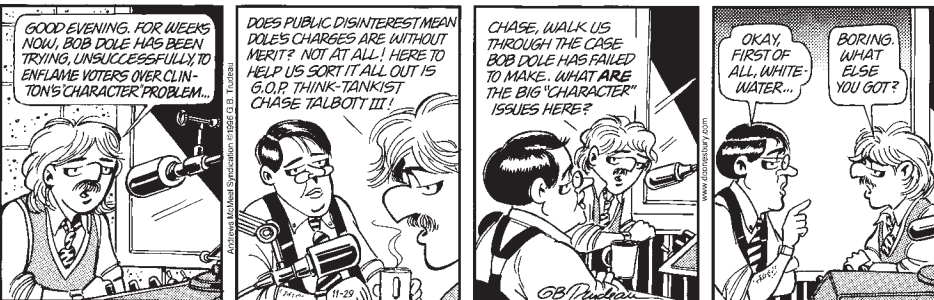


Dennis the Menace

The Family Circus



Doonesbury Flashbacks



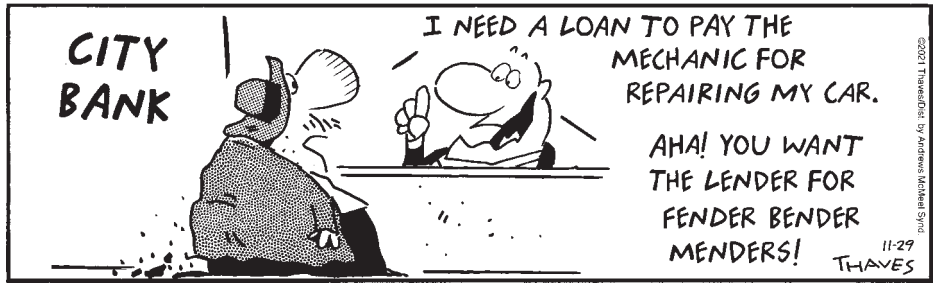
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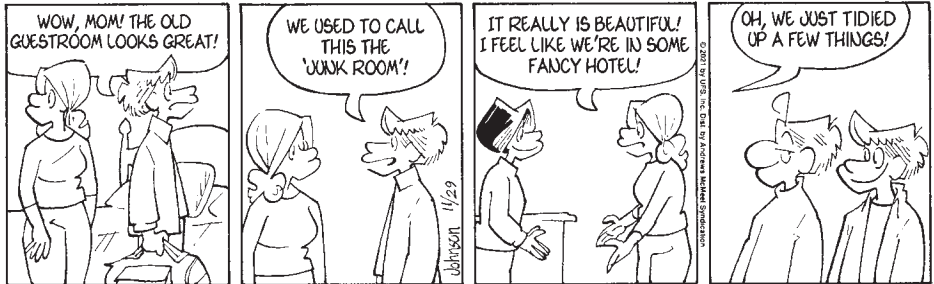
Big Nate



Frank & Ernest



Arlo and Janis



Today's MOVIES

Times provided by Regal Cinemas and are subject to change; call ahead.

Citrus Cinemas 6 Inverness; 844-462-7342 Code 187 Monday, Nov. 29 "Encanto" PG — 12:15, 3:45, 7:45, 10:25 p.m. "House of Gucci" R — 11:30 a.m., 3, 6:30, 10:05 p.m. "King Richard" PG13 — 11 a.m., 2:30, 6:45, 10 p.m. "Ghostbusters: Afterlife" PG13 — 11:45 a.m., 3:15, 7:15, 10:35 p.m. "Clifford The Big Red Dog" PG — 12, 3:30, 7:30, 10:30 p.m. "Eternals" PG-13 — 11:15 a.m., 2:45, 7, 9:55 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30 "Encanto" PG — 12:15, 3:45, 7:45, 10:25 p.m.	"House of Gucci" R — 11:30 a.m., 3, 6:30, 10:05 p.m. "King Richard" PG13 — 11 a.m., 2:30, 6:45, 10 p.m. "Ghostbusters: Afterlife" PG13 — 11:45 a.m., 3:15, 7:15, 10:35 p.m. "Clifford The Big Red Dog" PG — 12, 3:30, 7:30, 10:30 p.m. "Eternals" PG-13 — 11:15 a.m., 2:45, 7, 9:55 p.m. Valerie Theatre, Inverness; 352-341-7850 Saturday, Nov. 27 "The War with Grandpa" (2020) PG — 7 p.m. Friday to Sunday, Dec. 10-12 "The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge" live performance — 7 p.m.
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WJUF-FM 90.1 National Public WHGN-FM 91.9 Religious WXCV-FM 95.3 Adult Mix. WXOF-FM 96.7 Classic Hits WEKJ FM 96.3, 103.9 Religious	Local RADIO WSKY 97.3 FM News Talk WXJB 99.9 FM News Talk WXCZ 103.3 Country	WYKE-FM 104.3 Sports Talk WDUV 105.5 FM Hudson WJQB-FM 106.3 Oldies WFJV-FM 107.5 Classic Rock WRZN-AM 720 Adult Mix
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CELEBRITY CIPHER
by Luis Campos

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

Today's clue: C equals W

"ALLV ZU RLC Z HPMFAK

DZMIAK DZM TLUR IKGW

ZMI IKGPMK URK IZOVMKHH."

— ZMMK GOZMV

Previous Solution: "Perhaps the only thing in my favor is that I'm tenacious. I don't take 'no' very well." — Director Kathryn Bigelow

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Playoff spots, bowl slots remain at stake

ERIC OLSON

AP college football writer

Conference champions will be crowned, bowl selection pecking orders will be locked in and more clarity will emerge about which teams will and won't be among the four picked for the College Football Playoff.

It's Championship Week, and while the matchups for the conference title games Friday and Saturday include many of the usual suspects, there are some joining the party for the first time — or the first time in a while.

Start with Michigan, which had zero appearances in the previous 11 Big Ten championship games. The Wolverines are in after knocking off Ohio State to win the East Division. Their opponent, Iowa, is in for the second time and the first since 2015.

Oklahoma State clinched its first appearance in the Big 12 championship game a week before its breakthrough win over six-time defending league champion Oklahoma.

Wake Forest is back in the Atlantic Coast Conference game for the first time since 2006.

In the Group of Five, UTSA will make its debut in the Conference USA game, Kent State is back in the Mid-American Conference game for the first time since 2012 and Utah State is in the Mountain West game for the first time since 2013.

A rundown of the games, with AP ranking:

PAC-12

No. 10 Oregon (10-2, 7-2) vs. No. 14 Utah (9-3, 8-1), Friday, 8 p.m. EST (ABC)

Where: Allegiant Stadium, Las Vegas.

Last meeting: Utah won 38-7 on Nov. 20.

Series: Oregon leads 23-11.

Stakes: Winner to Rose Bowl. **Notable:** Oregon is first team to make title game three straight times and will be appearing for fifth time. Ducks are 4-0 in the game, including a 37-15 win over Utah in 2019.

BIG 12

No. 9 Baylor (10-2, 7-2) vs. No. 5 Oklahoma State (11-1, 8-1), Saturday, noon EST (ABC)

Where: AT&T Stadium, Arlington, Texas.

Last meeting: Oklahoma State won 24-14 on Oct. 2.

Series: Oklahoma State leads 22-18.

Stakes: Oklahoma State to CFP or Sugar Bowl if it wins; Baylor to Sugar Bowl if it wins.

Notable: Cowboys held Baylor to season lows of 107 rushing yards and 280 total yards in their previous meeting.

SEC

No. 4 Alabama (11-1, 7-1) vs. No. 1 Georgia (12-0, 8-0), Saturday, 4 p.m. EST (CBS)

Where: Mercedes-Benz Stadium, Atlanta.

Last meeting: Alabama won 41-24 on Oct. 17, 2020.

Series: Alabama leads 41-25-4.

Stakes: Winner to CFP, and loser could be in line for CFP spot depending on score margin and results of other conference championship games.

ACC

No. 18 Wake Forest (10-2, 7-1) vs. No. 17 Pittsburgh (10-2, 7-1), Saturday, 8 p.m. EST (ABC)

Where: Bank of America Stadium, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Last meeting: Pittsburgh won 34-13 on Nov. 17, 2018.

Series: Pittsburgh leads 1-0.

Stakes: Winner to Peach Bowl or Fiesta Bowl.

Notable: In the team's only previous meeting, current QB



Georgia offensive lineman Justin Shaffer (54) and running back Kenny McIntosh (6) celebrate after defeating Georgia Tech in Saturday's game, in Atlanta.

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Kenny Pickett and the Panthers beat the Demon Deacons to clinch a spot in the 2018 ACC title game, where they lost to Clemson.

BIG TEN

No. 15 Iowa (10-2, 7-2) vs. No. 2 Michigan (11-1, 8-1), Saturday, 8 p.m. EST (Fox)

Where: Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis.

Last meeting: Michigan won 10-3 on Oct. 5, 2019.

Series: Michigan leads 42-15-4.

Stakes: Michigan to CFP if it wins; Iowa in line for Rose Bowl bid if it wins.

Notable: Michigan's Aidan Hutchinson and David Ojabo are 1-2 in the Big Ten in sacks with a combined 24; Iowa is 94th nationally in sacks allowed.

GROUP OF FIVE GAMES

CONFERENCE USA

Western Kentucky (8-4, 7-1) vs.

UTSA (11-1, 7-1), Friday, 7 p.m. EST (CBS Sports Network)

Where: Alamodome, San Antonio.

Last meeting: UTSA won 52-46 on Oct. 9.

Series: Tied 1-1.

Stakes: Both teams will go to a bowl.

Notable: Western Kentucky has won seven straight since losing to the Roadrunners, all by at least 15 points.

MAC

Northern Illinois (8-4, 6-2) vs. Kent State (7-5, 6-2), Saturday, noon EST (ESPN)

Where: Ford Field, Detroit.

Last meeting: Kent State won 52-47 on Nov. 3.

Series: Northern Illinois leads 21-8.

Stakes: Both teams will go to a bowl.

Notable: Huskies have won seven of the nation-leading nine one-score games they've played. The loss to Kent State was one of

the two they didn't.

MOUNTAIN WEST

Utah State (9-3, 6-2) vs. No. 19 San Diego State (11-1, 7-1), Saturday, 3 p.m. EST (Fox)

Where: Dignity Health Sports Park, Carson, California.

Last meeting: San Diego State won 38-7 on Oct. 31, 2020.

Series: San Diego State leads 13-2.

Stakes: Winner goes to Jimmy Kimmel LA Bowl.

Notable: Utah State, picked fifth in the Mountain Division, won six games after trailing by double digits and went 6-0 on the road.

SUN BELT

Appalachian State (10-2, 7-1) vs. No. 20 Louisiana-Lafayette (11-1, 8-0), Saturday, 3:30 p.m. EST (ESPN)

Where: Cajun Field, Lafayette, Louisiana.

Last meeting: Louisiana-Lafayette won 41-13 on Oct. 12.

Series: Appalachian State leads 8-2.

Stakes: Both teams will go to bowls.

Notable: This will be the third time these teams have met in the four-year history of the game. App State won the previous two.

AMERICAN ATHLETIC

No. 16 Houston (11-1, 8-0) vs. No. 3 Cincinnati (12-0, 8-0), Saturday, 4 p.m. EST (ABC)

Where: Nippert Stadium, Cincinnati.

Last meeting: Cincinnati won 38-10 on Nov. 7, 2020.

Series: Houston leads 15-12.

Stakes: Cincinnati is in line for CFP spot if it wins; Houston will go to bowl win or lose.

Notable: The defending champion Bearcats have won 15 straight against conference opponents and 19 of their last 21.



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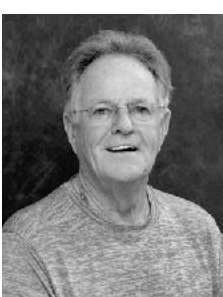
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9	6	5	4	2	7	1	8	3
4	3	6	1	7	8	5	9	2
1	7	9	5	4	2	3	6	8
2	5	8	6	3	9	7	1	4

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

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KATHLEEN SAXE

WORD GAME

TODAY'S WORD -- GULLIBILITY

(GULLIBILITY: gul-ih-BIL-ih-tee: The quality of being easily deceived.)

Average mark 27 words
Time limit 35 minutes

Can you find 23 or more words in GULLIBILITY?
The list will be published tomorrow.

SATURDAY'S WORD -- XYLOPHONIC

liny
lion
loin
loon
loony
loop
loopy
lynch
lynx
only

olio
only
onyx
phlox
phon
phonic
phony
pinch
piny
pixy

ploy
policy
polio
polo
poncho
pony
pooch
pooh
pool
pylon

holy
hoop
icon
inch
inly
chin
chino
chip
chop
clip

clop
cloy
coho
coil
coin
colon
colony
cool
coop
copy

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

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ACROSS

1 Get nosy

4 Tampico cash

8 Cry of dismay (2 wds.)

12 Grassland

13 Carrie's "Star Wars" role

14 Racer A.J. —

15 Pack it away

16 Blueprint pro

18 Video game character

20 Put into action

21 — cit. (footnote abbr.)

23 Baxter or Bancroft

26 Slimy vegetable

29 Too suave

32 Fabric meas.

34 Conceited

35 Slugger's stat

36 Gloss target

37 Rand of fiction

38 Call in sick

DOWN

1 Obi-Wan player

2 Burn

3 Green

4 Greek philosopher

39 Oz pooch

40 Daily record

41 Maxwell or Lanchester

42 Technical sch.

43 Dips in gravy

45 Rotter

47 Make a decision

49 Repeated

53 Secret space (hyph.)

58 Kimono sash

59 Cannon sound

60 Prolific auth.

61 Ore. neighbor

62 Big League events

63 Wine valley

64 Chopping tool (Var.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

D	N	A		C	L	O	T		L	E	V	Y
E	O	S		I	O	W	A		A	L	E	E
L	B	S		C	U	L	L		S	A	G	A
L	E	E	R	E	D			C	O	S	T	A
A	L	T	A	R				W	O	E		
			Z	O	M	B	I	E		D	O	E
Z	E	N	O		O	R	O		E	L	L	S
I	G	O	R		T	A	U		A	Y	E	S
G	O	T		M	E	S	S	E	S			
		A	V	G				X	E	R	O	X
A	U	R	O	R	A		V	A	L	I	S	E
G	R	I	T		B	R	I	C		F	A	N
A	D	Z	E		B	O	A	T		T	K	O
R	U	E	D		A	W	L	S		S	A	N

5 Always, to Byron

6 Scholarly notation

7 Diamond Head site

8 Again and again

9 Clod buster

10 Wall St. locale

11 Old-time slugger

17 "By Jove!" (2 wds.)

19 Custard dessert

22 Type of reef

24 Drip-dry fabric

25 Fixes a manuscript

26 Classical face shape

27 Floors for good

28 Fab Four drummer

30 Nile wader

31 Delicate hue

33 Position

39 Spring or ebb

41 See

44 Rhymes

46 Gladiator's place

48 Comparison word

50 Portuguese lady

51 Mountain goat

52 Explore

53 SHO rival

54 Chit

55 Dash partner

56 Go — — diet

57 Prune

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WORDY GURDY®

BY TRICKY RICKY KANE

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

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1. "Little Women" woman's thorny bloom (1)

2. Mobile phone's "whistles" go-withs (1)

3. From a list, x-ed ground beef (1)

4. Bohemian Mensa type (2)

5. Overpublicizing squeegeeing off (2)

6. Baby bed for a Hanukkah toy top (2)

7. Far-in-the-rear race runner reeled (2)

1. JOS ROSE 2. CELLS BELLS 3. STRUCK CHUCK 4. ARTY SMARTIE 5. HYPING WIPING 6. DREIDEL CRADLE 7. LAGGARD STAGGERED

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MEETINGS

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HISTORICAL RESOURCES ADVISORY BOARD Notice of Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Citrus County Historical Resources Advisory Board will meet on **Wednesday, December 1, 2021, at 4:00 PM** at the Lecanto Government Building, 3600 West Sovereign Path, Room 166, Lecanto, Florida, to discuss business of the Historical Resources Advisory Board which may properly come before them.

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 español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de dos días de la notificación de la publicación (352-527-5370)

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Historical Resources Advisory Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, 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.

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