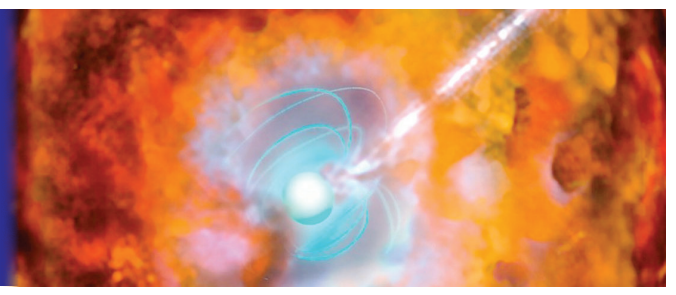
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Olney loses suit challenging Ethics Board decision

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WATERTOWN — City Councilman Cliff G. Olney has lost his court case that challenged the city's Ethics Board that ruled he should be removed from office for violating the city's code of ethics.

In a court decision on Friday, Supreme Court Judge James P. McClusky dismissed the lawsuit, citing that Olney's due process was not violated.

In February, Olney's attorney, Stewart Weisman, an attorney with the Syracuse law firm of Centolella Law, filed court papers "to put an end to Defendants' continuous and systematic violations of the due process" after the Ethics Board ruled that Olney engaged in alleged unethical conduct.

But McClusky ruled that the Ethics Board's opinion to remove Olney from office was not binding and did not make a final decision, so it did not impact his status as a council member.

"This court has nothing to review as the issue is not ripe," according to McClusky's ruling.

The judge also disagreed with Olney's claim that the Ethics Board was improperly comprised because when it met, only four members were involved in the ethics complaint and not a full contingent of five members.

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Graduates wave to friends and family at they enter Cheel Arena at Clarkson University's graduation ceremony Saturday. Tom Graser/Watertown Daily Times

Two college presidents speak at Clarkson graduation

By TOM GRASER
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POTSDAM — At Clarkson University's commencement Saturday afternoon, over 800 bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees were awarded to students from 33 states, 26 countries and 54 counties of New York state. An additional 311 students received degrees this past winter and summer.

Jonathan Kent, president of the Clarkson University Student Association, said the Class of 2025's journey was unusual.

Before a packed house at Cheel Arena, he said the class came in at the end of COVID.

"Those before us lost the first year of their college experience to lockdown dorms, masks, no classes and no parents to move them in, but that was not our experience," he said in his address to his classmates. "Instead, we lost our final year of high school, those last moments in our hometowns before moving on to the next stage in life."

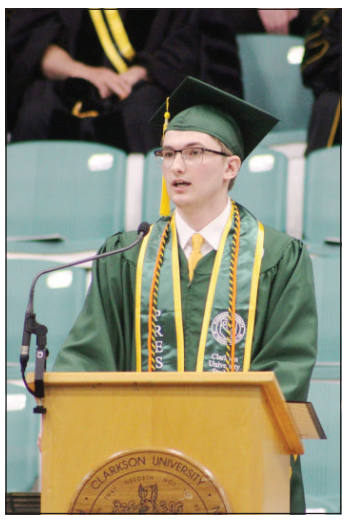
The Class of '25 saw an extensive reorganization of the college's structure, the last days of longtime president Tony Collins, the short tenure of Marc Christensen, an interim president in Dave Heacock and the hiring of current President Michelle B. Larson. That's four presidents in four years.

"Every single one of us made it here to walk down the aisle and across the stage," he said. "Every single one of us deserves to feel immense pride to have done so. Our four years have not been normal. We have endured a great period of change at the university, the

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Clarkson President Michelle Larson congratulates Kenneth Solinsky after he received his honorary degree. Photos by Tom Graser/Watertown Daily Times



Jonathan Kent, president of the Clarkson University Student Association, speaks to his classmates at graduation on Saturday.

870 graduate from SUNY Canton



Graduates are all smiles as they enter the gymnasium Saturday for SUNY Canton's graduation. Tom Graser/Watertown Daily Times

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CANTON — At its 117th commencement Saturday morning, SUNY Canton awarded 870 students degrees, with more than half participating in the ceremony.

"This is a slight increase over the nine degrees that were conferred at our first graduation in June 1909," SUNY Canton President Zvi Szafran said before a packed house of friends and family at the Convocation and Athletic Recreation Center.

"At our ceremony today, we'll be awarding degrees to students graduating from the School of Business and Liberal Arts; the Canino School of Engineering Technology; and the School of Science, Health, and Criminal Justice," Szafran said.

Graduates came from all over the United States and the world.

"They represent 20 different states including New York, mostly in the east, but also including Arizona, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Idaho, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Carolina, New Jersey, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin," he said.

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SUNY Canton President Zvi Szafran welcomes students to SUNY Canton's 117th commencement Saturday morning. Tom Graser/Watertown Daily Times



Mortarboard decorations were elaborate at SUNY Canton's graduation Saturday. Tom Graser/Watertown Daily Times

Pawling Street residents concerned about repairs left out of city budget

By CRAIG FOX
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WATERTOWN — Former City Councilman Patrick J. Hickey was promised a decade ago that the city would fix major problems along Pawling Street, the dead-end street he's lived on for 45 years.

Hickey and his neighbors are still waiting.

The project was even included in the city's capital budget during the last three years, he said.

So he was surprised when the repairs were completely left out of the capital projects budget for this year and for years in the future.

Hickey attended last Monday night's City Council meeting to get an explanation.

During a budget session on Thursday, Councilwoman Lisa A. Ruggiero asked why it was left out of the budget.

"It's gone but not forgotten," City Engineer Tom Compo said.

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Anti-government group threatens crucial weather radars, NOAA warns

By ANGIE ORELLANA HERNANDEZ & SCOTT DANCE
The Washington Post

An anti-government militia group is making threats against weather equipment that it says is a "weather weapon" controlled by the military, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration warned employees.

In emails widely shared to National Weather Service staff this month and obtained by The Washington Post, the NOAA Office of Security warned of threats it said are being coordinated by Veterans on Patrol, an extremist group motivated by anti-government beliefs and conspiracy theories.

NOAA's central office said in the emails there were no specific or credible threats at this time, but did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

"Out of an abundance of caution, we are asking all regions to notify their field offices and radar technicians to maintain increased vigilance when at or near radar sites," NOAA's central office informed leadership across the country in a May 1 memo, which advised NWS staff to notify local law enforcement of any suspicious behavior.

Experts who track domestic extremism say the group has not taken overtly violent action before, but say its rhetoric comes amid a rise in domestic extremism fueled by conspiracy theories about the government's legitimacy. Veterans on Patrol often mobilizes in communities hit by disasters, as it did in North Carolina after Hurricane Helene, and criticizes the government response.

Veterans on Patrol's messaging is "just another cog in the wheel of anti-government conspiracy theories," according to Luke Baumgartner, a research fellow at the Program on Extremism at George Washington University.

Veterans on Patrol on Wednesday posted a response from founder Michael "Lewis Arthur" Meyer to The Post's requests for comment to its account on social media app Telegram. Meyer said the group will move forward with its plans to target the radars.

"We intend to take as many NexRads offline as possible once our attack simulations have prepared us," Meyer wrote. He said he had "full authority" to do so. Meyer said the "attack simulations" would go until June but potentially into August, without giving details about the operations.

Meyer, who is not a veteran, originally founded the group as Walking for the Forgotten Ministry, according to Baumgartner and the Southern Poverty Law Center. It first aimed to raise public awareness of the disproportionate rates among veteran suicides, before embracing conspiracy theories like QAnon and vigilantism, the SPLC said.

What's happening

Today

Canton

Medicare Mondays: Presented by St. Lawrence County Office for the Aging, 10 to 11 a.m. **today**, Human Services Building, 80, Route 310. Information: 315-386-4730.

Online auction: Hosted by Friends of Canton Free Library, held **through Saturday,** online. Information, auction: cantonfreelibrary.org/friends.

Sackets Harbor

Blood drive: 1 to 5 p.m. **today**, American Legion, 209 Ambrose St. Information, appointments: 800-RED-CROSS or www.redcrossblood.org.

Sandy Creek

Blood drive: 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. **today**, Sandy Creek United Methodist Church, 2031 Harwood Drive. Information, appointments: 800-RED-CROSS or www.redcrossblood.org.

Watertown

Original Book Club: Adults, "The Only Woman," by Marie Benedict, 6:30 p.m. **today**, Flower Memorial Library, 229 Washington St. Information: www.flowerlibrary.org.

Carthage

Donkey Basketball: Doors open, 5 p.m.; game, 6 p.m. **Tuesday**, Carthage High School, 36500 Route 26. Cost: $10; students, $5; 5 and younger, free; donations accepted to BackPack Program for raffle. Benefits Youth Coalition.

Potsdam

Lego @ PPL: 3:30 p.m. **Tuesday**, Potsdam Public Library, 2 Park St. Free.

St. Regis Falls

Boating safety class: USCG Massena Flotilla, 5 to 9 p.m. **Tuesday and Thursday**, St. Regis Falls Sportman's Club, Duane Road. Must attend both nights. Cost: $35. Registration required: Bruce Burditt, 518-483-5073.

Watertown

Armed Forces Day breakfast: Honoring military community, 7:30 to 9 a.m. **Tuesday**, Hilton Garden Inn, Arsenal Street. Cost: $30.

Blood drive: 1 to 6 p.m. **Tuesday**, Fraternal Order of Eagles 782, 19260 Route 11. Information, appointments: 800-RED-CROSS or www.redcrossblood.org.

Paw Patrol Pawty: All ages, 6 p.m. **Tuesday**, Flower Memorial Library, 229 Washington St. Free, crafts, snacks, activities. Information: www.flowerlibrary.org.

To submit your community event, email the details, including venue street address, to calendar@wdt.net or go online to www.wdt.me/calendar. Calendars are prepared for print several days in advance. To assure your not-for-profit event is included, it is recommended you submit the information two weeks in advance.

Tomorrow

Cape Vincent

National Author Lecture Series: Elizabeth Kolbert/Terry Tempest Williams, "H is For Hope," 1 to 2 p.m. **Tuesday**, Cape Vincent Community Library, 157 N. Real St. Free. Information: www.capevincentartscouncil.org or 315-654-2132.

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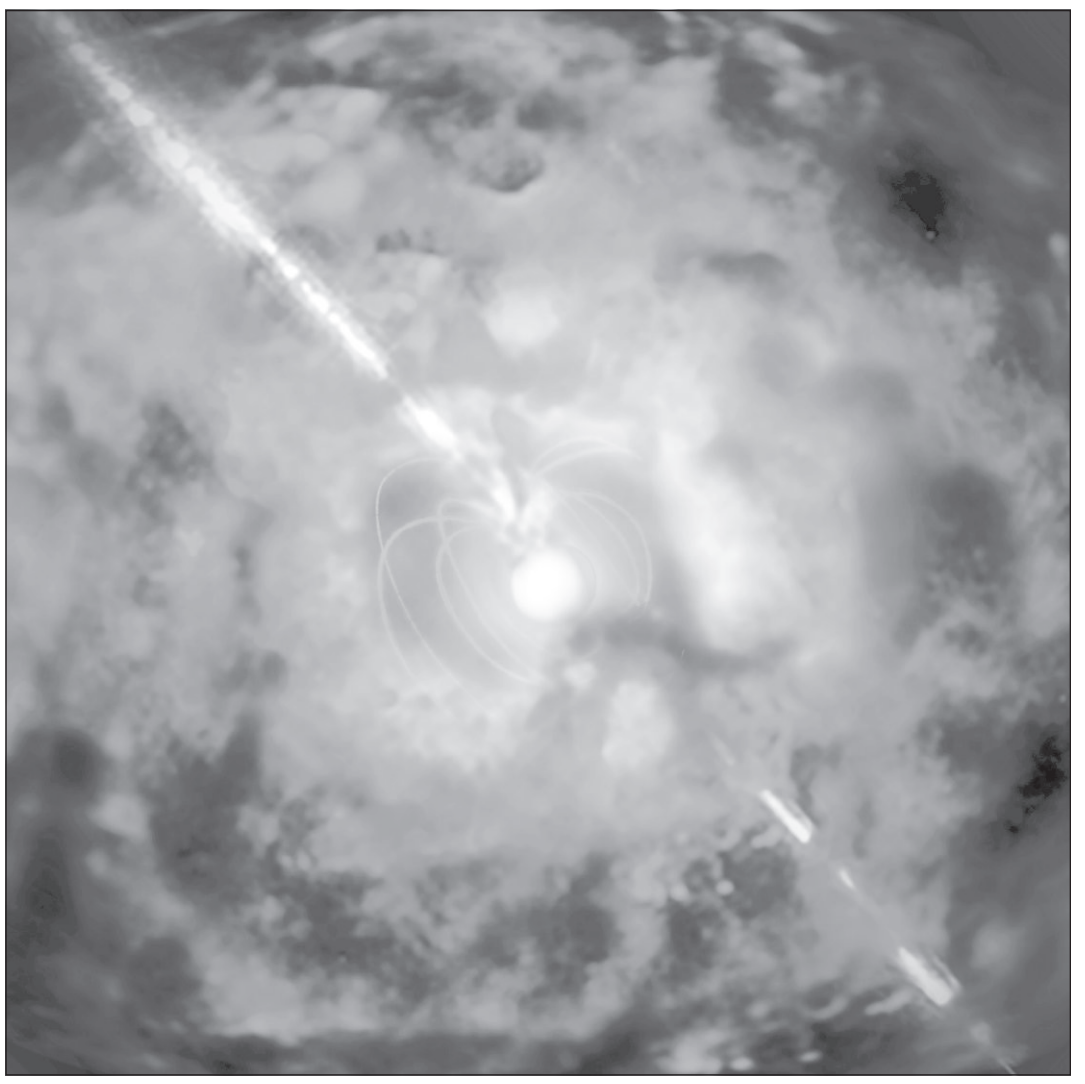
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Scientists have figured out where gold comes from, and the answer is explosive

By KASHA PATEL
The Washington Post



This artist's impression shows a supernova and associated gamma-ray burst driven by a rapidly spinning neutron star with a very strong magnetic field — an exotic object known as a magnetar.
Wikipedia image

Even if early Earth had water and oxygen, the planet would still have needed another ingredient for life to flourish: heavy metals. Our cellphones, Earth's core and even human metabolism would otherwise be nonexistent. But scientists have long wondered how these elements originated and spread in our universe.

New research has found that heavier elements from iron to uranium may have been formed through eruptions on a rare type of star called a magnetar. Magnetars, which have been around since before the solar system was created, could have been an early source of precious metals — like gold — on our planet, according to the study published last week in the Astrophysical Journal.

"If you think about the basic ingredients of what everything's made of, it's just neutrons, protons, electrons," said Anirudh Patel, lead author of the study. "The question is how does nature forge these basic building blocks into the complex matter that we see all around us."

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Probing the densest object in our universe

Over the years, scientists have come up with a list of requirements for what can make heavy metals: first,a lot of neutrons and protons in a dense area that can smash into each other. Second,a lot more neutrons than protons are needed; otherwise the protons would repel each other and the internal bonds within the nucleus would break apart.

An obvious answer (if you're an astrophysicist) is neutron stars. They're the densest object known in our universe and literally packed with neutrons. When a massive star undergoes a supernova explosion and collapses its core, the remaining collapsed core is the neutron star. It's roughly seven to 19 times the mass of our sun but squeezed into an object about the size of Washington, D.C.

"If you disrupt the neutron star, you have now freed the densest matter in the universe that's mostly comprised of neutrons," said Eric Burns, a co-author on the study and astrophysicist at Louisiana State University.

In 2017, scientists detected two neutron stars merging for the first time, which proved to be quite the metal factory. The amount of gold created from the event was several times the mass of Earth.

"That was really the first time we were able to observationally confirm that these heavy elements can be produced in the merger of two neutron stars," said Patel, a doctoral student at Columbia University.

But neutron star mergers couldn't be the only source, he said. For one, these events occur relatively late in galactic history, which doesn't explain how stars formed earlier in the universe had these heavy metals. Second, the mergers were also very rare - once every 100,000 years or so - and couldn't be the sole supplier of heavy metals across the universe.

Lurking in the abyss of space, another possible source came to light - literally.

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A brilliant flare of gamma rays

Neutron stars come in different flavors. Take a basic neutron star, place the most extreme magnetic field over it and you get a magnetar. Now, watch that magnetar burst. That eruption, the team suspected, would probably be enough to create a literal gold rush.

"You're taking the densest object in the universe, the strongest magnetic fields, and you're breaking it," Burns said. "That energy release is just enormous."

Magnetars are rare in the universe, but they do flare quite often and are thought to have been around early in our galaxy — occurring earlier and more often than neutron star merger events. But scientists still had to observe whether a magnetar giant flare could create heavy metals.

Only three of these impressive "magnetar giant flares" have been documented in the past 60 years, but the king event was observed in 2004. A magnetar erupted with so much energy that it affected Earth's ionosphere, even though it was located 30,000 light-years away. (You can imagine a different doomsday scenario for Earth if a flare happened closer to us, but the team assured us that no magnetar is close enough to wipe us out.)

"A flare from basically the other side of our galaxy was able to have such a huge impact on the Earth," said Brian Metzger, a study co-author and astrophysicist at Columbia University. The flare "was probably the brightest electromagnetic thing that we've ever seen outside of our solar system."

The magnetar gave off a powerful burst of light. But it also ejected material from the surface of the neutron star.

As material from the star was ejected, expanded and cooled, Patel said the protons and neutrons basically recombined to form heavier and heavier elements like gold, platinum and uranium — a process called rapid-neutron capture. As these heavy elements are produced, they are radioactive and unstable. They then decay to their stable forms, releasing energy in the form of gamma rays in the process.

Patel and the team predicted what elements may have been produced and the total amount of gamma ray energy released from the decaying elements. When the team saw the actual gamma ray data from the flare, they were astounded at how closely their predictions matched the observation. The flare produced a huge amount of heavier elements, surpassing the mass of Mars.

"This is a very exciting development," said Hsin-Yu Chen, an astrophysicist at the University of Texas at Austin who was not involved in the study. "It shows new observational evidence for another way heavy elements can form in the universe."

Scientists have long suspected that heavier elements were formed in multiple ways, "but were not able to conclusively show until now," added Anna Frebel, professor of physics and head of astrophysics at MIT, who also was not involved in the study.

Both agreed the findings can help explain how heavy elements were formed early in the universe in ways that neutron star mergers can't.

On a more immediate level, Frebel said, we can say now that our gold and platinum jewelry probably came from explosively flaring and merging neutron stars "that operated in the billion or so years before the birth of the sun."

Overall, all magnetar giant flares could contribute from 1 to 10 percent of all the elements heavier than iron in the galaxy, the team found. Neutron star mergers contribute as well, but that still probably leaves a gap to account for the remaining quantities of heavy metals.

Any further exploration will require continued investment, Patel said. A big leap could occur with the potential launch in 2027 of NASA's Compton Spectrometer and Imager (COSI), a gamma ray telescope that will be able to identify individual elements formed from events like magnetar giant flares.

"We want to eventually complete the picture of the origin of heavy elements," said Patel, who said his research incorporated knowledge and resources from the National Science Foundation, NASA and Department of Energy, among others. "There are other astrophysical sites that produce heavy elements out there that we haven't yet discovered."

Cinnamon might affect some prescription meds' effectiveness, study finds

By ERIN BLAKEMORE
The Washington Post

"Overconsumption" of cinnamon could interfere with some medications, a recent study suggests.

Published in Food Chemistry: Molecular Sciences, the study cited a lack of scientific data on cinnamon's effects on human metabolism and questions about how the spice interacts with medications. The study did not specify what amount equates to overconsumption but noted that while limited consumption could have health benefits, prolonged use might raise the risk of drug interactions.

There has been a recent "upsurge in cinnamon's popularity," the researchers write, due in part to studies showing its potential use in patients with Type 2 diabetes and other conditions. One 2024 forecast found the global cinnamon market is poised to grow by $412.9 million between 2024 and 2028, growth attributed in part to cinnamon's growing use in pharmaceuticals.

The researchers simulated human digestion to determine whether and how cinnamon affects drug metabolism.

When digested, cinnamic acid and cinnamon oil activated the body's xenobiotic receptors — chemical messengers that sense and control drug metabolism.

The researchers say "overconsumption" of cinnamon could prompt the rapid clearing of prescription medications from the body, which could affect one's ability to absorb prescription medications.

Though the extent of the potential interactions with prescription drugs is not yet clear, the researchers advise caution for those considering using concentrated cinnamon products like cinnamon supplements and recommend patients speak to their physician before starting any supplement regime.

Massena Central official addresses public concerns about capital project



The turf field will be replaced with new turf if voters approve the Massena Central School District's proposed $79.8 million capital project. Christopher Lenney/Watertown Daily Times

By BOB BECKSTEAD
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MASSENA — With the vote coming up this month for a proposed $79.8 million capital project, Massena Central School Superintendent Ronald P. Burke addressed what he saw as some of the public's concerns during the school board's monthly meeting.

"When we talk about that $80 million project, it's an investment in our facilities, to maintain our facilities, to keep our facilities viable for student occupation, and for teachers and staff to be in our buildings. Just like your houses, we have to do maintenance. This is really not a glamorous project. When this project ends, I'm not sure who's going to want to come for a ribbon-cutting ceremony. It's not real pretty," he said.

But, he added, "There are things in our capital project that people are going to argue about and think are unnecessary. One of them, and I'll just pull the bandage back here right now, and that is the turf," as the district's athletic director. It was first used in September 2009 for a varsity football game.

"The turf is at the end of its life expectancy. When that turf was put in, it probably had a life expectancy of 10 to 15 years and we're there. When it gets to the point that it fails the compression test, we can't use it," Burke said.

He said it's not a matter of "just pulling the carpet out and throwing grass seed down."

"The sub base of the turf field is not the sub base for a grass field. So, if that turf fails and we have to replace it and the community says we want grass, we can do grass. But, it means a whole rebuild of that area," he said. "At some point, the community decided they wanted the turf. They felt that was the investment for the future, and it was also hopefully expressed that there's an ongoing maintenance cost to this. Every decade or so you're going to be re-pulling that out and putting new carpet down."

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type of change which forges the highest caliber of individuals."

Surviving the many changes was preparation, he said.

"As we embark upon our diverging paths into a rapidly changing world, I am confident we will be able to navigate it with our Clarkson experience of enduring change," he said.

President Dave Heacock was the first of two presidents to speak to the graduates.

Heacock listed the extracurricular activities he participated in with the students and showed off a pair of gold socks.

"Our sole mission at Clarkson is to educate students — undergraduate and graduate," he said. "And we are thankful that you have chosen us for this mission. I am confident that this class will go on to become the doers, innovators and problem solvers the world needs."



More than 800 students received degrees at Clarkson University's commencement on Saturday in Potsdam. Tom Graser/Watertown Daily Times

Larson, who started her tenure on April 1, spoke of her first impressions on campus.

"From the moment I arrived on campus, about a month ago, it was clear this is a community where curiosity thrives, teamwork is nurtured and innovation is a way of life. I see evidence of this environment in each and every student I have engaged with," she said.

Larson said the graduates' time at Clarkson has prepared them for the future.

"At every crossroads, including this one, your most valuable assets aren't what you have done, but what you are capable of doing next. I can't wait to see it."

Kenneth S. Solinsky from the class of 1971 received an honorary doctor of science degree.

In his introduction of Solinsky, John Mengucci, vice chair of the Clarkson University Board of Trustees, called him a visionary engineer, innovator, and no-nonsense businessman whose distinguished career as a civil servant and serial entrepreneur has led to the widespread development, manufacture, and deployment of night vision and electro-optical devices for the U.S. military and homeland security first responders.

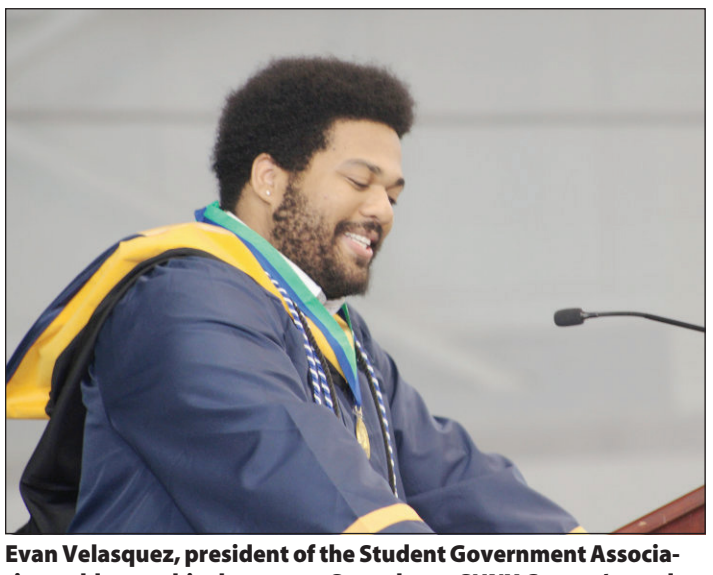
"My wife, Grace, and I come from humble backgrounds," Solinsky said. "I was brought up in a New York City housing project and was raised by a single mom."

His wife grew up on a dairy farm north of Malone, where there was no plumbing until she was 8.

"Seek a life of purpose. Establish objectives. Delay gratification so you can maximize a lifetime of gratification," Solinsky said. "Build financial resources. Don't let obstacles stand in your way. See things as they are and look to make them better. See things that aren't and create them. Be proactive. Do a good job because you want to, not just because you think your manager is watching. Seek a life of purpose, be passionate and dream."



Natalie Bartle receives her Outstanding Graduate Award from Vice President for Student Affairs Courtney Bish.
Tom Graser/Watertown Daily Times



Evan Velasquez, president of the Student Government Association, addresses his classmates Saturday at SUNY Canton's graduation ceremony. Tom Graser/Watertown Daily Times

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"In addition to our American graduates, they also represent four foreign countries: Cameroon, the Czech Republic, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Canada, including the provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, Nova Scotia, Ontario and Quebec," Zvi said.

College Council Chairman Ron O'Neill told the students to remember the people who made their success possible.

"Reaching this amazing milestone in your life is certainly a testament to your strength, courage and confidence, but we all know you didn't get here by yourself," he said. "Today is also a celebration for your entire support system as well, your parents, grandparents, spouses, partners, children, family, mentors, faculty members and staff at SUNY Canton and all those who have not only believed in you but have helped and encouraged you all along the way."

Three students were recognized for their achievements with Outstanding Graduate Awards.

Natalie E. Bartle was one of two Baccalaureate-level awardees.



A large crowd of family and friends were on hand for SUNY Canton's graduation Saturday.
Tom Graser/Watertown Daily Times

Bartle, an applied psychology major with a 3.902 cumulative GPA, also earned a bachelor's in health & fitness promotion.

"Natalie has been a pivotal member of the women's basketball team wherein she became the first SUNY Canton women's basketball player in program history to be named All-Region at the NCAA D-III level and just the second ever student-athlete across all sports in the school's history to be named to an All-Region team," Vice President for Student Affairs Courtney Bish said.

Bartle, from Negaunee, Michigan, is looking for opportunities to play basketball overseas and may pursue a master's in sports psychology.

The second Baccalaureate Award went to Eli Larson of Greenville. Larson is a mechatronics major with minors in math and physics and graduated with a 3.969 cumulative GPA.

"During Eli's undergraduate career, he founded and served as president of the Axios Club and was an integral member of the men's basketball team. Eli also served as a resident assistant and as a part-time residence hall director for a semester, filling vital roles in supporting our students. Eli is a recipient of the

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New Watertown High assistant principal named

By JONATHON WHEELER
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Misercola

WATERTOWN — The Watertown City School District has announced that Ambur Misercola will be serving as the assistant principal of Watertown High School.

Misercola graduated from Watertown High in 2005 as a lifelong resident before earning her bachelor's degree from SUNY Oswego in secondary education and history. She received a master's degree in literacy from the University at Buffalo.

She began as a teacher in the district as a substitute in 2011 before earning a full-time teaching position in 2012.

During her time as a teacher in the district, she taught global history, United States history, economics, participation in government, history through film and adulting 101.

Misercola has served as the intern assistant principal during the current school year.

"I am both excited and deeply honored to begin this new chapter with the Watertown City School District as I transition from the classroom to an administrative role," Misercola said in a news release. "This new role represents not only a professional milestone but also a continued commitment to the students, staff, and families of our district. I look forward to supporting our shared mission by fostering a culture of academic excellence, collaboration, and empowerment where every student and educator feels valued, inspired, and equipped to thrive."

Superintendent of Schools Larry C. Schmiegel stated that Misercola has a "deep understanding of our district's values and goals."

"Her commitment to educational excellence and her passion for supporting students and staff make her a valuable addition to our leadership team," he said in the news release.

High school principal Leslie Atkinson stated she is "confident" that Misercola will continue building strong relationships, promoting student success, and contributing to a positive culture in her role.

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EDITORIAL

America is becoming less ready for natural disasters

This editorial was published by The Washington Post.

President Donald Trump's administration is on a crusade against efforts to grapple with climate change. From the start of Trump's second term, officials have halted clean energy projects or attempted to claw back funding for them, and, at the same time, they have fast-tracked permitting for fossil fuels.

The administration has also been tearing down federal programs that protect Americans against the kind of extreme weather that climate change brings, making it harder for communities to prepare for and recover from natural disasters. These decisions will weaken the economy and - more important - could cost lives.

Start with the administration's gutting of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The agency, which is part of the Commerce Department, monitors weather, conducts climate research and maintains intricate forecast models that are essential to much of the economy. Farmers use the models to decide which crops to plant and when, and the shipping and aviation industries use them to steer around hazardous weather.

Nevertheless, many people in the administration see the agency as a source of "climate alarmism," as Russell Vought, who is now director of the Office of Management and Budget, put it in a proposal for Project 2025. Commerce officials slashed hundreds of employees from NOAA's workforce. The administration's budget framework released this month also proposed cutting $1.3 billion from the agency by targeting "climate-dominated research, data, and grant programs, which are not aligned with Administration policy-ending 'Green New Deal' initiatives."

A NOAA spokesperson said it is "actively enhancing disaster readiness and lifesaving capabilities" through "transformation and strategic investments in advanced technology." But the layoffs alone will make it difficult to maintain the agency's vast network of weather radars. Thirty of the National Weather Service's 122 local forecast offices now operate without a chief meteorologist, CNN has reported. As extreme weather events become more common - and more expensive - this could prove disastrous.

Then there's the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which the president and many of his advisers repeatedly have threatened to eliminate. In 2023, the Government Accountability Office determined that understaffing at FEMA was impeding disaster responses. Yet Trump's Department of Homeland Security has *reduced* its workforce by 20 percent through layoffs and voluntary buyouts. Trump this week also fired the acting head of the agency a day after the administrator told Congress that he didn't believe FEMA should be eliminated.

Meanwhile, the administration has repeatedly denied federal aid to disaster-stricken regions, arguing that states should lead response efforts. This earned a rebuke from Republicans in Arkansas, who pushed the administration to reconsider its denial of funding after deadly storms in March. "Given the cumulative impact and sheer magnitude of destruction from these severe weather events, federal assistance is vital to ensure that state and local communities have the capabilities needed to rebuild," a group of Republican lawmakers from the state wrote in a letter to Trump.



Cam Hamilton, Acting Administrator for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, (FEMA) testifies before the House Committee on Appropriations - Subcommittee on Homeland Security on May 7 at the U.S. Capitol in Washington. (Photo by Tom Brenner for The Washington Post)

The administration's aversion to FEMA stems partly from misinformation, amplified by the president. He has claimed that the agency intentionally withheld aid to Republican residents in North Carolina after Hurricane Helene last year. This falsehood has undermined the agency's difficult work and led to threats against relief workers.

Last month, the administration also announced it would end FEMA's Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities program, which was created during the first Trump administration and expanded under President Joe Biden to help communities harden themselves against disasters, such as by raising roads prone to flooding. The White House has also been scaling back FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance program, which awards post-disaster grants to help communities rebuild in ways that make them more resilient.

Also in April, the administration dismissed all the scientists working on the next National Climate Assessment. The congressionally mandated report, which is due to be released by 2028, is meant to synthesize the latest climate research to help state and local governments respond to climate change. Contributors to the report said it would place a new emphasis on adaptation strategies.

Each of these decisions has been reckless. Taken together, they reveal a basic disregard for the scientific programs and government infrastructure that have kept Americans safe for decades. The president almost seems to be daring Mother Nature to strike while the country's defenses are down.

Lawmakers - especially Republicans, who are no doubt nervous about their party's political future - need to speak up for their constituents and press for climate mitigation programs to continue. So should business leaders who rely on government data to protect their investments. Americans need a government that cares about their safety.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

'Mother is the name for God in the lips and hearts of little children.'

William Makepeace Thackery

Who's Going to Stop This?

By MARTHA HODGES



Here's the scene as reported by the Hudson Valley newspaper "Journal News" on May 5:

A Nyack, NY retired social worker, mother of two, identified as Emily Feiner was "hoisted out of her auditorium seat by a pack of armed NYS troopers and limply carried toward the exit". Why? Because while attending Republican Mike Lawler's town hall meeting, she respectfully posed the question most people haven't the courage to ask, "What is your red line to finally vocally oppose this lawless administration"? Receiving no answer, she asked again. That's when Mr. Lawler called for her removal.

The crowd began chanting, "Let her stay! Let her stay!" and "Shame! Shame! Shame!" and the man in the "Make America Great Again" red hat yelled, "Put her in jail". (APNews also reported this story.)

What's happening to "freedom of speech" in America?

A local Republican politician wants to avoid answering a question from a concerned constituent, so he has the non-threatening woman physically removed? President Trump doesn't want to truthfully answer questions that might put him in a bad light, so he bars that press agency (APNews) from White House briefings? Rep. Stefanik doesn't want to acknowledge the reality of the Trump administration withdrawing federal funding from 5 airports serving the North Country, so she has her public relations person craft a statement with snarky comments attacking Sen. Schumer for making that announcement.

"Freedom of speech" has become a one-way street. Republican politicians, Trump and his media say any rambling, nonsensical, slanderous thing that comes into their heads (regardless of the harm it causes). But people expressing their alarm about the way many Americans are being unjustly treated or hurt by this administration, are silenced or denied their right to factual truth.

Don't forget that this isn't the first time that the Republican Party has shut down a populous concern. After the George Floyd murder, people rose up to protest racist police who were targeting Black people with excessive violence. (A researched and well-documented long-term injustice.) But when millions joined the Black Lives Matter movement, the Republican Party ignored their concerns by denying it was a problem.

The Republican Party put their own spin on it. Suddenly, the media was repeatedly airing clips showing property vandalism to paint the protestors as "bad people", even though millions of people here and around the world continued to peacefully demonstrate. Ignoring the reasons for the public outcry, the Republican Party started its Back the Blue campaign. They manufactured the falsehood that Democrats (and others) supporting the Black Lives Matter campaign weren't supporting the police.

So, "free speech" for the Republican Party means freedom to manipulate the message and effectively block out the voice of the people. Shame is right. The hypocrisy of the Republican Party. To claim that they support "freedom of speech" in this country while doing what they can to suppress the truth about why millions of Democrats and Republicans across America are taking to the streets to protest this administration. (Rep. Stefanik had no problem ignoring the 200 people lining the street holding signs as she drove past them on her way to a $350-a-plate fundraising dinner in Halfmoon, NY.)

Citizens being able to protest injustice or raise the alarm when the government is harming its people is a cherished democratic privilege; one that's admired around the world by those living in the darkness of tyranny and dictatorship. Just imagine what happened to that person in Russia who disappeared after breaking into their Putin-controlled TV broadcast to hold up a sign reading "Putin is lying". (Dead or in prison?)

The Republican Party isn't completely dominating media spin yet. But it's going in that direction, considering that Trump has stated that it's "illegal" for any media to criticize him. He's installed his Fox commentator friends in important government positions. He's decided to defund investigative, informative reporting by PBS and NPR and discredit 60 Minutes.

So, I think Emily Feiner has the right question. Many Americans believe we've already reached the red line, given the chaos of more than 100 lawsuits and 50 restraining orders against this administration from dozens of federal judges (who Trump of course attacks). We want to know when the Republican Party is going to put a stop to this reckless destruction of our government. We've never had such a renegade President - rambling about nonsense, coming up with idiotic ideas like reopening Alcatraz, scribbling his signature on anything put in front of him (most likely not having read it) and thinking he can do whatever he wants.

Who wasn't alarmed when Trump was asked on Face the Nation (4/4/25) if he as President must uphold the mandates of the US Constitution (the one he swore an oath to - yah, that Constitution) and his answer was, "I don't know"? And then he further danced around the question by saying he wasn't a lawyer.

Granted it would be more comfortable to think that what's happening is "politics as usual". Or it's the natural chaos of any new administration taking over. Or it's normal budget tweaking. But any media pretending there's anything "normal" regarding the unconstitutional, flagrant actions of this administration is choosing to cover up the truth by glossing over reality.

Republican politicians aren't stupid people. Many of them are lawyers, businessmen, professionals and college graduates. But there they are - supporting a multi-bankrupted businessman, a womanizing self-centered reality-TV star, a known compulsive liar enriching himself as President by selling his Trump cryptocurrency and merchandise. But Trump serves a purpose for their party. He's unethical enough to ignore constitutional checks and balances and hawk the GOP's billionaire-funded playbook.

Although the Republican Party may have tried to keep their true motives secret, they've plotted all along to gain full control of our government in order to put more money purely in the hands of wealthy capitalists. Read the "wish list" of things the GOP intends to do (and is doing) in the 900 pages of Project 2025 (authored and developed by the president of the right-wing/libertarian think-tank The Heritage Foundation and 140 former Trump staff members).

The House recently tacked one of those "wishes" onto the budget reconciliation bill. According to NPR (5/7/25), the bill allows federally-protected lands in Utah and Nevada to be sold to private developers, claiming it's to build "affordable housing".

Will Republican politicians have the integrity to stop this administration from merely favoring the 1% and from further damaging our global reputation, the workingman's economy and the governmental framework sustaining and protecting millions of Americans every day? If Republican politicians aren't going to stand up and defend a democratic "we the people" government against corruption, we'll have to stand up for ourselves - even as they ignore, reject or hope to silence our voices.

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Potsdam Village Board back to full roster

By ANDY GARDNER
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POTSDAM — The Board of Trustees is back to a full slate.

The board unanimously appointed Joshua Tulloch to full former trustee Monique Tirion's unexpired term on April 28.

He joins Trustee Ryan Deuel, who was appointed in March to complete the unexpired term of former Deputy Mayor Steve Warr. Tulloch's term, like Deuel's, will run through Dec. 1.

Tirion resigned in January after voicing frustration with her inability to get relevant details on village finances and alleged facing pushback from village employees when pressing for financial information.



Joshua Tulloch

Warr resigned in January, a week after Tirion, which he attributed to the village moving in the "wrong direction" with its handling of the village recreation program and other issues.

Village Mayor Alexandra Jacobs-Wilke noted that Tulloch's selection followed a "lengthy search."

Due to a family emergency, Tulloch was unable to attend the meeting. He is expected to be sworn in at the next regular meeting on May 19, the mayor said.

"I know he's very excited to get started here on the board," Jacobs-Wilke said.

A local resident and graduate of Canton High School, Tulloch served in the U.S. Marine Corps as an amphibious assault and operations officer for six years following college.

"He completed two deployments out of Camp Pendleton and Quantico before honorably being discharged at the rank of captain after his military service," Jacobs-Wilke said.

Wilke also said Tulloch received a Fulbright Scholarship to the U.S. State Department in Prague, Czech Republic, and later earned his master's degree as a physician associate. He now works as a primary care provider for the Department of Veteran Affairs.

Tulloch is a member of New Hope Community Church, and is a husband and father to a 7-month-old daughter.

"So congratulations, Joshua, and we look forward to working with you on this board and we look forward to having the swearing in ceremony very soon," Jacobs-Wilke said.

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Betsy Brabent displays her Outstanding Graduate Award while Vice President for Student Affairs Courtney Bish looks on.
Tom Graser/Watertown Daily Times

SUNY

From A3

Leaders of Tomorrow Award and a President's List scholar," Bish said.

The winner of the Associate-level award was Betsy M. Brabant of Ogdensburg.

Barbant is a nursing major with a minor in psychology, with a 3.897 GPA.

"Betsy is described by those who supported her nomination as determined, deeply hard-working, academically curious, and committed to her education," Bish said.

Evan Velasquez, president of the Student Government Association, gave the class address.

"I know some of you have plans after this. Some of you don't. And some of you might feel like you're behind some imaginary curve," Velasquez said. "But it's not about being behind or ahead; it's about doing the right thing right now. It's about self respect and being your best self at all times. It's about learning from your mistakes, not just accepting them, but embracing them."

Velasquez said his goal was to be free and have no enemies.

"Control what you can, let go of the rest, and don't be afraid to truly live," he said.

Street

From A1

Hickey and his neighbors would like to see the entire street be redone as sewer and water problems have plagued the street for years, he said.

Instead, the plan calls for removing trees above the water line, so repairs can be completed and then "looped into" a line on Moffitt Street, another dead-end street that has experienced similar issues over the years.

Fixing the sewer line is more complex because it goes through residents' backyards, so they wouldn't want their yards dug up, Compo explained.

At Monday's council meeting, Hickey showed up to get an explanation about the situation. Councilman Benjamin P. Shoen expressed surprise that the project was left out of the capital projects budget.

"It definitely needs to be done," Shoen said. "There's multiple issues on the street."

In all the time that he's lived on Pawling Street, the city has not made any major repairs, even though the problems have been well documented, Hickey said.

Over recent years, the city has taken the approach of fixing the water, sewer and street problems on a piecemeal basis. During Monday's meeting, he listed a series of them.

The public works department ends up coming down and fixes the problem at individual houses. But the overall problem with the street remains unfixed, he said.

"They're hop scotching the repairs," he said. "They're going from one different house to one different house to one different house."

He's been told that the city focuses on well-traveled streets, rather than dead-end streets that would be expensive to repair.

About 15 years ago, the 400 block of Pawling Street underwent the same kind of repairs that are needed for his end of the street, he said. The city's Community Development Block Grant program paid for it. The dead-end portion where he lives isn't eligible for CDBG funds.

It's not fair that it's fate is up in the air, Hickey said.

"We are taxpayers as well," he told the council Monday.

On Thursday, council members also talked about a $7.5 million complete reconstruction of Newell Street that would include a 32-inch sanitary sewer line, water line, curbing, sidewalks and landscaping.

Shoen supports the utility improvements, but not the sidewalks, curbs and landscaping.

The City Council also discussed refuse sticker and tote increases in the proposed public works budget. Council members are concerned that the increases will drive away customers and push them to switch to private haulers.

Shoen said he thinks the city needs to be more customer friendly and listen to resident complaints about the service.

Olney

From A1

Therefore, Olney's due process was not violated, McClusky ruled. The Ethics Board only needed a simple majority "to do business."

Olney's attorney asserted that the City Charter required that the Ethics Board be comprised of five members to take any action. Olney has 30 days to appeal the decision.

Olney said he respects the court's decision.

"I'm not disappointed," Olney said. "We did what we had to do."

On Sept. 18, 2023, the Ethics Board recommended that the city hold a hearing to determine whether Olney engaged in a pattern of ethics violations and that he should be removed from office.

Then-Mayor Jeffrey M. Smith, a political adversary of the councilman, filed the ethics complaint accusing Olney of releasing confidential information, having a conflict of interest and breaching his fiduciary duty involving the city's purchase of the former Watertown Golf Club in January 2023.

According to the 13 pages of court papers, Olney alleged dozens of instances when the city was accused of failing to follow due process and give him "a meaningful opportunity to be heard."

The lawsuit asked that the Ethics Board's Advisory Opinion be "declared null and void and without effect because of the Due Process violations."

Among those arguments, Weisman argued that Olney was not given an opportunity to defend himself throughout the Ethics Board investigation.

Hancock Eastabrook attorney John G. Powers defended the city in the lawsuit.

Olney has denied any wrongdoing, arguing that the allegations were politically motivated by Smith, often an adversary when the two served on the City Council together.

Olney believes that the public "should be aware" that Smith "politically weaponized the government" to attack him.

He added that the city could "stack the deck" against him because it had more money to spend on legal bills than he had.

Olney raised $15,000 for a legal defense fund to pay for his lawyer and all of that has been spent.

The City Council could still proceed with an ethics complaint hearing against Olney to determine whether he violated the city ethics code.

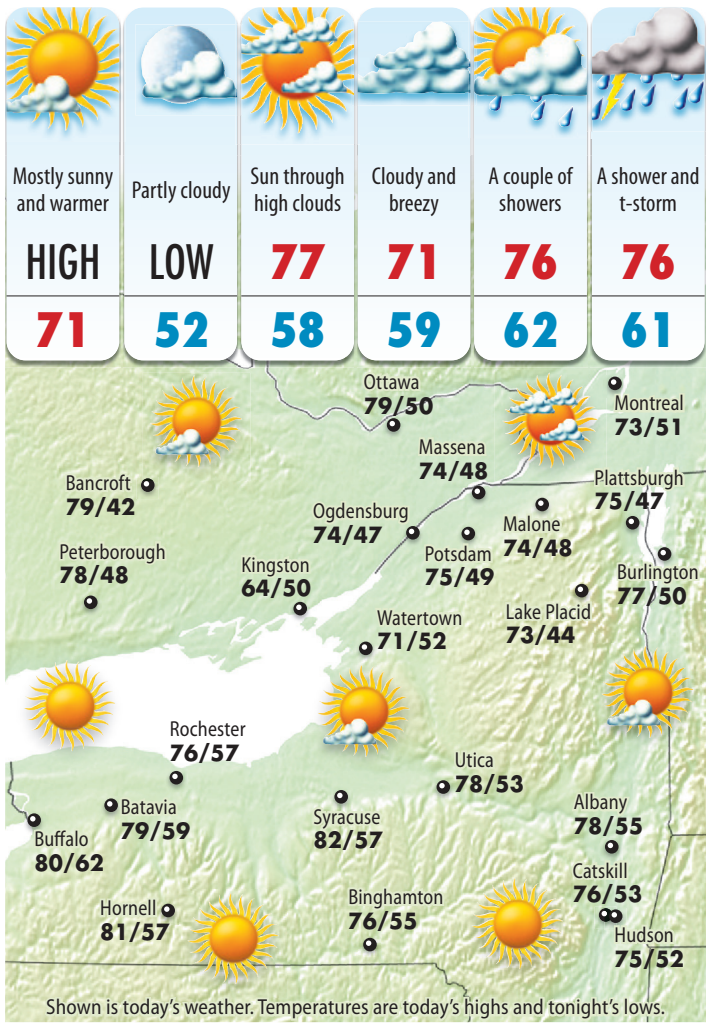
Councilwoman Lisa A. Ruggiero said she understands why McClusky ruled the way he did. She also pointed out the judge's decision mentioned that adversarial relationship between Olney and the former mayor.

If he's found guilty of ethics violations, Olney could be removed from office, be censured or the council could do nothing.

Smith said he had not heard that Olney's lawsuit was dismissed, so he had "no reaction" to the judge's decision.

Mayor Sarah V.C. Pierce could not be reached for comment.

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Moonset	5:13 a.m.	5:42 a.m.

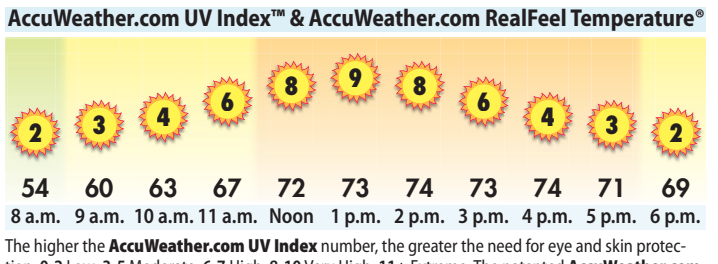
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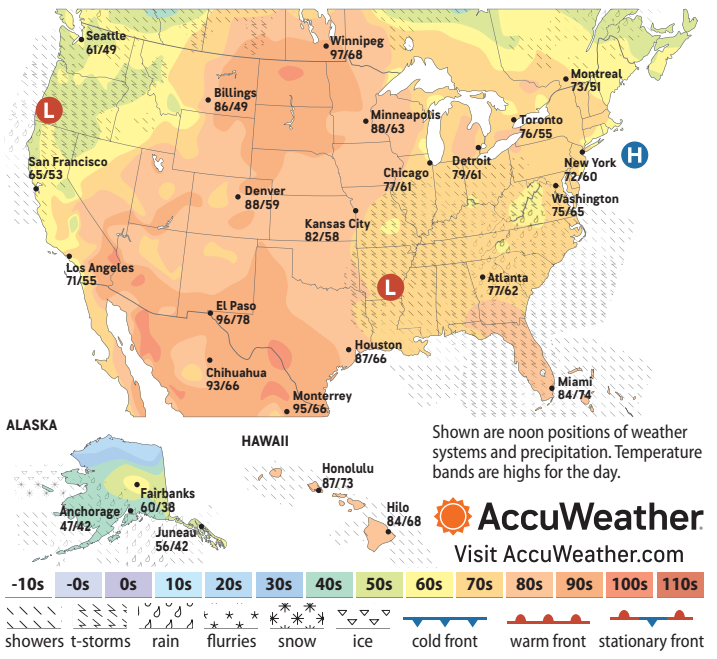
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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

Police Blotter

WATERTOWN — **Mark A. Adams,** 40, of Route 3 in Black River, was charged April 27 when police executed a warrant of arrest.

Police say Adams was taken into custody without incident and was transferred to state police.

Jessica R. Morrell, 37, of Superior Street, was charged by city police on April 27 with resisting arrest and endangering the welfare of a child.

According to police records, Morrell allegedly positioned herself in front of another subject who was getting arrested and pushed a police officer that was trying to arrest the subject.

It is further alleged by police that Morrell did not seek medical treatment for what police describe as "a highly intoxicated" 12-year-old after learning they were intoxicated while in her care.

Morrell was transported to the Metro-Jefferson Public Safety Building, processed, and issued an appearance answerable in City Court.

John C. Lebo Jr., 53, of Superior Street, was charged by city police on April 27 with resisting arrest, endangering the welfare of a child, and disorderly conduct.

According to police records, Lebo allegedly was aggressive toward police officers and yelled and stepped towards them while extending his arms out in a threatening manner.

It is further alleged that Lebo allegedly straightened his arms and pulled them away to prevent himself from being placed in handcuffs after being told he was under arrest.

Police also allege that Lebo did not seek medical treatment for what police describe as "a highly intoxicated 12-year-old" after learning they were intoxicated in his care.

Lebo was transported to the Metro-Jefferson Public Safety Building, processed, and given an appearance ticket answerable in City Court.

William A. Koelmel, 31, of Wyoming Avenue, was charged by city police April 26 with second-degree harassment.

According to police records, Koelmel allegedly grabbed the victim by their shoulders and pushed them onto their bed.

Spicy beef tostadas reinvigorate the Taco Tuesday tradition

By GRETCHEN MCKAY
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

When you need to throw something together for a fast and easy weeknight meal, tacos are often a busy cook's first choice.

That's because you can stuff almost anything inside a hard or soft tortilla — including leftovers — top it with some shredded lettuce or crunchy veggies, add a generous sprinkling of cheese and feel like a total winner.

Tostadas — flat and crispy (and sometimes bowl-shaped) tortilla shells piled high with meat, seafood or vegetables — are just as easy if you're looking to change things up on Taco Tuesday, but still want to stick to a Mexican theme.

Why do we love this Mexican version of the open-faced sandwich? Like their crunchy folded cousins, tostadas are very versatile. They also can be assembled in 20 minutes or less, depending on the chosen protein and whether or not any veggies have to be cooked.

In other words, you don't have to think too hard to make tostadas.

This recipe brings together ground beef that's been spiced up (considerably) with chipotle peppers in adobo sauce and the traditional taco fixings of shredded iceberg lettuce, fresh tomato, chopped cilantro and crumbled Cotija cheese.

There's also a layer of mashed refried beans to help the toppings stick to the fried tortilla.

Depending on how involved you want diners to be, you can either assemble the tostadas before serving or place the toppings in separate bowls and let everyone serve themselves. Some recipes call for frying the tostada shells in hot oil before adding the toppings to make them hot and extra crunchy, but I took the shortcut of simply warming them in the oven.

Tostadas can be eaten like a pizza slice with both hands, or on a plate using a fork and knife. Just note: The more toppings you pile on, the messier it will be.



Spicy ground beef tostadas are topped with shredded lettuce, tomatoes and crumbly cojita cheese. Gretchen McKay/Pittsburgh Post-Gazette/TNS

SPICY GROUND BEEF TOSTADAS

FOR MEAT LAYER:
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
1 pound ground beef
1 large yellow or white onion, chopped
2 garlic cloves, minced
2 chipotle peppers in adobo sauce, plus 2 tablespoons sauce, or to taste
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1 tablespoon chili powder
Kosher salt and black pepper, to taste
8-ounce can refried beans, warmed
8 tostadas (flat crisp shell)
FOR TOPPING:
Handful of shredded iceberg lettuce
Handful of shredded red cabbage
1 cup halved cherry tomatoes
¼ cup chopped red onion
Large handful fresh cilantro, chopped
1 cup crumbed Cotija cheese
1 avocado, peeled and cut into wedges
3 limes, divided
Salsa, optional



Spicy ground beef tostadas are topped with shredded lettuce, tomatoes and crumbly cojita cheese. (Gretchen McKay/Pittsburgh Post-Gazette/TNS

Heat vegetable oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. When it is sizzling, add ground beef and cook, stirring and breaking up the meat with a wooden spoon or rubber spatula until it is no longer pink.

Stir in onion, garlic, chipotle peppers and sauce, cumin and chili powder. Season to taste with salt and pepper. (If meat is too spicy, thin sauce with a little water.)

Empty refried beans into a small saucepan placed over low to medium heat. Stir frequently until the beans are heated through. Keep the beans on warm while you prepare the various toppings and warm the tostada shells, adding water as necessary to keep a creamy consistency.

Toss shredded lettuce with juice of 1 lime and add a pinch of salt and pepper. Cut 2 remaining limes into wedges.

Heat tostada shells in a preheated 350-degree oven until hot and crispy, about 3-4 minutes.

Assemble the tostadas. Divide the shells among plates and spread a thin layer of warmed refried bean on top. (This will act as a glue for the ground beef.)

Spoon the meat mixture on top of the beans. Top with shredded lettuce and cabbage, halved tomatoes, chopped onion, chopped cilantro, sliced avocado and crumbled Cotija cheese, and serve immediately.

If desired, spoon on some jarred salsa. For additional heat, add a few slices of pickled jalapeno; to tone it down a notch, add a dollop of sour cream.

Serves 4.



Warm carrot, bean and couscous salad. Tom McCorkle/The Washington Post

Double down on carrots with a hearty pearl couscous salad

By JOE YONAN
The Washington Post

Meat and seafood cooks double up on ingredients all the time: They poach chicken breasts in chicken stock, make a quick shrimp broth with the crustacean's shells and use it in shrimp risotto, include beef stock as a component in beef stew. For traditional duck confit, you cook the duck legs in duck fat.

I know, because I've done all of the above as a way of concentrating and amping up a main ingredient's flavor — making it taste even more like itself. But what's the vegetable equivalent? Of course you can cook them in vegetable broth, but it is almost always an amalgam of flavors, usually from such aromatic ingredients as onions, leeks and celery, or maybe from the scraps left from prepping them and other fairly neutrally flavored vegetables. With that technique, you certainly get more flavor than if you used water, but there's no real concentration at play.

The first time I remember hearing about cooking a vegetable in its own juice was decades ago when the method was publicized by visionary chef Alain Passard of the Michelin-three-star restaurant L'Arpège in Paris. I've seen it most often employed with carrots, to the extent that it's even shown up on TikTok in recent years as a viral hack.

One of the easiest ways to do it is with a braise-and-glaze strategy: Put whole carrots into a wide pot in a single layer, pour in enough carrot juice to come halfway up the side of the vegetables, cover tightly and simmer on the stovetop until the carrots are fork tender, then uncover, turn up the heat, add a little butter, and reduce the juice to a glaze. Salt to taste, and eat some of the most carroty carrots you've ever tasted.

This recipe is based on that idea, but here the juice also infuses pearl couscous, spreading the carrot love around. The result is a simple pasta salad that also gets heft from white beans and baby arugula, brightness from lemon juice and zest, and crunch from pistachios. You could eat it as a main course or a side dish, and it's particularly well-suited to cookouts, picnics and brown-bagging.

I'm sure there are some people out there who don't appreciate carrots as much as I do, but in general I'd say their appeal is widespread. And for the diehards, the salad proves that when it comes to carrots, more is more.

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This pasta with cauliflower captures the best of California cuisine

By JOE YONAN
The Washington Post

When you walk into Greens, the landmark San Francisco restaurant, one of the first things to catch your eye is a masterpiece redwood installation by sculptor JB Blunk: The main piece rises from the floor like some kind of giant's gnarled hand, shadowing smaller tables and chairs — all of it cut from a single stump. When you get closer, you can't help but run a hand along the smooth polished wood, and you can practically feel its energy simultaneously lifting and anchoring the room.

The installation, the other custom woodwork throughout, the floor-to-ceiling windows with a view of San Francisco Bay: Greens has never looked like your typical restaurant. And that's fitting for this pioneer of upscale vegetarian cooking. In 1979, when the San Francisco Zen Center opened the restaurant, the first chef was someone who went on to influence vegetarian cooking in America perhaps more than anyone else before or even since: Deborah Madison.

Since then, the restaurant's kitchen has continually been helmed by women.



Pasta with cauliflower and chard. Tom McCorkle/The Washington Post

After Madison, the great Annie Somerville was executive chef for decades, and most recently, Katie Reicher has led the efforts to reestablish the restaurant's place, especially after covid lockdowns, in the firmament of California cooking.

Her influence is chronicled in the new cookbook "Seasons of Greens," in which she showcases the restaurant's philosophy of providing nourishing, creative food closely tied to local ingredients and seasonality. Reicher has brought more global influences onto plates and into the book, where chanterelle siu mai, Creole pumpkin and collard greens soup, and masala-roasted winter squash take their place alongside grilled peppers with herby corn salsa.

Best of all for the home cook: These are not cheffy recipes. Some might be more appropriate for a leisurely weekend afternoon — I'm thinking of the luscious spinach and ricotta dumplings with cherry tomato sauce — but others are clearly aimed at that busy post-work evening rush, when the question "What's for dinner?" can feel like more of a burden than a challenge. When I asked Reicher in a Zoom interview how she balances the kinds of cooking she does for

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North country people

ARMED FORCES

The following local members of New York Army National Guard recently earned promotions: **Adam Aviste,** Black River, Company B, 427th Brigade Support Battalion, promoted to specialist; **Moises Enriquez,** Evans Mills, Company B, 427th Brigade Support Battalion, promoted to 1st lieutenant; **Collin Hitchcock,** Watertown, 1427th Transportation Company, promoted to sergeant; **Thomas McCarthy,** Winthrop, Company B, 427th Brigade Support Battalion, promoted to private 1st class; and **Coby Mills,** Lisbon, Company A, 2nd Battalion, 108th Infantry Regiment, promoted to specialist.

CAREERS

Linda Stanka, RN, was named the 2024 Canton-Potsdam Hospital Employee of the Year by Rochester Regional Health's St. Lawrence Region.

Lisa Burns is the 2024 Gouverneur Hospital Employee of the Year at Rochester Regional Health's St. Lawrence Region.

Michael Thomas, building attendant, is the Massena Hospital 2024 Employee of the Year in Rochester Regional Health's St. Lawrence Region.

COLLEGES

Braelynn Appleby, Watertown, earned a State University of New York Norman R. McConney Jr. Award for Student Excellence, bestowed to an Educational Opportunity Program student. Appleby is a student at Jefferson Community College, Watertown.

Erin Palacios, Fort Drum, journalism, was named to the fall semester dean's list at Emerson College, Boston.



Braelynn Appleby, right, 2025 Norman R. McConney Jr. Award winner; and John B. King Jr., SUNY Chancellor. Submitted photo

Sheena Peabody, Theresa, was recently initiated into membership of Phi Kappa Phi honor society at SUNY Oswego.

Kylee M. Donnelly, Massena, earned a Norman R. McConney Jr. Award for Student Excellence. Donnelly is an applied psychology major at SUNY Canton.

Raven Streebel, Fort Drum, has been named the Jefferson Community College featured Honors Program Student for the Month of April. Streebel, a paralegal major, analyzed how the comics Watchmen and Umbrella Academy portrayed real-world events as one of her honors options.



Streebel

Sophia Compeau, Potsdam; and **Tyler Scott,** Russell, were inducted into Phi Beta Kappa honor society at Elmira College.

Madison Goslin, Calcium, STM and health science, health and human performance, was named to the winter dean's list at Western Oregon University, La Grande.

HIGH SCHOOLS

The Ogdensburg Community office of the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce named eighth-grader **Echo Bouchey** the February OFA Student of the Month.

Potsdam Rotary Club named **Ian Weems,** Canton Central School, as March Seaway Tech BOCES Student of the Month. Weems is a student in digital media design at Seaway Career and Technical Education Center.

Project

From A3

project would address bus electrification at the district's bus garage.

"That is about a $2.4 million proposition of that $80 million, and I think enough people have heard me already talk about my concern about electric buses and the whole process. However, as of last night, we had very firm deadlines. The original deadline to purchase electric buses was 2027. You could ask for a waiver for two years. So, by 2029 you could not purchase anything but an electric bus. They're not going to make diesels. They're not going to be allowed to be sold to schools in New York state. That is state law," Burke said. "The other part is that by 2035 whatever diesel or gasoline buses you're running, you no longer are allowed to use. Every bus has to be electric."

He said they were planning for a worst-case scenario by including the electrification in the capital project.

"I'm going to call it the way I see it. I look at this as our worst-case scenario that nothing changes with the law So, that $2.4 million is a really a plan. We'll plan for it. We will identify how we're going to electrify and put the charging stations where they're going to go. But, when it comes time for this, we're not going to go out for bid on this project until late 2026 or early 20276. My hope is that the law truly changes and just because it's there doesn't mean we have to use it," Burke said.

He said, if the law changes and the school board agrees, the district will continue to use the conventional buses.

"We will scrap that $2.4 million electrification plan and we'll go to Plan B. Plan B is our diesel, our gasoline tanks are now approaching the 20-year mark, and we know that about year 25 we're probably going to be ordered by the DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation) to replace those. So, instead of spending $2.4 million on electrification, hopefully we're talking about a price tag of somewhere around maybe a half a million to three-quarters of a million to replace those two tanks," he said.

He said they had to include the electrification in case it was included in the state budget, which had not yet been approved when the school board met.

"We're going to be voting in less than two weeks. We had to include that because we have no idea where the budget was going to go or how the law could possibly change," Burke said.

The pool and the girl's locker room also needed to be addressed, he said.

"I think there are some things that are truly essential, and then we're always going to have some disagreement about is that line item really necessary or not necessary," he said.

Isabel Beard, the student representative to the school board, agreed that the project was necessary. She said her math teacher had to move to the computer lab because "there was literally stuff falling from the ceiling and causing students to cough."

"So, I think, coming from a student perspective, living in the school almost eight hours every day, five days a week, while it looks nice on the outside, you really start to notice the issues in the school. So, while I think there might be some debate on the justification for what we're looking to improve, I think the improvements are necessary," she said.

Carrots

From A6

WARM CARROT, BEAN AND COUSCOUS SALAD

This summery salad gets extra carrot flavor from juice you use to cook the carrots and pearl couscous. White beans add heft and protein to elevate it to main-course status, but it would be perfectly at home as a cookout or picnic side dish. It also holds up well as leftovers, making it appropriate for brown-bag lunches.

Servings: 4-6 (makes about 6 cups)

Active time: 30 minutes. Total time: 45 minutes.

Substitutions: Yellow onion > white onion. Cannellini beans > navy beans, great Northern beans or chickpeas. Canned beans > 1½ cups home-cooked beans. Pearl couscous > fregola (toasted Sardinian couscous). Baby arugula > baby kale, baby spinach or radicchio. Pistachios > walnuts, pecans, peanuts or pumpkin seeds. Mint > parsley, cilantro or basil.

Storage: Refrigerate for up to 4 days, preferably without the pistachios and mint.

Where to buy: Carrot juice can be found at well-stocked supermarkets and natural food stores.

2 tablespoons olive oil
1 medium yellow onion (8 ounces), chopped
2 garlic cloves, chopped
1 cup pearl couscous
1 pound carrots, trimmed, scrubbed and cut into 1-inch-thick pieces
2 cups carrot juice (see Where to buy)
1 teaspoon ground coriander
½ teaspoon fine salt, plus more as needed
One (15-ounce) can no-salt-added cannellini beans, drained and rinsed
2 cups (2 ounces) baby arugula
1 teaspoon finely grated lemon zest (from 1 lemon)
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice (from 1 to 2 lemons)
½ cup roasted, unsalted pistachios, coarsely chopped
¼ cup fresh mint leaves, chopped

In a medium (4-quart) saucepan over medium-high heat, heat the oil until shimmering. Add the onion and garlic, and sauté until tender, about 4 minutes. Add the couscous and cook, stirring to coat in the oil, until lightly browned in spots, about 2 minutes. Add the carrots, carrot juice, coriander and salt, and bring to a boil.

Reduce the heat to medium-low, cover and simmer until the carrots are tender and the couscous absorbs most of the liquid (the rest will be absorbed later as it sits), about 15 minutes. Remove from the heat.

Stir in the beans, arugula, and lemon zest and juice. Taste, and season with more salt, as desired.

Divide among bowls, top with the pistachios and mint, and serve warm or at room temperature.

Nutritional information per serving (1 cup), based on 6: 357 calories, 10 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 56 g carbohydrates, 314 mg sodium, 0 mg cholesterol, 12 g protein, 10 g fiber, 12 g sugar.

This analysis is an estimate based on available ingredients and this preparation. It should not substitute for a dietitian's or nutritionist's advice.

Potsdam

From A5

"Once again, I want to thank Josh and all of the members of our board for your willingness to step up and serve our community."

"I did want to say we talked to so many people in this search and there's some just wonderful people in our community who serve in all different ways and it's wonderful to have another person to work alongside," the mayor said. "And it says a lot to have a veteran and a healthcare provider and a native son of Potsdam who returned to build a life here wanting to serve on our board alongside everyone else. Having that variety of viewpoints and life experiences on our board and in all of our committees makes us all stronger."

Pasta

From A6

the restaurant with the sorts of things she wants readers to make for themselves and their friends and family, she didn't hesitate: "I didn't change anything in the restaurant recipes except scaling them down." Her "chef side," she said, comes down to her insistence that the recipes "put in enough fat, put in enough acid, put in enough salt."

In other words, you, too, can make Greens-worthy dishes at home.

Reicher, 31, has spent her entire professional career at Greens, starting on an internship during her Culinary Institute of America training and culminating in her promotion to executive chef in 2020, when she redesigned the menu and committed to changing it more frequently.

Given that Greens is such a bastion of plant-focused cooking, I asked her what she thinks makes great vegetarian cuisine, and her answer speaks directly to the restaurant's mission. "It's the same thing that defines any good cooking, honestly," she said. "Using the freshest ingredients, as local as possible, in season as best as possible. And just treating the food with love and respect."

She comes to her global approach personally: Her mother is Ukrainian American and her father is Italian American, meaning she's just as comfortable with making pierogi as fresh pasta. She brings a little bit of California to everything she touches: Those pierogi are filled with peas and feta in the springtime, and that pasta is tossed with caramelized mushrooms and onions in the fall. The recipe I'm sharing here, for Pasta With Cauliflower and Chard, was "inspired by a classic Sicilian dish but reimagined for the California springtime," she writes.



Prepping the chard for pasta with cauliflower and chard. Photo by Tom McCorkle; food styling by Gina Nistico/The Washington Post)

Proportionally, the biggest components are the pasta (she prefers a long noodle, but really anything can work) and cauliflower, a vegetarian cook's best friend for its mild, buttery, nutty flavors, especially when it's roasted. Little things bring the punch: golden raisins, Castelvetrano olives, white wine, lemon and toasted breadcrumbs. Reicher calls for a separate lemon butter, featured among the simple recipes in her Kitchen Larder chapter, but as I discovered, if you're pressed for time, it's just as easy to incorporate some lemon zest and butter right into the sauce.

One of my favorite aspects of the recipe is Reicher's use of Swiss chard, a green whose charms are too often overlooked in favor of trendier ones. ("I think it must be because chard is next to kale in the supermarket," she told me.) Like me, she's a fan of incorporating the stems rather than wasting them: You slice them thinly and cook them with the other aromatic vegetables the way you would celery, with the quick-cooking leaves coming into play later.

Reicher's approach to seasonality is refreshingly relaxed. Even though she conceived of the pasta as a springtime dish, she decided to list it in the book as a four-season option. And why not? "These ingredients are able to be found year-round — something I find most comforting," she writes, "since I can and do want to eat this pasta all the time." Now that I've made it myself, I know just what she means.

PASTA WITH CAULIFLOWER AND CHARD

This riff on a classic Sicilian dish uses sweet-tart golden raisins, briny green olives, lemon zest and butter to bring zippy flavors to roasted cauliflower and pasta. The formula works with many other vegetable combinations; see Substitutions for ideas.

Servings: 6-8 (makes about 15 cups)

Total time: 45 minutes

Substitutions: To make it gluten-free > use gluten-free panko and gluten-free pasta, such as edamame, chickpea or other legume-based pasta. Linguine, bucatini or spaghetti > any pasta shape you like. To make it vegan > use nondairy butter and nondairy parmesan. Cauliflower > broccoli or zucchini. Swiss chard > spinach or arugula. Castelvetrano olives > any other green olive. Wine > ¼ cup white wine vinegar plus ¼ cup water.

Make ahead: The cauliflower can be roasted and refrigerated for up to 4 days before tossing with the pasta and other ingredients.

Storage: Refrigerate for up to 4 days, preferably without the breadcrumbs, which can be stored at room temperature for up to 1 week.

3 pounds cauliflower (1 to 2 heads), cored and cut into bite-size florets
3 tablespoons olive oil, divided
1 teaspoon fine salt, divided, plus more as needed
1 pound Swiss chard
8 tablespoons (1 stick/4 ounces) unsalted butter, divided
1 cup panko
1 pound dried linguine, bucatini or spaghetti
1 bunch scallions, trimmed and thinly sliced
2 garlic cloves, thinly sliced
½ cup golden raisins
½ cup pitted Castelvetrano olives, chopped
½ cup dry white wine, such as pinot grigio
2 teaspoons finely grated lemon zest (from 2 lemons)
½ cup grated parmesan cheese

Position a rack in the middle of the oven, place a large sheet pan on the rack and preheat to 425 degrees.

In a large bowl, toss the cauliflower with 2 tablespoons of the oil and ½ teaspoon of the salt, and spread on the preheated sheet pan. Roast for about 20 minutes, or until the cauliflower is softened and browned on the edges.

While the cauliflower is roasting, remove the thick stems from the chard and thinly slice them. Tear the chard leaves into 1- to 2-inch pieces. Keep the stems and leaves in separate piles.

In a large (12-inch) skillet over medium heat, melt 2 tablespoons of the butter. Add the panko and ¼ teaspoon of the salt and cook, stirring frequently, until the breadcrumbs are golden brown, 2 to 3 minutes. Transfer the breadcrumbs to a small bowl and wipe out the skillet.

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Add the pasta and cook according to the package instructions until al dente. Reserve 1 cup of the pasta water, drain the pasta and return it with the reserved pasta water to the pot. Remove from the heat.

While the pasta is cooking, set the skillet you used for the breadcrumbs over medium heat and heat the remaining 1 tablespoon of oil until shimmering. Add the chard stems, scallions and garlic, and sauté until the vegetables are fragrant and slightly softened, 3 to 4 minutes. Add the raisins and olives, and cook, stirring, just until incorporated, then add the wine. Reduce until the pan is nearly dry, then remove from the heat.

Set the pot with the drained pasta over medium heat. Add the chard stem mixture, the chard leaves, roasted cauliflower, the remaining 6 tablespoons of butter, the lemon zest and the remaining ¼ teaspoon of salt. Stir to combine, and cook until the sauce thickens slightly and coats the noodles, about 2 minutes.

Remove from the heat and stir in the cheese. Taste, and season with salt, if needed. Divide among plates or shallow bowls, top with the breadcrumbs and serve warm.

Nutritional information per serving (about 2 cups), based on 8: 508 calories, 21 g fat, 9 g saturated fat, 68 g carbohydrates, 716 mg sodium, 35 mg cholesterol, 14 g protein, 7 g fiber, 13 g sugar.

This analysis is an estimate based on available ingredients and this preparation. It should not substitute for a dietitian's or nutritionist's advice.

Adapted from "Seasons of Greens" by Katie Reicher (Weldon Owen, 2025).

SUNY Canton game design students unveil multiplayer video game

Johnson Newspapers

CANTON — A group of SUNY Canton Game Design and Development students showcased their multiplayer video game during the college's Scholarly Activities Celebration, held on April 16.

Led by Jonathan T. Zimmermann, a 32-year-old nontraditional student who lives in Canton, the team created a playable level of the college's first student-developed multiplayer game using Epic Games' Unreal Engine 3D creation tool for their senior capstone course.

Inspired by first-person games like Activision's "Call of Duty: World at War - Zombies," the students' "Fragments of Arundos" challenges up to four players to work together on a shared objective using medieval armaments.

"The premise of the entire game is the city being attacked by waves of these enemies," Zimmermann said while playing the game. "Your goal is to defend as much of the city as you can and survive for as long as you can. We've had as many as 120 attackers at one time."

There are points of interest inside the city, including a tavern and a blacksmith shop. "As you fight enemies, your sword becomes dull and less efficient," Zimmermann said. "If you're using a bow, you'll eventually run out of arrows, so you visit the blacksmith."

The invading forces can target the points of interest and eliminate the non-player character villagers who provide support for the defending forces. If the enemies succeed, the protagonists will be unable to hold their position and ultimately lose the game.



SUNY Canton Game Design and Development student Jonathan T. Zimmermann. Submitted photo

Zimmermann served as the lead game developer for the project and was joined by his classmates, Matthew L. Bassett of Loch Sheldrake, Benjamin C. Rosenblum of Brooklyn, Ali B. Walker of Newburgh, and Rowan L. Wysocki of Taberg. Each of the students had defined roles, including player design, art, user interface design, and player and world animations.

During the senior-level capstone class, students are challenged to create a "vertical slice" or a small segment of an overall game. The team estimates that they clocked more than 1,000 hours over the last semester to push their creation to its current stage.

"We're really pleased with the feedback so far," Zimmermann said. "The plan is to release 'Fragments of Arundos' on Steam [a digital game distribution platform] next year."

According to Morgan Hastings, a lecturer for the program, their project represented a difficult challenge for professional programmers and is seldom undertaken at the college level.

"It is notoriously difficult to make sure all data works together seamlessly, as one small stutter, bug, or loss of information can cause a player to lose a battle or interaction," Hastings said. "It's a great inspiration to see our students excel in producing such a professional project."

OFA to offer EMT class in fall

By MATT CURATOLO
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OGDENSBURG — During the 2025-2026 school year at Ogdensburg Free Academy, interested students will be able to take a course to train them as an emergency medical technician or EMT.

The course will be taught by members of the Ogdensburg Volunteer Rescue Squad, which had approached the school district about the EMT course, led by retired teacher and longtime rescue squad member R. Storm Cilley.

OVRS Emergency Services Chief Kenneth Gardner said that the class could help bolster its ranks. With the EMT class taking 120 hours to complete, volunteers are having difficulty fitting that into their daily lives, he added.

"It's getting more difficult for volunteers to be able to take the EMT class. This is a way for students to take an elective, take a chance on getting their EMT certification. If they have the desire to continue on in the EMS service, hopefully we may get some of them to join, that would be a plus," said EMS Gardner.

OFA High School Principal Cindy Tuttle said that the 110-hour, full-year course will be able to take up to 36 students.

"We have 21 students who expressed interest; we may reach out to neighboring schools to offer this opportunity to them. Although we have 21 OFA students interested, we don't know exactly how many can fit it in their schedules as of yet," she said.

The course will be offered to juniors or seniors. Students must be 17 years old by the time they take the test in May. Upon completion of their certification they will be EMTs.

Tuttle added that the school district reached out to South Jefferson Central School which has had a similar course offering the last several years.

"We did speak with one of their counselors to get their input; he was very positive about their experiences at this point," she said, adding that students completing the course and becoming certified would be "employable."

The EMT course is a unique opportunity for students who are looking for a possible career or just want to help their community, according to Tuttle.

"This is great for our students as they may find a career from this opportunity or choose to serve as a volunteer in the community they eventually choose to live in," said Tuttle, "Our students will gain training in real-life medical situations, and we are able to promote a culture of service and civic responsibility. Lastly, this opportunity offers a look at career interests before students commit to a college program."

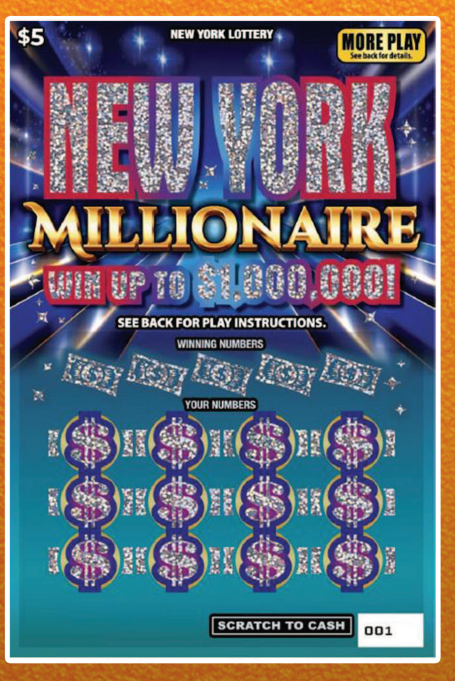
Gardner agrees.

"It's something different for the kids to take. If they have any interest in any type of health care, it's a good class for them to take," said Gardner.

He explained that the students who get certified could volunteer wherever they choose to live or go to college as well as make a career out of it.

"It gives them a skill that they could get hired for and get paid for," said Gardner. "It's a career opportunity. It could help the entire EMS community not just here in Ogdensburg."

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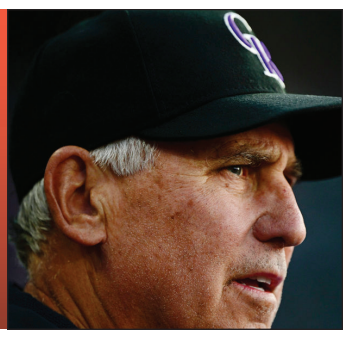
Bounce-back win

Jaylen Brown, Celtics recover to roll past Knicks in Game 3, B3



Done in Denver

Rockies fire manager Black after bad start to season, B8





Ben Rice of the Yankees trots around the bases after hitting a grand-slam home run off Mitch Spence of the Athletics during Sunday's game. Thearon W. Henderson/Getty Images/TNS

MLB

Rice, Yankees pound A's

Designated hitter belts grand-slam home run as N.Y. wins weekend series

New York Daily News

WEST SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Ben Rice swatted a 3-1 offering from Athletics reliever Mitch Spence deep into the right field stands to extend the New York Yankees' lead in the fifth inning as the Bombers cruised to a 12-2 win, taking the series from the nomadic franchise to boot.

Rice was also plunked twice.

Aaron Judge clubbed four hits on the day to bring his batting average back up to .409 as the Yankees tormented former teammate Luis Severino (1-4), who was tagged for nine hits and eight runs in his first-ever start against his ex-club. He was chased from the game in the fifth without recording an out shortly before Rice's blast.

Judge's two-run single in the second raised his RBI total to 39.

Paul Goldschmidt added two RBIs of his own on a trio of doubles.

The Yankees racked up 15 hits.

Ryan Yarbrough (1-0) went five innings, allowing two runs and scattering six hits before Yerry De los Santos (three IP) and Tyler Matzek shut the A's out over the final four frames. Yarbrough now has a 3.70 ERA across 24 1/3 innings.

The Yankees (23-17) will continue their west coast trip with a stop in Seattle where Clarke Schmidt will kick-off a three-game series starting Monday night. Tuesday's

See YANKEES B8

COLLEGE LACROSSE

SU pulls off stunner in OT victory



Syracuse midfielder Sam English looks to advance the ball against Harvard on Sunday during a first-round NCAA Tournament game at the JMA Wireless Dome. The Orange rallied from a five-goal deficit in the fourth quarter to prevail in overtime. Dennis Nett/dnett@syracuse.com

By CONNOR PIGNATELLO
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SYRACUSE — Syracuse men's lacrosse came back from a five-goal fourth-quarter deficit to author its biggest comeback of the season and down Harvard 13-12 in overtime in the first round of the NCAA tournament on Sunday evening at the JMA Wireless Dome.

Owen Hiltz scored the game-winner on the first possession of overtime in what could have been the redshirt senior's final game at Syracuse.

Syracuse moves on to face No. 3 Princeton on Saturday at Hofstra.

The Crimson jumped out to a 7-1 advantage in the first half before the Orange mounted a furious fourth-quarter comeback.

Harvard took a 11-6 lead with 10:54 remaining, but Syracuse responded with five-straight goals in the next 2:05, including three on an unreleasable man-up, to tie the game.

Michael Leo gave Syracuse its first lead of the game with a goal on a behind-the-back assist from Hiltz with 3:32 left, also on the man-up.

Then, with just 6 seconds left, Harvard's Owen Gaffney scored the Crimson's first goal in over 10 minutes to send the game to overtime.

Luke Rhoa paced Syracuse with four goals, and Trey Deere scored twice. Finn

See SU B2



Syracuse goalie Jimmy McCool plays the ball against Harvard on Sunday during a first-round NCAA Tournament game. Dennis Nett/dnett@syracuse.com

COLLEGE ROUNDUP

Saints beaten by Jumbos in NCAA's

Times staff report

MEDFORD, Mass. — The No. 12-ranked St. Lawrence University men's lacrosse team made a strong three-quarter rally bid, but ultimately fell to No. 1 Tufts University, 14-8, on Sunday afternoon in the third round of the NCAA Division III Tournament at Bello Field.

Jamie Rosenzweig, Dan Anderson, Bobby Wells all scored two goals for Saints, who finish their season at 14-7.



Mahoney

Daniel Mahoney tallied a goal and two assists and David Herlihy also added one for St. Lawrence.

Padraic Condon finished with 11 faceoff wins for the Saints and picked up five ground balls, while Michael Miele also picked up five and caused one turnover.

"Congratulations to Tufts on the victory," St. Lawrence coach Mike Mahoney said. "It wasn't our day ultimately, but just like they have all year, this team left it all out there today."

Tufts controlled the first quarter, shutting out St. Lawrence, 5-0.

The Saints began their rally attempt

HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP

Macutek, Covey fuel WHS girls past Carthage

Times staff report

CARTHAGE — Olivia Macutek generated 10 points, including scoring seven goals, to help propel the Watertown girls lacrosse team to a 17-12 triumph over Carthage on Friday in a Frontier League game.

Julia Covey totaled eight points of her own, including supplying three goals, for the Cyclones, who improve to 7-4, including 4-2 in league play.

Delaney Callahan scored three goals and assisted on three others and secured five draw controls for Watertown and Alena Clough tallied three goals and an assist.

Lilah Bierl made 10 saves to record the win for the Cyclones.

Isabelle Wormwood produced five goals and one assist for Carthage (6-6, 2-5), Cadence Jones contributed two goals and an assist and Isabela Bigelow scored a pair of goals.

Goalie Mattingly Dorchester finished with 11 saves for the Comets.

INDIAN RIVER 16, IMMACULATE HEART 1

Allison LaMora scored five goals and assisted on another and Brylee Amato contributed three goals and an assist to fuel the Wolves to victory against the Cavaliers in a league game played in Watertown.

Kallie Delles and Lillian Walsh each supplied two goals and an assist and both won four draw controls for Indian River (6-6, 5-3).

Stacia Wallace scored the lone goal for Immaculate Heart Central (1-9, 0-8).

In nonleague play, Plattsburgh defeated Massena, 9-7, and Saranac Lake Placid topped Malone, 21-4.

See HIGH B5

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Sandy Creek shows grit in triumph

By CHRIS FITZ GERALD
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ADAMS — Baylee Williams and the Sandy Creek softball team got off to a rousing start in a showdown with South Jefferson on Saturday morning.

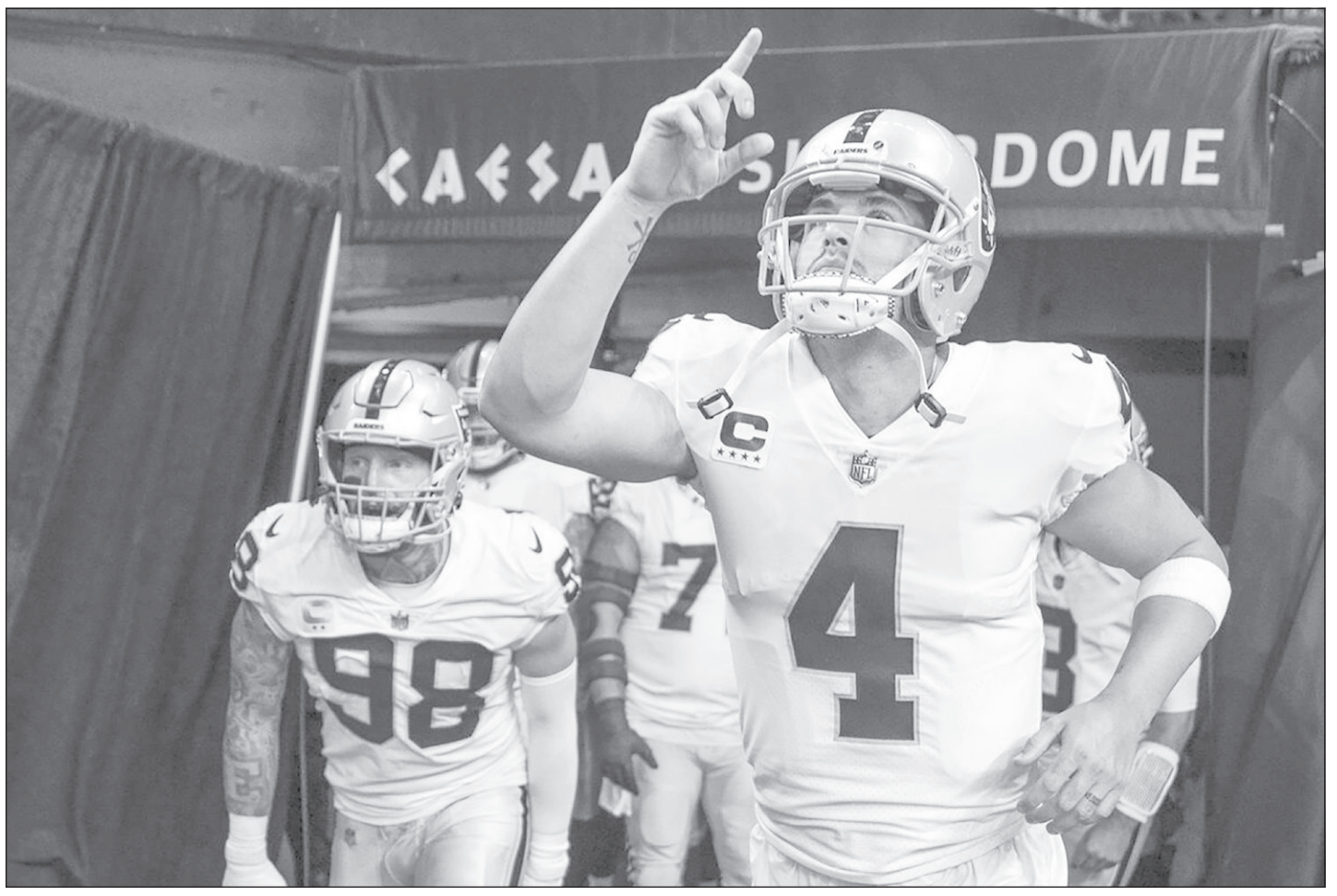
Williams connected for a home on the very first pitch of the game to provide her team with an early edge.

Yet the Comets would be challenged as they lost the lead, but came storming back to defeat the Spartans, 12-7 in a Frontier League "A-B" Division game played on South Jefferson's new turf field.

Williams reached base in all five of her trips to the plate, also doubling, singling and drawing two walks while scoring four runs to spark Sandy

See SOFTBALL B3

NFL



Former Raiders quarterback Derek Carr takes the field against the Saints during an Oct. 30, 2022 game in New Orleans.
L.E. Baskow/Las Vegas Review-Journal/TNS

Saints' quarterback Carr retires from the NFL after 11 seasons

By MARK MASKE
The Washington Post

New Orleans Saints quarterback Derek Carr, plagued by a shoulder injury that threatened his playing status for the 2025 season and perhaps beyond, announced his retirement Saturday after 11 NFL seasons.

Carr, 34, was a four-time Pro Bowl selection over nine years with the Raiders, in both Oakland and Las Vegas, before spending the last two seasons with the Saints.

"Upon reflection of prayer, and in discussion with [his wife] Heather, I've decided to retire from the National Football League," Carr said in a statement released by the Saints. "For more than 11 years, we have been incredibly blessed, and we are forever grateful and humbled by this experience. It's difficult to find the right words to express our thanks to all the teammates, coaches, management, ownership, team officials and especially the fans who made this journey so special. Your unwavering support has meant the world to us."

Carr's injury was detected earlier this offseason. The Saints said Saturday that Carr was "ramping up his preparation for the 2025 season" in late March when he experienced pain in his right shoulder and contacted the team's medical staff. The team added that the shoulder injury became evident while Carr was going through "his first time throwing a football at significant volume" since suffering a concussion and an injury to his left hand during a road triumph over the New York Giants on Dec. 8, which knocked him out for the season.

Medical scans showed that Carr had suffered a tear of his labrum and had "significant degenerative changes to his rotator cuff," according to the team.

"Since that time, Derek, his representation, the Saints Medical Team and outside medical experts have worked together to determine the best path forward," the Saints said. "Surgery was an option, jeopardizing the entire 2025 season, yet there was no guarantee Derek would return to the level of strength, function and performance of play to which he was accustomed. Upon consultation with his wife, Heather, Derek has decided it is in the best interests of both his family and the Saints organization to retire from the National Football League."

Carr threw for 41,245 yards and 257 touchdowns in his 11-year career, including 2,145 yards and 15 touchdowns in 10 games last season.

"You respect and appreciate so much what Derek's done in this league," Saints Coach Kellen Moore said at a news conference Saturday at the team's rookie minicamp. "The way he's done it - the on-the-field performance, the off-the-field person that he's showcased and the impact he's had on so many people in this profession - is really, really special. And so certainly coming here, I've always had so much respect and appreciation for him. And as we've gone through this process, obviously this is how it kind of ultimately was settled."

Carr agreed to a revised contract with the Saints in March to seemingly ensure that he would remain with the team at least through the 2025 season. The reworking cleared nearly $31 million in salary cap space for next season for the team, which faced a cap crunch at the time.

During a news conference before last month's NFL draft, Saints General Manager Mickey Loomis acknowledged that Carr was dealing with a shoulder issue but said the team lacked "clarity" on the injury at that point.

The Saints selected Louisville quarterback Tyler Shough in the second round of the draft, with the 40th overall pick. He was the third quarterback chosen, following first-rounders Cam Ward by the Tennessee Titans and Jaxson Dart by the Giants.

The Saints have Shough and fellow quarterbacks Spencer Rattler and Jake Haener on their roster.

"We're going to let all three of these guys roll," Moore said. "They've all earned these opportunities. We'll let Jake, Spencer and Tyler all three kind of go through this process. … We'll play patience, let these guys compete, let them get into training camp and naturally these [things] will kind of take care of itself."

It's not clear if the Saints will seek to add a veteran capable of vying for their starting job. Aaron Rodgers remains a free agent after being released in March by the New York Jets. The four-time league MVP visited the Pittsburgh Steelers but has not signed a contract with them to this point. He said during an appearance on the "Pat McAfee Show" before the draft that he was keeping all options open, including retirement. He confirmed then that he'd spoken to the Steelers, Giants and Minnesota Vikings, but did not mention the Saints.

The Atlanta Falcons perhaps could trade Kirk Cousins after benching him late last season in favor of rookie Michael Penix Jr. But such a deal would require the Falcons to send a potential starting quarterback to a division rival. Cousins, who has a no-trade clause in his contract, reportedly has expressed an interest in being sent to a team for which he would have an opportunity to start.

The Saints are coming off a 5-12 record and have not made the playoffs since the 2020 season. They hired Moore as their coach in February, waiting until after the Super Bowl to be able to get the Philadelphia Eagles' offensive coordinator after firing Dennis Allen as their coach nine games into last season.

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From B1

Thomson and Hiltz each added two assists.

Harvard held Syracuse to its lowest first-half offensive output of the season, with two Rhoa goals serving as the Orange's only scoring while the Crimson opened up an 8-2 halftime lead.

Harvard came into Sunday forcing 11.79 turnovers per game, most in the NCAA, and Syracuse committed a season-high 20, including 11 in the first half.

Goalie Jimmy McCool, who was benched against Harvard in February's 15-14 loss to the Crimson, made just one save in the first half but allowed only four goals after halftime.

Syracuse got goals from Payton Anderson, Nick Caccamo and Joey Spallina to cut the deficit to 9-5 by the end of the third quarter and then exploded in the fourth quarter to take its first lead before Gaffney equalized in the final seconds.



Syracuse midfielder Michael Leo gets hit from behind during Sunday's game against Harvard in the first round of the NCAA Tournament at the JMA Wireless Dome in Syracuse.
Dennis Nett/dnett@syracuse.com

The Orange lost three in a row to end the regular season, leaving it on the NCAA tournament bubble, but it responded by beating Notre Dame and Duke to win its first ACC tournament title since 2016.

After missing the NCAA tournament in coach Gary Gait's first two seasons in 2022-23, 2025 marks Syracuse's second straight quarterfinal appearance.

The Orange beat Towson in the first round last year before losing to Denver, 10-8, in an NCAA quarterfinal game.

The Orange entered this season with high expectations and the No. 2 spot in Inside Lacrosse's preseason poll. Syracuse easily won its first three games of the season before losing back-to-back mid-February contests to Maryland and Harvard.

The Orange then won six in a row to set up a top-five meeting with No. 1 Cornell, but it lost that matchup and then dropped games against Duke and North Carolina to close the regular season before winning the ACC tournament.

Harvard, which entered Sunday's game chasing its first NCAA tournament win since 1996, nearly became the first school to beat Syracuse at home twice in one season.

SU moves on to face Princeton, where graduate student midfielder Sam English, who was drafted No. 3 overall in Tuesday's PLL Draft, spent four years before transferring to Syracuse last year.

Syracuse and Princeton have been playing each other for over 100 years and most recently met in 2023, a 16-13 road win for the Orange. They have also met in four NCAA title games, with Princeton taking overtime victories in 1992 and 2001 and Syracuse winning in 2000 and 2002.

SCOREBOARD

North scores

SUNDAY'S RESULT

COLLEGE MEN'S LACROSSE
NCAA DIVISION III TOURNAMENT
Third round
(at Tufts, Medford, Mass.)
Tufts 14, St. Lawrence 8

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

COLLEGE MEN'S LACROSSE
NCAA DIVISION III TOURNAMENT
Second round
(at Tufts, Medford, Mass.)
St. Lawrence 9, Middlebury 8

COLLEGE SOFTBALL
NJCAA PLAYOFFS
North B District semifinals
(at Jefferson CC)
Onondaga CC 4, Jefferson CC 1, first game
Onondaga CC 5, Jefferson CC 4, second game

HS BASEBALL
Alexandria 7, Lyme 6
Lisbon 24, Morristown 17
Lowville 5, Beaver River 4
Madrid-Waddington 18, Chateaugay 15
Plattsburgh 7, Massena 1
Sackets Harbor 15, Belleville Henderson 14
St. Lawrence Central 7. St. Regis Falls 6, first game
St. Lawrence Central 7. St. Regis Falls 2, second game
Tupper Lake 7, Parishville-Hopkinton 5
CAMDEN TOURNAMENT
Semifinal
South Jefferson 10, Phoenix 4
Championship
Camden 2, South Jefferson 1
JIM PINKERTON MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT
(at OFA)
Semifinals
Canton 8, OFA 6
Mechanicville 4, Beekmantown 2
Final
Mechanicville 9, Canton 2
Consolation
Beekmantown 5, Ogdensburg 2

HS BOYS LACROSSE
Auburn 14, Carthage 4
Canton 12. Saranac Lake Placid 6
General Brown 12, Cazenovia 7
Horseheads 14, South Jefferson 0
Lowville 12, Indian River 7
OFA 15, Potsdam 7
St. Lawrence Central 15, Malone 3
Thousand Islands 16, Utica Proctor 5

HS GIRLS LACROSSE
Cazenovia 10, General Brown 9
Indian River 18, Syracuse City 9
Plattsburgh 9, OFA 8
Salmon River 12, Potsdam 7
South Jefferson 19, Canandaigua 2

HS SOFTBALL
Alexandria 8, LaFargeville 7
Alexandria 20, Lyme 4
Madrid-Waddington 9, Chateaugay 4, first game
Madrid-Waddington 8, Chateaugay 4, second game
Sackets Harbor 11, LaFargeville 8
Sandy Creek 12, South Jefferson 7
INDIAN RIVER SPRING FLING
Gouverneur 7, Indian River 2
Lowville 4, Beaver River 2

North schedule

TODAY
High school baseball
Chateaugay at Norwood-Norfolk (DH), 4 p.m.
Beaver River at Carthage, 4:30 p.m.
Canton at Gouerneur, 4:30 p.m.
Copenhagen at LaFargeville, 4:30 p.m.
General Brown at South Jefferson, 4:30 p.m.
Hermon-DeKalb at Heuvelton, 4:30 p.m.
Lyme at Belleville Henderson, 4:30 p.m.
Madrid-Waddington at St. Regis Falls, 4:30 p.m.
Parishville-Hopkinton at Brushton-Moira, 4:30 p.m.
Sandy Creek at Sackets Harbor, 4:30 p.m.
Thousand Islands at Alexandria, 4:30 p.m.
Herkimer at South Lewis, 5 p.m.
Lowville at Indian River, 6 p.m.
High school golf
Massena at Morristown, 3 p.m.
Norwood-Norfolk at Canton, 3 p.m.
Norwood-Norfolk at Canton, 3 p.m.
General Brown, LaFargeville at Lyme, 4 p.m.
South Lewis, Thousand Islands at Sandy Creek, 4:30 p.m.
High school boys lacrosse
Salmon River at Plattsburgh, 5 p.m.
Watertown at Thousand Islands, 5 p.m.
General Brown at Indian River, 6 p.m.
St. Lawrence Central at Canton, 7 p.m.
High school girls lacrosse
Canton at Saranac Lake Placid, 6 p.m.
Watertown at Jamesville-DeWitt, 7 p.m.
High school softball
Chateaugay at Norwood-Norfolk (DH), 4 p.m.
Salmon River at St. Lawrence Central (DH), 4 p.m.
Belleville Henderson at Lyme 4:30 p.m.
Canton at Gouverneur, 4:30 p.m.
Heuvelton at Hammond, 4:30 p.m.
Indian River at South Jefferson, 4:30 p.m.
Lisbon at Hermon-DeKalb, 4:30 p.m.
Lowville at Carthage, 4:30 p.m.
Parishville-Hopkinton at Brushton-Moira, 4:30 p.m.
Thousand Islands at Alexandria, 4:30 p.m.
Watertown at Sandy Creek, 4:30 p.m.
Beaver River at Sackets Harbor, 5 p.m.
South Lewis at LaFargeville, 5 p.m.
High school boys tennis
Carthage at Watertown, 3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY
High school baseball
Canton at Potsdam, 4:30 p.m.
Edwards-Knox at Hermon-DeKalb, 4:30 p.m.
Gouverneur at OFA, 4:30 p.m.
Hammond at Alexandria, 4:30 p.m.
Indian River at Carthage, 4:30 p.m.
Malone at Massena, 4:30 p.m.
Morristown at Lisbon, 4:30 p.m.
Sackets Harbor at Thousand Islands, 4:30 p.m.
South Jefferson at General Brown, 4:30 p.m.
Watertown at RFA, 5 p.m.
High school golf
Gouverneur, Norwood-Norfolk at Madrid-Waddington, 3 p.m.
Potsdam at Morristown, 3 p.m.
Salmon River at OFA, 3 p.m.
Immaculate Heart, Lowville at Carthage, 4 p.m.
South Jefferson at Watertown, 4 p.m.
South Lewis, Thousand Islands at Lyme, 4 p.m.
High school boys lacrosse
Saranac Lake Placid at Potsdam, 6 p.m.
Thousand Islands at Oswego, 6 p.m.
Immaculate Heart at South Jefferson, 7 p.m.
Lowville at Carthage, 7:30 p.m.
High school girls lacrosse
South Jefferson at Immaculate Heart, 4:30 p.m.
New Hartford at Carthage, 5 p.m.
Plattsburgh at Salmon River, 5 p.m.
Massena at OFA, 6 p.m.
General Brown at Watertown, 7 p.m.
High school softball
Heuvelton at Lisbon, 3:30 p.m.
Gouverneur at OFA (DH), 4 p.m.
Brushton-Moira at Norwood-Norfolk, 4:30 p.m.
Colton-Pierrepont at Parishville-Hopkinton, 4:30 p.m.
Canton at Potsdam, 4:30 p.m.
Edwards-Knox at Hermon-DeKalb, 4:30 p.m.
Hammond at Alexandria, 4:30 p.m.
Indian River at General Brown, 4:30 p.m.
Malone at Massena, 4:30 p.m.
South Jefferson at Watertown, 4:30 p.m.
Beaver River at Belleville Henderson, 5 p.m.
Sandy Creek at Lowville, 6 p.m.
High school track and field
Frontier League championship meet at Indian River, 4 p.m.
Canton, Salmon River at Massena, 4:15 p.m.

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
N.Y. Yankees	23	17	.575	—
Boston	22	20	.524	2.0
Toronto	20	20	.500	3.0
Tampa Bay	18	22	.450	5.0
Baltimore	15	24	.385	7.5
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Detroit	26	15	.634	—
Cleveland	23	17	.575	2.5
Kansas City	24	18	.571	2.5
Minnesota	21	20	.512	5.0
Chicago White Sox	12	29	.293	14.0
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Seattle	22	17	.564	—
Houston	20	19	.513	2.0
Athletics	21	20	.512	2.0
Texas	20	21	.488	3.0
L.A. Angels	16	23	.410	6.0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
N.Y. Mets	26	15	.634	—
Philadelphia	24	16	.600	1.5
Atlanta	19	21	.475	6.5
Washington	17	24	.415	9.0
Miami	15	24	.385	10.0
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Chicago Cubs	23	18	.561	—
St. Louis	22	19	.537	1.0
Milwaukee	20	21	.488	3.0
Cincinnati	20	22	.476	3.5
Pittsburgh	14	27	.341	9.0
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
L.A. Dodgers	27	14	.659	—
San Diego	25	14	.641	1.0
San Francisco	24	17	.585	3.0
Arizona	21	20	.512	6.0
Colorado	7	33	.175	19.5

Friday's games
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Detroit 2, Texas 1
Boston at Kansas City, 7:40 p.m.
Baltimore 4, L.A. Angels 1
Toronto 6, Seattle 3
N.Y. Yankees 10, Athletics 2
NATIONAL LEAGUE
Pittsburgh 3, Atlanta 2
St. Louis 10, Washington 0
N.Y. Mets 7, Chicago Cubs 2
San Diego 13, Colorado 9
L.A. Dodgers 14, Arizona 11
INTERLEAGUE
Tampa Bay 4, Milwaukee 3
Cleveland 6, Philadelphia 0
Chicago White Sox 6, Miami 2
Minnesota 3, San Francisco 1
Houston 3, Cincinnati 0
Saturday's games
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Athletics 11, N.Y. Yankees 7
Texas 10, Detroit 3
Boston 10, Kansas City 1
Baltimore at L.A. Angels, 9:38 p.m.
Toronto 6, Seattle 3
NATIONAL LEAGUE
St. Louis 4, Washington 2
Atlanta 3, Pittsburgh 2, 11 innings
Chicago Cubs 6, N.Y. Mets 5
Arizona 3, L.A. Dodgers 0
San Diego 21, Colorado 0
INTERLEAGUE
Tampa Bay 3, Milwaukee 2
Philadelphia 7, Cleveland 1
Cincinnati 13, Houston 9
Miami 3, Chicago White Sox 1
Minnesota 2, San Francisco 1
Sunday's games
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Texas 6, Detroit 1
Boston 3, Kansas City 1
N.Y. Yankees 12, Athletics 2
Baltimore 7, L.A. Angels 3
Toronto 9, Seattle 1
NATIONAL LEAGUE
N.Y. Mets 6, Chicago Cubs 2
St. Louis 6, Washington 1
Pittsburgh 4, Atlanta 3
Colorado 9, San Diego 3
L.A. Dodgers 8, Arizona 1
INTERLEAGUE
Milwaukee 4, Tampa Bay 2
Houston 6, Cincinnati 0
Minnesota 7, San Francisco 6, 10 innings
Chicago White Sox 4, Miami 2
Philadelphia 3, Cleveland 0
Today's games
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Boston at Detroit, 6:40 p.m.
Kansas City at Houston, 8:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Seattle, 9:40 p.m.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
St. Louis at Philadelphia, 6:45 p.m.
Pittsburgh at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 7:15 p.m.
Miami at Chicago Cubs, 7:40 p.m.
Arizona at San Francisco, 9:45 p.m.
INTERLEAGUE
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 6:10 p.m.
Colorado at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels at San Diego, 9:40 p.m.

Pro basketball

NBA
PLAYOFFS
Second round
Friday's games
Cleveland 126, Indiana 104, Indiana leads series 2-1
Denver 113, Oklahoma City 104
Saturday's games
Boston 115, New York 93, New York leads series 2-1
Minnesota 102, Golden State 97, Minnesota leads series 2-1
Sunday's games
Oklahoma City 92, Denver 87, series tied 2-2
Cleveland at Indiana, 8 p.m.
Today's games
Boston at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Golden State, 10 p.m.

Pro hockey

NHL
PLAYOFFS
Second round
Friday's games
Florida 5, Toronto 4, OT, Toronto leads series 2-1
Winnipeg 4, Dallas 0
Saturday's games
Carolina 4, Washington 0, Carolina leads series 2-1
Vegas 4, Edmonton 3, Edmonton leads series 2-1
Sunday's games
Dallas 5, Winnipeg 2, Dallas leads series 2-1
Florida 2, Toronto 0, series tied 2-2
Today's games
Washington at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Vegas at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.

SPORTS ON TV

Sports coverage for today. Schedule subject to change and/or blackouts.

SPORT	EVENT	TIME	CHANNEL
	MONDAY		
COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL	Men: NCAA, final, teams TBD	7 p.m.	ESPN2
HOCKEY	IIHF World Champ: U.S. vs. Switz.	10 a.m.	NHLN
	IIHF World Champ: Finland vs. Sweden	2 p.m.	NHLN
ML BASEBALL	AL-NL: Regional Coverage	6:30 p.m.	MLBN
	NL: Pittsburgh at N.Y. Mets	7 p.m.	SNY
	AL: N.Y. Yankees at Athletics	9:30 p.m.	YES
	NL: Arizona at San Francisco	9:30 p.m.	FS1
PRO BASKETBALL	NBA: Playoffs, Boston at New York	7:30 p.m.	ESPN
	NBA: Playoffs, Minnesota at Golden St.	10 p.m.	ESPN
PRO HOCKEY	NHL: Playoffs, Washington at Carolina	7 p.m.	TNT
	NHL: Playoffs, Vegas at Edmonton	9:30 p.m.	TNT
SOCCER	Al Hilal vs. Al Orubah	11:50 a.m.	FS2
	Al Akhdoud vs. Al Nassr	1:45 p.m.	FS2
	Sheffield United vs. Bristol City	3 p.m.	CBSSN
TENNIS	Italian Open	1 p.m.	TENNIS
	Italian Open	5 a.m. (Tues.)	TENNIS

NBA

Jaylen, Celtics net statement win against Knicks

Combined wire services

NEW YORK — For the past two days following the Boston Celtics' Game 2 loss, the basketball world had prewritten the defending champion's obituary.

With the series shifting to Madison Square Garden and the road team in a 2-0 hole, percentages from past NBA seven-game series gave the Celtics just a 14.3% chance to advance to the Eastern Conference Finals.

The Celtics, however, jumped out to an early double-digit lead and never looked back in a statement 115-93 Game 3 victory Saturday.

And even with his team still down 2-1, Jaylen Brown has a message to all obituary writers: to hell with those percentages.

"They gotta beat us four times," Brown said after recording 19 points, six rebounds and five assists while logging a team-high +29 in 36 minutes.

"That's what it comes down to. Not twice, not one, not three. Gotta win four games. There's a lot of basketball to be played," he said.

Saturday's Game 3 started the same way as Games 1 and 2. The New York Knicks fell behind by double-digits early and eventually trailed by 20.

The first two games of the series saw the Celtics shoot 25 of 100 (25%) on shots from behind the arc as the Knicks snuck back into the game and stole a win.

In Game 3, the lead ballooned up to 31 instead of going in the other direction. Brown said postgame the differences Saturday were the Celtics exiting halftime with more "urgency," not "settling," and not playing with complacency.



The Celtics' Jaylen Brown, right, and the Knicks' Cameron Payne battle for the ball Saturday during Game 3 of an NBA second-round playoff series at Madison Square Garden in New York. Al Bello/Getty Images/TNS

"Just continue to play basketball all the way through the game. And I think we did that tonight. That's why the result was what it was," said Brown, who shot 2 of 6 from deep Saturday.

The truest answer is the Celtics continued to take a bunch of shots from downtown -- they just went through the net Saturday. In Game 3, Joe Mazzulla team's took the same amount of 3-pointers as they did in Game 2 (40), but managed to convert on 20 of them.

And with a chance to tie the series up at two games on Monday, Brown thinks the Game 3 success serves as a confidence booster. The star also believes there is another level the defending champions can rise to.

"We've got open shots. Shooting with confidence, knocked them down," Brown said. "We got great shooters on this team. Still got to continue to get to the paint, continue to put pressure on the run. And I think we can even shoot the ball even better. We can be more aggressive. As we get more comfortable in the series, hopefully we'll be able to see that."

TIMBERWOLVES 102, WARRIORS 97

Even with Stephen Curry sidelined and Draymond Green in foul trouble, Golden State was ahead by five points in the fourth quarter and felt they had every chance to grab a series lead against Minnesota at home.

Until Anthony Edwards and Julius Randle took over for the Timberwolves in crunch time.

Edwards hit a baseline 3-pointer with 1:19 remaining and scored 36 points, Randle had 24 points, 12 assists and 10 rebounds, and the Wolves beat the Warriors on Saturday night for a 2-1 lead in their second-round playoff series. Jimmy Butler totaled 33 points, seven assists and seven rebounds and Jonathan Kuminga scored 30 off the bench, but the Warriors still lacked the kind of rhythm they have with Curry on the floor.

"Obviously with Steph out there, he demands two to three bodies when he's out there on the floor," Butler said. "When he's not, there's no room for error. You can't make mistakes. You can't turn the ball over. You can't give back all of those things. And then you've got to take the right shots."

Kuminga shot 11 for 18 as the Warriors again mixed and matched while playing without Curry as he nurses a strained left hamstring that he injured early in Game 1 on Tuesday.

Game 4 is tonight at Chase Center.

Warriors coach Steve Kerr stressed his team had to win with defense — and his team couldn't make the key stops down the stretch.

Edwards, who showed no signs of being hampered after spraining his left ankle in the second quarter of Game 2, knocked down a go-ahead 3-pointer with 6:16 remaining, while Jaden McDaniels made another key 3 with 3:20 to play.

THUNDER 92, NUGGETS 87

Shai Gilgeous-Alexander scored 25 points and Oklahoma City finally outplayed Denver in crunch time, beating the Nuggets on Sunday to knot their second-round series at two games apiece.

The Thunder trailed 69-63 after three quarters and fell behind by eight when Peyton Watson started the fourth quarter by swishing a hook shot. But Oklahoma City used an 11-0 run fueled by reserves Cason Wallace, who had a pair of 3-pointers, and Aaron Wiggins, who added another, to take control.

Wallace's second 3-pointer put Oklahoma City ahead for good at 75-73.

The Nuggets had outlasted the youngest team in the NBA with wins in Games 1 and 3, crediting their playoff experience and championship pedigree. And they looked poised to put the top-seeded team in the West on the cusp of elimination when Aaron Gordon's turnaround jumper made it 73-66.

This time, however, it was the Thunder who came up big down the stretch and the Nuggets who fumbled away the chance to put OKC in a 3-1 hole.

Game 5 is Tuesday night back in Oklahoma City, where the Thunder had a 43-point blowout of the Nuggets in Game 2.

NHL

Hurricanes weather Capitals' storm to take series lead

Combined wire services

RALEIGH, N.C. — During the first postseason go-round of what we used to call a Southeast Division Showdown, Alex Ovechkin probably scores twice in the first period Saturday and the Carolina Hurricanes spend Sunday figuring out what went wrong.

But 2025 isn't 2019. There's only so much the Washington Capitals can do now. And when their first-period onslaught was turned entirely away by Frederik Andersen, they were at the mercy of the Hurricanes at their best.

It was the kind of game that can break a team, to play as well as it can and come away with nothing, then end up utterly stomped in a 4-0 loss.

The kind of game that can end a series, mentally if not mathematically.

Don't the Hurricanes know it. They've been on the other side too many times.

There have been times in this series when the Capitals have been the better team, and Saturday's first period was unquestionably one of them, but when the Hurricanes have imposed their will, Washington just can't keep up.

"The perfect example, our first game against those guys, we just kept the pressure on them, and they didn't really have the chance," Hurricanes forward Andrei Svechnikov said. "The first period was OK, and the second and third we played good. That's how we have to play."

What Andersen held together for 20 minutes and Svechnikov got started with a breakthrough goal in the second period, the rest of the Hurricanes finished. And unlike the two closely contested games in Washington, this was a flat-out blowout over the final 40 minutes.

The only question was, really, what took them so long to get in gear? Hurricanes coach Rod Brind'Amour moved some players around — Seth Jarvis up, Jackson Blake down — but it was a group effort, a collective commitment to play the way they play when they're at their best. "Stress," is the world Brind'Amour likes to use, pushing and pressuring until the splitting seams turn into cracks, and the Hurricanes tore the cracks into gashes over the final two periods Saturday.

"That's textbook Hurricanes hockey," Andersen said. "Long shifts in their end, making it tough on them to break out and it's up to the next line to continue to do the same. It's tough to change that momentum when you're in it as the defending team."

There's not much more the Capitals can throw at the Hurricanes than what they did in the first period. It was one shot after another, wave upon wave. The Capitals even had a rare edge in shot attempts in the first period, not something the Hurricanes usually allow.

The Caps' failure to score will surely spawn the same "just asking questions" think pieces about whether their "shot volume approach" works in the playoffs? Right?

Instead, it's the Hurricanes out there sniping goals. Svechnikov outfought John Carlson to turn a faceoff loss into a win, then beat Logan Thompson in a narrow opening short side, blocker side.

Jack Roslovic had time and space to pick his spot on the power play, and did. Eric Robinson looked like Eric Lindros, a freight train swooping in from the wing and going far side over Thompson's blocker, a shot so hard it caromed out as fast as it went in.

GOLDEN KNIGHTS 4, OILERS 3

Reilly Smith scored with 0.4 seconds left on a shot that deflected in off Edmonton forward Leon Draisaitl's stick to give visiting Vegas a stunning 4-3 victory in Game 3 on Saturday night.

Vegas cut Edmonton's lead to 2-1 in the Western Conference semifinal series, avoiding overtime after Oilers star Connor McDavid tied it with 3:02 to go with a centering pass that went in off defender Brayden McNabb's skate.

Smith's shot was going wide until it hit Draisaitl's stick.

"Sometimes you just hope for the best and that one seemed to work out, thankfully I had enough time," Smith said.

It was officially the third latest third-period winning goal in playoff history, at least since the NHL added decimals to the final minute. Nazem Kadri had one with 0.1 seconds left for Colorado in 2020, and Jussi Jokinen scored with 0.2 remaining for Carolina in 2009.

Softball

From B1

Creek, which improves to 8-0 on the season, including 5-0 in the league.

"It just felt like the right pitch at the right time," Williams, a junior shortstop, said. "And I wanted to start well for us in the beginning."

After yielding the run in the top of the first, South Jefferson answered by scoring two runs in the bottom of the inning and three more in the third to build a 5-2 advantage.

The lead held up until the fifth when the Comets struck for seven runs and added three more runs in the sixth to take control.

"Whenever we're down, like there's no way we're going to give up because we can always come back if we're behind," Williams said. "And we're never down in the dugout, we're always up, cheering each other on and stuff."

"We have not been down by that many, but I feel like we battled back and we did everything we needed to do in that moment," Sandy Creek's Mikayla Glazier said.

Sandy Creek generated the seven runs on four hits and three walks, keyed by an RBI single by Glazier, a bases-loaded walk from Peyton Clark, and later a two-out two-run double from Ceanna Reff and then on the very next pitch Emma Euler belted a two-run home run over the center field fence to forge a 9-5 advantage.

"The big inning, we made adjustments," Glazier, a senior first baseman and pitcher, said. "We waited for our pitches and when we got them we hit them and we made the plays we needed to make."

"That's big and you know I always tell the girls that hitting is contagious," coach Soluri said. "Once you have a couple people hit, it tends to get contagious and people build confidence and that's exactly what happened in that inning."

South Jefferson would answer with two runs in the bottom of the inning, but Williams led off the sixth with a walk, Carli Norris reached on an infield single and Glazier followed with a two-run single to left field. Winning pitcher Madden Soluri added an RBI single to center to build a 12-7 advantage.

"It's a really good because we learned how to come back when we got down and sometimes you need to have those kind of wins in order to become a better team," Glazier said. "So I feel like this was a really beneficial win for us."

Soluri came on in relief of Glazier, who started the game, with Soluri pitching 4 1/3 innings, allowing one earned run on two hits while striking out four to record the win.

"She came in and she pitched really well," Glazier said of Soluri. "She came in when I was struggling and our defense was struggling and she made a difference in the circle and I think that helped us."

"Mikayla was doing fine, she was getting ground ball and fly ball outs like she's supposed to," coach Soluri said. "But sometimes you get into a little bit of a bind and you have to switch pitchers to change the momentum and defensively we're also stronger with Mikayla at first (base), she's a little better first baseman.

"So it's a good spot for Madden to be in and there isn't a big difference between the two of them, but I think it was enough to kind of change things up to kind of settle down the defense."

At the plate, Glazier and Norris each singled twice, with Glazier knocking in three runs, Madison Darling doubled and Euler added a single.

But Williams got things started as she belted the ball over the field in center field to lead off the game.

"First pitch, and I told her before she went to bat 'hey, set the tone right now,'" coach Soluri said. "And I can't think of a better way to set the tone with a home run on the first pitch. She is a clutch hitter and defensively there's nothing she won't do. When I talked to the girls when we were down about it's time we start playing for each other and Baylee's the type of kid who plays for the team, she will give everything she has.

"She made that diving catch over there were she got tripped up a little bit and she plays hard no matter what the situation is."

Earlier, South Jefferson scored twice in the bottom of the first as Bryanna Moroughan drew a leadoff walk and scored on a perfect bunt in front of the plate by Remissa Stephens and Emalea Lohrmann hit an RBI single to lead 2-1.

"They always give us a tough game, when we play them they always play their best softball, so we have to play our best softball as well," Glazier said.

After the Comets got a run back on an RBI double from Darling in the top of the third, the Spartans responded by plating three runs in the bottom of the inning, keyed by another run-scoring single from Lohrmann.

"We got off to a great start, we had some energy," South Jefferson coach Steve Randall said. "If we play with that kind of energy, that's probably the only team we lose to all year and we can kind of expect to do well. And then we gave up that tough inning and they're a good team and they're not going to go away. You have to give them credit."

It's been quite a week for Sandy Creek which defeated General Brown in league play and then bested Thousand Islands, 4-1, and edged Cicero-North Syracuse, 4-3, in a pair of nonleague games to set the stage for Saturday.

"Absolutely," coach Soluri said. "We had quite a night Thursday when we played C-NS and came out with a win against them and you always have that fear that like you can't let that be the highlight of your season, and that's a big win for us. I told them when you're going in to play a AAA school that's first in the section and is a power broker, you're not supposed to win, but we came out with a win."

Sandy Creek, which won last year's "C" Division title on the way to winning a Section 3 championship, moved up to play in the "A-B" Division this season and is enjoying the competition.

"I feel like we've been playing some better teams, so we've been getting some better competition, and I think it will only help us as we move forward as we get through into sectionals," Glazier said.

"Absolutely they're trying to build their own identity and they're putting a lot of pressure on themselves to do that," coach Soluri said. "And I have to remind them that like I don't need you to be Julia Hollister, I don't need you to be Scout Preston, I need you to create your own identity within this team. It's a lot of pressure for kids just putting on a Sandy Creek uniform, they respect the program and they want to be a part of it and just putting it on puts pressure on them."

"We want to at least win sectionals and go even further," Williams said.

Meanwhile, South Jefferson (6-6, 6-2) was dealt its second league loss after winning six straight games in the circuit.

Stevens went 3-for-4 on the day, Elizabeth Hobbs singled twice and Moroughan tripled for the Spartans.

Starting pitcher Natalie VanCoughnett, an eighth-grader, took the loss for South Jefferson.

"Our starting pitcher is in eighth grade and you've got to give her some credit," Randall said. "Natalie's great, she's awesome and she's come a long way since her first game and she did good. And it's cyclical, we had Colleen Davis come up through the ranks and she was great for us before she graduated and now we have Natalie. We'll be fine."

The outcome was the first official game on the new turf field as South Jefferson's nonleague game against LaFargeville on Tuesday was called because of rain.

There will be an official ribbon cutting ceremony at the school at 3:15 p.m. on Monday before the Spartans host Indian River while the baseball team hosts General Brown, with both 4:30 starts.

Sandy Creek now has seven league games remaining, including a home game against South Jefferson next Saturday.

"So we had some distractions today with today's prom," coach Soluri said. "We don't like to play on the day of the prom, but the way the spring has been we've got to play when we can play. So it was ugly in places, but there's a whole lot of positive things to focus on, the girls did come together and worked hard and played together and we were able to come out on top.

"So I'm really proud of them and we have to move on from what we didn't like about it and it made us a better team, so we move forward."

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518 STATE ST LLC
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ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF 305CRAFTING LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law
THE UNDERSIGNED, being a natural person of at least eighteen (18) years of age, and acting as the organizer of the limited liability company hereby being formed under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York certifies that:
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I certify that I have read the above statements, I am authorized to sign these Articles of Organization, that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that my signature typed below constitutes my signature.
Lamont E Lane

Public Notice
Town of Rodman will be holding the regular scheduled board meeting on Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at the Rodman Highway Department (20640 County Route 69, Rodman) at 7:00 pm. Order of the Rodman Town Board Jamie Ackley, Rodman Town Clerk

SAINT LAWRENCE COUNTY
NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Notice of Formation of Camp Beaulieu LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/26/2025. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to: James P. Beaulieu, 6314 Ashley St., Felton, CA 95018. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

"SLC TAX SERVICES LLC Art. of Org file with SSNY on 01/23/2025 office: Jefferson County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon who process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 183 Park Ave, Watertown, NY 1360. Purpose: Any lawful Purpose."

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Notice of Formation of SynchWave, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/02/2025. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Anderson Registered Agents F/B/O Synchwave, LLC: 1718 Capital Ave., Cheyenne, WY 82001. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Notice of Formation of Next Era Property Group, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/24/2025. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to The LLC: 497 Water St. North Lawrence, NY 12967. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

WICKED HOOKED CHARTERS LLC
(1) Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State on March 28, 2025, (2) The office of WICKED HOOKED CHARTERS LLC will be within Jefferson County, (3) The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of upon whom process against it may be served with a copy of any process against it at 14199 County Route 75, Adams, NY 13605 (4) the purpose of such limited liability company is any lawful purpose.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE, AND ELECTION
GOUVERNEUR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Gouverneur Central School District, St. Lawrence County, Gouverneur, New York, will be held in the High School Auditorium, in said District at 133 East Barney Street, on May 12, 2025 at 5:30 PM prevailing time, for the presentation of the 2025-2026 budget. The budget will be available for review on May 6, 2025 at the Gouverneur Central School Business Office and each school building office, during regular business hours.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the Gouverneur Central School District of the Town of Gouverneur St. Lawrence County, New York, will be held at the High School Auditorium in said District at 133 East Barney Street, on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 between the hours of 12:00 PM and 8:00 PM, prevailing time, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting by ballot or machine upon the following items:
1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2025-2026 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
2. To elect three (3) members of the Board, for three-year full terms commencing July 1, 2025, and expiring on June 30, 2028, to succeed Dr. William Cartwright, whose term expires on June 30, 2025; Lisa McGregor, whose term expires on June 30, 2025; and to fill a vacant seat.
AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2025-2026, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident of the District during business hours at the District School Buildings on each day other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday during the fourteen days immediately preceding such meeting of voters.
AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Gouverneur District Offices at 133 East Barney Street, not later than Monday, April 21, 2025 by 5:00 PM, prevailing time. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District and shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) voters of the District and must state the name and residence of the candidate. Each vacancy is not a separate specific office.
AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application for absentee ballots will be obtainable between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 PM, prevailing time on Tuesday, May 20, 2025.
AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application for early mail ballots will be obtainable between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Early mail ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 PM, prevailing time on Tuesday, May 20, 2025.
AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at 315-287-4870 (Option 8, 1) or kennedy.tatia@gcsk12.org. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 PM on April
24, 2025. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail.
A list of persons to whom absentee ballots, early mail ballots, and military ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the office of the District Clerk on and after May 15, 2025 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM on weekdays prior to the day set for the annual election and May 20, 2025, the day set for the election. Any qualified voter present in the polling place may object to voting of the ballot upon appropriate grounds for making his/her challenge and the reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of polls.
AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote at said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen years of age or older, and (3) resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days preceding the annual vote and election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law §2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

Tatia Z. Kennedy, District Clerk
March 17, 2025
Gouverneur Central School District
133 East Barney Street
Gouverneur NY 13642

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF LEWIS NOTICE OF SALE
Index No.: EFCA2024-000259
COMMUNITY BANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
-against-

NS ESTATES LLC, TYLER F. WEESE, and JOHN and/or JANE DOE (such designation intending to refer to any and all other individuals occupying the subject premises and/or claiming any interest whatsoever in such premises),
Defendants.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated March 26, 2025 and entered in the Lewis County Clerk's Office on March 26, 2025 (the "Judgment"), I, the undersigned Referee, duly appointed in this action for such purpose, will expose for sale and sell to the highest bidder the property located at 9861 State Route 12, Copenhagen, New York 13626 (SBL: 123.15-05-09.100) (the "Mortgaged Premises").
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the sale of the Mortgaged Premises will be conducted by public auction on the front lawn of the Mortgaged Premises, located at 9861 State Route 12, Copenhagen, New York 1362 on **June 9, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.**, as directed in and by said Judgment. The approximate amount of the Judgment is $216,929.46, plus interest and costs. Interested parties may contact Peter M. Damin, Esq. at (518) 433-8800.
Dated: May 6, 2025
Victoria Collins, Esq., Referee

SCHEDULE A
ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, situate in the Village of Copenhagen, County of Lewis and State of New York, being part of Lot No. 13 of the subdivision of the Town of Denmark and bounded as follows:
Beginning at a point in the center line of Main Street at the intersection of the center line of River Street and running thence S.38°45'W. 149.96' along the center line of River Street to a point; thence S.51° 00' E. 101.50' to a point; thence N. 42° 26' 40" E. 25.00' to a point; thence N. 51' 00" W. 23.50' to a point; thence N. 42° 26' 40" E. 119.45' to a point in the center line of Main Street; thence N. 47° 12' 48" W. 87.11' along the center line of Main Street to the point and place of beginning.
ALSO, ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, situate in the Town of Denmark, Village of Copenhagen, County of Lewis, and State of New York, as more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point in the centerline of River Street at the southwest corner of lands now or formerly of Richard A. and Mary S. Chase as recorded in the Lewis County Clerk's Office in Book 464 of Deeds at Page 73; which point is southwesterly 149.96 feet as measured along the centerline of River Street from the intersection with the centerline of Main Street and running;
1) Thence, S. 51' 00' E., 78.00 feet along the southwest line of said Chase to a point;
2) Thence, S. 39' 00' W„ 20.00 feet along a line parallel to the centerline of River Street to a point;
3) Thence, N. 51 ° 00' W., 78.00 feet along a line parallel to the southwest line of said Chase to a point in the centerline of River Street;
4) Thence. N. 39' 00' E., 20.00 feet along the centerline of River Street to the point and place of beginning containing 0.036 acre of land.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS, BID#25-21
JEFFERSON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT,
195 ARSENAL STREET, WATERTOWN, NEW YORK
13601-2565 (315)785-3077
Pursuant to the provisions of Section 103 of the General Municipal Law, State of New York, the following sealed bids must be received in the Jefferson County Purchasing Department Portal by Thursday, May 29, 2025, at 2:30PM EST for BID#25-21, Window Glass Replacement for Jefferson County. Vendors who wish to view the complete bid package may log into Jefferson County's online vendor portal at https://vendors.planetbids.com/portal/69610/portal-home.
Vendors may email bids@jeffersoncountyny.gov for additional details and instructions when accessing the vendor portal. The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
REQUEST FOR VARIANCES OF THE
ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN
Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City of Watertown, New York will meet on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers on the third floor of City Hall for the purpose of hearing four variance requests.
Variance Request #603 is for the property located at 1283 Arsenal Street, being Parcel Number 9-22-101.111, submitted by Serianni Signs, for an increase in the allowed sign surface area. Variance Request #604 is for the property located at 510 Curtis Street, Parcel Number 2-03-208.000, submitted by Aladin Umar, to allow a three-unit dwelling in a Residential District. Variance Requests #605 and #606 are for lands that currently comprise 229 Massey Street North, Parcel Number 7-06-119.100; 319 Coffeen Street, Parcel Number 7-06-118.000; 327 Coffeen Street, Parcel Number 7-06-117.000; and a section of 203 Massey Street North, Parcel Number 7-06-101.000, submitted by Charles Marshal of Stewart's Shops Corp. Variance Request #605 is to increase the maximum unbuilt frontage and Variance Request #606 is to decrease the required ground floor, front façade transparency. All hearings may be adjourned if necessary.
The meeting is open to the public. Copies of the above requests are available for public inspection by contacting the Planning Department at (315) 785-7741 or by email at planning@watertown-ny.gov.
Geoffrey Urda, Senior Planner

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HORSE RACING

Alvarado fined, suspended for whipping Sovereignty

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LEXINGTON, Ky. — Jockey Junior Alvarado has been fined and suspended for whipping Sovereignty too many times during his Kentucky Derby-winning ride last Saturday at Churchill Downs.

The Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority on Friday ordered Alvarado to pay a $62,000 fine and suspended him for two Kentucky racing days, May 29 and May 30.

A hearing with racing stewards was held Thursday, and Alvarado was found to have used his crop on Sovereignty eight times during the race, according to HISA documents. It was his second offense in 180 days, according to the ruling.

Alvarado has 10 days to appeal, and BloodHorse reported that his agent, Mike Sellitto, said he is appealing.

HISA rules allow jockeys to strike their mounts no more than six times on the hindquarters, according to BloodHorse.

The Courier Journal reported that Alvarado told columnist C.L. Brown he was not thinking about how many times he was hitting Sovereignty during the race and said he "forgot it was a rule."

"I was seeing my dream coming true right in front of me. The whip rule was the last thing I had in my mind," Alvarado said during Brown's podcast. "I have to pay the consequences, I guess."



Sovereignty, with jockey Junior Alvarado aboard, wins the 151st running of the Kentucky Derby on May 3 at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Ky.

Ryan C. Hermens/Lexington Herald-Leader/TNS

HISA records indicate Alvarado has been sanctioned at least seven times previously for his use of the crop, most recently in December, when he was fined $1,500 — the largest fine he had been ordered to pay thus far — for an incident at Churchill Downs.

Jockeys who violate the crop rule by one to three strikes over the limit are fined $250 or 10% of the jockey's purse earnings, whichever is greater, according to the Paulick Report.

Alvarado's portion of the Kentucky Derby purse was $310,000, and the fine was doubled to 20% because it was a second offense, for a total of $62,000, according to the racing publication.

Sovereignty will skip the Preakness and is expected to race again June 7 in the Belmont Stakes at Saratoga Race Course.

PIMLICO RACE COURSE TO BE REBUILT

A Maryland board approved a $14.3 million contract earlier in the week to begin the demolition and rebuilding of Baltimore's storied but antiquated Pimlico Race Course, home to the second jewel of the Triple Crown, the Preakness Stakes.

The vote by the three-member Board of Public Works, which includes Gov. Wes Moore, was made 10 days before the 150th Preakness Stakes, which is scheduled for May 17. It will be the last time the annual horse race will be held with the existing structures in place before the track is rebuilt on the same site. The demolition will begin shortly after this year's race.

"There cannot be a better time to announce the beginning of a transformation that will allow Pimlico to become a year-round hub for economic activity within the Park Heights community," Moore said of the Baltimore neighborhood and longtime home of the race.

An artist's rendering shows an aerial view of the proposed plan to rebuild Baltimore's Pimlico Race Course, home to the Preakness Stakes. Ayers Saint Gross and Populous/Maryland's Governor Office via AP

Under the plan, the Preakness will take place in Laurel Park, located just southwest of Baltimore, in 2026 while the new facility is built, before returning to Pimlico in time for the 2027 race.

Craig Thompson, the chair of the Maryland Stadium Authority which is overseeing the design of the new track, said the plan is to make Pimlico the home of Maryland thoroughbred racing. The track will go from hosting about 15 races a year to well over 100, Thompson said.

"This is more than just about a racetrack, as historic and important as it is," Thompson said. "This is about bringing hundreds of millions of dollars in state investments to Park Heights."

Thompson also shared a preview of the design plans. They include a new clubhouse with architecture inspired by the Rawlings Conservatory in Baltimore's Druid Hill park and the original Pimlico Clubhouse, which included a colonnade and rooftop balconies, Thompson said.

Last year, the board approved a deal to transfer ownership of Pimlico from The Stronach Group to the State of Maryland in order to ensure the Preakness remains in Baltimore.

The state has been wrestling with what to do to restore the old racetrack for decades. Aptly nicknamed Old Hilltop, the track opened in 1870. It's where Man o' War, Seabiscuit, Secretariat and many others pranced to the winner's circle.

But its age has long been a concern. In 2019, the Maryland Jockey Club closed off nearly 7,000 grandstand seats, citing the "safety and security of all guests and employees."

The horse racing industry and other equine industries have been a cornerstone of Maryland agriculture, as well as an integral part of preserving green space.

High

From B1

SOUTH JEFFERSON 19, CANANDAIGUA 2

Amalia Netto totaled 12 points, including supplying eight goals, as the Spartans cruised to victory against the Gray Wolves of Section 5 to prevail in a nonleague game in Adams on Saturday.

Alianna West generated three goals and an assist and Lily Morrison scored three goals for South Jefferson (11-1), which built a 12-1 lead through the first half.

Emma Kelley contributed two goals and an assist, Lydia Tremont tallied a goal and two assists and Chloe Elmer won 21 draw controls for the Spartans.

INDIAN RIVER 18, SYRACUSE CITY 9

Kallie Delles generated nine goals to power the Wolves past the Syracuse City to win a nonleague game in Philadelphia on Saturday.

Allison LaMora supplied five goals and three assists for Indian River (7-6) and Keera LaLonde contributed a goal and four assists.

Brylee Amato tallied two goals and an assist for the Wolves and Lillian Walsh chipped in with a goal and an assist and won a team-high six draw controls.

Alayna Wood scored four goals to lead Syracuse City (4-8).

CAZENOVIA 10, GENERAL BROWN 9

Charlie Prior scored four goals and assisted on another and goalie Gwen Livingston made six saves to record the win as the Lakers (9-5) edged the Lions (7-6) in a nonleague game in Dexter on Saturday.

PLATTSBURGH 9, OFA 8

Plattsburgh edged the Blue Devils to win a nonleague game in Plattsburgh on Saturday.

Mia Jenault recorded her 100th career point for Ogdensburg Free Academy.

In NAC play, Salmon River defeated Potsdam, 12-7.

BOYS LACROSSE

OFA 15, PLATTSBURGH 3

Aiden O'Neil totaled four goals and four assists and Tegan Frederick generated four goals and three assists as the Blue Devils cruised to victory against Plattsburgh to win a nonleague game in Ogdensburg.

Goalie Jackson Thornhill made four saves to post the win for Ogdensburg Free Academy.

Layden Delaronde made 17 stops for Plattsburgh.

In NAC play, Potsdam defeated Salmon River, 16-5.

LOWVILLE 12, INDIAN RIVER 7

Carson Kempney totaled eight points, including supplying five goals, and Will Vokey scored four goals and assisted on two others to propel the Red Raiders past the Wolves in a nonleague game in Philadelphia on Saturday.

Owen Marcolini contributed a goal and three assists for Lowville (10-2) and goalie Charlie Vonwal made 12 saves to post the win.

Jack Countryman produced four goals for Indian River (5-8) and goalie Aaron Russell finished with 16 saves.

GENERAL BROWN 12, CAZENOVIA 7

Dom Wisner generated six goals and assisted on another to spark the Lions past the Lakers to prevail in a nonleague game in Dexter on Saturday.

Cam Thomas scored three goals and recorded a pair of assists for General Brown (7-5) and Luke Dupee contributed a goal and four assists.

Goalie Dash Pauly made 12 saves to register the win for the Lions and Dawson Foley chipped in with a goal and an assist.

Owen Porter scored three goals for Cazenovia (6-4) and Paul Mitchell tallied two goals and an assist.

THOUSAND ISLANDS 16, UTICA PROCTOR 5

Luca Beattie generated two goals and four assists and Thomas Bernhardt supplied three goals and two assists as the Vikings routed the Raiders to win a nonleague encounter in Clayton on Saturday.

Nolan Doxtater contributed four goals and an assist, Colin Huizanga contributed two goals and two assists and Spencer Jenis tallied a goal and an assist for Thousand Islands (5-7).

Goalie Colton Lindsay made 12 saves to register the win for the Vikings against Utica Proctor (0-11).

AUBURN 14, CARTHAGE 4

Matthew Smith scored four goals and assisted on two others and Aiden Musso tallied three goals and an assist to spark the Maroons past the Comets in a nonleague game in Auburn on Saturday.

Sam Coleman supplied three goals and goalie Kyle Driscoll made 11 stops to post the win for Auburn (8-5) against Carthage (4-8).

HORSEHEADS 14, SOUTH JEFFERSON 0

The Blue Raiders of Section 4 blanked the Spartans (4-8) to prevail in nonleague game held at Dryden High School on Saturday.

ST. LAWRENCE CENTRAL 15, MALONE 3

The Larries downed the Huskies to prevail in a Northern Athletic Conference game played in Malone on Saturday.

Josh Allen reached the 100-point career point plateau for St. Lawrence Central.

Also in the NAC, OFA topped Potsdam, 15-7, and Canton defeated Saranac Lake Placid, 12-2, in nonleague play.

BASEBALL

CARTHAGE 7, GENERAL BROWN 4

Ethan Moser went 3-for-4, drove in a run and scored two runs to help spark the Comets to a victory against the Lions in a Frontier League "A-B" Division game in Carthage.

Kaden Sech went 2-for-2, drove in two runs and scored a run for the Comets (4-6, 2-4).

Bryce Fordemwalt doubled for Carthage, Greg Rogers singled and knocked in two runs and Isaac Kuhn singled and drove in a run.

Winning pitcher Ian Mono and Kodi Kolk combined on a four-hitter for Carthage, with Mono yielding three runs on two hits and six walks while striking out four in 2 1/3 innings of work.

Benjamin Clement singled twice and drove in two runs for the Lions (2-8, 1-5), Jackson Keefer singled and collected an RBI and Brady Black doubled.

ALEXANDRIA 17, LAFARGEVILLE 4 (5)

Brayton Bradley tossed a two-hitter, allowing four earned runs on seven walks while striking out 11 to back the Purple Ghosts to victory against the Red Knights in a "C-D" Division game played in LaFargeville.

Troy Newberry went 3-for-3, including a double, and drove in a run for Alexandria (7-3, 5-2) while Evan Sanford, Mason Savage and Bradley each doubled and singled, with Sanford knocking in a pair of runs in a game shortened to five innings because of a mercy rule.

THOUSAND ISLANDS 15, SACKETS HARBOR 8

Cole Bryant went 3-for-4, including a double, drove in four runs and scored a pair of runs to help propel the Vikings past the Patriots to win a "C-D" Division game played in Sackets Harbor.

Ty Peters and winning pitcher Grady Swenson each went 2-for-3, with Peters driving in a pair of runs, Cade Bryant doubled and singled and Parker Mason singled twice to help pace a 12-hit attack by Thousand Islands (5-3, 5-1).

Swenson pitched four innings, allowing one earned runs on no hits and seven walks while striking out 12 to record the win, with Bryant pitching the last two innings.

Ethan Tracy went 2-for-3, including a triple, and scored two runs to lead Sackets Harbor (5-3, 2-2) and Will Virkler and Connor Brown each singled and drove in two runs.

LOWVILLE 5, BEAVER RIVER 4

Brothers Devin and Dominic Swiernik combined on a five-hitter as the Red Raiders edged the Beavers on Saturday to win a Frontier League "A-B" Division game.

Devin Swiernik pitched six innings, allowing four runs, with two of them earned, on five hits while walking none and striking out five to register the win for Lowville (7-4, 4-3).

Dominic Swiernik pitched a scoreless seventh inning, striking out one in recording the save.

Isaiah Spence singled twice and drove in a run for the Red Raiders and Brycen Villiere singled and drove in a pair of runs, while Dominic Swiernik singled and knocked in a run.

Chris Evan tripled, singled, drove in a run and scored a pair of runs for Beaver River (9-2, 5-2) and Karter Kloster tripled.

After Beaver River scored one run in the first inning and two in the fourth to build a 2-1 lead, Lowville answered by plating four runs in the bottom of the inning to take the lead for good.

INDIAN RIVER 2, WATERTOWN 1

Chace Bearup pitched a complete game to out duel Eddie Hayden as the Wolves edged the Cyclones to win an "A-B" Division game played in Philadelphia on Saturday.

Bearup allowed one run on five hits and two walks while striking out 12 to post the win for Indian River (3-3).

Meanwhile Hayden fired a two-hitter, yielding one earned run while striking out 11 and walking three in taking the loss for Watertown (4-7, 4-4).

Five different players singled for the Cyclones, who scored a run in the top of the fifth.

But the Wolves answered by scoring a pair of runs in the bottom of the inning to take the lead.

ALEXANDRIA 7, LYME 6

Christpher Gibbs went 2-for-3, including doubling twice, and scored two runs to help spark the Purple Ghosts past the Lakers to win a "C-D" Division game in Alexandria Bay on Saturday.

Evan Sanford and Troy Newberry each hit a pair of singles and both drove in a run for Alexandria (8-3, 6-2).

Kalman Trickey pitched a complete game, allowing six runs, with three of them earned, on six hits and two walks while striking out six against Lyme (2-5, 1-4).

SACKETS HARBOR 15, BELLEVILLE HENDERSON 14

Connor Brown singled twice and drove in five runs as the Patriots outlasted the Panthers to prevail in a "C_D" Division game in Sackets Harbor on Saturday.

Ethan Shi went 2-for-3, including a double and drove in three runs and Jake Peters doubled, knocked in three runs and scored three runs for Sackets Harbor (6-3, 3-2).

Also for the Patriots, Christian McKeever and Damon Serow each singled twice and drove in a run, with McKeever scoring four runs against Belleville Henderson (1-5, 1-4).

CAMDEN 2, SOUTH JEFFERSON 1

The Blue Devils edged the Spartans to prevail in the title game of the Camden Tournament on Saturday.

Caden Grygiel went 2-for-2, drove in a run and scored a run to pace Camden (8-7).

Russell Hazard singled twice to lead South Jefferson (6-7).

SOUTH JEFFERSON 10, PHOENIX 4

Nate Matteson went 4-for-4, including hitting three doubles, and scored a pair of runs to propel the Spartans past the Firebirds to win a semifinal in the Camden Tournament on Saturday.

Ryker Pennock doubled, singled and drove in three runs for South Jefferson and Xavier Monroe doubled, singled and knocked in a run.

Also for the Spartans, Billy Winchester singled and drove in a pair of runs and Conner Mothersell singled and collected an RBI.

Pennock pitched a complete game, allowing three earned runs on 11 hits and two walks while striking out three.

In the Jim Pinkerton Memorial Tournament at Ogdensburg Free Academy, Mechanicville defeated Canton, 9-2, in the title game and Beekmantown topped OFA, 5-2 in the consolation game.

In the semifinals earlier in the day, Canton downed OFA, 8-6, and Mechanicville downed Beekmantown, 4-2.

SOFTBALL

GENERAL BROWN 9, WATERTOWN 4 (5)

Raegan Sharp went 2-for-2, including a double, drove in a run and scored two runs to help pace the Lions past the Cyclones to win a Frontier League "A-B" Division game in Glen Park.

Winning pitcher Raegan Burgenstock scattered seven hits and two walks in allowing three earned runs while striking out eight for General Brown (6-7, 4-3).

Leah Chisamore drove in two runs and scored a run for the Lions against Watertown (0-9, 0-8).

CARTHAGE 17, INDIAN RIVER 11

The Comets (3-8, 2-4) topped the Wolves to prevail in an "A-B" Division game played in Philadelphia.

Amiah Hicks went 4-for-4 and scored two runs for Indian River (4-6, 3-4) and Peyton Stinson singled three times and drove in a run.

LOWVILLE 4, BEAVER RIVER 2

Samantha Jock spun a two-hitter while striking out 13 and walking three to register the win as the Red Raiders downed the Beavers to win a nonleague game in Indian River's Spring Fling played in Lowville on Saturday.

Anna King went 2-for-2, drove in two runs and recorded a stolen base for Lowville (6-3).

The Red Raiders scored single runs in the first, fourth, fifth and sixth innings to prevail.

Mayliana Gerow totaled both hits for Beaver River (8-1).

SACKETS HARBOR 11, LAFARGEVILLE 8

Lily Green, Paige Resto and Emily Young each went 2-for-2 and drove in a run while scoring two runs each to pace the Patriots past the Red Knights to win a nonleague game played in Alexandria Bay on Saturday.

Winning pitcher Myah Matice singled, drove in a run and scored three runs for Sackets Harbor (6-3) against LaFargeville (2-6).

ALEXANDRIA 8, LAFARGEVILLE 7

The Purple Ghosts (7-2) edged the Red Knights (2-6) to prevail in a nonleague game played in Alexandria Bay on Saturday.

ALEXANDRIA 20, LYME 4

The host Purple Ghosts (8-2, 4-2) cruised to victory against the Lakers (0-7, 0-5) to win a "C-D" Division encounter on Saturday.

GOUVERNEUR 7, INDIAN RIVER 4

The Wildcats topped the Wolves to win a nonleague game in Indian River's Spring Fling played in Lowville on Saturday.

Peyton Stinson went 3-for-4, including a double, for Indian River (4-7) and pitcher Alanna Langdon pitched a complete game allowing one earned run on seven hits and four walks while totaling 13 strikeouts.

In NAC East Division play, Madrid-Waddington swept a doubleheader with Chateaugay by scores of 9-4 and 8-4.

Outings with older sister reveal ominous signs

DEAR ABBY
JEANNE PHILLIPS



Dear Abby,

My oldest sister has it in her head that since she's home all week, she needs to go out every Sunday. She started calling me every Saturday to invite me to accompany her, which I did a few times. In doing so, I realized she has mobility issues and the beginnings of dementia. She wants to go to these certain places where we would always go. Other friends and family members used to accompany her, but no longer do for liability reasons. Hence the reason she turned to me. Apparently, she refuses to accept her limitations.

My sister should use a walker and no longer be driving but does both. I am afraid and concerned. She keeps calling me every weekend, and I've already run out of excuses. I feel terrible about this and don't know how to handle the situation. I desperately need some advice. She obviously doesn't get the hints.

Desperate sis in California

Stop hinting. Talk to your other relatives about what to do if, as your sister's dementia increases, someone has to take her car away. That she wants to get out of the house on weekends isn't surprising, considering the fact that she's cooped up there all week. Contact your nearest senior center and inquire about supervised activities for seniors and transportation options for people with disabilities.

Folks with memory issues also have been known to get on the highway intending to drive to Sacramento only to wind up in San Diego because they lost their sense of direction or misremembered their destination. If necessary, because your sister could be a danger to herself and others on the road, send a letter to the DMV.

Dear Abby,

My best friend "Troy" and I hang out all the time. We do everything together, and people often mistake us for a couple. Troy wouldn't correct people until I said something, but since then, I noticed how it started feeling more like a relationship. We don't hold hands or kiss, but he asks me what I'm doing, who I'm with and things like that when he's not around.

Every time we're on the phone we say "I love you" to each other before hanging up. I have feelings for him. He says he doesn't have the same for me, but he's the one who is making it feel like it's a relationship. I have asked him to stop because it's confusing, but it only lasts for a little bit before we are right back to it. I can't tell if he wants a relationship but just not with me, or if he doesn't know for sure how he feels about me. What can I do about this? Can you help?

Mixed up in Montana

You have made clear that you want a relationship with Troy. He has stated plainly that he doesn't have romantic feelings for you. True, he enjoys your company and tells you he loves you, but he doesn't hold hands or kiss you. Most importantly, he DOESN'T say he is IN love with you. Unfortunately, there is nothing you can do about this. If you are looking for a boyfriend, Troy is not it. You appear to be firmly in the friend zone. You have my sympathy.

Goren bridge

WITH BOB JONES

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WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ ANSWERS

Q 1 - Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ 4 ♡ Q 10 9 7 4 ◇ J 7 ♣ K J 9 6 5

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
2◇	Pass	?	

What call would you make?

A - Your choices are 2S, 2H, or pass. 2H, in our opinion, has the best chance to lead to a decent result. Bid 2H.

Q 2 - North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ 7 5 ♡ A K Q 10 ◇ A Q 4 2 ♣ 8 5 3

As dealer, what call would you make?

A - Some might open 1D because of the 2 unstopped suits. They will never be able to show a balanced 15-17. Open 1NT.

Q 3 - East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A 7 5 3 2 ♡ K J 9 3 ◇ A 9 4 ♣ 6

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
2◇	Pass	?	

What call would you make?

A - Partner is a passed hand, so game chances are remote. Pull the plug right now and pass.

Q 4 - Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ J 8 ♡ K 5 3 ◇ K 8 6 ♣ A Q J 6 4

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♣	Pass	1♡	Pass
?			

What call would you make?

A - The jack of spades makes it very close between a 1NT rebid and 2H. We prefer the raise. Bid 2H.

Q 5 - North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ Q 10 8 6 5 ♡ J 7 6 ◇ Void ♣ A K 8 7 5

Partner opens 1S and right-hand opponent bids 5D. What call would you make?

A - We think this hand is too good for 5S. Is it good enough for 6D, a grand slam try? Maybe not, but that's what we would bid. Bid 6D.

Q 6 - East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A J ♡ Q 10 9 6 4 ◇ A 8 5 ♣ A 7 5

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1NT	2♠	Dbl	Pass
?			

What call would you make?

A - In Charles Goren's day, this double was purely for penalties. In the modern style, it shows values and is take-out in nature. You need your own spade stack to pass. This hand is an easy 3H bid.

(Bob Jones welcomes readers' responses sent in care of this newspaper or to Tribune Content Agency, LLC., 16650 Westgrove Dr., Suite 175, Addison, TX 75001.)

RECIPE

SIMPLE SPARE RIBS TO SATISFY YOUR CRAVING FOR BARBECUE

The aroma of barbecue is hard to resist and the flavor is even better.

Barbecue is an art form, as that enticing aroma and undeniable flavor is truly a labor of love. But even novices can try their hands at barbecue and end up with delicious results. For those who want to craft their own barbecue concoctions, this recipe for "Barbecue Spare Ribs" from Lines+Angles is easily followed, and the finished product is undeniably flavorful.



BARBECUE SPARE RIBS

Makes 6 servings

- 2 tablespoons paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 2 tablespoons garlic powder
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground black peppercorns
- 6 lbs. spare ribs, racks cleaned and trimmed
- 13 ounces barbecue sauce, low sugar, if possible
- 1 ounce flat-leaf parsley, torn

1. Stir together the paprika, cayenne, garlic powder, salt, and pepper in a mixing bowl.

2. Thoroughly rub the spice mix into the rib racks. Place in a shallow dish, cover and chill for at least 8 hours.

3. After chilling, remove the ribs from the fridge. Preheat a gas or charcoal grill to about 300 F.

4. Cook the ribs on the grill, covered with a lid, until the meat is tender and pulls away from the bone, about 2 hours.

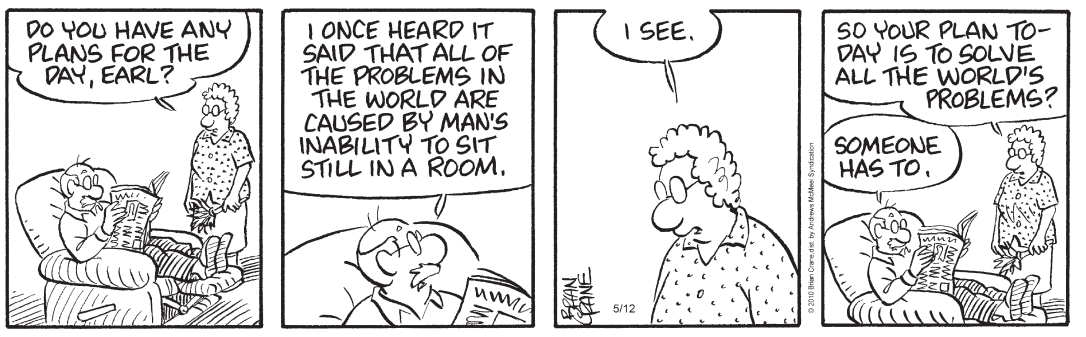
5. As the ribs cook, periodically brush them with some barbecue sauce, reserving any unused sauce.

6. When ready, remove the ribs from the grill and let them rest under aluminum foil for at least 10 minutes.

7. After resting, brush the ribs with any reserved barbecue sauce before cutting and serving with a garnish of parsley.

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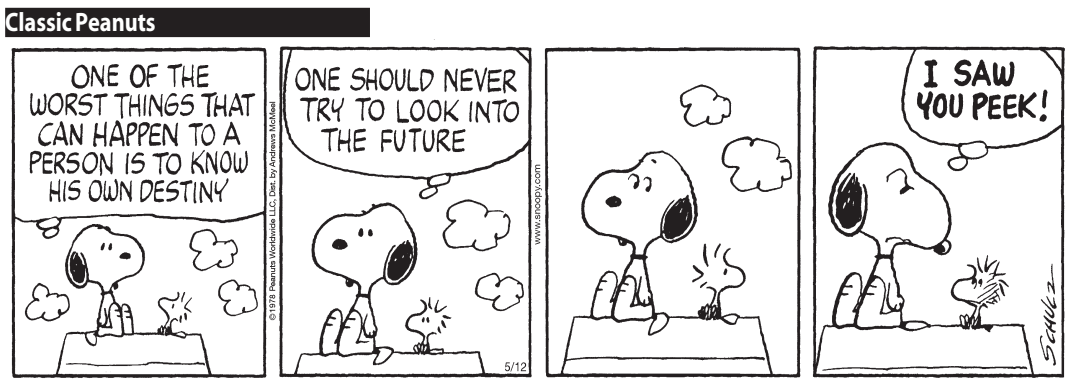
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Pearls Before Swine



Classic Peanuts



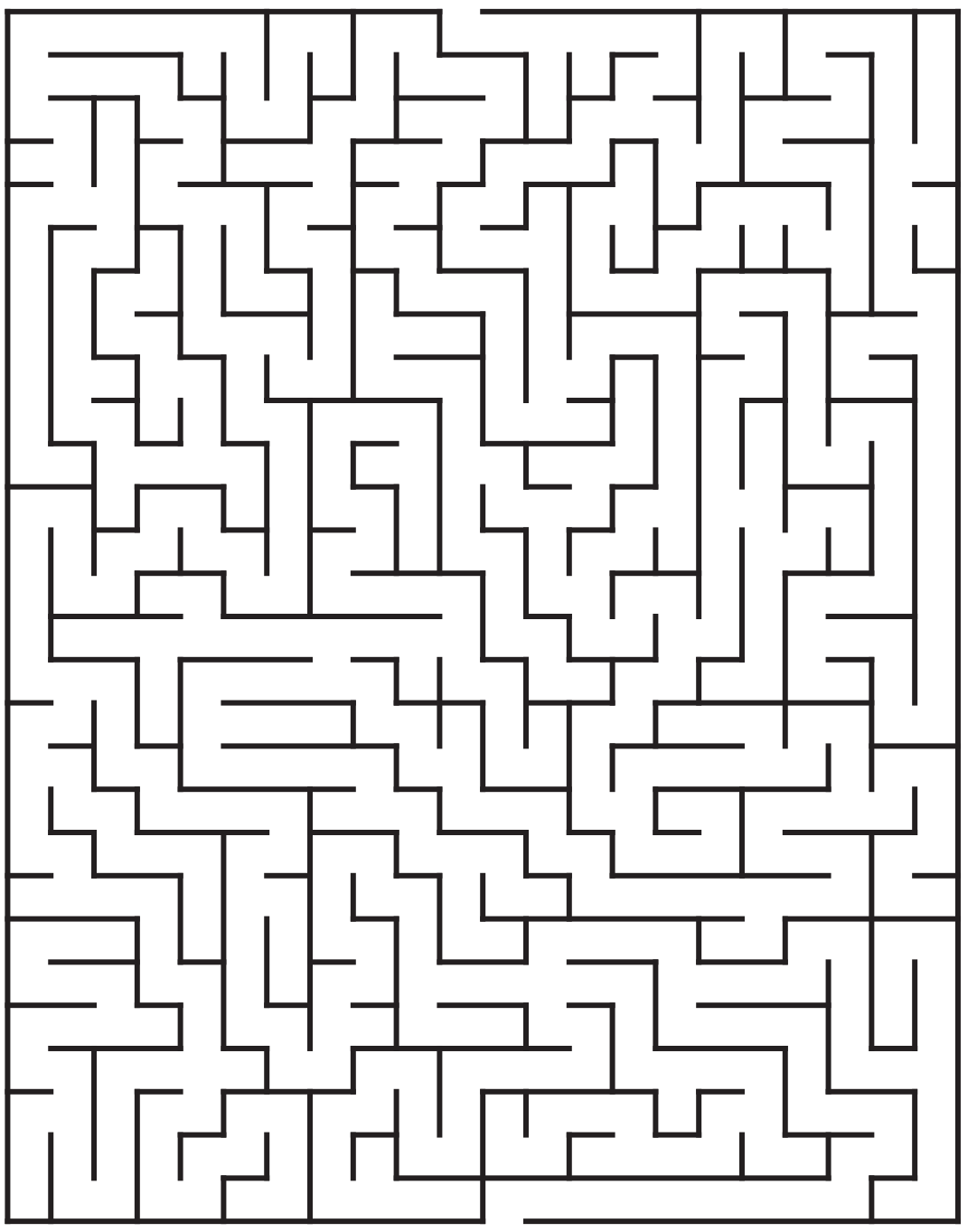
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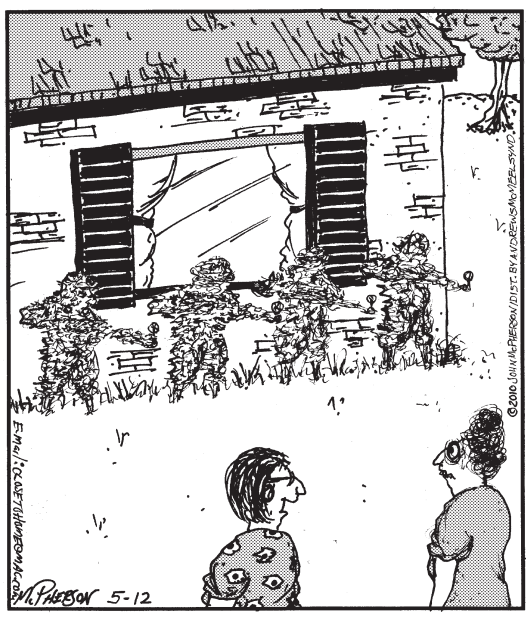


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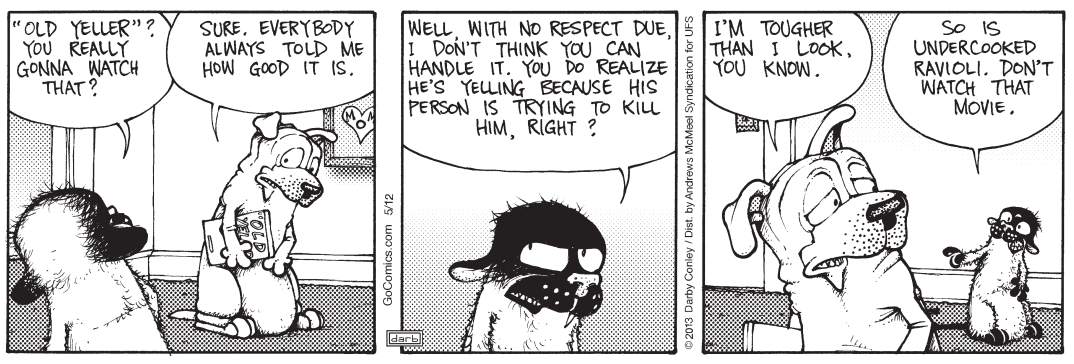
"Dan sculpted the shrubs to look like hunters to keep the deer from eating them."

Non Sequitor



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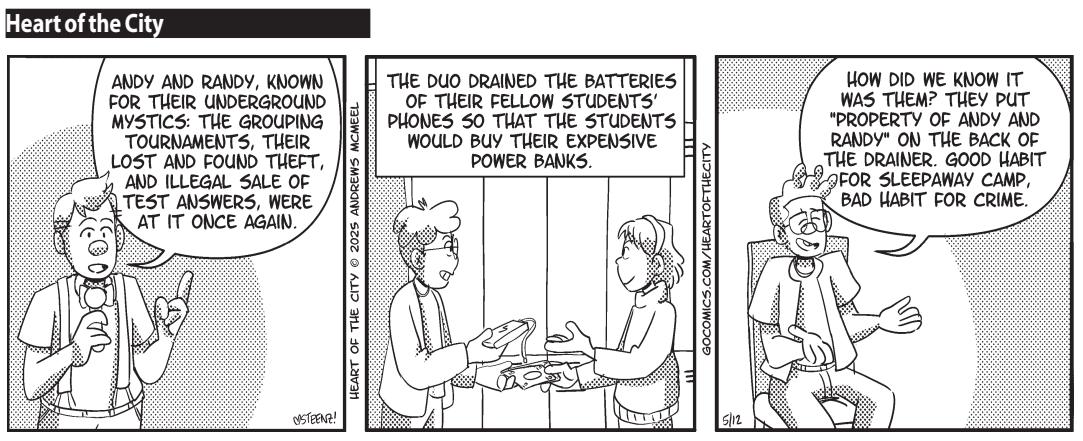
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Baby Blues



Mother Goose and Grimm



Lockhorns



"I FEEL GUILTY ABOUT RELEASING HIM BACK INTO THE WILD."

SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mepham Group

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Solution to Friday's puzzle

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

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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	7	4	9	5				2

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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

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

JUMBLE®

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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WHAT KIND OF DOG LOVES TO TAKE A BATH?

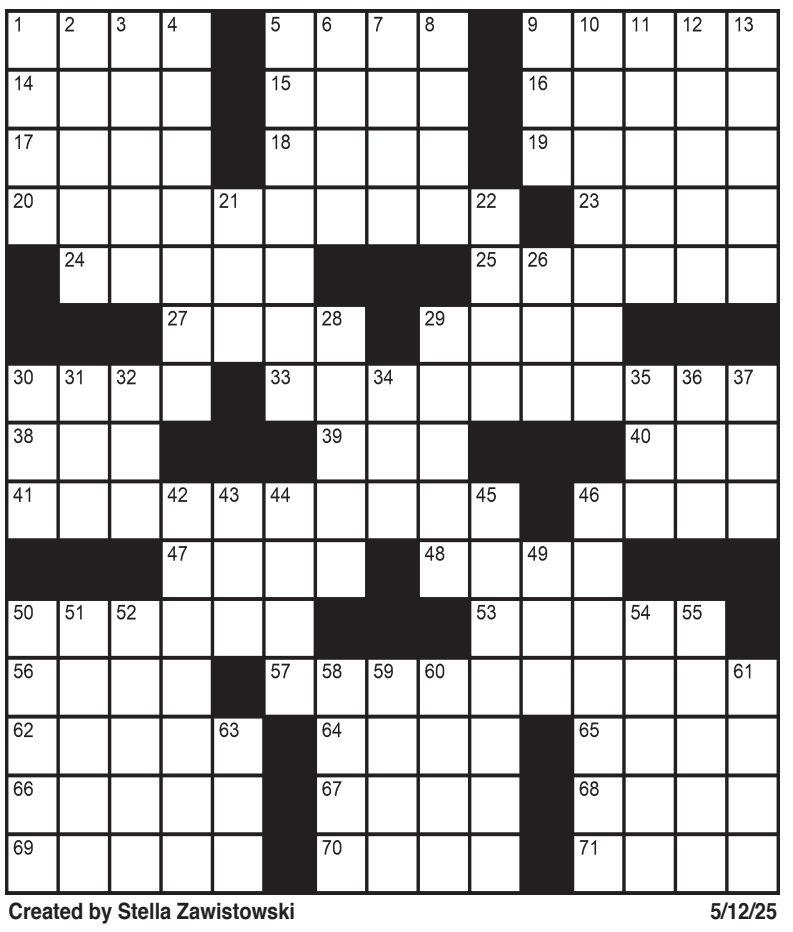
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A " ○○○○○○○○○○○○ "

Friday's answers

Jumbles: CEASE THEFT GUITAR SLOWLY
Answer: She was struggling with her golf game but was determined to — STAY THE COURSE

Crossword Puzzle



Created by Stella Zawistowski 5/12/25

ACROSS

1 Raced
5 Gross and off-putting
9 Baby bird
14 The Golden State, for short
15 All or __
16 Family car style
17 Draft animals
18 Part of a dog that wags
19 Cultural group
20 Cabernet container: 2 wds.
23 Only
24 Caesar's language
25 Unifying ideas
27 __ the line (obeys)
29 Astronomer Sagan
30 Superhero's garment
33 Baseball lovers, e.g.: 2 wds.
38 Sphere
39 Flightless bird
40 Regret
41 Said mean things about
46 Inclined
47 Lion's sound
48 Rip
50 Impertinent
53 Flies like a hummingbird
56 Miami NBA team
57 Traffic signals
62 Santa's helpers
64 Square footage
65 "__ we go again!"
66 Amazon voice assistant
67 Actor Damon
68 Fir or pine
69 Fence parts
70 "Anybody __?"
71 Does embroidery

DOWN

1 Flat-bottomed boat
2 Antidepressant brand
3 SCOTUS justice Kagan
4 Nook for eating
5 Chants
6 Winter outerwear
7 Make a scarf
8 Shout
9 Chicago clock setting: Abbr.
10 Reflexive pronoun
11 Figurative expression
12 Computer cord
13 Leg joints
21 Book jacket info
22 Coup d'__
26 60-minute periods: Abbr.
28 Piece of asparagus
29 Oil holder
30 Fish and chips fish
31 Director Aster
32 "Masterpiece" channel
34 "Wow!": Abbr.
35 "What __ the odds?"
36 Convent resident
37 Harden
42 False reason
43 Just peachy
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MLB ROUNDUP

Lindor powers Mets past Cubs to secure series

Combined wire services

NEW YORK — Francisco Lindor hit a go-ahead homer to start a four-run eighth inning and the New York Mets beat the Chicago Cubs 6-2 on Sunday to avoid losing their second home series this season.

Lindor snapped a 2-2 tie against Porter Hodge (2-1) by getting ahead in the count and lifting a full count sweeper over the right-center field fence. Lindor connected after hitting the same pitch for a double play in the ninth inning against Hodge in Saturday's 6-5 loss.

Mark Vientos homered off Chicago starter Matthew Boyd to give the Mets the lead in the sixth and added an RBI single in the eighth. Brandon Nimmo padded the lead with a two-run homer off Gavin Hollowell.

The big inning gave the Mets a 15-4 home record and their eighth series win at Citi Field so far.

Luis Torrens had an RBI triple in the second and exited in the sixth after getting hit below the belt by a Kyle Tucker foul ball.

Former Mets' first-round pick Pete Crow-Armstrong homered off Griffin Canning in the sixth and Nico Hoerner hit a tying double in the seventh as the Cubs lost for the fourth time in five games.

Key moment

Ryne Stanek (1-3) struck out Crow-Armstrong for the second out of a scoreless eighth to earn the win and set up the big bottom half. Into the seventh, Garrett kept the game tied by retiring Dansby Swanson and Justin Turner for the final two outs.

DODGERS 8, DIAMONDBACKS 1

Tony Gonsolin pitched five scoreless innings and Freddie Freeman homered on a 4-for-4 day to lead Los Angeles to a victory at Arizona.

Mookie Betts also went deep for the Dodgers, who had 18 hits and salvaged a four-game split with their National League West rivals. With San Diego's 9-3 loss at Colorado, Los Angeles regained the division lead by one game over the Padres.

Gonsolin (2-0), making his third start after missing all of 2024 following Tommy John surgery, threw 84 pitches, walking two and striking out four. The right-hander lowered his ERA to 2.81, giving a boost to a Dodgers staff missing injured starters Blake Snell and Tyler Glasnow.

Freeman raised his NL-leading batting average to .376. He doubled in Mookie Betts in the first off Zac Gallen (3-5), doubled again in the third and hit a sacrifice fly in the fifth. He added his ninth homer, off Joe Mantiply, in the seventh, and singled against José Castillo in the ninth.

RED SOX 3, ROYALS 1

Rafael Devers' 440-foot homer snapped a 1-1 tie and Lucas Giolito pitched into the seventh inning for his first win since 2023 as visiting Boston beat Kansas City.

Giolito (1-1) allowed two singles and one unearned run in 6 2/3 innings to get his first win for Boston. He missed last season with a partially torn elbow ligament, and his last victory was for Cleveland on Sept. 15, 2023.

Devers — again starting at designated hitter two days after Red Sox homer John Henry flew to Kansas City to meet with the disgruntled slugger over his refusal to play first base — followed up his 4-for-4 performance on Saturday with a monster homer. With one out and a runner on first in the sixth, Devers blasted Seth Lugo's first pitch to dead center, his seventh longball of the year.

ORIOLES 7, ANGELS 3

Gunnar Henderson hit a two-run homer during Baltimore's four-run sixth inning, and Maverick Handley totaled his first two career RBI in the Orioles' victory at Los Angeles.

Zach Eflin (3-1) pitched five innings of two-run ball in his return from a monthlong injury absence for the Orioles, who took two of three in this weekend series between last-place clubs. Baltimore finished its road trip by winning for only the second time in eight games.

BLUE JAYS 9, MARINERS 1

George Springer smacked a three-run homer in the fifth inning as visiting Toronto beat Seattle to complete a three-game sweep.

Addison Barger added his first homer of the season, a solo shot in the seventh. The Blue Jays had no issues pushing runs across against Bryce Miller (2-4) and the suddenly reeling Mariners, who entered the series with the majors' best record since April 7.

PIRATES 4, BRAVES 3

Joey Bart's fielder's choice on a hard ground ball in the bottom of the ninth inning lifted host Pittsburgh Pirates over Atlanta to win the second game of a three-game series.

Bart hit a sharp grounder with the infield drawn in that hit off shortstop Nick Allen's glove and scored Adam Frazier. It was Bart's second career walk-off RBI.

The Pirates fired manager Derek Shelton before the series and replaced him with bench coach Don Kelly. Pittsburgh had lost seven games in a row and 10 of 11 before the change.

CARDINALS 6, NATIONALS 1

Lars Nootbaar, Willson Contreras and Nolan Arenado homered and visiting St. Louis beat Washington to complete a three-game sweep.

The Cardinals have swept back-to-back series during an eight-game winning streak, their longest since August of 2022.

ASTROS 6, REDS 0

Ronel Blanco struck out a career-high 11 in eight innings and Shawn Dubin completed the two-hitter to lead host Houston to a win over Cincinnati.

BREWERS 4, RAYS 2

Christian Yelich and William Contreras hit back-to-back homers in the fourth inning for Milwaukee to help the Brewers win at Tampa Bay and avoid a three-game sweep.

RANGERS 6, TIGERS 1

Nathan Eovaldi tossed seven shutout innings, Marcus Semien and Josh Jung hit two-run home runs and Texas won at Detroit.

TWINS 7, GIANTS 6 (10)

DaShawn Keirsey Jr. singled home the winning run in the 10th inning as host Minnesota beat San Francisco, extending its winning streak to eight.

WHITE SOX 4, MARLINS 2

Tim Elko hit a three-run homer — his first hit in the major leagues — in the sixth inning to help Chicago beat visiting Miami.

ROCKIES 9, PADRES 3

Hunter Goodman hit a double, a triple and a home run and had five RBI to help Colorado beat visiting San Diego and snap an eight-game losing streak.

MLB

Rockies fire manager Bud Black and bench coach Mike Redmond

By PATRICK SAUNDERS
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DENVER — The Colorado Rockies fired manager Bud Black on Sunday amid the ballclub's historically bad start to the season, despite a 9-3 win over the San Diego Padres that snapped an eight-game losing streak. They also fired bench coach Mike Redmond.

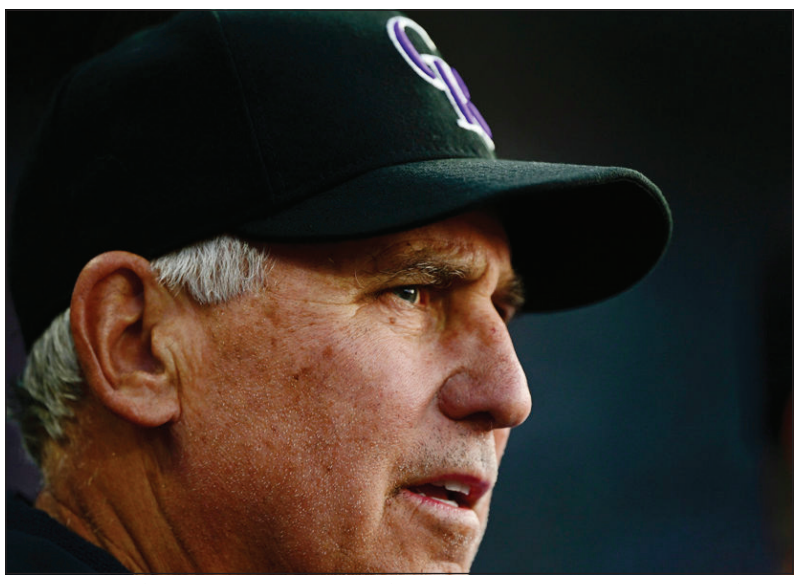
The Rockies are 7-33, last in the National League West and own the worst record in Major League Baseball.

Black, 67, was in his ninth year as the Rockies' manager and was the longest-tenured manager in team history. This was the final year of his contract.

Black was replaced by third base coach Warren Schaeffer, who will serve as interim manager for the remainder of the season. Hitting coach Clint Hurdle has been named the interim bench coach

Black found success early in his tenure with Colorado, leading the team to its only back-to-back postseason appearances in 2017-18. But it's been all downhill since. Amid a youth movement, the franchise is headed toward its seventh consecutive losing season, the longest streak in franchise history. And a third consecutive 100-loss season appears likely.

"Our play so far this season, especially coming off the last two seasons, has been unacceptable," Rockies owner Dick Monfort said in a statement. "Our fans deserve better, and we are capable of better.



Former Rockies manager Bud Black in the dugout before a game against the Diamondbacks in 2023 in Denver. Andy Cross/The Denver Post/TNS

"While we all share responsibility in how this season has played out, these changes are necessary. We will use the remainder of 2025 to improve where we can on the field and to evaluate all areas of our operation so we can properly turn the page into the next chapter of Rockies baseball."

Monfort also showed gratitude to Black and Redmond.

"I want to thank Bud Black and Mike Redmond for their contributions to the organization across their eight years here," he said. "I appreciate their hard work and dedication and wish them nothing but the best going forward."

Hamstrung by the worst offenses in franchise history, the Rockies lost 103 games in 2023 and 101 games in '01, marking the only times the club suffered triple-digit losses in a season. The 2024 club's .242 average, .304 on-base percentage and .704 OPS were all the lowest in franchise history, while its 1,617 strikeouts were the most in club history.

Black managed more games than anyone in club history, won more games but also lost more games. Personable and charismatic, Black had a strong, friendly relationship with his players, the front office and staff, as well as the media.

A major league pitcher for 15 seasons, Black brought a pitching-rich background to Colorado when he was hired before the 2017 season. He replaced Walt Weiss and inherited a team that went 75-87 in 2016.

The '17 Rockies finished 87-75 and advanced to the postseason but lost 11-8 to Arizona in the National League wild-card game.

Colorado improved to 91-72 in 2018 and came one game away from winning its first division title. The Dodgers and Rockies finished the regular season deadlocked, forcing a one-game playoff in Los Angeles. The Dodgers won, 5-2, to clinch the NL West title.

The Rockies beat the Cubs 2-1 in a dramatic 13-inning wild-card game at Wrigley Field but were then swept in three games by Milwaukee in the NL divisional series.

Under Black's tutelage, left-hander Kyle Freeland and right-hander German Marquez blossomed into two of the best pitchers in franchise history. In 2018, Freeland finished fourth in the NL Cy Young Award voting after posting a 2.85 ERA, the lowest in a full season in franchise history and the fifth-lowest in the NL in 2018.

In 2021, Marquez was one of the best pitchers in baseball in the first half of the season and made the All-Star Team. He finished with a 4.40 ERA and led the NL with three complete games.

Yankees

From B1

and Wednesday's starters have not been announced.

On Saturday, two solo home runs from Aaron Judge and a go-ahead homer from Oswald Peraza weren't enough for the Yankees to pull off a comeback win, as they fell to the Athletics, 11-7.

The Yankees put themselves up 6-4 with a five-run sixth, but that lead was quickly erased after some catchable balls off the bats of Brent Rooker and Tyler Soderstrom fell near Jasson Dominguez and Trent Grisham in the seventh. Shea Langeliers capitalized on the knocks, crushing a three-run homer off Fernando Cruz's signature splitter, which lacked its typical bite on Saturday.

The jack put Sacramento up for good, though the A's tacked on a few more runs in the eighth on a two-run single from Soderstrom and a two-run double from Langeliers.

Home runs put the Yankees in an early hole as well, as Carlos Rodon surrendered a bases-empty blast to Luis Urias in the second inning before Rooker added a three-run homer in the third.

Rodon didn't permit any other runs over six innings, and he struck out a season-high 10 batters without walking anyone.

Judge, a Linden, Calif., native, who grew up about an hour away from West Sacramento's Sutter Health Park, put the Yankees on the board with his first homer of the day, a fourth-inning shot off ex-Yankee JP Sears.

The sixth inning saw Judge go deep again, a rude welcome to the game for A's reliever Justin Sterner. That long ball sparked a rally, as Cody Bellinger and Anthony Volpe followed with a walk and a double, respectively, before an Austin Wells sac fly put the Yankees down one.

Oswaldo Cabrera later knotted the game with his own sac fly, while a hyped-up Peraza broke the tie with a two-run homer off Sterner, who entered the game with a 0.00 ERA.

While all that offense couldn't secure a win, Judge, who added an RBI groundout off Mason Miller in the ninth, continued his brilliance at the plate this season. With 14 homers, 37 RBIs and a .396 average, the Yankees' captain is pacing the majors in all three Triple Crown categories.

College

From B1

in the second quarter, outscoring the Jumbos, 3-1. Rosenzweig scored a pair of goals and Wells scored the third bring the St. Lawrence back within three as Tufts held a 6-3 lead at halftime.

Both teams scored three in the third quarter, with goals from Herlihy, Mahoney and an end-to-end tally for Anderson. Tufts' three goals allowed them to hold onto their three-goal lead heading into the final quarter.

The Jumbos started off the fourth with a pair of goals from Will Emsing and Jack Regnery, taking the margin to five goals. SLU put a quick stop to the run as Anderson scored his second of the game and 10th of the season.

Anderson made another full-field run and dished it off to Wells, bringing the Saints back within three with 5:34 to play in the fourth, but Harrison Stockdale of Tufts scored just 23 seconds later to restore a four-goal margin. Tufts finished with five goals in the fourth for the 14-8 final.

St. Lawrence goaltender Michael Marinello made 18 saves in being dealt the loss.

"I couldn't be prouder or more fortunate to be associated with a group of young men who learned some early lessons, righted the ship, and had a memorable run in the second half of the 2025 season," coach Mahoney said. "The character of this team, and of the senior class in particular, is something that will have a lasting impact on our program on so many levels and hopefully for years to come."

Goalie Conner Garzone totaled 11 stops for the Jumbos.

Regnery scored three goals and assisted on another for Tufts (20-0), Charlie Tagliaferri tallied two goals and an assist and Emsing scored a pair of goals.

The Jumbos finished with a 32-19 advantage in shots on goal.

St. Lawrence reached the third-round by edging Middlebury, 10-9, on Saturday in an NCAA second-round game on the same field.

Tufts advances to the quarterfinals where they will host No. 7-ranked Gettysburg College next Saturday at a time to be announced.

ST. LAWRENCE 10, MIDDLEBURY 9

Bobby Wells scored the game-winning goal with 48 seconds remaining in regulation to lift the No. 12-ranked Saints to a victory over the No. 19-ranked Panthers on Saturday in the second round of the NCAA Division III Tournament at Tufts University's Bello Field.

Wells recorded a hat trick and scored two of those goals in the fourth to lead St. Lawrence (12-7).

"What a gutsy win by this team in an atmosphere that felt like a home game," St. Lawrence coach Mike Mahoney said. "We shouldn't be surprised, as we have lived all year in the one or two possession games. I am just so proud of their willingness to keep battling at every turn."

Cam Croasdaile generated two goals and two assists for the Saints, Dan Anderson also tallied a pair of goals, while Daniel Mahoney, Jamie Rosenzweig and Henry Crean each scored a goal.

St. Lawrence goalie Michael Marinello made 19 saves, including 11 stops in the first half, to record the victory.

Paddy Condon won 12 faceoffs and picked up a team-best eight ground balls for the Saints, while Anderson caused two turnovers and picked up four ground balls.

With St. Lawrence leading 5-3 through the first half, Anderson scored his second goal of the game to provide his team with a three-goal advantage.

The Panthers answered by tallying back-to-back goals to draw within one, but Wells responded with a goal to restore the two-goal lead.

But Middlebury answered with single goals from James Farinacci, Cooper DeMallie and Billy Curtis to build a 9-8 advantage heading into the fourth quarter.

After Croasdaile and Wells scored back-to-back goals to put the Saints back on top at 9-8 with seven minutes and 29 seconds remaining, Logan White tied the game for Middlebury with an unassisted goal with 2:25 left.

Wells then followed with the deciding goal, which was also unassisted.

Curtis tallied two goals and an assist to lead Middlebury (9-9) and White and DeMallie each scored a pair of goals.

Goalie Hayden Kern finished with 19 saves for the Panthers.

"We will enjoy it briefly and then make sure we get our rest and recovery as we prepare for the next opportunity in front of us," coach Mahoney added.

SOFTBALL

ONONDAGA CC 4-5, JEFFERSON CC 1-4

The Lazers swept the Cannoneers in a semifinal series in the NJCAA North B District playoffs held at Jefferson Community College.

JCC, the MSAC champion, finishes its season at 24-10.

Delaney Wiley doubled and singled in the first game for the Cannoneers and Katie Call and Danielle Birmingham each doubled.

In the second game, Wiley went 3-fpr-4, including a home run and a double, and drove in two runs while scoring two runs, Darian Palmer singled twice and Brianna Hardwick and Layla Killino each doubled.