

NEWS BRIEFS

SO YOU **KNOW**

The Florida Department of Health has ceased the daily COVID-19 reports that have been used to track changes in the number of coronavirus cases and deaths in the state.

Chronicle calendar changes

The Chronicle's community calendar solution changed on Monday, June 7, to better serve our readers and event-goer audience.

To submit events on the new Evvnt system, visit www. chronicleonline.com/ local-events/ and click on "promote your event" and follow the prompts. All areas with an asterisk (*) must be filled.

Any future event previously submitted before June 7 is no longer in the Chronicle system and will need to be resubmitted. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

For more information, email community @chronicleonline.com or call 352-563-5660.

> Equality Caucus to meet The Democratic

MAGNIFICENT **MOLLUSKS**

Crystal River prepares to welcome crowds for the opening of 2021 scallop season

MICHAEL D. BATES STAFF WRITER

Joe

Meek

ireworks aren't the only things that will be booming in Crystal River this week.

Scallop season begins July 1, followed immediately by the long Fourth of July weekend. Those two events are big attractions but throw in scores of people itching to travel now that the pandemic is easing

and it's a recipe for congestion.

Crystal River Mayor Joe Meek said the city is prepared for big crowds roads next week.

"We're ready for it," Meek said.

He said the city has alto ensure visitors and lo-Crystal River cals alike have a fun and

mayor. safe time: Sheriff's deputies will have a greater presence in the city and on the waterways. More park rangers activity.

will be stationed at city parks. And, something different this year:

Rather than hold the majority of activities at one location (Kings Bay Park), the city will spread them out in other sites, including Hunter Springs Park and the new Crystal River Town Square.

Local marinas and other businesses are geared up and have plans in place for the expected crowds, he said.

The city's 2021 Fourth of July Celebration is from 3 to 9 p.m. July 4 at Crystal River Town Square. South Citrus Avenue will be closed at 2 p.m. and fireworks-watchers can use Northwest Third Street to reach King's Bay Park for the viewing.

'We're very excited to have folks coming on the waterways and into the city," Meek said. "We're looking forward to that."

'Another strong summer'

Scallops are big business for Citrus ready taken precautions County, possibly second only to manateewatching as the largest tourist attractor.

> Despite last year's pandemic-caused shutdown, scallop season was reasonably successful as people saw it as a safe

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Scalloping do's and don'ts

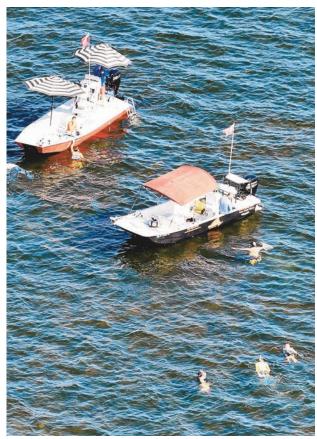
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As scallop season approaches for Citrus County there are some do's and don'ts that Florida regulators

shells can create a hazard for swimmers and native seagrass.

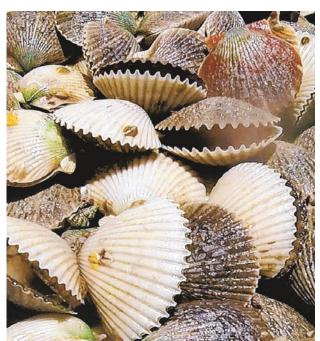
• Do dispose of shells in trash receptacles or large bodies of water where they can disperse.

• Do not exceed your limit. The



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle file

Those swimming in the shallow waters off of the Citrus County coastline in search of scallops hope for both large numbers and good-quality scallops this season.



Equality Caucus of Citrus County (Citrus Equality Caucus) will have their monthly general meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, July 12, via Zoom. To register, visit tinyurl.com/mt639p5e.

- From staff reports

LOTTERY



Due to earlier production deadlines for the Sunday Chronicle, final lottery numbers are not printed. Visit www.flalottery.com for final numbers.

want fishermen to remember before they slip boats in the water and pursue the delicious mollusk.

The scallop season for Citrus County and surrounding areas is July 1 to Sept. 24. The area includes all state waters south of Alligator Pass beacon number four near the mouth of the Suwannee River in Levy County to north of the Hernando/Pasco county line.

The Florida Fish and Wildlife **Conservation Commission wants** fishermen to remember:

• Do not discard scallop shells in inshore waters such as the Homosassa **River and Crystal River.** Those waters are often used recreationally. The

limit for the Citrus County area is 2 gallons of whole bay scallops in their shell or 1 pint of bay scallop meat.

 Do not exceed your boat limit. For our area that's 10 gallons of whole bay scallops in their shell or 1/2 gallon scallop meat.

• Do keep in mind that your vessel limit does not allow you to exceed your personal bag limit.

• Do follow Fish and Wildlife's <mark>gear limits by catching</mark> scallops only by hand or by using a landing or dip net.

• Do be sure to have a Florida saltwater fishing license to harvest

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Typically, scallops are found in the shallow-waters grass flats off Citrus County's coastline. Many local residents as well as visitors from far and wide visit Citrus County to catch the tasty mollusks.

Crystal River RaceTrac stations to be refreshed

MICHAEL D. BATES STAFF WRITER

One month after Wawa opened its new gas station-deliconvenience store in Crystal River, comes news that the city's two nearby RaceTracs are undergoing an ambitious interior and exterior facelift

who said the city has had conversations with RaceTrac officials, said anytime a business invests to improve the looks of its building "it is good for the city."

Atlanta-based RaceTrac plans to change the texture of the brick and repaint. It is proposing new signage for both buildings and

Crystal River Mayor Joe Meek, canopy seating for guests, similar someone invests to keep up with to Wawa.

The two RaceTracs are at 1001 NE Fifth St. and 1030 SE U.S. 19.

City Manager Ken Frink said a RaceTrac representative stopped by and picked up a permit to refresh both stores.

"It's a really good thing" for the city of Crystal River when

the competition, Frink said.

In other markets where Wawa has opened, competitors launched upgrades to compete: fresher and sleeker facades, more freshly prepared food, shorter lines. more gas pumps and a digital gas price display.

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TWO DECADES **OF CREATIVE FUN**

Nine-year-old Lorelai Heath uses colorful chalk to draw a rainbow Thursday, June 17, as she and others take part in the **Summer Arts** at Lecanto School of Arts. SALSA. camp. The theme for the chalk-art project, given to campers by the instructor, is Summer is Among Us. The popular

art camp

MATTHEW BECK/ Chronicle



GOOD NEWS OF THE WEEK

amily and Friends people who believe adults with and intellectually, culminating developmental disabilities in a Mind and Body Challenge with their often untapped in events that included horseabilities.

Reaching for Abilities working with these individuals math-with-money (FFRA) is a group of to challenge them physically shoes, disc golf, fill-the- the next FFRA event.

This month FFRA has been water-bucket, geography, and spelling.

If you want to see huge smiles on people's faces or evare able to reach their goals where teams of six competed idence that the world still has good things going on, check out

HOT TOPIC OF THE WEEK

Allegations of unpermitted wetland clearing complaining; there are laws regarding permitand digging from a Crystal River-area piece of property caused a number of Chronicle readers to comment on Facebook. Here's what some said:

■ Matt Roberts: "Welcome to Florida, you can ought-right own the land and still can't do anything with it. What about the wetlands across from Home Depot on Venable and 19, that's been wetlands since 1985. Cleared for what? Walmart? Another gas station?'

Evelyn Dasher: "So this is the man's own property? Seriously? There is more around this county to be worried about than what this man cleared on his own property! Looks to me like he's a working man and some of y'all might be offended by that!'

Carol Reid: "Thank goodness for people who care. Thank you!

■ Susie Reutling: "I don't understand those

ting in all states, counties, etc. There are federal laws and permitting regarding wetlands. Anyone who is trying to say this is okay apparently chose not to abide by them."

Kenneth Mark Vampran: 'The Corps of Engineers must grant clearing rights. No, you cannot do anything you want with YOUR land. Just like you can't dump toxins or build a factory without approval.'

Tiffany Weber Newhoff: "The vast majority of the time when you buy land there are clear cut details of what part is considered wetlands and what is able to be developed. Don't buy wetland property or even muddy wet property and then act dumb about it like you didn't know.'

Gillian Bentz: "I'm sure whatever fines and whatever slap on the hand this person gets will be just fine. They will pay their way out of it."

THE MOST POPULAR STORIES FROM THE WEEK THAT WAS

FDEP investigating **Crystal River-area lot**

After complaints from neighbors, a Citrus County homestead on the outskirts of Crystal River is being probed by the state for allegations of un-permitted wetland clearing and digging.

One neighbor videotaped excavators taking down trees and digging around what she described as a spring, spilling plumes of silt and dirt into a King's Bay cove.

Florida Department of **Environmental Protection** spokeswoman Shannon Herbon told the Chronicle the agency performed an unannounced inspection of the 6.64-acre, single-family lot on Wednesday, June 16.

Herbon said the investigation "remains open and ongoing," and the agency is

There was something about Mary

Mary Castro spent the early teenage years riding horses at her rural Homosassa home, and excelling in Lecanto schools.

She left Citrus County for a jet-set life modeling in Miami, surfing at Malibu, living overseas — but would return on occasion to visit with her mother, Joan Bracken.

Most recently, Mary was in Bali, working as a freelance journalist and dating an Australian.

Shortly before dawn on May 28, 2021, Mary's friend called Joan Bracken to say her 41-year-old daughter was dead.

The Bali media said drugs and alcohol were involved, but

PDC rejects **RV resort near Crystal River**

To the delight of residents in the area, the **Citrus County Planning** and Development Commission unanimously rejected rezoning 61 acres on Citrus Avenue north of Crystal River for a proposed Crystal **River Luxury RV** Resort.

The proposal from Jaymelday Holdings LLC calls for up to 600 RV pads, along with amenities such as pool, golf cart rentals, bar and grill, basketball court and walking trails.

Joe Cubas, representing the applicant, promised a quality development.

"Is it going to become trailer trash to the neighborhood? The answer is no," Cubas said. However, area neighbors held a different view. "I know what goes on in RV parks: party city,' Mark Schultz said. Final decision rests with the county commission. The matter will be scheduled for a public hearing once the zoning applicant provides a formal legal description of the property.

Lawsuit accuses **Carnahan of sexual** harassment

A lawsuit accuses Commissioner Scott Carnahan of sexually harassing former budget director Kristin Demers,

who says the countv blocked her from being rehired after she complained about Carnah-

an's behavior.

The lawsuit names Citrus County as a defendant. While Carnahan is the only county person mentioned by name in the 14-page complaint, he is not a



County seeks to eliminate 'campsites' in neighborhoods

Citrus County commissioners learned details Tuesday of three code violators — people living in sheds or RVs on property they own and intend to build a home, but don't yet have building permits.

The cases involve multiple people sharing a single portable generator on vacant lots in neighborhoods in northwest Citrus County.

Commissioner Jeff Kinnard said there's a difference between owners wanting to live on their property while overseeing construction of a house. and the problem he's seeing and hearing from residents.



also consulting with the Florida Fish and Wildlife **Conservation Commission** to determine impacts to wildlife habitats at the property, owned by Sauder Properties, LLC, out of Safety Harbor.

Another neighbor, Ronald Pickering, said crews began clearing the parcel around June 1.

Pickering said he tried to question workers and the owners, but was told to leave.

her friends are convinced there's more to it.

Laura Pattinson, Mary's friend from high school, and Mary's mom, are perplexed and angry with the local Bali media for portraying Mary as a hard-drinking American.

'She did not do hard drugs. She would never take a sedative and mix it with alcohol," Pattinson said. "I loved her very much. I don't know what happened, but I don't want people to think she was this crazy party girl. It wasn't like that and it's not right."

defendant. Demers is asking for

\$30,000 plus punitive damages.

The lawsuit says Carnahan in March 2019 subjected Demers to a "barrage of unwanted sexual harassing behavior." Carnahan denied the

accusations.

'There's nothing inappropriate. I didn't do anything wrong," he said in a phone interview with the Chronicle.

"They're using it as a campsite," Kinnard said. "Do we want to allow this to continue?

According to county ordinance, you can't have a non-accessory structure such as a shed, trailer, RV, boat trailer on a vacant lot.

"This is becoming more of an issue and more of a challenge," County Administrator Randy Oliver said.

It's never easy to put a person in prison. If anyone thinks I like it, they're wrong. It could've been upward of a life sentence.

– CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE RICHARD "RIC" HOWARD AS HE SENTENCED 23-YEAR-OLD BRYAR BENSON TO 15 YEARS AFTER HE PLEADED NO CONTEST TO A MODIFIED CHARGE OF ATTEMPTED LEWD AND LASCIVIOUS MOLESTATION ON A CHILD YOUNGER THAN 12 YEARS OLD.

- compiled by Nancy Kennedy



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Around the COUNTY

Oakwood Village HOA to meet

Oakwood Village will have their HOA meeting at 5 p.m. June 30 at the Central Ridge Library, 425 W. Roosevelt Blvd. in Beverly Hills.

The board will meet with the community for input on bylaw amendments and proposals.

For information, email ptip24@gmail.com or call 954-592-1870.

Attend a Healing **Music Jam**

Friends of Citrus and the Nature Coast will host a Healing Music Jam from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 8, at the Wings Grief Center, 8471 W. Periwinkle Lane in Homosassa.

Bring your own instrument. All instruments are invited. Attendees may also observe and listen. The event will be conducted by Tom Porter and his cello.

Space may be limited, so reserve your seat in advance. For information or to register, call 352-249-1470. This event will follow CDC guidelines.

Abuse shelter seeks donations

The Citrus County Abuse Shelter Association (CASA) is in need of clear storage bins with lids, hair brushes, hair tools and disinfectant spray. The next time you're out shopping, pick up some extra supplies and drop them off at the CASA Outreach office between 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, at 1100 E. Turner Camp Road, Inverness. Shelter needs can also be dropped off at their alternative drop off location, Carol's Interiors and Floors, 6410 S. Suncoast Blvd. in Homosassa.

For information, email Kimberly Martini at kimberly@casafl.org. If interested in volunteering, call 352-344-8111 or download the Volunteer Application at casafl.org. Completed applications can be emailed to info@ casafl.org.

Recovery continues in Surfside

Report showed 'major' damage before Florida condo collapse

RUSS BYNUM AND FREIDA FRISARO Associated Press

SURFSIDE — Fire and smoke coming from deep inside the concrete and metal remains of a collapsed 12-story condominium tower near Miami hampered rescue efforts Saturday as emergency workers raced to recover any survivors beneath the mountain of rubble.

Rescuers used infrared technology, water and foam to battle the blaze, whose source was unclear, and Miami-Dade Mayor Daniella Levine Cava said the smoke has been the biggest challenge. In a news conference, she described the blaze as "very deep" and said rescuers faced "incredible difficulties" because of the flames.

A fire hose blasted one of the lower floors on the north side of the tower as white smoke or steam streamed out, and a bitter, sulfur-like smell hung in the air.

"The stench is very thick," Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis said.

A crane removed pieces of debris from the more than 30-foot pile in the city of Surfside, and scores of rescuers used big machines, small buckets, drones, microphones and their own hands to pick through the rubble.

Among those anxiously awaiting word of missing loved ones was Rachel Spiegel, whose mother, 66-year-old Judy Spiegel, lived on the sixth floor. Speaking alongside her siblings, she said Saturday that "we're trying to and federal funding to help.



Associated Press

Members of the South Florida Urban Arch Rescue FLF 2 are seen at the site of the Champlain Towers South Condo after the building collapsed Friday, June 25, in Surfside. The apartment building partially collapsed on Thursday, June 24. Recovery efforts continue this weekend.

hold it together."

"I know my mom is a fighter. I know she loves us. I know she doesn't want to give up. So, you know, it's day three, so it's hard," Spiegel said.

One hundred fifty-nine people were still unaccounted for two days after Thursday's collapse, which killed at least four.

Authorities announced they were beginning an audit of buildings nearing their 40-year review – like the fallen Champlain Towers South — to make sure they're safe. The mayor asked other cities in the county to join the building review and said there will be state

Federal Emergency Management Agency officials have joined local and state authorities at the site, DeSantis said. He added that a nearby "sister building" of the collapsed tower is also being looked at because it was built at the same time and with the same designer.

Surfside Mayor Charles Burkett said he was working on a plan to temporarily relocate residents of the Champlain Towers North, which was constructed the same year and sits about 100 yards away from the collapsed building, and that FEMA has agreed to pay for lodging

Burkett added that he was also

trying to arrange an emergency inspection and until that happens, he can't tell residents whether they're safe in their homes.

"I know that the identical building collapsed for an inexplicable reason," Burkett said. "Buildings in the United States do not just fall down. ... Something very, very wrong was going on at that building, and we need to find out.'

The mayor said he didn't plan to order residents to evacuate, but if

he lived there, "I'd be gone." Surfside city staffers were also gathering details about a third building, Champlain Towers East, which was built in a different style and appears to have been constructed at a different time.

The news came after word of a 2018 engineering report that showed the building had "major structural damage" to a concrete slab below its pool deck that needed extensive repairs, part of a series of documents released by the city of Surfside.

While officials said no cause for the collapse early Thursday has been determined, DeSantis said a 'definitive answer" was needed in a timely manner.

Video showed the center of the building appearing to tumble down first, followed by a section nearer to the beach.

The 2018 report was part of preliminary work by the engineering company conducting the building's required inspections for a recertification due this year of the building's structural integrity at 40 years. The condominium tower was built in 1981.



Democratic committee to meet

The Citrus County Democratic Executive Committee (DEC) will have their next general meeting at 7 p.m. July 21 via Zoom. Congressman and candidate for governor, Charlie Crist, will be the guest speaker at the meeting. Registration is open to all registered democrats. To register, visit tinyurl. com/yccm6dj4.

- From staff reports

SYDNEY AKENS/For the Chronicle

Citrus County Amateur Radio Club members Tom Warren and Ann Finkelsen practice Morse code on an icom transceiver, during Field Day 2021, at the Citrus County Emergency Operations Center Saturday, June 26. Field Day will continue at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 27. During this time, members will practice voice, digital and Morse coding, with multiple devices, connecting with other amateur radio users across the country.



Today's HOROSCOPES

Birthday: Pay attention, put your possessions and cash in a safe place, and learn something new and exciting. A lifestyle change will help you sort through what you can get rid of and what you need in the future. Cancer (June 21-July 22): Set sail on an adventure. New beginnings will stimulate your mind and encourage you to strive for positive personal growth.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Discuss concerns with someone you trust. Time is on your side, and taking a wait-andsee approach will give insight into what you are up against.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): An opportunity will help you choose a suitable path. Gather information and prepare for what's to come.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): A chat you have with a friend or relative will encourage you to explore alternatives. Get involved in a cause you believe in. Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22): Don't fold under pressure. Look for other opportunities or ways to take care of money matters, and you will find a way to reclaim what's important to you.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21): A plan to save or bring in cash will change the way you live. Take a moment to go over the pros and cons of a suggestion someone makes.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Check out what's going on in your community and job opportunities that interest you. Set up your resume to suit potential openings.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19): Distance yourself from activities and people who cause uncertainty or have a risk factor. Focus on what you know.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20): Comfort and convenience will put your mind at ease. Not everyone will agree with your plans, but don't let that stop you from doing what makes you happy.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Commit to something and stand by your word. An idea will interest you. Self-improvement projects will turn out as planned Taurus (April 20-May 20): Think before you proceed. A sudden change will cause more grief than good. You can resolve problems at home.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Seize the moment to do what you do best. Be realistic; you'll develop a plan that will give you something to look forward to.

ENTERTAINMENT

American, French artists revive hope on giant Paris mural

PARIS — A colorful human face emerges from waves like a call for hope above a Parisian street, in a giant message of optimism from American and French street artists painting a massive mural in the French capital that's slowly climbing out of its virus isolation.

Illustrator AJ Dungo, 29, who lives in California, and French graffiti artist Da Cruz, 44, started working in mid-June on the 82-foot-high mural in the 19th arrondissement, in the northeast of Paris.

The project, inaugurated Saturday, is a symbol of creative rebirth, and of both cultures

reconnecting after lockdowns. Da Cruz, who grew up in this Parisian neighborhood and used to travel regularly to different continents, said it was hard for him to see his projects stopped amid the pandemic.

"I'm working in the street because I like showing my message to lots of different people, and I miss hearing people speaking another language and being able to communicate with them through painting ... There's always a bridge that is created by colors," he told The Associated Press.

The project is supported by the French American Mural Art (FAMA) program, led by the U.S. Embassy, in association with local festival Ourcq Living Colors.

AJ Dungo and Da Cruz have chosen to represent stylized waves at the bottom of the mural, and an explosion of colors above surrounding a central human face, with inspirations from South America and Africa.

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Homestead	88	76	t	Sarasota	93	73	sh
Jacksonville	88	74	рс	Tallahassee	91	72	t
Key West	87	80	t	Tampa	92	74	sh
Lakeland	91	73	t	Vero Beach	86	75	t
Melbourne	86	75	t	W. Palm Bch.	83	80	t

Today: East winds around 15 knots **Gulf water** diminishing to 5 to 10 knots in the afternoon. Seas 2 feet. Bay and inland Ο waters a moderate chop. Isolated thunderstorms early in the afternoo Taken at Crystal River

CITRUS COUNTY (FL) CHRONICLE

Today in HISTORY

Today is Sunday, June 27, the 178th day of 2021. There are 187 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight:

On June 27, 1950, the U.N. Security Council passed a resolution calling on member nations to help South Korea repel an invasion from the North.

On this date:

In 1942, the FBI announced the arrests of eight Nazi saboteurs put ashore in Florida and Long Island, New York.

In 1955, Illinois enacted the na-

tion's first automobile seat belt law. In 1974, President Richard Nixon opened an official visit to the Soviet Union.

In 1985, the legendary Route 66, which originally stretched from Chicago to Santa Monica, California, passed into history as officials decertified the road.

In 2006, a constitutional amendment to ban desecration of the American flag died in a Senate cliffhanger, falling one vote short of the 67 needed to send it to states for ratification

Ten years ago: Former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich was convicted by a federal jury in Chicago on a wide range of corruption charges, including the allegation that he'd tried to sell or trade President Barack Obama's U.S. Senate seat

Five years ago: The U.S. Supreme Court issued its strongest defense of abortion rights in a quarter-century, striking down Texas' widely replicated rules that sharply reduced abortion clinics.

One year ago: Florida set another daily record for the state in the number of daily confirmed coronavirus cases, with more than 9,500 new cases.

Today's Birthdays: Former Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt is 83. Fashion designer Vera Wang is 72. Actor Julia Duffy is 70. Actor Tobey Maguire is 46. Reality TV star Khloe Kardashian is 37. Actor Drake Bell is 35. Actor Chandler Riggs is 22.

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YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

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



French artist Da Cruz, left, and assistant Michel work at mural,

Wednesday, June 23, in Paris. A colorful human face emerges

from waves like a call for hope above a Parisian street, in a giant

message of optimism from American and French street artists

painting a massive mural in the French capital, as the city is

slowly climbing out of its virus isolation. Illustrator AJ Dungo,

29, who lives in California, and French graffiti artist Da Cruz, 44,

California gradually lifted most

economy last month, including

Da Cruz said "we've been

confined (at home), freed, we

went out again," so the mural

which makes us get over the

represents "that human energy

AJ Dungo stressed that for

many artists, last year meant "a

about their livelihoods and their

families and their loved ones to

even make meaningful art," he

"People were more concerned

- From wire reports

museums, theaters, cinemas

and concert halls.

hardships of life.

said.

drought of inspiration.'

measures in recent weeks.

France started reopening its

started working in mid-June on the 82-foot-high mural.

"We wanted to make some-

thing really optimistic and some-

thing celebratory, because after

through, we thought it could help

the community to lift their spirits

a bit and give them some hope

For AJ Dungo, known for his

2019 graphic novel "In Waves,"

the giant mural is also a first -

the biggest artwork he's ever

done. "I think the last thing I

painted was my niece's bedroom

for her sixth birthday. I did like a

little mural of an elephant and a

For more than a year, artists

pencil and butterflies," he said.

across the world have been re-

strained by virus restrictions.

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Dungo said.

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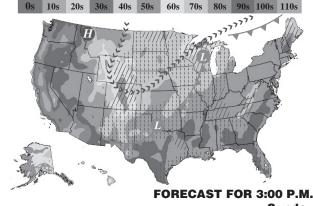
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Obituaries

Shawn Hanlin, 59

INVERNESS

SHAWN ADAM HAN-LIN, 59, a much beloved son, brother, uncle and friend, died Monday, June 21, 2021, with his family by his side in Inverness, Florida.

Shawn was born July 10, 1961, in Baltimore Maryland to Walter N. Hanlin Jr., and Ann Shirley Boni Hanlin. His father was self employed owning his own shoe repair business, Hanlin Shoe Repair, in Ft.

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derdale where she retired after 25 years. They moved to Inverness, Florida in 2010.

Shawn grew up in Ft.Lauderdale Florida, along with his large Irish/ Italian family consisting of his parents, five brothers and three sisters, moving there in 1971. He attended New River Middle School and Stranahan High School.

Shawn was a jack of all trades you could say. He held his General Contractor's license for the past 20 years, and prior to that had done a plethora of jobs, including traveling sales, electrical contracting, glazier contracting, and the list goes on. He was very talented on many levels and was a quick study.

Shawn loved traveling and had seen most of the contiguous United States during his many journeys. He had a generous heart full of empathy and compassion for others and would give you the shirt off his back if you needed it. He also loved animals and they loved him in return. Shawn never met a stranger. He had the best personality and charm galore. And you couldn't miss those big baby blue eyes or resist them. But most of all, Shawn loved his beautiful Italian Mother, Ann. She was everything to him... along with her spaghetti and meat sauce of course, his favorite, which she would always fix for him every time he came home to visit.

Shawn is survived by his father, Walter N. Hanlin, jr., his sisters, Crystal Ann Hanlin Chasan, Dawn Lynn Hanlin Lalibertie, Anna Mae Hanlin, and one brother, Kelly John Hanlin of Ft.Lauderdale, Fla., along with a special mention to Maggie Auletta, Roger Decker, our favorite aunt, Sue Hanlin of Huntington WVA, and his many special nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends.

He is preceded in death by his Mother, Ann S. Boni Hanlin originally of Follansbee WVA, his brothers, Walter Norris Hanlin, III, Timothy J. Hanlin, and Stacy Lee Hanlin, all of Ft.Lauderdale, Fl.

A Memorial, and Celebration of Life afterwards, will be held on July 10, 2021, Shawn's 60th birthday, in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, at Lauderdale Memorial Gardens, wherein a special Niche will be interned at the Columbarium to memorialize him always.

Shawn was immensely loved and will be sorely missed by all.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

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Phyllis Wiersema, 96 CRYSTAL RIVER

Phyllis J. Wiersema, age 96, passed away peacefully in Crystal River, Florida on June 21, 2021, surrounded by her family.

She was the last of six children born to Jacob Achterhof and Harriet Ostema Ach-

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H i g h School and worked for several years in the Morrison area. On October 17, 1944, she married John R. Wiersema, also of Morrison.

The young couple farmed southeast of Morrison for 24 years and raised six children there. In 1970, they moved into town and had a much more comfortable life. John worked for General Electric for over 24 years while Phyllis had become a journalist, working for 17 years as a writer and editor for the Sterling (IL) Gazette.

The couple then retired to Port Charlotte, FL, 1986 where they enjoyed the beach, made many new friends, and travelled to visit old friends and new vistas around the country. Phyllis developed an interest in genealogy and researched the lineage for both the Achterhof and Wiersema families, dating to the 1600s in Holland.

They enjoyed retirement life for 10 happy years, frequently travelling to see their children in Texas, California, Florida, Colorado and Connecticut, as their careers progressed.

After John's death in 1997, Phyllis continued to live in Port Charlotte until 2004, when Hurricane Charlie ruined her home. At that point, she and the family made the decision to move closer to family, and she then moved to Cedar Creek , an assisted living facility, in Crystal River, FL near daughter Judy Morgan and son Don Wiersema. Because of her 17-year residence there, she became known as the Queen of Cedar Creek. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Crystal River.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her loving husband John of 53 years, her sons-in-law Anthony Scalise and John Pickelman, her sisters Janet Lartz, Savanna, IL, and Eloise Salminen, St. Paul, MN and her brothers Raymond Achterhof, Geneseo, IL and Marvin Achterhof, Brown Deer, WI.

Survivors include her children Judith Morgan (Jason), Lecanto, FL, Barbara Pickelman, Frisco, TX. Alan Wiersema (Judith), Charlestown, RI, Donald Wiersema (Kathy), Lecanto, FL, Gayle Scalise, Newington, CT, and Jean Dolan (Michael), Westlake Village, CA and by her brother Bernard Achterhof, age 98, Geneseo, IL. She also leaves 7 grandchildren, step-grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren plus one on the way and 4 step great grandchildren, along with extended family around the country.

Special thanks and appreciation go to the skilled and caring staff at Cedar Creek for their years of loving care of our mother, and to VITAS hospice for their comfort and support in her last days.

A private family service will be at a later date.

Condolences may be sent to the family through Fero Funeral Home, www. Fero Funeral Home.com (MeM website).

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Frances 'Fran' Scott

HOMOSASSA

Frances Roberta Scott Frances Roberta Scott was born on February 12, 1938 in Boston, Massachusetts and passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 20, 2021 at her home in Homosassa with her loving husband "Scotty" by her side.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Samuel and Celia Goldstein.



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Marti, of Israel, Kenneth of Brockton, MA and Michael, of Honea Path, SC. Five grandchildren, five great grandchildren and one brother, Alan Goldstein of Cape Cod, MA.

Frances earned a BA degree in psychology from Bridgewater state University, (MA) and was previously employed by the Motorola Corporation before her retirement.

For many years "Fran" was actively involved with the Art Center of Citrus County Community Theater as a singer, actress and director. She also appeared in several other area community theaters as well and was a member of the Citrus County Community Choir for several years.

Fran will be sadly missed by her loving family and her many friends.

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Tami Lynn Scott

Tami Lynn Scott was born March 14th, 1959 in Orlando, Fl. She passed away peacefully with her family by her side after a hard battle with covid.

Tami was a well known realtor in Citrus County and was even awarded the

best of the b e s t a w a r d one year. She was a force to be reckoned with, and when she

Tami Lynn when she Scott set her mind to

something she would allow nothing to get in her way. She was loud, proud, and never afraid to speak her mind freely about her beliefs.

If Tami wasn't on the boat with her soulmate, Ron, and their two beloved puppies, then she was loving on her grand-babies as her purpose really shined through her role as a Nana.

To know Tami was to love her and although she was taken from this life way too soon, her lasting impression and infectious smile will forever be remembered by all who loved her.

She is survived by the love of her life, Ron Wetzel. Her two daughters, Taylor Bush and Tyler Vaughn, and her grandchildren, Elijah Vaughn, Parker Vaughn, and Madilynn Shepherd.

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Donald

Missett, 86

INVERNESS

Donald Edward Missett,

86 passed away June 12,

2021 in Port Charlotte,

Florida. Donald grew up

in the Detroit, Michigan

area then moved to Inver-

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Thams) 6 grand children

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buried at the National

Cemetery in Beaufort,

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Bennie 'Rick'

Gonzalez III,

64

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for Mr. Bennie F. "Rick'

Gonzalez III, age 64, of

Hernando, Florida, will be

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Obituaries

Sara

Ann Kelly, 88

It is with deep sadness and much love that we mourn the loss of Sara Ann Barker Kelly, who passed away on June 20, 2021 at the age of 88.

Born in North Carolina to Edna and Charlie (CD) Barker, she graduated from Jasper High School in 1950 and received her

Bachelor's Degree from Florida State University in 1954.

> Sara was an educator a n d

taught at Wildwood High School, Citrus High School, Edgewater High School, Malone High School, Lively Technical School, Leon High School, and Withlacoochee Vocational Technical School. Music was dear to her,

Sara Ann

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and she played the piano and organ and enjoyed singing in choirs. She especially loved butterflies, birds and angels. She was a 15-year volunteer at Citrus Memorial Hospital.

Sara was a member of First Baptist Church of Inverness and had a deep, abiding faith in Christ as her Lord and Saviour.

She dearly loved and was very proud of her family, who cared for her wonderfully.

Sara will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 62 years, Milton; son Charles (Clare); daughter Janice; grandchildren Harlan, Bailey and Hayden; sister Rebecca Houghton (Eric); brother James David Barker (Marsha); her extended Kelly family of brothers and sisters and many nieces and nephews; and seven Barker nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Linda Peeples.

The family wishes to extend special thanks to those angels who helped the family care for Sara during her extended illness.

There is a Celebration of Life scheduled for Saturday, July 3, 2021 at 11:00 Reverends Joe Sims and

Millie King, 83

INVERNESS

Millie King, 83 of Inverness, passed away June 20, 2021 at Citrus Memorial Hospital. Millie was born on April 13, 1938 in New York City, NY, to the late John and Mary (Chuprun) Markovich.

She came to Citrus County in 1991 from Stockton, California, and was a member of the First Lutheran Church in Inverness. She was a transcriber with the Citrus County Sheriff's office for 11 years and was in law



King publican Club, Committee

Woman for the Republican Executive Committee, Secretary for the Friendship Quilters Guild, President of the Inverness Chapter of Mended Hearts, Member of the Women of the First Lutheran Church and the First Lutheran Church Alter Guild.

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Left to cherish her memory are her son: Ronald Lebed; her sister, Susie Yakabooski, her step daughter. Donna Plichta and husband Michael, and step son Stephen King; seven grandchildren and one great grandchild and several nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her dear friend and caregiver, Thala Duteau.

Millie was preceded in death by her first husband, John Lebed, who was killed in the line of duty in New Jersey in 1960; her second husband, Donald King in 2018, her son John Lebed in 2021, and her brother John Markovich and sisters, Katherine Letosky and Maryanne Smaligo.

Funeral services for Millie will be conducted on Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at 11:00 AM from the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, in Inverness, with Rev. Tom Beaverson, Pastor of the First Lu-Church theran in Inverness.

Millie's urn will be inerred at the Florida Na tional Cemetery in Bushnell, at a later date, with her husband Donald. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to: Mended Hearts, Inc., 1500 Dawson Road, Albany, GA, 31707.

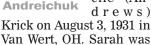
Sarah Andreichuk, 89

INVERNESS

Sarah Andreichuk of Inverness, FL passed away while under the loving care of her family and Vitas Hospice in Lecanto



She was born to the late Walter and Cecile (Andrews)



Van Wert, OH. Sarah was married to her loving husband Gregory Andreichuk for 67 years. Together they made Inverness their home in 1995 and were members of the First Presbyterian Church.

Sarah enjoyed singing in the church choir. She was a member of the Lions Club of Citrus County and enjoyed giving back to her community. She knitted scarves for charity through her church and frequently visited nursing facilities in the area with a therapy dog.

In addition to her husband Gregory, Sarah's passing will be mourned by her daughters: Stephanie Van Den Hurk and her husband Arnold of Stark. FL, Melanie Sukh and her husband Deepak of Randolph, NJ, Valerie Andreichuk and her husband Greg Nichols of Largo, FL; sister, Nancy Thompson of Brea, CA; 2 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

A Celebration of Sarah's life is scheduled for Wednesday, June 30 at 11:00 AM at the First Presbyterian Church of Inverness and will be conducted by Interim Pastor, Jim Capps.

Friends are invited to ioin Sarah's family in visitation beginning at 10:00 AM until the hour of service. She will be laid to rest at Florida National Cemetery at a later date.

Arrangements under the care of the Chas E. Davis Funeral Home with Crematory, Inverness, FL. Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

ALERT CITRUS SIGNUP

George Peterson, 69 ROCHESTER, VT

> George K. Peterson, 69, passed away peacefully Friday June 18, 2021 at his home in Rochester, VT after a brave battle with liver disease.

He was born October 10, He was an avid card 1951 in Boston, Massachuplayer, fisherman and setts, the son of Carl L. and Dorothy Q. (Anderson) Peterson. George was raised in Braintree, Massachu-Don setts and graduated from was preceded in Braintree High School in death by 1969.

George is survived by his beloved wife Nancy; his two cherished children, Amy and fiancé, Jonathan Forsythe of Canton, MA. and Richard from his first marriage to Linda (Ford) Peterson; his brothers, Carl "Len" Jr. of Tuftonboro, NH and Les-Bonnie Schumaker (Jeff lie and his wife, Linda of Brewster, MA; seven nephews, a niece & their families.

He is also survived by his mother-in-law, June Donald's ashes will be Stonier of Plymouth MA; sister-in-law. Pam and husband Lou Jeffrey of Ellsworth. NH/Brewster. MA. his brother-in-law, Paul and wife Gail of Plymouth, MA and four additional nieces and their families, Arlene (Ford) and John Dyment of Holbrook, MA as well as many other extended family members & close friends who loved him dearly.

He was pre-deceased by both his parents and a sister-in-law whom he adored, Janet R. (Demeritt) Peterson.

George enjoyed his job driving the bus for the CCRTA on Cape Cod for 16 years before retiring in 2014. Previous to that he had many interesting jobs and was a 25 year employee of Armstrong World Industries in Braintree, MA.

sions of sympathy take the A natural-born advenform of turer who loved to explore memorial new places & meet new donations people, George would althe ways brighten the days of Make A those he encountered Wish along the way. He was an Foundaavid skier in his younger tion Cendavs and would often tral. speak fondly, throughout Online the years, of a memorable condotrip to Austria with his lences high school buddy Bobby, may be recounting exhilarating sent to the family at www. stories of them skiing the



Robert Schmidt, 98 CITRUS

SPRINGS SCHMIDT. Robert C.

Robert C. Schmidt, 98, of Citrus Springs, FL, formerly of Carlinville, IL, went to be with the Lord on June 22, 2021 at Cedar Creek Assisted Living in Crystal River, FL.

He was born on February 22, 1923 in Carlinville, IL to the late Anthony P. and Frances (Bellm) Schmidt of Carlinville. He married Thelma Logan on February 11, 1942. She preceded

him death on

21, 1999.

After high school he worked for Wolley's Hardware and Piggly Wiggley in Carlinville until he was drafted in the Army Air Corps in 1942. He then served in the Air Force Reserve until he joined the Army Reserve for a total of 30 years between all three branches. He owned and operated the Texaco Station on Alton Road in Carlinville, IL from 1948 to 1972, then moved to Citrus Springs FL.

He was a member of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Citrus Springs, American Legion Post 58 in Dunnellon, FL for 52 years, serving as Commander of that post for 8 years, District Commander, and Northern Area Commander in the state of Florida. He was a very active blood donor, having completed 25 whole gallons and 193 units of plasma.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Father Anthony Schmidt, Larry Schmidt and sister Rosemary Pankratz. Son in Law Len Thacker Jr. and two great-great grandchildren Noah Brown and Kelby Garner.

October 8. 1994. He then married Barbara Barr on August Robert Schmidt

He is survived by his wife, daughters Mary AM from the Chas. E. (Ron) Brown of Nashville, Davis Funeral Home with IL; Ruth (Ron) Wilton of

hooperfuneralhome com

Rick was born November 22, 1956 in Plant City, FL, son of Bennie and Dorothy (McCorkle) Gonzalez and died June 20, 2021 in Ocala, FL. He worked as a Carrier Radio Technician in the Telecom industry and retired from Century Link after 36 years of service. Rick moved to Hernando, FL from Brandon, FL. in 1977.

Rick enjoyed volunteering his time to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, the Sprint Community, and the Telephone Pioneer Club. He enjoyed bowling, and being outdoors, especially doing outdoor activities such as boating and camping.

He was also known to be a tinkerer, seeing how things worked, fixing them if needed, and an animal lover. The family said of Rick that he was a family oriented man who was loyal to all and loved dearly by his friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Rebecca Elliott.

Survivors include his loving wife of 43 years, Lorraine V. Gonzalez of Hernando, FL, daughter, Denise Gonzalez of VA, 3 sister: Catherine McDonald of Pine Ridge, FL, Jean (Milton) Wood of Oklawaha, FL and Janet Rayborn of Palm Harbor, FL, Several Nieces, Nephews, & Grand Nieces & Nephews.

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

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Alps.

He enjoyed being on his boats, his motorcycles, canoes, fishing and taking trips in his cars and trucks. He was a musician at heart who loved singing, going to concerts & listening to all good music. He enjoyed all of the arts; specifically, photography which he was skilled at. He loved living on Cape

Cod for almost 28 years where he met Nancy Stonier and they married June 2, 1990.

George was at peace communing with nature and at age 50 he bought a cabin in Chelsea, Vermont where he spent many happy times. He said that he had achieved his lifelong dream of living in the country when he and Nancy moved to Rochester, Vermont in 2014. Nancy & George spent six summers there and six winters at their house he proudly built in Lecanto, Florida.

George loved to entertain people and make them laugh. Most importantly he was the happiest when spending time with his family, close friends & his faithful sidekick Willy. He leaves a void that can never be filled for us. Any Memorial donations

may be sent to The Animal Rescue League of Boston in Brewster, MA and the VNH (Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont & New Hampshire) in White River Junction, VT.

A celebration of his life will be scheduled at a later date and posted an-Online other time. condolences may be shared www.dayfunerals. com.

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To read more local obituaries, see Page A5 of today's Chronicle.

Carlinville; Nancy (Norman) Shade of Chesterfield, IL; Carol (Billy) Rivers of Bolton, MS; Sandra Thacker of Carlinville; Clara Hicks of Citrus Springs, FL and son Robert T (Lori) Schmidt of Ocala, FL; 17 grandchildren especially his granddaughter, Heather Fritz; 42 great grandchildren; and 15 great-great grandchildren; brothers Rev. Carl Schmidt of Effingham, IL, Joseph Schmidt of Quincy, IL and sister Virginia Drew of Quincy, IL; several nieces, nephews, and many other relatives

In lieu of flowers, please donate to a Veteran's organization of your choice.

Condolences for the family can be left at www. robertsofdunnellon.com.

Kathleen Warrington, 64

CRYSTAL RIVER

Kathleen A. Warrington, 64, of Crystal River, FL passed away May 20, 2021. A Memorial Mass will be held at 10AM, Thursday, July 8, 2021 at St. Bendict Catholic Church in Crystal River, FL. Brown Funeral Home & Crematory in charge of cremation arrangements.

Byron Brown officiating. Friends may visit from 10:00 AM until the hour service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Gideons International, Citrus Co. Camp, PO Box 1183, Crystal River, FL 34423 or Vitas Hospice, P.O. Box 1330, Lecanto, FL 34460.

Sign the guest book at www.chronicleonline.com.

Anita Crosby, 83 LECANTO

Anita Crosby, 83, of Lecanto, FL passed away on June 19, 2021 under the care of Oak Hill Hospital in Brooksville, FL. Arrangements for Anita are private. Cremation with Care is under the direction of the Chas. E. Davis Funeral Home, Inverness, FL.

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Obituary deadline for Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday editions is 3 p.m. the day before. Deadline for Saturday, Sunday and Monday editions is 3 p.m. Friday.



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OBITUARIES

- Obituaries must be verified with the funeral home or society in charge of arrangements.
- Death notices are \$25, and may include: full name of deceased; age; hometown/state; date of death; place of death; date, time and place of visitation and funeral services and, for members of the military, the branch of the armed services in which they served.

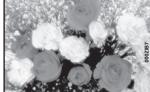


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MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle file

Waters between the mouth of the Crystal River and Homosassa River become packed with boats during the busy scallop season, prompting operators to use caution when idling through the crowded waters.

SCALLOPING

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any bay scallops, unless exempt from needing a license.

• No need for a saltwater license if you have a no-cost shoreline fishing license and are wading from shore to collect scallops, but your feet must not leave the bottom.

• Do carry and display a

divers-down flag if you plan on scuba or snorkel.

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• Do understand that scalloping is a form of fishing and most need a saltwater fishing license.

- Scalloping licenses in Florida cost: Resident annual: \$17.
- Resident five-year: \$79.
- Non-resident annual: \$47.
- Non-resident 3-Day: \$17.
- Non-resident 7-Day: \$30.



A boat slowly makes its way along the Crystal River toward the scallop grounds.

MOLLUSKS Continued from Page A1

"We plan to have another strong summer as more people feel comfortable to travel," John Pricher, Visitors & Convention Bureau director, said.

Thanks to the COVID-19 pandemic, there are a few new wrinkles to the season. Europe is still locked up to various degrees so those tourists won't show. But their presence should not lessen the number of visitors because scalloping tends to draw mostly Floridians and

those in the drive-market, including Southeast tourists, Pricher said.

Also, he said hoteliers are having to alter their normal booking procedures. Before COVID, tourists would book as far as three months out to ensure choice hotel rooms. Now, most travelers are reserving rooms at the last-minute or closer to the time of arrival. There's still that

uncertainty.

John

Pricher

Director,

Visitors &

Convention

Bureau.

Pricher said he is aware of the congestion on the waterways and roads during scallop season. Combined with the Fourth of July holiday, it will likely be even more crowded in Homosassa and



Crystal River.

But businesses look forward to the extra customers.

"It's a significant economic weekend," he said. "We're a waterfront community. It lifts all businesses."

The fact that it falls on a holiday is a good thing, Pricher said.

"You couldn't ask for a better kick-off date," he said.

Help needed

"It's going to be busy," said Mike En-giles, a member of the Citrus County Tourist Development Council.

Engiles, who runs manatee and scallop tours out of his Crystal River Watersports, said all nine of his boat docks are filled up in anticipation of the season. Similar to other business owners, English is having trouble finding employees. He's short two full-time staffers and would like to hire them before the crunch.

Engiles said he has a "fair number of advance bookings from scallopers so far."

Scalloping, he said, affects all aspects of the economy. People spend money at local restaurants, buy gas and patronize businesses.

"I'm looking forward to it," he said.



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First post-pandemic cruise ship takes to the seas

Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE — The first cruise ship to leave a U.S. port since the coronavirus pandemic brought the industry to a 15-month standstill set sail with nearly all vaccinated passengers on board.

Celebrity Edge departed Fort Lauderdale at 6 p.m. Saturday with the number of passengers limited to about 40% capacity, and with virtually all passengers such as

lebrity Cruises, one of Royal Caribbean Cruise's brands, says 99% of the passengers are vaccinated, well over the 95% requirement imposed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

A giant greeting was projected on a wall of one of the port buildings: "Someday is here. Welcome back."

Passengers arrived with matching T-shirts that read phrases

vaccinated against COVID-19. Ce- vaccination" and "vaccinated and is asking guests if they would like Cruises' CEO Richard Fain, after ready to cruise.

'Words can't describe how excited we are to be a part of this historic sailing today," said Elizabeth Rosner, 28, who moved from Michigan to Orlando in December 2019 with her fiancé just to be close to the cruise industry's hub.

To comply with both the CDC's requirement and a new Florida law banning businesses from requiring customers to show proof "straight outta of vaccination, Celebrity Cruises ship," said Royal Caribbean Cozumel and Nassau.

to share their vaccination status. Those who do not show or say they are vaccinated face additional restrictions.

Saturday's sailing kicks off the cruise lines' return to business with Carnival vessels already scheduled to depart from other ports next month.

"This is an emotional day for

expressing condolences to the victims of the Surfside building collapse, less than 15 miles south of the port.

Celebrity Cruises had unveiled the \$1 billion boat in December 2018—betting on luxury cruising, offering a giant spa and multifloor suites. The seven-night cruise will sail for three days in me. When I stepped on board the the Western Caribbean waters beship, I was proud. It's a beautiful fore making stops in Costa Maya,



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle

Newer RaceTrac stations, like this one at State Road 44 and County Road 491, have replaced manual gas price signs with a digital version.



Pennsylvania-based Wawa redefined the definiabout just fueling up.

delis, elaborate coffee 19, at the corner of State

choices and mini markets. RaceTrac already offers a generous choice of food options and its yogurt station (Swirl World) has

proven popular. About 100 people showed tion of a gas station. It's not up for last month's grand opening of the new Crystal Customers want inside River Wawa at 505 NE U.S.

Road 44 and U.S. 19. The area. store is the first to open in Florida with electric vehi-

cle charging stations. When RaceTrac at State ing in January 2016. Road 44 and County Road 491 opened four years ago, it was the chain's newest ble layout, expanded instore prototype, featuring a Swirl World frozen dessert

It was similar to the Homosassa RaceTrac off U.S. 19, which finished remodel-Those remodeled stores

have a more open, shoppadoor and outdoor seating, free Wi-Fi and more station and large coffee lighting.



holiday idle speed/no wake

Worth NOTING

The idle speed/no wake holiday speed zone ordinance (2004-02) will be in effect for King's Bay, Crystal River and any canals and tributaries leading to these areas for the upcoming Independence Day holiday.

The purpose of this holiday speed zone ordinance is to allow citizens a safe place in which to participate in water-related activities.

For more information, call 352-527-7620.

Citrus government offices will be closed July 5

Citrus County government offices will be closed Monday, July 5, in observance of Independence Day. Normal hours of operation and services will resume July 6.

Learn how to boat safely with **USCG Auxiliary**

The USCG Auxiliary of Crystal River will present their new Boat America safe boating class from 6:45 to 9:15 p.m. July 20 to 23 via

County announces Zoom. The cost is \$30 and includes a book, certified instruction and more.

Information covered includes: knowing your boat and motor, what to do before getting underway, operating vour boat safely, legal requirements of boating, boating emergencies, vessel operator responsibilities, knowing local waters and small boats and paddle craft.

Upon successful completion of the test, participants will receive the FWC Safe Boater Card.

To register for this class, email Linda at ljones1501@ gmail.com. Payment must be received by July 13. Books and materials will be mailed.

Key Training Center to give away car

The Key Training Center is giving out a 2012 Chevrolet Camaro. The car has under 45,000 miles and the winner will receive free gas for a year courtesy of Lowman Law Firm. The contest ends July 16.

To enter, call 352-795-5541 ext. 312, text Keycar to 41444 or visit https://tinyurl. com/2e29b4k7.

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Suspect accused of shooting Florida officer arrested

Associated Press

shooting a Florida police officer in the head was captured early Saturday on a wooded property just outside of Atlanta that's affiliated with an all-Black, pro-gun nor's handcuffs, the chief said. organization, police said.

Othal Toreyane Resheen Wallace, 29, was found in a treehouse on the 3-acre property during the execution of a search warrant, Daytona Beach Police Chief Jakari Young told reporters at a news conference.

Wallace was accused of shooting Daytona Beach officer Jason Raynor, 26, after Raynor approached Wallace as he sat in a vehicle Wednesday night. Wallace has been charged with attempted first-degree murder of a law enforcement officer with a firearm.

Young said law enforcement searched for 56 hours with little sleep to track down Wallace.

The property where Wallace was found is affiliated with the pro-gun group known as the NFAC, Young said. The organization is known to demonstrate against white supremacy and police violence. Young said the treehouse was fortified with weapons face.

and ammunition.

"There is no place for hate in Florida," DAYTONA BEACH - A man accused of Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis said on Twitter. "Our law enforcement will be protected. Justice will be swift."

Wallace was arrested and placed in Ray-

Wallace was in custody in DeKalb County, Georgia, and was expected to be returned to Daytona Beach.

Raynor remained hospitalized and was showing "positive signs of improvement," Young said.

"He still has a ways to go," Young said of the officer.

Also on Twitter, Georgia Gov. Brian Kemp thanked law enforcement officers for the quick work apprehending the suspect.

"Our family and the people of Georgia are praying for Officer Raynor's full recovery," Kemp said.

The execution of the search warrant involved U.S. Marshals, the FBI, Homeland Security Investigations, Georgia State Patrol and DeKalb County police, Young said.

Four other people were located on the property, Young said. He did not have information on what charges they might

Around the **COMMUNITY** =

Landfill to have quarterly drop-off

Citrus County Landfill's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) disposal program offers an additional drop-off day each quarter. The next quarterly HHW drop-off day will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 24, at the Citrus County Landfill, 230 W. Gulfto-Lake Highway in Lecanto.

As a reminder, residents who can use the regular HHW program on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of each week are encouraged to do so. This Saturday collection is no different from their weekly program, but is meant to facilitate residents who work or are otherwise unable to participate during the week. Wait times will be longer on a Saturday HHW drop-off day.

Assessed households may bring up to 10 gallons (or 60 pounds) of household

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hazardous waste for proper disposal on Tuesdays. Thursdays and Fridays or on quarterly Saturday drop-off days for no additional charge. For more information, call 352-527-7670 or visit tinyurl. com/jstmykh8.

The Path seeks donations

The Path will have their Diaper Drive through the end of June, with drop-off from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday at 21 S. Melbourne St. in Beverly Hills. The drive helps mothers with infants at The Path's rescue mission with urgently needed diapers and pull-ups.

Any size is appreciated, but most urgently needed are diapers, sizes 3 to 4, and pullups, sizes 3T to 4T. The Path also takes baby wipes or sensitive tummy baby formula. Visit their Amazon.com

wish-list at PathOfCitrus.org to order online. Walmart or grocery cards are also accepted. For a tour of The Path or more information on how to help, call 352-527-6500 extension 8.

Take Stock needs mentors

Take Stock in Children (TSIC) is seeking mentors for new students at their program. TSIC is a school-based mentoring program that assists in creating a brighter future for youth by providing college and vocational scholarships, volunteer mentors, tutoring and long-term support.

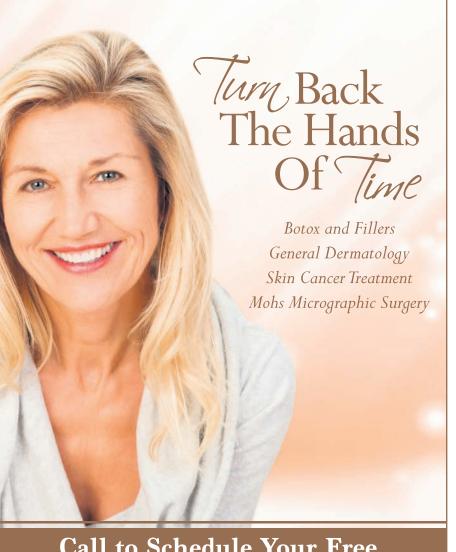
Mentors work with the students once a week for 30 minutes.

To learn more about TSIC, call Pat Lancaster, student services coordinator at 352-344-0855.

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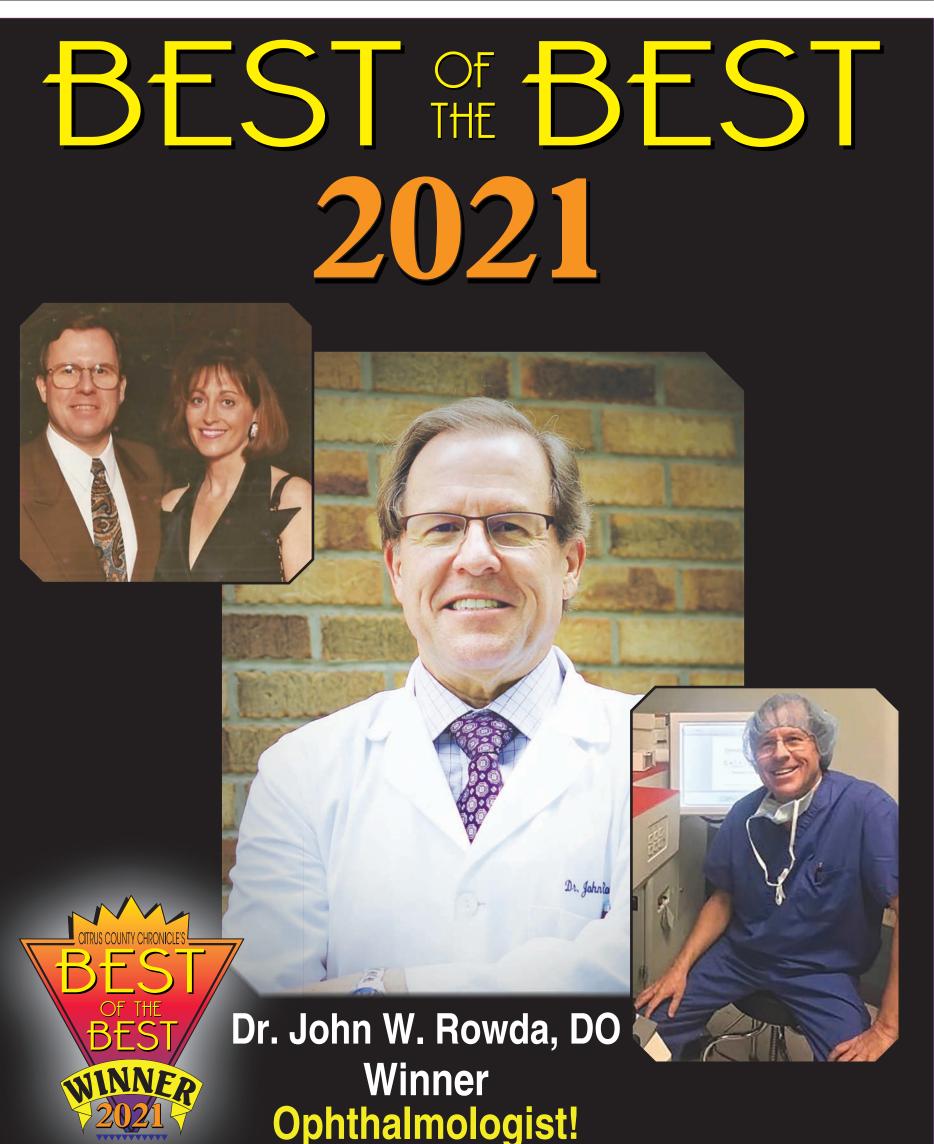
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Dr. Rowda,

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We are so proud of you and the service you have given to your community, including your participation with the Wellcare Alliance, Dementia Care, Citrus Memorial Hospital, Nature Coast Clinical Research, and President of West Coast Eye Institute in Lecanto. Your staff, patients, and family acknowledge your hard work everyday and your staff is glad to work beside you. It is an absolute honor to be recognized by your community as... Best Ophthalmologist in Citrus County!!

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World BRIEFS

Aquino, Philippine ex-leader, buried

MANILA, Philippines -Former Philippine President Benigno Aquino III was buried Saturday with thousands lining the streets of Manila to remember him for standing up to China in bitter territorial disputes, striking a peace deal with Muslim guerrillas and defending democracy in the Southeast Asian nation where his parents helped topple a dictator.

Aquino died Thursday at age 61 of kidney disease arising from diabetes following a long public absence, after his single, six-year term ended in 2016. Family and friends sang a patriotic song after a silver urn with Aquino's remains was placed beside the tomb of his mother, former President Corazon Aquino. Military honors included a 21-gun salute at the private cemetery.

Aquino's family did not want him or his parents buried at the national Heroes' Cemetery, where past presidents and top officials had been laid to rest, including dictator Ferdinand Marcos. Aquino's mother and his assassinated father, an anti-Marcos opposition senator, helped lead a resistance that sparked a 1986 armybacked "people power" revolt, which ousted Marcos.

UK virus cases hit most since Feb 5

LONDON - The U.K. on Saturday recorded its most new coronavirus infections since early February as the National Health Service ran a "grab a jab" initiative to further drive up vaccination rates.

Government figures showed that another 18,270 people tested positive for the virus across the U.K, the highest daily number since Feb. 5. Over the past week, nearly 100,000 have tested positive, a near 50% in-

Pacific Northwest swelters



Sarah O'Sell transports her new air conditioning unit to her nearby apartment on a dolly in Seattle on Friday, June 25. O'Sell snagged one of the few AC units available at the Junction True Value Hardware as Pacific Northwest residents brace for an unprecedented heat wave that has temperatures forecast in triple digits.

Historic heat wave sending temps up into triple digits

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. Government officials, wildlife managers and utility workers across the Pacific berry farmers scrambling Northwest were trying to keep people and animals safe as a historic heat wave scorched Saturday.

to break all-time records in of portable air conditioncities and towns from eastern Washington state to Portland to southern Oregon, with temperatures in opened cooling centers, many areas expected to top baseball teams canceled or out up to 30 degrees above moved up weekend games, normal. It's a dangerous and utilities braced for Unusually hot weather was temperature.

forecast for a region accustomed to mild weather, and where many people don't have air conditioning.

The hot weather had to pick crops before they rot on the vine and fisheries managers working to the region keep endangered sockeye salmon safe from too-warm The heat was expected river water. Stores sold out ers and fans, some hospitals canceled outdoor vaccination clinics, cities the thermometer could

possible power outages. In western Washington,

> morning temperatures felt warmer than they were because of a higher-than-normal dew point, the National Weather Service in Seattle wrote on Twitter. A higher dew point makes the air more muggy or uncomfortable. Seattle was expected to edge above 100 degrees over the weekend and in Portland, Oregon, weather forecasters said soar to 108 degrees by Sunday, breaking an all-time record of 107 set in 1981.

expected to extend into next week for much of the region.

Associated Press

Seattle has only hit 100 degrees three times in recorded history, the National Weather Service said, and there was a chance it could eclipse the record of 103 on Monday.

"If you're keeping a written list of the records that will fall, you might need a few pages by early next week," NWS Seattle tweeted, as it announced that the city had already tied a record Friday for the highest morning-low

World BRIEFS

Disappearances rise on 'highway of death'

MEXICO CITY - As many as 50 people are missing after setting out on three-hour car trips this year between Mexico's industrial hub of Monterrey and the border city of Nuevo Laredo on a well-traveled stretch of road local media have dubbed "the highway of death."

Relatives say family members simply vanished. The disappearances, and last week's shooting of 15 apparently innocent bystanders in Reynosa, suggest Mexico is returning to the dark days of the 2006-2012 drug war when cartel gunmen often targeted the general public as well as one another.

"It's no longer between the cartels; they are attacking the public," said activist Angelica Orozco.

As many as half a dozen of those who disappeared on the highway are believed to be U.S. citizens or residents.

Authorities puzzle over knife attack motive

WUERZBURG, Germany The suspect in a knife attack in southern Germany that left three women dead was ordered kept in custody Saturday on suspicion of murder, while authorities puzzled over a possible motive, examining his mental health and seeking to determine if he was radicalized.

The attack started late Friday afternoon when the suspect walked into a store in Wuerzburg, went to the household goods department and asked a saleswoman where the knives were, regional police chief Gerhard Kallert said. He then grabbed a knife and fatally stabbed three women in the store, before continuing to attack people outside. Six people, most of them women, were seriously injured. Videos posted on social media showed people surrounding the attacker and trying to hold him at bay with chairs and sticks. The 24-year-old Somali was then stopped with a shot to the leg by police and arrested. On Saturday, he was brought before a judge, who ordered him held in jail pending a possible indictment on suspicion of three counts of murder, six of attempted murder and dangerous bodily harm; and another of bodily harm. - From wire reports

crease compared to the week before. That has raised questions over whether lockdown restrictions will end as planned.

Daily cases have risen fairly sharply over the past few weeks after fluctuating around the 2,000 mark earlier. The delta variant, which was first identified in India and is considered by government scientists to be between 40% to 80% more transmissible than the previous dominant strain, accounts for nearly all the new cases in the U.K.

Most of the new confirmed cases are among younger age groups.

- From wire reports

Biden: Infrastructure vow not a threat

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Aiming to preserve a fragile move in "tandem" with a bipartisan deal on infrastructure, President Joe Democrats aim to pass Biden said Saturday he along party lines. didn't mean to suggest he would veto the nearly \$1 clear he would pursue assure senators that Biden trillion bill unless Congress also passed a larger package to expand the social safety net.

Speaking on Thursday moments after fulfilling notion that he would not on the very plan I had just his hopes of reaching a bipartisan accord, Biden appeared to put the deal in that comes to me, I'm not Biden said in a statement.

ment that the infrastructure bill would have to larger bill that he and

roughly \$6 trillion in new spending for child care, Medicare and other investments, Republicans ated the impression that I balked at the president's was issuing a veto threat sign one without the other. $% \left({{{\mathbf{x}}_{i}}} \right)$ agreed to, which was cer-"If this is the only thing tainly not my intent,"

jeopardy with his com- signing it," Biden said then of the infrastructure bill. "It's in tandem."

By Saturday, Biden was cans agreed to on Thurswalking those comments back, after his top negotiators Steve Ricchetti and Though Biden had been Louisa Terrell worked to remained enthusiastic about the deal.

"My comments also cre-

"I intend to pursue the passage of that plan, which Democrats and Republiday, with vigor," Biden added. "It would be good for the economy, good for our country, good for our people. I fully stand behind it without reservation or hesitation.'

Biden's earlier remarks had drawn sharp criticism from some Republicans, including Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., who tweeted on Friday, "No deal by extortion!"

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VETERANS NOTES

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

COMING UP

Join the Legion Riders Independence Day ride

The American Legion Riders Chapter 237 will conduct a ride to Bushnell National Cemetery in honor of Independence Day. Riders will meet at 9:30 a.m. Friday, July 2, at the post, 6726 N. Lecanto Highway in Beverly Hills. Kickstands up at 10 a.m.

At the cemetery, riders will place 5,000 U.S. flags on the graves of the fallen to honor them and their families. All vehicles are welcome to participate. This will be a police escorted event. For information, call John Roby, director, at

352-536-7480.

VFW Post 4864 plans Fourth of July picnic

VFW Post 4864 will host a Fourth of July picnic at the post, 10199 N Citrus Springs Blvd. Music will be provided by one man band, Charly Petra.

Bike on display for Fourth of July weekend

Max, the '06 red, white and blue Superglide, will be on display for the Fourth of July weekend at Plaza Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram of Inverness, 2077 Highway 44 West.

VFW Post 4864 to serve spaghetti dinner

VFW Post 4864 of Citrus Springs will have a special spaghetti and meatball dinner meal from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 13, at 10199 N. Citrus Springs Blvd.

The cost is \$9 per person. Groups larger than four people are requested to call to reserve a table at 352-465-4864.

Elks to host Purple Heart breakfast

The West Citrus Elks Lodge 2693, will host a breakfast and program at 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at 7890 W. Grover Cleveland Blvd. in Homosassa. The program will honor all Purple Heart recipients and commemorate the 239th anniversary of the Purple Heart.

The families of those who fell in combat, Purple Heart recipients and their guests are invited to the free breakfast served by the lodge's veterans committee.

Established by George Washington on Aug. 7, 1782, and originally known as the Badge of Military Merit, the Purple Heart is a badge of honor that recognizes patriots who have made the supreme sacrifice or shed their blood on the field of battle in defense of our nation's freedoms. Attendees are requested to register. Contact Curt at 352-382-3847 or curt247@tampabay. rr.com and indicate the number in your party and their names. For information about Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 Military Order of the Purple Heart, visit citruspurpleheart.org or their Facebook page.

After service:

Following stint in the Army, veteran changes course to different life

Margo Wilson For the Chronicle

aul Cohen, 93, of Beverly Hills didn't serve in the military during World War II, but the then-premed student did serve as an Army medic immediately afterward and realized he didn't want to be a doctor.

For the most part, Paul didn't directly apply his degree in economics from Cornell University to his professional pursuits, although he discovered his degree functioned like "a Swiss army knife," as one of his professors had put it, allowing him to pursue myriad occupations.

And when Paul first proposed to his late wife, Patricia, she told him she "needed a husband like a hole in the head," he said. But when Patricia finally realized she did need him, it led to a happy 54-year marriage.

Paul seems to have learned that for him, having a first idea may be necessary to get the ball rolling along his life's path; however, it's because he's been open to modifying that idea, to learning, to having patience and persistence, and to embracing life's gifts, that he has created a life story with many unique and diverse threads.

Born in Brooklyn, Paul graduated in 1945 from Sewanhaka High School in Floral Park — a village on Long Island. At 17, he enrolled at Cornell University as a premed student.

When he turned 18, he enlisted in the Army and immediately was sent to a separation site at Fort Dix, where incoming troops from World War II were processed before they were sent home.

Paul said that when he enlisted, there was such a backlog of U.S. soldiers in Europe waiting to come home that he was sent to Fort Dix without even receiving basic training or medic training. He and his fellow medics and the other medical personnel worked 12 hours a day, seven days a week, trying to process all the returning soldiers.

Only after they cleared up the backlog were he and some of his fellow medical workers sent to basic training.

Soon, Cohen was sent to Regensburg, Germany, first serving in a constabulary unit, and then at the military bogsital in Bogsarchurg



MARGO WILSON/For the Chronicle Paul Cohen works on a puzzle at his home in Beverly Hills.

would screech on their brakes going down the hill outside the Cohens' window.

The couple sought a more secluded home and moved to a cedar-shingled hunting camp two miles from the nearest power line.

At this outpost, they lit their evenings with gas lamps. Their refrigerator was gas-powered. They had a woodstove and gas heaters. They stayed in this mountain retreat 10 years.

During this time, Paul also sold gloves for the Hanover Glove Co. Moreover, he became a member of Ski Mechanics and Managers, a caravan of ski experts who took their knowledge on the road, teaching ski industry workers and others such things as procedures for bindings and for using tools, as well as the importance of paperwork to protect against lawsuits. The group visited major cities, includ-

Back to Vermont

So, the family moved back to Vermont. There, he opened his own shop, Paul Cohen's High Performance Ski Tuning. The success of a local woman's knit hats soon inspired Patricia to buy her own knitting machine and open Pat's Hats inside Paul's store.

He said an area writer who visited the shop described the hats as looking like "a bunch of colorful bats on the wall." Soon, it became the trend, when skiing at Killington Ski Resort,

GOOD TO KNOW

WTC scholarships available to vets

For the second year in a row, the Citrus County Veterans Coalition (CCVC) made a \$3,000 scholarship available to the Withlacoochee Technical College (WTC). WTC distributes these funds to veterans who attend classes there.

The funds may be used for the purchase of books, manuals, tools of the trade or uniforms. Veterans can receive grants through the VA for course tuition, but incur many other expenses in the course of their education.

These funds are specifically intended to ease the financial hardships of veterans in their continuing education.

To access the available funds, veterans should contact the financial aid coordinator at WTC. For additional assistance, call Bob Bendle, CCVC scholarship officer, at 352-400-8952.

Female Veterans Network has monthly meetings

Female Veterans Network (FVN) invites all female veterans to their monthly meeting on the second Thursday monthly at the Citrus County Resource Center on 2804 W. Marc Knighton Court in Lecanto. The meeting is held in the cafeteria.

Masks and social distancing are strongly encouraged.

The mission of the (FVN) is to unite female veterans, develop camaraderie and discuss issues that are important and unique to female veterans. For information or to support FVN, contact Cynthia at 352-628-6481, Jo Monty at 352-527-6575 or visit femaleveteransnetwork.org.

military hospital in Regensburg.

He was assigned to a surgical orthopedic unit and quickly was named assistant ward master.

Paul served in the Army from 1946-48 and said being a medic cured him from wanting to be a doctor. He said he grew too attached to his patients, some of whom never recovered.



Paul Cohen and his wife, Patricia.

Into civilian life

After he was discharged, Paul Cohen started exploring the many avenues that life offered, getting a job as a truck driver and returning to school.

After graduation, he managed an office in New York City that transcribed dictation tapes. His future wife, Patricia, was one of the transcribers.

Meanwhile, Paul was a skiing fanatic, often spending weekends at ski hills in Vermont.

He was offered a job as the manager of the ski rental and repair shop at Killington Ski Resort in Vermont, and he took it.

Paul and Pat purchased a 165-yearold house and converted it to a ski lodge. Pat cooked for the guests.

Paul put in the electricity upstairs, as well as two bathrooms and a kitchen. After five years, the traffic had changed, and tractor trailers ing some in Canada.

Being part of the Ski Mechanics and Managers' tour "felt like show business," he said. "It was exciting. ... It was nerve-wracking but well-paid. I earned, in 10 weeks, what I had made all year."

Off to Utah

On a tour during which the troupe visited Utah, Paul was asked if he would like to be the repair manager at Snowbird Mountain. After discussing the matter with Patricia, the couple decided they'd make the move.

Soon, however, their children, Joshua and Rachael, who Cohen said were serious students, decided they didn't like their new school at all. All the other kids ever talked about was skiing, and Joshua and Rachael knew there was more to life, according to their dad. to wear a Pat's Hat.

At the same time, Paul felt called to put together, on the weekends, a skiing program for inner city kids from a Massachusetts community center. He persuaded ski industry executives to donate 800 pair of unsaleable skis, boots, and bindings for the program.

Although Paul said he coined the term, "ski tuning," to describe the ski sharpening his shop offered, many new shops opened after his, also claiming to offer "ski tuning." Five years after opening his shop, he had 12 competitors and his services were the most expensive.

"Pat's Hats kept us going," he said. Meanwhile, the U.S. Forest Service had logged hardwood from the Green Mountain National Forest near the Cohens' home and had built a road. The family's water supply, from a spring one-half mile up the road, was damaged. The sound of logging trucks driving up and backing down the narrow gravel road also destroyed the tranquility of the family's "Eden," Paul said.

Trying the city life

The family decided it was time to trade country life for life in New York City, where the Cohens were confident they could earn a living.

Paul and Patricia soon found temp agency work in New York. After two years, Pat was offered a job with Citibank and Paul was hired as assistant to the editor-in-chief at Scholastic, a publisher of children's educational books.

Then, Scholastic decided to close its textbook division, but Paul landed a job as assistant to the president and vice president of Curriculum Concepts, a developer of educational materials. There, he was responsible for scheduling the timetable when authors would turn in chapters, when typists would type them, and when editors would edit them.

He decided a computer could help in scheduling, but there was no scheduling software for the publishing industry.

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- Submit information for the Veterans page at least two weeks before the event.
- Early submission of timely material is appreciated,

but multiple publications cannot be guaranteed.

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

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limia and constantly cut myself on my arms and legs because this was the one thing in my life I had control over. I am not proud of myself for those days.

I have children now, and

my son, at 14 just other women, but my best friends, from their though I have been told I am beautiful. I never believe it.

I don't want my son to I have. I keep thinking: What if I never learn to love myself and be confident? Will I teach him to voice? Questioning everything he does? Will he believe he is not handsome and ruin his relationships, like I have, with his insecurities? I am scared, honestly, because I see so much of myself in him, and even though I try to get myself to at least say positive things about me, I just never can.

When I am depressed, I cry on and off all day and can't concentrate on anything. I'm constantly telling myself I'm not worth it: that I'm not skinny enough in certain places, creators.com.

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Paul modified software the construction industry was using for scheduling. Suddenly, he became the computer expert.

After a year, he left the company and started temping again, this time focusing on his computer skills. After a while, he was offered a fulltime post with Executive Bloodstock Management Corp. in Pennsylvania, a company that managed accounts for people who invested in thoroughbred horses. Patricia worked as a medical transcriptionist.

After visiting Sanibel Island, the Cohens bought a house in Cape Coral, and after a series of coincidences and changes in their living situation, decided to move to Florida.

Down to Florida

Paul opened a bookstore in Cape Coral, and Pat did medical transcribing in Fort Myers. Soon, Paul found that running a bookstore was fairly boring because, although he had thought he might have interesting conversations with his clients about authors and literature, many of his clients were solely interested in buying romance novels, he said.

By this time, Pat had picked up more medical transcription customers than she easily could handle by herself, so Paul joined his wife in her medical transcription business. About the same time, his frail mother moved to Cape Coral and Pat cared for her.

Then one day, Pat saw an article about Sugarmill Woods and about the community's efforts to preserve a greenbelt. Pat wanted to move, and Paul said he had no desire to stop her after she had taken care of his mother.

Into Citrus County The Cohens first lived in

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Sugarmill Woods in Citrus County and then in Floral City. When they had moved to Sugarmill Woods, they had looked for medical transcription work but couldn't find any, Cohen said.

However, one day, Pat purchased a book of puzzles at the grocery store and noticed it was full of mistakes. She circled all the mistakes she found and sent the corrected copy to the publisher. The publisher contacted Pat and asked her if she'd like a job editing puzzles.

A few days later, Pat received a month's supply of USA Today puzzles. Pat and Paul divided up the puzzles, edited them, sent them back, and received a check in the mail. Soon, the

Cohens were editing puzzles for USA Today, the Los Angeles Times, the National Observer, the Christian Science Monitor and Spirit Airlines.

Then, Pat got sick and kept getting sicker. Wanting to be closer to their children, they moved back to Vermont and shared a house with daughter Rachael. Paul did some volunteer work at a Veterans Administration hospital in Vermont.

But "We had spent too many years in Florida," Cohen said. 'We couldn't take the winters.''

They moved back to Florida, this time to Lecanto. Pat eventually went into hospice and

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spent the last 11 months of her life at home with Paul as her caretaker. Pat died in October 2015.

Paul was grief-stricken, although he didn't first admit it. A hospice worker invited him to join a grief support group, but he didn't. Three weeks after Pat's death, he went to the hospice office in Homosassa to volunteer because, he said, "I cannot say enough good about how helpful hospice is."

But at the interview to become a volunteer, he broke into tears. The worker interviewing him put him on the phone with a grief counselor. This time, he joined a grief support group. "And it was a huge

help," he said.

On his own

Soon after Pat died, Paul spent several months living near his son in Ann Arbor, Mich., and later, near his daughter in Charlotte, N.C. After three years in Charlotte, where again, Paul volunteered at the V.A. hospital, he decided to return to Florida, and this time, to Beverly Hills.

Since returning, he's volunteered at the hospice thrift store in Homosassa, with the VA clinic in Lecanto, and with Meals on Wheels.

He practices tennis, plays his guitar, and does puzzles.

His musical pursuits are longstanding. For years, he's been a jazz guitarist and has jammed with such greats as jazz saxophonists Zoot Sims and Sonny Rollins, and jazz bassists Percy Heath and Major Holley.

In addition to son, Joshua, and daughter, Rachael, Paul has three stepchildren from Pat's first marriage: Aviva, Briah, and Mark, as well as one biological grandchild, six step-grandchildren, and five step-great grandchildren.



Paul Cohen as a soldier.

Stories to tell

And Paul still has many stories to tell, including this one:

After Paul had asked Pat to marry him and she had told him she really wasn't interested in another husband, Paul said he took her answer as a "Maybe.'

Six months later, Paul boarded a charter plane for a ski trip to Switzerland, with a planned stop in Brussels. The plane was flying at night, in a blizzard.

Word got back to the United States that a charter plane had crashed in Brussels and that everyone on board had been killed.

Pat heard the news. Only later did she learn that the plane that had crashed had carried the entire U.S. figure skating team, headed for the World Figure Skating Championships in Prague. Pat then realized Paul had been on a different plane.

And she realized something else.

When Paul's plane returned to the United States, Pat was waiting for him at the airport. When she spotted him, she ran into his arms and said, "'Yes, I'll marry you.'

"We got married the following July," Paul said.

For Paul, his patience, persistence and love had created, for him, one of the best stories ever.



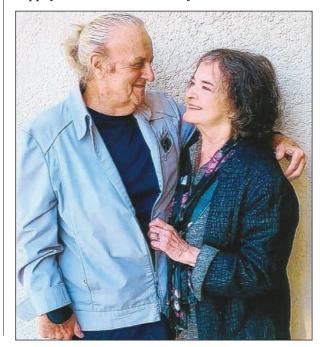
The DeStasios

Mary and Pat DeStasio celebrate their 64th wedding anniversary on June 29, 2021. The couple were married in 1957 at St. Boniface Church, the same parish in which their parents were wed.

Mary and Pat both grew up on Long Island, New York, and were high school sweethearts. After they married, they had four children: Tricia, Patrick, Mary and Mike.

Pat was a driver for the U.S. Postal Service and a licensed pilot. The couple enjoyed flying throughout the states. Mary was an optical test inspector for Fairchild Camera Systems and a reporter for "The Spectrum," the company publication.

Mary and Paul both retired in 2002 and have since happily resided in Citrus County.





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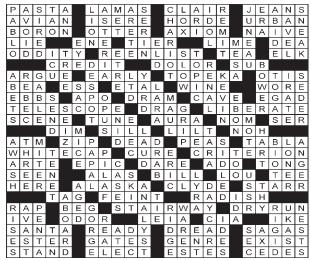
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Earned run average for Mets ace Jacob deGrom, the second-lowest through 13 starts since earned runs became official in 1913.



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Bolts vs. Habs in all-East Cup Final

Series will stay in same time zone

STEPHEN WHYNO AP bockey writer

After gutting out a tough series to get to the Stanley Cup Final, the Tampa Bay Lightning shouldn't have to change their style of play to match up against the Montreal Canadiens.

They won't have to change time zones, either.

While teams in the Eastern Time Zone have met in the final quite a few times since, the adjusted playoff format means this is the first final between two traditional Eastern Conference opponents in 41 years. Tampa Bay and Montreal will face off for the third time in eight postseasons, and this time it's for the Stanley Cup.

"They're going to get the best team that they've played against so far, and we're going to get the best team that we've played against so far," Lightning captain Steven Stamkos said Friday after a 1-0 victory against the

New York Islanders in Game 7 of the semifinals. "It's going to be a tough, grinding series."

Montreal swept Tampa Bay in the first round in 2014 on the way to the East final, and the Lightning beat the Canadiens in six games in the second round on their way to the 2015 final. Lightning coach Jon Cooper, Stamkos and six other players remain from the series six years ago, while the Canadiens only have goalie Carey Price and forward Brendan Gallagher left on their roster from back then.

"I remember how close every game was," Gallagher said. "Each game seemed to be decided by one play here, a mistake there. The difference was such a slim margin. I think since then their team has obviously been growing, their core's grown. They got to feel what it's like to win a championship last season, so they're going to be a whole different animal.

These teams have flip-flopped roles since. The Canadiens are now the younger team that hadn't gone deep into the playoffs yet, while the Lightning endured the pain of losing in the 2015 final and getting swept out



Tampa Bay Lightning players celebrate after defeating the New York Islanders in Game 7 of a Stanley Cup semifinal playoff series Friday, in Tampa.

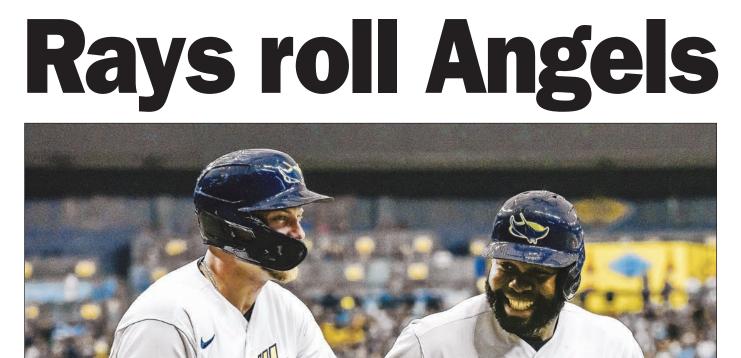
vear. "It took a lot to get here,"

of the first round in 2019 before Cooper said. "It was all building winning it all in the bubble last blocks to get to here, and you can't predict that. It's going to happen."

It's happening now, with Game 1 at Tampa Bay set for Monday night.

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Associated Press



NC State removed from CWS Players are left confused, angry ERIC OLSON AP sports writer

OMAHA, Neb. - North Carolina State baseball players who were one win away from playing for a national championship reacted with anger and confusion to their team's removal from the College World Series because of COVID-19 protocols. "Words can't even describe this feeling," right fielder Devonte Brown tweeted. "An opportunity of a lifetime, something you dream of as a little kid just snatched away in the blink of an eye." Vanderbilt advanced to the CWS finals after the NCAA announced early Saturday that the Wolfpack would not be allowed to continue in the tournament. The Commodores will meet Texas or Mississippi State in the best-of-three finals starting Monday. NC State had only 13 players available during its 3-1 loss to the Commodores on Friday. The teams had been scheduled to meet again Saturday in a winner-take-all Bracket 1 final. The NCAA Division I Baseball Committee declared that game a no-contest. "This decision was made based on the recommendation of the Championship Medical Team and the Douglas County Health Department," the NCAA said in a statement. "As a result, Vanderbilt will advance to the CWS Finals. "The NCAA and the committee regret that NC State's student athletes and coaching staff will not be able to continue in the championship in which they earned the right to participate. Because of privacy issues, we cannot provide further details." Douglas County Health Department spokesman Phil Rooney said the health department did not recommend NC State's removal but told the NCAA the department would support whatever decision the NCAA made. Rooney said the health department provides assistance to the NCAA in testing and contact tracing but is limited in mandating procedures related to COVID-19 because there is no local directed health measure in effect.

MLB/B2



Associated Press

Tampa Bay Rays DH Austin Meadows, left, celebrates with Manuel Margot after Margot's two-run home run off Los Angeles Angels starter Alex Cobb during the second inning of a game Saturday, in St. Petersburg.

Tampa Bay win 4th in a row, sends Los Angeles to a 5th straight loss

MARK DIDTLER Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG — Shane McClanahan pitched six effective innings, Brett Phillips drove in three runs and the Tampa Bay Rays beat the Los Angeles Angels 13-3 Saturday for their fourth straight win.

Manuel Margot and Mike Zunino homered for Tampa Bay. Ji-Man Choi had four hits and drove in two runs as the Rays improved to 6-0 against the Angels this season

"I'm going to tell you what it's like, it's like waking up on Christmas morning as a kid and seeing all the presents," Phillips said. "All the exciting things that you can imagine when you score a lot of runs like that. Everyone is excited and happy.

Seven Tampa Bay players scored and eight had a hit.

The Angels have lost five in a row overall.

We just got beat," Los Angeles manager Joe Maddon said. "We've just to throw this one away and come back tomorrow and play it right."

McClanahan (3-2) allowed three runs and four hits, all coming in the third inning

said. "Reset my mind and kept attacking.'

bats, connected on a two-run triple to ball from José Iglesias. deep center off Alex Cobb (5-3). He scored on a wild pitch during a four-run fourth as Tampa Bay went up 6-3.

Phillips added an RBI single in a fiverun seventh that made it 13-3.

Cobb dropped to 0-6 in eight starts against his former team after giving up six runs and six hits in four innings. He went 48-35 with Tampa Bay from 2011-17.

Shohei Ohtani bounced an RBI double over Choi at first base and Anthony Rendon flared a two-run double down the right-field line off an 100-mph fastball from McClanahan as the Angels took a 3-2 lead in the third.

Ohtani's hit left the bat at 29 mph, the lowest to result in an extra-base hit since StatCast data is available starting in 2015.

"When you've got a lead, you've got to hold onto it," Maddon said. "You've got to finish games off, all the different things that a winning team does. That is winning baseball, and that's what we have to do.'

Los Angeles scored twice in the first inning of Friday's 4-3 loss to the Rays.

The Angels loaded the bases later in the third when rookie shortstop Wander 'That's just baseball," McClanahan Franco was charged with his first big league error after misplaying Taylor Ward's two-out grounder. McClanahan

Phillips, hitless in his previous 15 at- avoided further damage by getting a fly

Margot hit a two-run drive off Cobb during the second. It was just the third homer allowed by the right-hander in 11 starts this season.

Zunino hit his 16th homer in the sixth.

Franco went 0 for 4 and had his average drop to .105. He is hitless in 16 atbats since having a homer and double Tuesday in his major league debut. He walked with the bases loaded in the seventh.

"Nothing that we're concerned about," Tampa Bay manager Kevin Cash said. "Yesterday he just misses a ball. He smoked a ball that the right fielder made a nice play on. If he keeps hitting balls like that, they're going to find holes."

OHTANI!

Ohtani's homer off a catwalk about 65 feet above the right-field stands Friday continued to be a topic of discussion.

Maddon believes it went farther than the estimated 453 feet.

'If it didn't hit the ring I'm not sure it would have gone out" a laughing Cash said. "Nobody else can do what he does, both sides of the ball."

Cash is also amazed at Ohtani's foot speed.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

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New York	40	36	.526	6	5	6-4	L-2	21-18	19-18			
Toronto	39	36	.520	6½	5½	6-4	W-1	15-17	24-19			
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Seattle	40	37	.519	8	5½	8-2	W-1	24-16	16-21		San Diego	46	32	.590	4½	_	8-2	W-8	29-14	17-18
Los Angeles	36	40	.474	11½	9	3-7	L-5	21-19	15-21		Colorado	31	46	.403	19	14½	5-5	L-2	25-16	6-30
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ROUNDUP/MATCHUPS

deGrom gave up two runs for the first time this season. Blue Javs 12. Orioles 4: Vladimir

Guerrero Jr. hit his major leagueleading 26th home run. Marlins 3, Nationals 2: Rookie Zach

Thompson struck out 11 in six innings. Tigers 3, Astros 1, 1st Game; Astros 3, Tigers 2, 2nd Game: Yordan Alvarez and Carlos Correa hit back-to-back homers in the sixth inning and Houston to split a doubleheader. In the first game, Zack Short's first home run in the majors broke a fifth-inning tie for Detroit. Cardinals 3, Pirates 1: Adam Wain-

wright pitched into the seventh inning. Rangers 8, Royals 0: Kyle Gibson had a season-high 10 strikeouts over seven scoreless innings. Reds 4, Braves 1: Luis Castillo pitched seven scoreless innings and

Mets 4, Phillies 3: Mets ace Jacob Brewers 10, Rockies 4: Christian Sox (Lynn 7-3), 2:10 p.m., 1st game Yelich hit a two-run homer during a six-run rally in the eighth inning. Dodgers 3. Cubs 2: Cody Bellinger homered with two out in the ninth inning.

LATE Cleveland at Minnesota, ppd. N.Y. Yankees at Boston Oakland at San Francisco Seattle at Chicago White Sox Arizona at San Diego TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Baltimore (López 2-9) at Toronto (Stripling 2-4), 1:07 p.m. Houston (Odorizzi 2-3) at Detroit (Skubal 4-7), 1:10 p.m. L.A. Angels (Sandoval 2-2) at Tampa Bay (Yarbrough 4-3), 1:10 p.m. N.Y. Yankees (Cole 8-3) at Boston (Rodríguez 5-4), 1:10 p.m. Cleveland (Hentges 1-1) at Minnesota (Happ 3-3), 2:10 p.m.

(Lyles 2-5), 2:35 p.m. Seattle (Gonzales 1-4) at Chicago White Sox (Keuchel 6-2), 4:40 p.m., 2nd game NATIONAL LEAGUE Atlanta (Muller 0-1) at Cincinnati (Mahle 7-2), 1:10 p.m. Philadelphia (Wheeler 5-4) at N.Y. Mets (Eickhoff 0-0), 1:10 p.m. Washington (Scherzer 6-4) at Miami (Alcantara 4-6), 1:10 p.m. Colorado (González 2-4) at Milwaukee (Lauer 1-3), 2:10 p.m. Pittsburgh (Kranick 0-0) at St. Louis (Oviedo 0-3), 2:15 p.m. Arizona (Gallen 1-3) at San Diego

Kansas City (Singer 3-5) at Texas

(Darvish 7-2), 4:10 p.m. Chicago Cubs (Alzolay 4-6) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 8-7), 7:08 p.m. INTERLEAGUE Oakland (Irvin 5-7) at San Francisco

Seattle (Gilbert 2-2) at Chicago White (Long 1-0), 4:05 p.m.

the Cincinnati Reds. Catcher Bo Diaz

ninth and 11th innings.

the St. Louis Cardinals.

game at the Kingdome.

threw out Thompson in the fourth, sixth,

1993 — Anthony Young of the New

York Mets set a major league record by

losing his 24th straight decision, 5-3 to

1999 — Ken Griffey Jr. hit his 27th

homer and robbed Juan Gonzalez of a

three-run shot with a spectacular over-

the-fence catch as the Seattle Mariners

beat the Texas Rangers 5-2 in the final

2003 — Boston set a major league

first out. The 50-minute, 91-pitch first in-

record by scoring 10 runs before the

ning came during a 25-8 victory over

Florida. The Red Sox also tied an AL

record with 14 runs in the first inning.

league mark with three hits in an inning.

2008 — Carlos Delgado of the New

York Mets homered twice, including a

grand slam, and set a franchise record

kees at Yankee Stadium in the opener

9-0 at Shea Stadium in the night game.

major leaguer to hit three homers and

two doubles in a game, and Jake Arri-

cago Cubs to an 11-8 victory over the

Cincinnati Reds.

eta added a solo shot, leading the Chi-

2016 — Kris Bryant became the first

of the teams' two-ballpark double-

header. The Yankees beat the Mets

with nine RBIs in a 15-6 rout of the Yan-

Johnny Damon matched a major

THIS DATE IN BASEBALL

1917 — Catcher Hank Gowdy of the

1939 — The Brooklyn Dodgers and the Boston Braves played a 23-inning, 2-2 tie. Whit Wyatt pitched the first 16 innings for the Dodgers. Both clubs played a 26-inning tie in 1920 at the same Braves Field.

White Sox retired 26 straight Washington batters before pinch-hitter Ed Fitzgerald hit a double just inside the right-field line for the only hit. Pierce then struck out Albie Pearson on three pitches and beat the Senators 3-0.

18-year-old bonus baby with the Rangers, start. Texas beat the Minnesota Twins 4-3

1980 — The Los Angeles Dodgers' Jerry Reuss pitched a no-hitter against the San Francisco Giants in an 8-0 victory at Candlestick Park. The only player to reach base was Jack Clark in the first inning on a throwing error by

1986 — San Francisco rookie Robby Thompson set a major league record

STATISTICAL LEADERS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BATTING-Brantley, Houston, .349; Guerrero Jr., Toronto, .339; Gurriel, Houston, .337; Bogaerts, Boston, .320; Mullins, Baltimore, .312; Alvarez, Houston, .306; Correa, Houston, .305: Martinez, Boston, .302: Cruz, Minnesota, .300; T.Hernández, Toronto, .298; Olson, Oakland, .298.

RUNS-Bichette, Toronto, 64; Guerrero Jr., Toronto, 61; Altuve, Houston, 58; Canha, Oakland, 55; Correa, Houston, 55; Semien, Toronto, 55; Devers, Boston, 50; Martinez, Boston. 50: Ohtani. Los Angeles, 50; Arozarena, Tampa Bay, 49; Olson, Oakland, 49; Ramírez, Cleveland, 49.

.287; J.Turner, Los Angeles, .285; Acuña Jr., Atlanta, .278 RUNS-Acuña Jr., Atlanta, 59; Tatis Jr., San Diego, 58; C.Taylor, Los Angeles, 54; Cronenworth, San Diego, 53 Winker, Cincinnati, 52: N.Castellanos, Cincinnati, 50: F. Freeman, Atlanta, 48; A.Frazier, Pittsburgh, 47; Bryant, Chicago, 45; Tapia, Colorado, 45. RBI-Tatis Jr., San Diego, 54; Duvall, Miami, 53; Craw-

Pittsburgh, .325; Winker, Cincinnati, .325; Reynolds, Pitts-

burgh, .311; T.Turner, Washington, .310; Tapia, Colorado,

.299; Tatis Jr., San Diego, .293; Cronenworth, San Diego,

ford, San Francisco, 50; Schwarber, Washington, 50; Aguilar, Miami, 50; Machado, San Diego, 49; Arenado, St. Louis, 49; Naquin, Cincinnati, 46; Báez, Chicago, 46; Winker, Cincinnati, 46: Escobar, Arizona, 46: Albies, Atlanta, 46. HITS-N.Castellanos, Cincinnati, 97; A.Frazier, Pitts-

Braves became the first major league player to enter military service in World War I.

1958 — Billy Pierce of the Chicago

1973 — David Clyde, a \$125,000, pitched five innings, struck out eight and allowed one hit in his first major league before 35,698 fans — the Rangers' first home sellout at Arlington Stadium.

shortstop Bill Russell.

when he was caught stealing four times in the Giants' 7-6, 12-inning victory over

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Díaz (McCutchen). WP-Díaz.								

Umpires-Home, Doug Eddings; First, Ryan Additon; Second, Dan Bellino; Third, Jeremie Rehak

T-3:05. A-29,205 (41,922).

Toronto 12, **Baltimore 4**

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T—2:51. A—5,913 (21,050).								

Miami 3, Washington 2

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Soto rf	4	0	1	1	Aguilar 1b	4	11	0	
Bell 1b	4	0	1	0	Duvall rf	4	00	0	
Gomes c	3	1	2	0	Rojas ss	3	01	1	
Castro 3b	3	0	1	1	Sánchez If	3	01	0	
Parra cf	4	0	0	0	León c	3	00	0	
Harrison 2	o 4	0	2	0	Berti 3b	3	12	1	
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Zimmerman	oh1	0	0	0	Bender p	0	00	0	
Voth p	0	0	0	0	Cooper ph	0	00	0	

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Pittsburgh 1 Pittsburgh St. Louis ab r h bi ab rh bi Frazier 2b 4 0 1 0 Carlson cf 3 10 0 Moran 1b 4 0 2 0 Goldschmidt 1b3 12 1 Reynolds cf 4 0 1 0 Arenado 3b 4 01 0 Polanco rf 4 1 1 1 O'Neill If 4 00 0 Evans 3b-lf 3 0 0 0 Molina c 3 02 1 Gamel ph 1 0 0 0 Edman 2b 4 00 0 Perez c 3 0 0 0 Nootbaar rf 3 0 0 0 González ss 4 0 2 0 DeJong ss 2 11 1 2 0 0 0 Wainwright p2 00 0 Tom If Hayes ph-3b1 0 0 0 Cabrera p 0 00 0 Brubaker p 2 0 0 0 Carpenter ph1 00 0 $Newman \ ph \ 1 \ \ 0 \ \ 0 \ \ Gallegos \ p \quad 0 \quad 0 0 \quad 0$ Stratton p 0 0 0 0 Reyes p 0 00 0 Hartlieb p 0 0 0 0 Totals 33 1 7 1 Totals 29 36 3 Pittsburgh 000 100 000 -1 St. Louis 110 010 00x -3 E-Molina (3). DP-Pittsburgh 0, St. Louis 1. LOB-Pittsburgh 6, St. Louis 6. 2B-Moran (9), Arenado (23). HR-Polanco (8), DeJong (9), Goldschmidt (11). SB-DeJong (3). IP H R ER BB SO Pittsburgh Brubaker L,4-7 6 6 3 3 2 3 0 0 0 2 Stratton Hartlieb 0 0 0 0 0 St. Louis Wainwright W.6-5 6 6 1 1 1 Cabrera H,10 1 0 0 0 0 0 Gallegos H,12 1 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 Reyes S,18-18 0 Wainwright pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.

Texas 8, Kansas City 0

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Merrifield 2b	3	0	0	0	Kiner-Falefa ss	5	11	0		
Dozier 1b	1	0	0	0	Lowe 1b	2	00	0		
Santana 1b	3	0	0	0	García cf	3	22	1		
Alberto 2b	1	0	1	0	Gallo rf	3	22	5		
Perez c	4	0	0	0	White If	5	01	0		
O'Hearn dh	4	0	1	0	Calhoun dh	0	10	0		
Gutierrez 3b	4	0	1	0	lbáñez ph-d	h4	02	0		
Soler rf	1	0	0	0	Solak 2b	5	02	0		
Dyson If	3	0	0	0	Holt 3b	5	11	0		
Taylor cf	2	0	0	0	Trevino c	5	11	2		
Lopez ss	3	0	0	0						

Colorado	,				Milwauke	е		
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	rh	bi
Tapia If	5	1	1	0	Wong 2b	4	13	0
Daza cf	3	0	2	1	Boxberger p	0	00	0
Blackmon rf	5	1	1	0	Narváez ph	0	00	1
Story ss	3	2	1	2	Sánchez p	0	00	0
McMahon 3	b2	0	0	0	Urías 3b-2b	5	11	2
Cron 1b	3	0	0	0	Yelich If	5	22	3
Rodgers 2b	3	0	2	1	García rf	5	23	1
Nuñez c	4	0	0	0	Adames ss	3	01	1
Senzatela p	2	0	0	0	Taylor cf	5	02	1
Hampson pl	h1	0	0	0	Hiura 1b	3	11	0
Chacín p	0	0	0	0	Suter p	0	00	0
Fuentes ph	1	0	0	0	Robertson 3	b1	10	0
Estévez p	0	0	0	0	Piña c	2	10	0
Bowden p	0	0	0	0	Houser p	2	00	0
					Peterson 1b	2	11	0
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(4), Wong (1	15),	G	àar	cía	(7), Adame	s (1	1). H	R—
Story (9), 0	Gar	CÍ	a	(14), Yelich (5)	. Se	3—Та	ipia
(10), Taylor	(3),	S	toi	ry (14), Wong (6	5), N	lcMa	hon
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Chacín BS,0-1	2	2	1	1	0	2
Estévez L,2-1	1/3	2	4	4	1	0
Bowden	2/3	3	2	2	0	2
Milwaukee						
Houser	5	5	4	4	4	4
Suter	2	2	0	0	0	3
Boxberger W,3-2	1	0	0	0	2	2
Sánchez	1	0	0	0	0	1
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Houser						

L.A. Dodgers 3, Chicago Cubs 2

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Marisnick cf 3	0 0	0 Poll	ock lf	4	01	0	
Winkler p 0	0 0	0 Mcł	Kinstry 2	b3	01	0	
Brothers p 0	0 0	0 Bick	xford p	0	00	0	
Pederson If 1	0 0	0 Pric	e p	0	00	0	
Heyward rf 4	13	0 Bea	ity ph	1	00	0	
Alcántara 2b2	0 0	0 Uría	as p	2	01	0	
Mills p 1	0 0	0 Kell	ур	0	00	0	
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Wieck	1 1/3	0	0	0	0	3
Winkler	1 2/3	1	0	0	1	3
Brothers	1	0	0	0	0	3
Thompson L,3-2	2/3	1	1	1	0	0
Los Angeles						
Urías	5 1/3	5	2	2	1	12
Kelly	2/3	0	0	0	0	2
Cleavinger	2/3	2	0	0	0	0
Bickford	1 2/3	0	0	0	0	2
Price W,3-0 WP—Mills.	2/3	0	0	0	0	0

-Guerrero Jr., Ioronto, 64; Devers, Boston, 60; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 56; A.García, Texas, 54; Meadows, Tampa Bay, 54; J.Abreu, Chicago, 53; Olson, Oakland, 53; Gurriel. Houston. 52; Walsh, Los Angeles, 52; Mancini, Baltimore, 52; Grichuk, Toronto, 52.

HITS-Guerrero Jr., Toronto, 92; Mullins, Baltimore, 91; Bichette, Toronto, 87; Gurriel, Houston, 87; Kiner-Falefa, Texas, 86: Bogaerts, Boston, 85: Semien, Toronto, 85: Correa, Houston, 83; Martinez, Boston, 83; Brantley, Houston, 82: Perez, Kansas City, 82.

DOUBLES-Devers, Boston, 23; Brantley, Houston, 22; Bogaerts, Boston, 21; Mullins, Baltimore, 21; Correa, Houston, 19; Meadows, Tampa Bay, 19; Walsh, Los Angeles, 19; Wendle, Tampa Bay, 19; 7 tied at 18.

TRIPLES-Arraez, Minnesota, 4: Baddoo, Detroit, 4: Canha, Oakland, 4; Madrigal, Chicago, 4; A.Rosario, Cleveland, 4; M.Chapman, Oakland, 3; Dalbec, Boston, 3; Lopez, Kansas City, 3; Mullins, Baltimore, 3; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 3.

HOME RUNS-Guerrero Jr., Toronto, 26; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 24; A.García, Texas, 20; Olson, Oakland, 20; Walsh, Los Angeles, 18; Devers, Boston, 18; Perez, Kansas City, 18; Semien, Toronto, 18; Altuve, Houston, 17; 6 tied at 16.

STOLEN BASES-Merrifield, Kansas City, 21: Kiner-Falefa, Texas, 15; T.Anderson, Chicago, 13; Bichette, Toronto, 12; Goodrum, Detroit, 12; Moore, Seattle, 12; Mullins, Baltimore, 12; Arozarena, Tampa Bay, 11; Phillips, Tampa Bay, 11; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 10; Straw, Houston, 10.

PITCHING-Civale, Cleveland, 10-2; Bassitt, Oakland, 8-2; Greinke, Houston, 8-2; G.Cole, New York, 8-3; Petit, Oakland, 7-1; Berríos, Minnesota, 7-2; Lynn, Chicago, 7-3; Matz, Toronto, 7-3; Loaisiga, New York, 7-3; Bieber, Cleveland, 7-4; Eovaldi, Boston, 7-4; Ryu, Toronto, 7-4.

ERA-Gibson, Texas, 2.00; Rodón, Chicago, 2.06; Lynn, Chicago, 2.14; G.Cole, New York, 2.33; Glasnow, Tampa Bay, 2.66; L.Garcia, Houston, 2.83; Manaea, Oakland, 2.91; Bassitt, Oakland, 3.25; Bieber, Cleveland, 3.28; Civale, Cleveland, 3.32; Urquidy, Houston, 3.32.

STRIKEOUTS-Bieber, Cleveland, 130; G.Cole, New York, 123; Glasnow, Tampa Bay, 123; Rodón, Chicago, 113; Giolito, Chicago, 110; Ray, Toronto, 103; Bassitt, Oakland, 102; Berríos, Minnesota, 96; Cease, Chicago, 96; Manaea, Oakland, 96.

NATIONAL LEAGUE BATTING-N.Castellanos, Cincinnati, .348; A.Frazier, burgh, 95; T.Turner, Washington, 92; Winker, Cincinnati, 87; Tapia, Colorado, 86; Cronenworth, San Diego, 82; Reynolds, Pittsburgh, 82; Edman, St. Louis, 81; Arenado, St. Louis, 77; J.Turner, Los Angeles, 73.

DOUBLES-N.Castellanos, Cincinnati, 26; A.Frazier, Pittsburgh, 24; Arenado, St. Louis, 23; Albies, Atlanta, 22; Reynolds, Pittsburgh, 20; Betts, Los Angeles, 19; Yastrzemski, San Francisco, 19; Edman, St. Louis, 18; Tapia, Colorado, 18: Acuña Jr., Atlanta, 17: Cronenworth, San Diego, 17.

TRIPLES-Albies, Atlanta, 5; Hampson, Colorado, 5; D.Peralta, Arizona, 5; Alcántara, Chicago, 3; C.Dickerson, Miami, 3; A.Frazier, Pittsburgh, 3; Owings, Colorado, 3; P.Smith, Arizona, 3; C.Taylor, Los Angeles, 3; 16 tied at 2. HOME RUNS-Tatis Jr., San Diego, 25; Schwarber, Washington, 22; Acuña Jr., Atlanta, 20; Winker, Cincinnati, 18; Báez, Chicago, 17; F.Freeman, Atlanta, 17; Crawford, San Francisco, 16; Duvall, Miami, 16; McMahon, Colorado, 16; E.Suárez, Cincinnati, 16; Escobar, Arizona, 16 Hoskins, Philadelphia, 16.

STOLEN BASES-Acuña Jr., Atlanta, 16; T.Turner, Washington, 16; Tatis Jr., San Diego, 15; Story, Colorado, 14; Edman, St. Louis, 13; Hampson, Colorado, 12; S.Marte, Miami, 12; Pham, San Diego, 11; Albies, Atlanta, 10; Chisholm Jr., Miami, 10; Tapia, Colorado, 10.

PITCHING-Hendricks, Chicago, 10-4; J.Urías, Los Angeles, 9-3; Gausman, San Francisco, 8-1; Flaherty, St. Louis, 8-1; DeSclafani, San Francisco, 8-2; Suter, Milwaukee, 8-3; Kershaw, Los Angeles, 8-7; Buehler, Los Angeles, 7-1; Darvish, San Diego, 7-2; F.Peralta, Milwaukee, 7-2; Mahle, Cincinnati, 7-2; deGrom, New York, 7-2.

ERA-deGrom, New York, 0.69; Gausman, San Francisco, 1.49: Woodruff, Milwaukee, 1.90: Tr.Rogers, Miami, 2.08; F.Peralta, Milwaukee, 2.11; Scherzer, Washington, 2.19; Musgrove, San Diego, 2.22; Stroman, New York, 2.32;

Wheeler, Philadelphia, 2.36; T.Walker, New York, 2.38. STRIKEOUTS-Bauer, Los Angeles, 129; Wheeler, Philadelphia, 122; deGrom, New York, 122; Burnes, Milwaukee, 115; F.Peralta, Milwaukee, 114; Gausman, San Francisco, 112; Scherzer, Washington, 112; Kershaw, Los Angeles, 111; Woodruff, Milwaukee, 111; Darvish, San Diego, 108.



Toronto Blue Jays starting pitcher Hyun Jin Ryu (99) throws a pitch during the first inning of a game against the Baltimore Orioles Saturday in Buffalo, N.Y.

NASCAR

Cup Series Pocono Organics CBD 325

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Saturday At Pocono Raceway Long Pond, Pa. Lap length: 2.50 miles (Start position in parentheses) 1, (13) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 130 Japs, 43 points. 2. (5) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 130, 47. 3. (2) William Byron, Chevrolet, 130, 50. 4. (10) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 130, 43. 5. (27) Rvan Blanev, Ford, 130, 38. 6. (8) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 130, 45. 7. (4) Joey Logano, Ford, 130, 45. 8. (3) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 130, 35. 9. (1) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 130, 45. 10, (18) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 130, 28 11. (16) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet, 130, 27. 12. (29) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 130, 25. 13. (14) Daniel Suarez, Chevrolet, 130, 27 14. (20) Bubba Wallace, Toyota, 130, 23. 15. (7) Ricky Stenhouse Jr. Chevrolet, 130, 22. 16. (11) Aric Almirola, Ford, 130, 21. 17. (9) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 130, 20 18. (15) Martin Truex Jr, Toyota, 130, 23. 19. (17) Michael McDowell, Ford, 130, 18. 20. (25) Chris Buescher, Ford, 130, 17. 21. (12) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 130, 18. 22. (22) Erik Jones, Chevrolet, 130, 15. 23. (31) Ryan Preece, Chevrolet, 130, 14 24. (28) Chase Briscoe, Ford, 130, 13. 25. (35) Cody Ware, Chevrolet, 130, 0. 26. (24) Anthony Alfredo, Ford, 130, 11. 27. (34) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 130, 0. 28. (36) James Davison, Chevrolet, 130, 9. 29. (30) Garrett Smithley, Chevrolet, 130, 0. 30, (32) BJ McLeod, Ford, 130, 0, 31. (37) Quin Houff, Chevrolet, 130, 6. 32. (21) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford, 129, 5. 33. (6) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 129, 4.

34. (33) Josh Bilicki, Ford, 128, 3.

35. (38) Timmy Hill, Toyota, 126, 0.

36, (23) Corev Laioie, Chevrolet, 125, 1,

37. (19) Ryan Newman, Ford, accident, 96, 1. 38. (26) Cole Custer, Ford, accident, 13, 1.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 129.451 mph.

Time of Race: 2 hours, 30 minutes, 38 seconds.

Margin of Victory: 0.683 seconds.

Caution Flags: 8 for 25 laps. Lead Changes: 14 among 9 drivers.

Lap Leaders: K.Larson 0-4; W.Byron 5-17; Ky.Busch 18-26; J.Logano 27-44; R.Chastain 45-54; Ky.Busch 55-72; Ku.Busch 73-83; K. Larson 84-91; Ku.Busch 92; D.Hamlin 93-103; M.McDowell 104-108; Ky.Busch 109-111; A Bowman 112-126; K.Larson 127-129; A.Bow man 130

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): Ky.Busch, 3 times for 30 laps; J.Logano, 7 time for 18 laps; A.Bowman, 2 times for 16 laps; K.Larson, 3 times for 15 laps; W.Byron, 1 time for 13 laps; Ku.Busch, 2 times for 12 laps; D. Hamlin, 1 time for 11 laps; R.Chastain, 1 time for 10 laps; M.McDowell, 1 time for 5 laps.

Wins: K.Larson, 4; M.Truex, 3; A.Bowman, 3; W.Byron, 1; J.Logano, 1; C.Elliott, 1; Ky.Busch 1; R.Blaney, 1; B.Keselowski, 1; C.Bell, 1; M McDowell, 1.

Top 16 in Points: 1. D.Hamlin, 729; 2. K.Larson, 721; 3. W.Byron, 655; 4. J.Logano, 623; 5 C.Elliott. 617: 6. Kv.Busch. 606: 7. M.Truex. 565 8. K.Harvick, 552; 9. R.Blaney, 548; 10. B.Keselowski, 519; 11. A.Bowman, 513; 12. A.Dillon, 494; 13. T.Reddick, 444; 14. Ku.Busch, 413; 15 C.Bell, 412; 16. C.Buescher, 409

NASCAR Driver Rating Formula

A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.

The formula combines the following catego ries: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap. Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish.

HOCKEY

NHL Playoffs SEMIFINALS (Best-of-7) Montreal 4, Vegas 2 Monday, June 14: Vegas 4, Montreal 1 Wednesday, June 16: Montreal 3, Vegas 2 Friday, June 18: Montreal 3, Vegas 2, OT

Here are the winnin Saturday in the Flo	
PICK 2 (early)	PICK 5 (late)
7 - 0	5-3-1-7-5
PICK 2 (late)	FANTASY 5
9 - 7	Unavailable
PICK 3 (early)	LOTTO
4 - 6 - 4	Unavailable
PICK 3 (late)	POWERBALL
3 - 5 - 3	Unavailable
PICK 4 (early)	POWER BALL
7 - 2 - 5 - 6	Unavailable
PICK 4 (late)	CASH 4 LIFE
7 - 5 - 2 - 2	3 - 13 - 33 - 41 - 48
PICK 5 (early)	CASH BALL
6 - 1 - 7 - 3 - 7	2
Friday's winning ni	umbers and payouts
Jackpot Triple Play: 1 – 2 – 6 –	10
16 – 25 – 34	4-of-5 20 winners\$500

\$975,000 6-of-6 1 winner 5-of-6 21 winners \$536 4-of-6 1.229 \$22 3-of-6 20,177 \$1 Combo 10+ No winner Combo9 9 \$500 Combo8 82 \$50 Combo7 556 \$20 Combo6 2.795 \$10 10,493 \$5 Combo5 Mega Millions: 17 - 20 - 42 - 45 - 65 Mega Ball: 12 5-of-5 MB No winner 5-of-5 No winner

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On the AIRWAVES

TODAY'S SPORTS AUTO RACING

8:55 a.m. (ESPN) Formula 1 Styrian Grand Prix 12 p.m. (NBCSPT) NASCAR Xfinity Series Pocono Green 225

12:30 p.m. (FS1) NHRA Summit Racing Equipment Nationals, Qualifying (Same-day Tape)

1 p.m. (10 CBS) Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series: Show-Me 100 (Taped)

2 p.m. (13 FOX) NHRA Summit Racing Equipment Nationals) 3:30 p.m. (NBCSPT) NASCAR Cup Series Explore the Pocono Mountains 350

4 p.m. (ESPN2) Formula 1 Styrian Grand Prix (Same-day Tape)

7 p.m. (NBCSPT) IMSA Weathertech Sportscar Championship Sahlen's Six Hours of the Glen (Same-day Tape)

MLB

1 p.m. (BSFL) Washington Nationals at Miami Marlins

1 p.m. (SUN) Los Angeles Angels at Tampa Bay Rays

1 p.m. (TBS) New York Yankees at Boston Red Sox

4 p.m. (MLB) Oakland Athletics at San Francisco Giants or Arizona Diamondbacks at San Diego Padres 7 p.m. (ESPN) Chicago Cubs at Los Angeles Dodgers

2 a.m. (ESPN2) Chicago Cubs at Los Angeles Dodgers (Same-day Tape)

COLLEGE WORLD SERIES

11 p.m. (ESPNU) Vanderbilt vs NC State (Taped) 2 a.m. (ESPNU) Texas vs Mississippi State (Taped) **WNBA**

4 p.m. (ESPN) Seattle Storm at Las Vegas Aces **NBA PLAYOFFS**

8:30 p.m. (TNT) Milwaukee Bucks at Atlanta Hawks, Game 3 BICYCLING

7:30 a.m. (NBCSPT) Tour de France Stage 2

SPORTS BRIEFS

Braves' Soroka tears Achilles tendon again

CINCINNATI - Atlanta Braves righthander Mike Soroka is facing seasonending surgery after again tearing his right Achilles tendon.

The Braves said Saturday Soroka suffered the new tear on Thursday while walking to the clubhouse at Truist Park, where he was continuing his rehabilitation while the team is at Cincinnati.

"It was his first day out of the boot," manager Brian Snitker said before Saturday's game at Great American Ball Park. "He was just walking. I hate it for him. All signs were a go, until he took that step and felt that pop.'

Soroka now faces his third surgery on the Achilles. The team says the procedure will be scheduled within a week.

There was no timetable for Soroka's return prior to this latest setback, although Snitker said he was hopeful that he could return by the end of this season. Soroka had not yet started throwing off the mound.

RAYS

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"He gets down the line as fast as anybody I've seen," Cash said.

BONUS BULLPEN

The Rays have the best AL bullpen ERA and a key contributor from the 2020 AL championship team, RHP Nick Anderson, is throwing off a low an opener.

NC STATE

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The Wolfpack overcame starts of 4-9 overall and 1-8 in Atlantic Coast Conference play to win 33 of their last 43 games. They made the 64-team NCAA Tournament as a No. 2 regional seed and beat host Louisiana Tech to win the Ruston Regional. They then went to Fayetteville, Arkansas, and won the best-of-three super regional against No. 1 national seed Arkansas.

NC State made the CWS for the third time, and first since 2013, and beat Stanford 10-4 in its opener and Vanderbilt 1-0 in its second game to reach the Bracket 1 final.

NC State players and coaches gathered at home plate to take pictures around the CWS logo early Saturday, after the rain-delayed Texas-Mississippi game was completed.

"This is a heartbreaking situation and I'm gutted for everyone involved and for all those that were captivated by the heart and fight of this team,' coach Elliott Avent said. "Our medical staff and our players have been incredible this season with all they've done to keep us safe and get us ready

Billups offered job as coach of the Trail Blazers

The Portland Trail Blazers have settled on Los Angeles Clippers assistant Chauncey Billups as their new coach but the deal has not been finalized, a person familiar with the decision told The Associated Press on Friday.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the offer had not been formally announced. The Athletic reported that Billups had accepted the job but contract negotiations were ongoing.

Billups, the 2004 NBA Finals MVP and a five-time NBA All-Star over a 17-year playing career, has never been a head coach. The Blazers were also interested in Brooklyn Nets assistant Mike D'Antoni, as well as San Antonio Spurs assistant Becky Hammon.

Los Angeles Lakers assistant Jason Kidd withdrew his name from consideration after it was reported that Blazers guard Damian Lillard had endorsed him for the job.

- From wire reports

mound and expected back in August. Anderson (right elbow sprain) had an 0.55 ERA in 19 games last year.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Rays: LHP Josh Fleming (right calf strain) went on the 10-day IL.

UP NEXT

Angels LHP Patrick Sandoval (2-2) will start Sunday. Rays LHP Ryan Yarbrough (4-3) will either start or fol-

13 of the 27 players on the roster.

"Quite frankly," he said, "I have no understanding of what happened today."

The NCAA requires unvaccinated players, coaches and staff to undergo COVID-19 testing every other day at championship sites. The Wolfpack had at least one player test positive on Thursday, and that triggered contact tracing procedures that led to 13 other players being ruled out of Friday's game.

Additional testing and contact tracing prompted the NCAA to decide the Wolfpack could not continue in the tournament.

Matt Willadsen, who had been the scheduled starter Friday but did not pitch, tweeted he would never forget the feeling of hearing the news.

Our coaching staff deserve better. Us players deserve better. Our fans deserve better. Everyone that believed in us deserve better. We all deserve better. @NCAACWS you have ruined the biggest moment of our player's lives so far. What a joke."

Vanderbilt returns to the finals for a second straight time. The Commodores won the 2019 CWS. There was no tournament last year because of

Sunday, June 20: Vegas 2, Montreal 1, OT Tuesday, June 22: Montreal 4, Vegas 1 Thursday, June 24: Montreal 3, Vegas 2, OT

Tampa Bay 4, N.Y. Islanders 3 Sunday, June 13: N.Y. Islanders 2, Tampa Bay

Tuesday, June 15: Tampa Bay 4, N.Y. Islanders

Thursday, June 17: Tampa Bay 2, N.Y. Islanders

Saturday, June 19: N.Y. Islanders 3, Tampa Bay

Monday, June 21: Tampa Bay 8, N.Y. Islanders

Wednesday, June 23: N.Y. Islanders 3, Tampa Bay 2. OT

Friday, June 25: Tampa Bay 1, N.Y. Islanders 0 STANLEY CUP FINALS (Best-of-7; x-if necessary) Tampa Bay vs. Montreal

Monday, June 28: Montreal at Tampa Bay 8 p.m.

Wednesday, June 30: Montreal at Tampa Bay 8 p.m.

Friday, July 2: Tampa Bay at Montreal, 8 p.m. Monday, July 5: Tampa Bay at Montreal, 8 p.m. x-Wednesday, July 7: Montreal at Tampa Bay, TBA

x-Friday, July 9: Tampa Bay at Montreal, TBA x-Sunday, July 11: Montreal at Tampa Bay, TBA

SOCCER

Euro Cup

Saturday's Matches Wales 0, Denmark 4 Italy 2, Austria 1, OT Today's Matches Netherlands vs. Czech Republic. 12 p.m. Belgium vs. Portugal, 3 p.m. Monday's Matches Croatia vs. Spain, 12 p.m. France vs. Switzerland, 3 p.m. Tuesday's Matches England vs. Germany, 12 p.m. Sweden vs. Ukraine, 3 p.m.

CYCLING

Tour de France

Saturday 1st Stage A 197.8-kilometer (122-mile) ride from Brest to Landerneau Julian Alaphilippe, France, Deceun inck-Quickstep, 4h 39m 05s. 2. Michael Matthews, Austria, Team BikeExchange, 8s behind. 3. Primoz Roglic, Slovenia, Jumbo-Visma same time. 4. Jack Haig, Austria, Bahrain Victorious, same same time. time 5. Wilco Kelderman, Netherlands, Bora-Hansgrohe, same time. 6. Tadej Pogacar, Slovenia, UAE Team Emirates, same time. 7. David Gaudu, France, Groupama-FDJ, same same time. time. 8. Sergio Higuita Garcia, Colombia, EF Education-Nippo, same time. 9. Bauke Mollema, Netherlands, Trek-Sega fredo, same time. 10. Geraint Thomas, Great Britian, Ineos Grenadiers, same time. 11. Esteban Chaves Rubio, Colombia, Team BikeExchange, same time. 12. Pello Bilbao Lopez De Armentia, Spain Bahrain Victorious, same time 13. Jonas Vingegaard, Denmark, Jum-Team Emirates, 4h 46m 2s

BOXING

6 p.m. (FS1) PBC Fight Night: Lawson vs. Gallimore 8 p.m. (13 FOX) PBC Fight Night: David O. Morrell Jr. vs. Mario C"azares

GOLF 7:30 a.m. (GOLF) European PGA Tour BMW International

Open, Final Round 1 p.m. (GOLF) PGA Tour Travelers Championship, Final Round

3 p.m. (8 NBC) KPMG Women's PGA Championship Final Round

3 p.m. (10 CBS) PGA Tour Travelers Championship, Final Round

3 p.m. (GOLF) Bridgestone Senior Players Championship Final Round

11:30 p.m. (GOLF) KPMG Women's PGA Championship Final Round (Same-day Tape)

MOTORCYCLE RACING

12 p.m. (8 NBC) MotoGP Dutch Grand Prix

5 p.m. (FS1) MotoAmerica Superbike: Ridge Motorsports Park, Day 2

10 p.m. (NBCSPT) MotoGP Dutch Grand Prix (Same-day Tape)

OLYMPICS

7 p.m. (8 NBC) U.S. Olympic Trials Track and Field, Finals 8 p.m. (8 NBC) U.S. Olympic Trials Women's Gymnastics, SOCCER

11:30 a.m. (ESPN) UEFA European Championship Netherlands vs Czech Republic

2:30 p.m. (28 ABC) UEFA European Championship Belgium vs Portugal

4:55 p.m. (13 FOX) Copa America Brazil vs Ecuador 8 p.m. (FS1) MLS Columbus Crew SC at Austin FC 11:30 p.m. (FS1) Copa America Brazil vs Ecuador (Same-day Tape)

TRACK AND FIELD 1:30 p.m. (8 NBC) Paralympic Trials Track and Field; Swimming

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

BASKETBALL

NBA Playoffs

CONFERENCE FINALS

(Best-of-7: x-if necessarv) Friday, June, 25 Milwaukee 125, Atlanta 91, series tied 1-1 Saturday, June 26 L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, late Today, June 27 Milwaukee at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m. Monday, June 28 x-L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 9 p.m. Tuesday, June 29 Milwaukee at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 30

Thursday, July 1 Friday, July 2

x-L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 9 p.m

to play, day in and day out.

"I love this team and this past month, many people that got to watch them, fell in love with them as well. Although we're all heartbroken, this team will never be forgotten and will live in the hearts of Wolfpack and baseball fans forever."

Avent didn't answer directly when asked after Friday's game if he encouraged his players to get vaccinated. He said players could decide for themselves. Avent also declined to say if he had been vaccinated.

he was confused about the process ended early Saturday after a lengthy rain that led to the NCAA clearing only delay.

TRAVEL HELP

The previous time a Stanley Cup

Final took place between two Eastern

the Philadelphia Flyers in 1980 for

the first of their four consecutive ti-

tles. Then-Flyers forward Reggie

Leach didn't think much of the bus

trips back and forth between Phila-

delphia and Long Island because,

"We took a bus every place back

This won't quite be that, but it's

"It takes a toll on you flying across

the country on your off days," said for-

mer Blackhawks forward Patrick

Sharp, now an NBC Sports analyst.

"You have enough stress and physical

pressure in those games that to spend

your off days on the airplanes getting

ready to play another one was defi-

PRICE VS. VASILEVSKIY

hockey? The final between Price and

Tampa Bay's Andrei Vasilevskiy could

17 games, and Vasilevskiy 36 goals in

Price has allowed 35 goals in

"It'll be obviously a big challenge

for both teams," Vasilevskiy said.

"Carey, obviously he's a great goalie

— one of the best in the NHL — so. I'll

give him my best effort, for sure."

go a long way toward deciding that.

Who's the best goaltender in

nothing like recent series between

Boston and St. Louis, Washington and

Vegas or Chicago and Tampa Bay.

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FINAL

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nitely tough."

18 games.

Leggett's RBI hit sends **Mississippi St. to finals**

OMAHA, Neb. - Tanner Leggett's single in the bottom of the ninth inning scored the tiebreaking run, and Mississippi State advanced to the College World Series finals with a 4-3 victory over Texas on Saturday night.

In the previous game, Ivan Melendez hit a tie-breaking three-run homer in the ninth inning, and Texas forced a second bracket Avent also said after the game that final with an 8-5 victory in a game that

CROWD CONTROL

Cooper said he'd never heard a building as loud as the final minute of the semifinal clincher against the Islanders, and that's with Tampa Bay's Amalie Arena at full capacity. Montreal's Bell Centre has been limited to 3,500 fans with the hope, even from teams, the New York Islanders beat visitors, that more are let in for the final.

"I hope they let more fans in there," Cooper said. "The fans in Quebec deserve it. They haven't been back since '93. They deserve to watch their team play. ... This game was meant to be played in front of fans."

COACHING CONTRAST

While Cooper has been behind the Lightning's bench since 2013, the Canadiens are on their third coach since February. Domingue Ducharme took over when Claude Julien was fired in February, and assistant Luke Richardson became acting coach when Ducharme tested positive for the coronavirus.

Ducharme could be out of isolation as soon as Game 3 Friday in Montreal.

WIN NOW VS. WIN LONG AGO

Montreal will be looking for its first championship since 1993, which was Tampa Bay's inaugural season. The Canadiens have an NHL-best 24 titles, but the Lightning have won twice since 2004 and become a standard bearer for franchise success.

"It's going to be a huge challenge for us, and that's where we go back to all the times that we've been in this situation," Stamkos said. "And this core now, there's guys that this is their third final. We just go back on past experiences and go from there."

bo-Visma, same time. 14. Alexey Lutsenko, Kazakhstan, Astana-Premier Tech. same time. 15. Enric Mas Nicolau, Spain, Movistar Team 16. Rigoberto Uran, Colombia, EF Education-Nippo, same time. 17. Nairo Quintana, Colombia, Team Arkea-Samsic, same time. 18. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Trek-Segafredo, 19. Kasper Asgreen, Denmark, Deceun inck-QuickStep, same time 20. Mathieu van der Poel, Netherlands Alpecin-Fenix, same time. Also 57. Neilson Powless, United States, EF Education-Nippo, 4h 15m 10s. 86. Sean Bennett, United States, Qhubeka-NextHash, 4h 43m 15s 138. Brandon McNulty, United States, UAE

x-Atlanta at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.

x-Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 9 p.m.

Korda, Salas pull away and share the lead

Associated Press

JOHNS CREEK, Ga. — Lizette Salas spent much of her time Saturday looking at Nelly Korda ahead of her in the KPMG Women's PGA Championship.

In the fairway, not on the leaderboard.

Korda blasted a drive on the opening hole at Atlanta Athletic Club and hit 9-iron to 4 feet. Salas hit 7-wood to the middle of the green and holed a 45-foot birdie putt to match her.

It was like that throughout the front nine, where Salas turned a one-shot deficit into a two-shot lead until Korda finally caught up to her on the back nine.

Salas had a third straight 5-under 67. Korda had a 68. They were tied for the lead at 15-under 201, five shots clear of anyone else.

'Lizette was rolling in some nice ones today and I told myself, 'I've got to hit it close to even keep up with her," Korda said. "When you get into that mindset of kind of egging each other on, it's fun, but it's also nerve-racking.

Two very different games ultimately led to the same score. The one commonality is both are chasing their first major championship Sunday.

At stake for Korda is a chance to reach No. 1 in the world.

Salas relied on precision and big putts to make up for a big power gap against Korda. She was close to flawless on the front nine with a 30 until her first bogey of the tournament on No. 10 slowed her momentum.

Korda, the 22-year-old coming off a victory last week on the LPGA Tour, played bogey-free but failed to use her length to capitalize on the par 5s on the back nine.

"Knowing that I'm not the longest hitter, I think I'm used to



Lizette Salas of the US hits out of the green side bunker on the sixth hole during the third round of play in the KPMG Women's PGA Championship golf tournament Saturday, in Johns Creek, Ga.

just so comfortable in saying, You know what? I'm going to hit first,' and knowing my game. ... Let's just play boring golf and let's give ourselves good looks at birdie.'

They were five shots ahead of a trio that includes Patty Tavatanakit, the Thai star who won the first LPGA Tour major of the year at the ANA Inspiration. Tavatanakit ran off four straight birdies toward the end of her round for a 65.

Joining her five shots behind

that," Salas said. "I think I'm were Giulia Molinaro of Italy (66) and Celine Boutier of France, who had a 69 while playing in the final group with the co-leaders

Stricker goes from runaway to holding on

AKRON, Ohio — Three opening birdies gave Steve Stricker an eightshot lead in what looked to be a runaway in the Bridgestone Seniors Players Championship. By the end of the day, Stricker

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was hanging on at Firestone. 70-69-213

Stricker started missing greens and missing putts until his lead was down to three shots. He steadied himself with a birdie on the par-5 16th and wound up with a 2-over 72 to lead Jerry Kelly by four shots going into the final round.

"I like where I stand now more than three hours ago," said Kelly, the defending champion who trailed by as many as 10 shots at one point.

Stricker three-putted the 10th, took double bogey from the bunker on the par-3 12th and missed the green for bogeys on the 14th and 15th holes as his lead kept shrinkina.

He narrowly cleared the water on the par-5 16th with a 4-iron and the ball bounded over the green into the rough. Facing a scary pitch back down toward the water, he lofted it perfectly to 4 feet for birdie. Two regulation pars put him at

7-under 203.

"I had a five-shot lead starting the day, I've got four now, so all in all I didn't give away too many," Stricker said. "Had an opportunity to kind of really distance myself, and that was the plan today is to get out, get going and be aggressive and make some birdies and get out ahead. But kind of got side-tracked there in the middle.'

No. 4. He still was in command until it all started to fall apart on the back nine

"Until you've made that first bogey, you feel like you're pretty invincible," Kelly said.

Stricker caught a bad break when his 6-iron on the 12th caught the top of the bunker and rolled into a lie so bad he couldn't even get it on the green. Suddenly, it felt as though everything that could go wrong did until he played solidly over the final three holes.

"I'm fine," Stricker said. "I just wish I didn't have the little hiccups there in the middle."

The winner of this major on the PGA Tour Champions gets a spot in The Players Championship at the TPC Sawgrass next March.

Watson, Hickok tie for **54-hole Travelers lead**

CROMWELL, Conn. - Kramer Hickok finished the third round of the Travelers Championship too late in the day to go fly fishing again.

He'll have to wait until Sunday to try to reel in the biggest catch of his career.

The 29-year-old minor league tour regular shot a 2-under 68 to tie for the lead with three-time winner Bubba Watson. Hickok, who has never won on the PGA Tour, opened a two-stroke lead before bogeying the final two holes.

"I thought I'd be a lot more nervous than I am," said Hickok, who went fly fishing on the nearby Farmington River after the first round. "I know those nerves are going to be there. It's just embracing those nerves, not trying to fight it."

Watson shot a 68 at the TPC River Highlands, picking up three strokes on Hickok over the final two holes. Jason Day was also in a tie for the lead before a bogey on No. 18 dropped him into a three-way tie at minus-9.

Hovland opens up **3-shot edge in Munich**

MUNICH — Viktor Hovland is a round away from becoming the European Tour's first Norwegian winner after he opened up a three-shot lead in the third round of the BMW International Open.

Five birdies on the back nine helped Hovland record the best round of the day with an 8-under 64 as he moved to 17 under for the tournament.

"I just try to stay within myself. I look at leaderboards to see where I'm at, but instead of trying to force things, I just tell myself at the start of the day just to take control of my

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Jerry Kelly	69-70-68—207	-3	Jorge Campillo, Spain	67-68-67-202	-14
Ken Duke	67-71-70—208	-2	Darren Fichardt, South Africa	67-71-65-203	-13
David Toms	72-72-66—210	E	Bernd Wiesberger, Austria	67-68-70-205	-11
Jim Furyk	71-68-71—210	E	Niall Kearney, Ireland	65-68-72-205	-11
Ernie Els	72-67-71—210	E	Daniel Van Tonder, South Africa	70-71-65-206	-10
Kevin Sutherland	70-69-72-211	+1	Justin Harding, South Africa	69-69-68-206	-10
Marco Dawson	69-69-74-212	+2	Matthias Schmid, Germany	68-69-69-206	-10
Paul Broadhurst	67-69-76-212	+2	Andy Sullivan, England	68-69-69-206	-10
Fred Couples	72-73-68—213	+3	Shaun Norris, South Africa	67-69-70-206	-10

Kelly, who opened with a birdie, shot a 68. Ken Duke had a 70 and was another shot behind at 2-under 208. They were the only players who remained under par.

Stricker is going for his second victory of the year, and it looked for so long that this one might be a breeze. Starting with a five-shot lead, he birdied the first three holes to stretch his lead to eight shots over Paul Broadhurst and 10 shots over Kelly.

Stricker had gone 39 holes without a bogey until his first one at

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We also have drop-in

own game," Hovland said.

"If I don't waste shots here and there, just play smart, trust that I'm doing the right things, I think I should have a really good shot tomorrow."

Hovland already has two U.S. PGA Tour titles from the Mayakoba Golf Classic in December and the Puerto Rico Open in February 2020.

Jorge Campillo is in second place on 14 under, with Darren Fichardt one shot further back.

Second-round leader Niall Kearney is tied on 11 under with Bernd Wiesberger.

Parkview Lanes

CONGRATULATIONS: Greg Dawidowicz won the League Bowlers' Bingo during the Military Challenge League on June 16, netting him \$279.

12-WEEK LEAGUE: The Thursday Night Holder Hotshots has space for additional teams and/or bowlers. Bowlers joining before the third week may post-bowl for the missed weeks. The teams are three-persons, and the weekly fee is \$15 (includes \$6 prize money).

LEAGUE SCORES FOR THE WEEK ENDING **JUNE 20:**

MONDAY NIGHT SPECIAL

Handicap: Derek Fish 285; Mark Smith 282; Peter Renna 737; John Fish Sr 733; Carol Anderson 271; Judy Timmons 265,766; Suzanne Beal 696. Scratch: Mark Smith 255; Derek Fish 251; Chris Carr 710; John Fish Sr 640; Anne Fish 216,558; Carol Anderson 209; Judy Timmons 571.

PARKVIEW 7-9-8 NOTAP

Handicap: Jim Schlegel 345: Larry Ferguson 343: Sam Bass 927; Gary Strausbaugh 913; Phyllis Ternes 373; Shirley Tenity 346; Carol McHale 934; Jan Ciskowski 904. Scratch: Sam Bass 300,861; Gary Strausbaugh 300,847; (men: nine 300's); Marilyn Seymour 300,780;

Glenda Johnston 300; Judy Hindbaugh 300; Shirley Tenity 300; Linda Madison 782.

YOUNG & RESTLESS

Handicap (adult): Chris Blydenburg 268; Jordan Kusnierz 260; Chris Carr 729; John Saltmarsh 712; Melissa Kusnierz 249,655; Hannah Roof 233,661. Scratch (adult): Chris Carr 226,645; Wes Foley 225,631; Hannah Roof 206,580; Cathy Roof 173,482. Handicap (youth): Jake Welzel 280; John Egan 257,713; Lewis Ricker 706; Emily Mills 256,655; Mackenzie Scordato 255,691. Scratch (youth): Jake Welzel 261; Cody Underwood 208,585; John Egan 412; Megan Allen 175,467; Mackenzie Scordato 174,448. **MILITARY CHALLENGE**

Handicap: Greg Dawidowicz 313,829; Jim Alaimo 283; Ted Rafanan 760; Marilyn Seymour 258,686; Trina Paliwoda 250; Rosemarie Marcucci 687. Scratch: Greg Dawidowicz 279,727; Jim Alaimo 258,640; Ted Rafanan 640; Marilyn Seymour 186; Rosemarie Marcucci 181,507; 77,683; Tony Hyatt 257; Sam Bass 695; Glenda Johnston 181,503

WEDNESDAY **SCRATCH TRIO**

John Fish Jr 279,703; Rich Koller 269,782; Matt O'Brien 728; Dorine Fugere 204,564; Kristina Koller 199,559.

PARKVIEW NOTAP

Bowling scores

Handicap: Dave Mattice 363,891; Joe Dennison 323; Mike Krombach 323; Glenda Johnston 321; Pam Palmer 294,795; Pat Tutewohl 776; Monika Seeger 776; Susan Fabbre 776. Scratch: Dave Mattice 300,702; Tony Hyatt 290,759; Glenda Johnston 252; Pam Palmer 239,630; Susan Fabbre 590

HOLDER HOTSHOTS Handicap: Ira Fayson 285,750; Logan Craft 268; Robbie Yoakam 741; Vicki Jeffers 296,815; Penny Craft 259,738. Scratch: Robbie Yoakam 243,675; Robert Yoakam 224; Dusty Kelly 583; Vicki Jeffers 232,623; Penny Craft 194.543.

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Handicap: Wes Foley 284; Bo Smith 261,719; Jeff Mast 737: Denise Williams 294,748; Jillian Knutz 281,760. Scratch: Wes Foley 269,656; Pail Mast 234,592; Denise Williams 193; Jillian Knutz 182,463; Carol Anderson 506.

BOWLERS OF THE WEEK

Adults: Greg Dawidowicz, 169 pins over his average, and Judy Timmons, 100 pins over her average. Youth: Lewis Ricker, 61 pins over his average, and Mackenzie Scordato, 25 pins over her average.

Manatee Lanes Midweek Mixers

Looking for bowlers to join the league come fall. Start date is Aug. 23. Meeting is on Aug. 14 at 7 p.m. If you are interested, leave your name and phone number at Manatee Lanes. If you have a full team advise the lanes. This information will be given to the secretary of the league. The teams from last season will be contacted by the secretary.

TUESDAY ODD BALLS Men's High Game Hdcp, 257, Preston Koller

Men's High Series Hdcp, 740, Bobby Nast

Men's High Game Scratch, 239, Rich Koller Men's High Series Scratch,

674, Cody Mullis Women's High Game

Hdcp, 246, Gayle Gatton Women's High Series Hdcp, 694, Mechelle Harmon

Women's High Game Scratch, 189, Amber Mullis

Women's High Series Scratch, 555, Kim Mullis

FRIDAY FUN BUNCH Men's High Game Hdcp, 296, Tom Burgard Men's High Series Hdcp,

754, John Beatty Men's High Game Scratch,

245, Ken Sutton Men's High Series Scratch, game and series for both men and women, colored pins, 635, Preston Koller

Women's High Game

game, bingo, side pots, 50/50. Also money is put aside each week for the Split-Pot which is held three times each year. To win the Split-Pot a bowler must first convert a split in any of the three games bowled. After completion of the three games each bowler who has Congratulations to Charles converted a split must roll three balls. The winner is the one who scores exactly 21 pins. If there are ties the them out, such as PBA; expemoney is split between winners. Refreshments and fun for all each week. Entry Fee \$10. High Scratch Game: Bill Spreen 211, Jennifer Williams **Sportsmen's Bowl** 160. High Scratch Series: Wilson Torres 592, Nancy Dun-Men Scratch: James Clemcan 592.

Youth Summer Dynamic Duos, 9 Pin No-Tap

Boys Scratch: Cody Underwood 250-700, Justin Rose 241-662, Jake Welzel 239, Evan Posey 599

Girls Scratch: Destiny Snyder 177-433, Tasha Cornwell 136-240, Sophia Dasch 136-364

Mixed Singles Match, Fridays 1 p.m. Pay only if you bowl. Prizes paid each week. Number of prize winners is dependent on the number of entries. Handicap is 100% of 210. Entry Fee \$10. High Handicap Scores: Wilson Torres 717, Nancy Aycock 696, Butch Shampine 688.

Champ makes grandparents proud



Special to the Chronicle

Melissa Riggins, of Wexford, Pa. and the granddaughter of Inverness residents Irv and Joan MacQuarrie, celebrated winning a pair of gold medals in May at the Pennsylvania high school state championship meet in Shippensburg, Pa. Riggins, a senior from Shady Side Academy in Pittsburgh, won the 800-meter (2:10.62) and 1,600-meter (4:48.91) runs at the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association Class 2A championships for the third time in her prep career, giving her six gold medals overall despite COVID-19 canceling the season in 2020. Her grandparents made the trip from Citrus County to watch her compete in person.

Djokovic tries to lock in

Much at stake at Wimbledon

> Howard FENDRICH AP tennis writer

WIMBLEDON, England Novak Djokovic is well aware, of course, of all that is in the offing over the next fortnight and, should that go well, what else would be on the horizon for him in the weeks and months that will follow.

Win his next seven the defending men's cham- then Roland Garros two don concludes.



Serbia'a Novak Djokovic serves, during his practice match, prior to the Wimbledon Tennis Championships on Saturday in London.

- that would make him gold medal at the Summer matches at Wimbledon, 3 for 3 at the majors in Olympics, which start in starting Monday with the 2021; he triumphed at Mel- Tokyo on July 23, less than traditional honor given to bourne Park in February, two weeks after Wimble-

Alaphilippe wins 1st stage



Britain's Chris Froome lays on the road after crashing during the first stage of the Tour de France cycling race over 122.9 miles on Saturday, with the start in Brest and finish in Landerneau. France.

Crash mars start of Tour de France

Associated Press

LANDERNEAU, France — The mass return of Tour de France fans coincided with chaos and crashes while world champion Julian Alaphilippe avoided most of the carnage to win the opening stage with a attack on punchy Saturday.

The Frenchman was involved in the first pileup caused by a fan that took down a large part of the peloton but he remained on his bike. He surged ahead of the main pack in the final steep climb leading to the finish in Landerneau, crossing the line with an eight-second lead over Michael Matthews. Last year's runner-up, Primoz Roglic, took third.

With France coming to life again and nearly all coronavirus restrictions lifted, the Tour got underway from the western port city of Brest in a festive year. He recently became the loud cheers of buoyatmosphere, returning to its traditional slot in the calendar after last year's edition was pushed back to September because of the pandemic. Throughout the day, enthusiastic fans took to the streets of picturesque villages and thousands of them lined the verdant roads of the Brittany countryside. But some were also careless. The first big spill was caused by a fan who brandished a cardboard sign and leaned into the path of veteran rider Tony Martin, who fell off his bike and took many others down in his slip-The Tour stream. cautioned fans to "respect the safety of the riders" and "Don't risk everything for a photo or to get on television!'

four-time Tour champion much to celebrate.' Chris Froome — riding at full speed near the stage in 10th place and finish.

"It was stressful," former Tour champion Geraint Thomas said. "I was just concentrating on cally. Happy to get through it.'

The battle for the stage win started just afterward in the Fosse aux Loups, a three-kilometer ascent that includes a 14% gradi- 123-mile trek. ent. On a ground perfectly Alaphilippe was untouchable.

He made his move with two kilometers left to leave behind odds-on Tour favorites Roglic and defending champion Tadej Pogacar.

"I can already say that my Tour is a success,' Alaphilippe said.

He became the third French world champion to take the yellow jersey on the opening day of the race after Georges Speicher in 1934 and Bernard Hinault in 1981.

a father and put his ant fans

competitors - including the crashes there's not

Thomas finished the limited his overall losses to 18 seconds but two of his top aides, Tao Geoghegan Hart and Richie Porte, were held up by the staying on my bike basi- first crash and were caught up in the second. Porte dropped 2 minutes, 26 seconds, while

Geoghegan Hart was 5:43 down. The first stage was a

A minor crash involving suited to his punchy style, two riders marred the start of the stage before six riders formed the first breakaway. With 100 kilometers remaining, the sextet led the peloton by about two minutes.

Ide Schelling surged away from the leading group and prolonged his effort to build a small gap over his former breakaway companions. They were reined in by the peloton with 68 kilometers left as the Dutch rider rode alone at the front.

Schelling seemed to Alaphillipe wore the enjoy the experience, all yellow jersey for 14 days smiles as he pedaled two years ago and had it through the village of for three more stages last Brasparts surrounded by Schelling was first at the top of the Cote de Saint-Rivoal and raised "It's huge to share that his fist in celebration. Bewith my family. I miss hind, the peloton's chase was abruptly stopped when Martin, an experienced teammate of Roglic, fell off his bike after hitting the cardboard sign brandished beside the narrow road. Martin's crash caused a massive pileup involving half of the peloton. Once the confusion was cleared up, Jasha Sutterlin of Germany was the first rider to retire and Martin was Deceuninck-Quick Step riders reignited the chase Pogacar said after claim- with a fast tempo to catch ing the white jersey for an exhausted Schelling the best young rider. "But about 28 kilometers from

pion of opening the Centre Court proceedings on Day 1, and Djokovic will he dethroned 13-time own three consecutive ti- champ Nadal in the semifitles at the All England Club.

Add those to the other there to make six in all, I think, mentally and physand to the record nine trophies he owns from the hard courts at the Australian Open, and to the three from the hard courts at the U.S. Open, and to the two from the clay courts at the French Open — try listing all of that without pausing to take a breath — and his total Grand Slam collection would reach 20.

That would tie the men's mark first reached by Roger Federer in 2018, then equaled last year by Rafael Nadal (who is sitting out Wimbledon).

As it is, the No. 1-ranked Djokovic has won seven of the past 12 Slams, the most ever for a man after turning 30.

Heady stuff, yes. But there's more.

"The biggest challenge and the biggest task is always how to be present and how to stay in the moment regardless of the possibilities, the hypotheticals, and various options day-out relentless committhat are out there," Djokovic said Saturday during a pre-tournament video conference with reporters. "There is always something on the line, I feel like, for me — probably Roger and Rafa, as well — when it comes to that. It's one of the toughthe tennis history in the last couple of years. We've been very successful, particularly in Slams.'

of tennis history is potentially on the line.

If the 34-year-old from Serbia does win Wimbledon in two weeks' time — FanDuel Sportsbook lists Paris both by Djokovic and him as the men's favorite, as does pretty much any entity or any person pay- which would entail wining any attention to tennis ning the four majors plus a

weeks ago.

nals, then came from two sets down to edge Stefanos Tsitsipas in five in the ically and emotionally," Djokovic said, then spread his arms wide for emphasis as he added: "It also granted me with an incredible amount of positive energy and confidence that created a wave that I'm trying to ride, so to say.

If he can indeed carry that momentum through Wimbledon, a title would then put him three-fourths of the way to a true, calendar-year Grand Slam, a most-of-the-waythere-but-still-work-to-do achievement which in and of itself would be noteworthy because no man has been the champion at even the first three major tournaments of a season since Rod Laver went on to win all four in 1969.

Djokovic is doing it by pairing tremendous returning and defending with an unparalleled mental strength.

"I admire his day-in, ment to the sport," said Jack Draper, the 19-yearold wild-card entry from England who is ranked 250th and will make his main-draw Grand Slam debut against Djokovic. "As a pro, I can appreciate est things to do. But I think he just gets that right. Obviously his tennis capability is humongous, so So let's trace what sort definitely going to be a tough challenge on Monday for me."

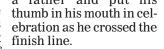
Also looming out there for the moment, and discussed as a possibility in one of his coaches, Marian Vajda, is a Golden Slam,

As if that weren't all The French Open, where enough to contemplate, Djokovic is a busy guy without a racket in his hands.

> He's a husband and a father and has joined with Canadian pro Vasek Pospisil to form the Professional Tennis Players Association (PTPA), a group they hope will be able to represent the interests of their sport's athletes, who do not have any sort of union.

> 'Once I'm on the court, I try to lock in and I try to exclude all the distractions. I feel like over the years, I managed to develop the mechanism that allows me to do that." Djokovic said. "Everyone has their own special ways how to center themselves, how to focus themselves, really direct, so to say, the energy in what matters the most, which is the present moment."

The second pileup involved dozens of



them," he said. "I did my best for them and to enjoy the moment myself. Swapping the rainbow jersey for the yellow jersey.'

Thanks to the time bonus, Alaphilippe has a 12-second lead on Matthews in the general classification, with Roglic in third, two seconds further back. Pogacar is in sixth place, 18 seconds behind Alaphilippe.

"I'm glad the first day is bloodied but riding. over and we'll hope for a calmer stage tomorrow," after what we saw with all the finish.

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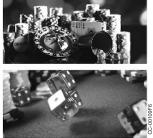
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Bowman zips past Larson after late flat

Earns victory in opener at Pocono

DAN GELSTON AP sports writer

LONG POND, Pa. – Alex Bowman made it six straight wins for Hendrick Motorsports, when teammate Kyle Larson's Chevrolet blew a tire on the final lap, and he took the checkered flag Saturday at Pocono Raceway for his third Cup win of the season.

Larson had won three straight Cup races and was in prime position to take this one at Pocono when he passed Bowman with three laps left in the race. Larson was maybe a mile away from becoming the first driver since former Hendrick driver Jimmie Johnson in 2007 to win four consecutive Cup races. Instead, a blown left front tire on the last corner of the last lap knocked Larson out of contention and Bowman stunningly made the most of his second chance.

"I hate to win one that way, but hell, yeah, I'll take it," Bowman said.

Bowman, who recently signed a two-year contract extension at Hendrick, took his turn to keep the team's hot streak alive.

Larson said he might have run over debris to cause the tire issue. Bowman was in the right spot to take advantage and win for the third time in his last 10 races.

"I'm kind of in shock," Bowman said. "I don't know what to say."

For team owner Rick Hendrick, the wins keep coming.

Bowman started the streak in followed the next week at Texas. Larson then ripped off three straight points victories - and the \$1 million All-Star race for four wins, total — all while Hendrick Motorsports became the winningest organization in NASCAR history. All eyes were on Larson as he tried to match Johnson for the longest winning way through that little short streak this century.

Hendrick has nine wins overrecord for consecutive wins set to kick off a packed Pocono He wasted little time in the using a racial slur while racing sponsor.



Alex Bowman, center, driver of car 48, celebrates with his crew after winning the NASCAR Cup Series race at Pocono Raceway, Saturday in Long Pond, Pa.

in 2007.

May at Dover and Chase Elliott Cup races this weekend at second Cup race. Pocono the deal for another two seasons. Pocono.

Larson faded to ninth.

"Disbelief, still," Larson said. "Hate that we didn't get another win. It would have been cool to win five in a row. I felt something in the middle of the tunnel. I wasn't sure what it was yet. It finally kind of shredded halfshoot there.

John Hunter Nemechek won all this season and tied its team the Truck race earlier Saturday

Bowman won the first of two races Sunday followed by the drick's decision to extend his site of the only NASCAR doubleheader this season (325 miles Saturday; 350 Sunday).

NASCAR will invert the order of the top-20 finishers for the start of Sunday's race. Chris bottom 18 finishers will start in the same spot.

with Hendrick. He never had more than one win in a season.

schedule. The Xfinity Series No. 48 Chevrolet validating Hen- online in April 2020.

Kyle Busch was second, followed by William Byron, Denny Hamlin and Ryan Blaney.

Larson starts Sunday in a backup car and will drop to the rear of the field. He's scheduled Buescher starts on the pole. The to visit with students from the Urban Youth Racing School, the Philly-based program that cre-Bowman is in his sixth full sea- ates opportunities in racing for son of Cup racing and his fourth minorities and extended an olive branch last year to Larson when he was suspended for race with CBD as the title

"We'll try and start another streak tomorrow," Larson said.

AIR UP THERE

Michael Jordan was at the race. Jordan and Hamlin launched the 23XI Racing team this season with Bubba Wallace as the driver. Jordan, who attended with long-time friend Ahmad Rashad, met briefly with NASCAR President Steve Phelps on the grid. Wallace finished 14th in NASCAR's first

Subs give Italy 2-1 win over Austria, spot in QFs

Dolberg scores

a stadium that means a lot to them. The Danes advanced to the

for French club Nice. "I think we have a star

twice, lifts Denmark

Associated Press

LONDON — With three exquisite touches of control, technique and finishing, Federico Chiesa ended 95 minutes of Italian frustration.

This record-breaking team is off to the quarterfinals of the European Championship with a defense that finally allowed a goal after more than 19 hours but with a national team-record 12th straight victory.

After breezing through the group stage at Euro 2020, Italy was made to fight for its 2-1 victory over Austria on Saturday in a last-16 game that came to life in extra time.

It was Roberto Mancini's substitutes who made the difference with the goals from Chiesa and Matteo Pessina at Wembley Stadium.

We needed some fresh energy," Mancini said, "and the guys who came on were brilliant."

An unmarked Chiesa brought down Leonardo Spinazzola's high cross with his head, controlled the bouncing ball with his right boot and then used his other foot to shoot low into the net.

"Usually when the ball arrives like this you try a first time on the volley," Chiesa said. "But I think the goal came because I was composed, I was relaxed and I was focused."

The goal rolled the clock back 25 years to when European Championship midway through the secgames were last played in England and his father Enrico Chiesa scored for Italy. Euro '96, however, ended in the group stage for Italy.

Now it's onto a quarterfinal meeting in Munich group."



Associated Press

Italy's Matteo Pessina, left, celebrates after scoring his side's second goal during the Euro 2020 soccer championship round of 16 match between Italy and Austria at Wembley stadium on Saturday in London.

on Friday against the winner of Sunday's match between defending champion Portugal and top-ranked Belgium.

'Ideally we would like to avoid both," Mancini "but it's not said, possible."

After scoring seven goals without reply in the group stage, Italy didn't have it so easy against an Austrian team playing in the knockout stage at a European Championship for the first time.

"After 90 minutes we said that we just had to improve the quality of the ting a world record for final passes," Spinazzola minutes played without said, "and finally the goals arrived in extra time.'

Individual skill produced the breakthrough from Chiesa. Italy's second was more about calmness in a goalmouth scramble. Pessina, who came on ond half, sent the ball into the 105th minute.

main strength," Pessina headed the ball in from a said. "We are a great

clear in the raw emotion of the goal celebrations as teammates collapsed on Pessina, a late injury replacement in the squad.

"He's not a player I have necessarily unearthed he has been doing brilliantly for Atalanta," Mancini said. "He has certainly proved that he is a top player and I think he will have a great future with Italy because I think he is only going to get better."

Italy was also celebrating in extra time after setconceding a goal in international soccer. The previous record was also Italy's and was set with goalkeeper Dino Zoff on the team. The Italians went 1,143 minutes between 1972 and 1974 without allowing a goal.

But Italy soon conceded the far corner of the net in for the first time in 1,168 minutes, from a set 'In this team everybody piece in the 114th minute can score and this is our when Sasa Kalajdzic corner.

"Maybe Italy was a little

The group spirit was bit nervous," Austria defender David Alaba said.

The Austrian comeback ended there, however, and Italy held on for its 31st straight unbeaten match another national team record.

Video review helped, too.

Austria took 63 minutes for its first shot, then found the net two minutes later. Alaba headed the ball across the penalty area and Marko Arnautovic nodded the ball past Italy goalkeeper Gianluigi Donnarumma. But the video review showed Arnautovic's right boot was offside.

"We are disappointed

and sad," Austria coach Franco Foda said. "We need justice in football but today it hit us. It was a close offside and we have to live with it."

Denmark 4, Wales 0

AMSTERDAM — Still riding a wave of emotion, Denmark won again at the European Championship.

And they won a big one at

quarterfinals at Euro 2020 by beating Wales 4-0 in Amsterdam, getting two goals from Kasper Dolberg exactly two weeks after Christian Eriksen collapsed on the field during the team's opening match. Eriksen had to be resuscitated with a defibrillator and spent several days in the hospital before returning home last week.

Both Eriksen and Dolberg played for Ajax, the team that plays its home matches at the Johan Cruyff Arena. Much of the crowd of 16,000 was cheering on the Danes.

"It feels like a home game," Dolberg said. "This stadium, which is very special to me, it's fantastic.'

Dolberg, who was given his first start of the tournament by Denmark coach Kasper Hjulmand, scored a goal in each half. Joakim Maehle scored the third in the 88th minute and Martin Braithwaite added the fourth in injury time.

It was the second match in a row that Denmark scored four times, after beating Russia 4-1 to qualify for the round of 16 after losing its first two matches. Denmark is the first nation to score four or more goals in consecutive matches in the history of the European Championship.

"We needed the love and support and that's what gave us wings," Hjulmand said of the crowd in Amsterdam.

After soaking up early pressure by Wales, Dolberg struck.

He took a pass from Mikkel Damsgaard in the 27th minute and cut infield from the left before curling a right-foot shot into the far corner. He doubled the lead in the 48th minute when he scored with a low shot after Neco Williams' attempted clearance went straight to him.

Dolberg knows all about about scoring in Amsterdam. He found the net 45 times in 119 matches for Ajax

striker in Kasper," Hjulmand said.

from 2016-19 before signing

Saturday's strikes brought his tally at the Johan Cruyff Arena to 31, with the other 29 coming for Ajax.

"Today when we were walking ... to the stadium I felt that it was something very, very special for me," Dolberg said. "Today everything feels right."

Dolberg became the first Danish player to score at least twice in a match at a major tournament since Nicklas Bendtner against Portugal at Euro 2012.

With Wales increasingly ragged, Maehle made it 3-0 with a powerful shot when he had time and space to control the ball and beat Wales goalkeeper Danny Ward. Braithwaite's goal was initially ruled offside but allowed after a video review.

Harry Wilson was sent off in the 90th minute for a foul on Maehle as Wales slumped to its worst loss in a competitive match since being beaten 6-1 by Serbia in September 2012.

"We're all hurting. We didn't want our supporters to watch us going out like that," Wales coach Rob Page said, adding he believed there was a foul on Kieffer Moore in the build-up to the second Denmark goal.

The Danes will next play either the Netherlands or the Czech Republic in the quarterfinals in Baku on Saturday.

Wales had an early chance to take the lead when captain Gareth Bale sent a swerving shot just wide in the 10th minute. He shot wide again two minutes later as he attempted to break an international goal drought that has now reached 15 matches.

Wales managed only one shot on target in the entire match. Denmark had eight.

"We showed real heart," said Bale, one of Wales' key players when the team reached the semifinals at Euro 2016 in France.

Section C - SUNDAY, JUNE 27, 2021 **MMENTARY**

It's time the county followed the two cities



Gerry Mulligan **OUT THE** WINDOW

to help develop a Civic Master Plan for the City of Crystal River.

Volunteer members of the community joined with city staff and professional planners to begin the process of making a grand plan that reflects the natural beauty of the area and combines it with the opinions of the people who live and work there.

ore than 120 people gath- — Dover, Kohl and Partners — to and the historic structures — while ered Monday evening at work through a week-long process Crystal River High School of examining the community's assets and deficiencies. They combine the study with a vigorous effort of inviting citizens to offer opinions on what they want the city to become

Out of all of this comes an amazing thing — it's called a plan.

The plan will attempt to digest the strengths of the city — the environment, booming downtown, gor-The city hired a consultant geous parks, the small-town charm

examining the weaknesses — including the uneven economy. U.S. 19 dissecting the city, the rising sea level, parking deficits and lack of economic investment.

It is hoped that the result will be a Civic Master Plan that protects what citizen's value and improves what needs to be worked on. The goal is to have a community that is better looking, easier to enjoy and economically sound.

Sounds simple, but it's not.

Country strong

Too often government goes about its business in a reactive way. Something bad happens, and politicians search for an answer.

At other times, a group of citizens shows up and complain, and government goes searching for an answer.

The result is often too little, too late.

Only about 3% of Citrus County's population lives in Crystal River. About 5% of the county's 150,000 See WINDOW/Page C3



Tarolyn Plumley GUEST COLUMN

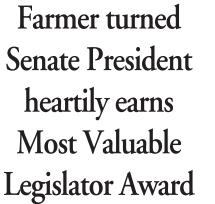
Mitigating mosquitoes in Citrus

hat does the Citrus County Mosquito Control District

We use an integrated mosquito management (IMM) approach to control the mosquitoes in Citrus County. The goal of IMM is to utilize various methods of mosquito control to fight mosquitoes including surveillance, inspections, source reduction, biological control, pesticide treatments and public education.

SURVEILLANCE

We have over 47 species of mosquitoes in Citrus County. They each have their own preferences and behaviors that make them unique, and not all mosquitoes bite humans or spread diseases. Surveillance is key because it lets us know where to target our treatment efforts. To understand the population of mosquitoes, we set aproximately 36 surveillance traps a various locations throughout the county to monitor which species, and how many of each, are present. Mosquitoes are brought back to the lab weekly for counting and species identification. We also have sentinel chicken flocks situated throughout the county that get tested weekly for mosquito-borne diseases, specifically Eastern Equine Encephalitis and West Nile Virus. The Sentinel Chicken program acts as an early warning for



he Florida Chamber recognized Senate President Wilton Simpson on Thursday, June 24, with the Most Valuable Legislator Award. The Citrus County Chamber of Com-

John Murphy **GUEST COLUMN**

farmer and successful business owner from Trilby, Florida, and we have the great fortune to call him our

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Senator. The Citrus County Chamber has a very strong working relationship with Simpson and his entire staff. It is this working relationship that allows us to see first-hand the great work he is doing for Citrus County and all of Florida. The Florida Chamber of Commerce had 22 legislative priorities that made it to Governor DeSantis' desk this session due in large part to Senator Florida's Reemployment Compensa-Simpson's leadership. These priorities include COVID-19 liability protections for Florida businesses and health care providers, the passage of Florida's online sales tax reform to sales taxes will be used to reduce level the playing field for Florida's Florida's Business Rent Tax from



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle file

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Florida Senate President Wilton Simpson, R-Trilby, speaks Feb. 5, 2021, in his Pasco County office about Senate leadership and some of his main priorities while holding office.

local retailers, and strengthening 5.5% down to 2%.

tion Trust Fund to prevent an immediate \$713 million tax increase on employers. Once the reemployment however, Simpson also championed fund has been made whole, the online the issues of our local community.

These measures alone would have placed this session in the annals of time as one of the most successful:

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Political differences compromised for greater good



Cortney Stewart SEEING BEYOND

epublicans. Democrats. We hear those words these days and shudder. It seems like more than ever, politics has found its way into every part of our lives. Family gatherings are relegated as "no politics allowed." Social media feeds are curated to very particular political leanings and to be unfollowed or unfriended based on a political opinion is mediately put ourselves into one expected.

Republicans. Democrats. We hear those words and think scene immediately in an attempt to

warring factions. For quite some avoid arguing one intransigent po- political parties in a representative time now, the only thing guaranteed to come from Capitol Hill has been bitterness and tantrum-throwing. It's looked a bit more like a massive playground tumult than it has lawmakers working from the most powerful stage in the world.

Republicans. Democrats. We hear those words and we im-

camp or the other, ready to either fight it out with passion or flee the

sition to another.

Of course, it wasn't always this way. There have essentially been two main parties for the majority of American political history, but they didn't always seems so far apart. In the 1950s, some political scientists even argued that Republicans and Democrats were so alike that people couldn't even tell the difference between the two parties at all.

Any American Government textbook will tell you that the goal of

democracy is to create a simplified and distinct menu of political choices. Voters don't get a say on every single decision made in our complex political system. It's exactly as the founding fathers designed it. The average American citizen doesn't know enough about, say, foreign affairs, to decide if and when American troops should be deployed into a combat zone. But

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"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on."

Robert Frost, 1874-1963

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BLUE EYES BEYOND THE BAY

Awareness, rule adherence a Nature Coast necessity

callop harvesting sea- record numbers of manatees Citrus waterways.

2021 scallop season is guaranteed to be bustling as local boaters cruise the Gulf tourism and booms beyond the pandemic.

Founde by Albert Williams

But with great numbers of recreational boaters comes a potential threat to local scallop popula-

tions — overharvesting.

son begins Thursday in are dying in Florida this year due to a lack of food re-Running July 1 to Sept. 24 sources, discarding scallop on the Nature Coast, the shells that inhibit seagrass growth is greatly

THE ISSUE:

Scallop season opening in Citrus.

Be a good steward of local waterways and harvesting practices.

tailed.

OUR OPINION:

To properly discard of scallop shells, use a trash receptacle

from growing.

Past years have resulted in or place them in a large body a lighter scallop population of water where they are as recreational scalloper more likely to disperse

It begins with words

speeches, or spilling forth in tirades (too often, the case with me) are one of our most common vehicles for communication. Their potential for reinforcing preconceived beliefs, or of altering our viewpoints altogether, should give us pause.

When spoken in anger, we can say things faster than we can think. Our words

been on both ends of this, and no one's the winner when caution is thrown out the window, and we let our emotions get the better of us. This is why I am a strong advocate for writing our feelings down, typing them into a journal, and allowing our own minds to remove some clutter and get to the heart of the matter.

We learn about ourselves through writing. Over time, patterns appear. A chronicle of our thoughts, word by word, reveals progress. We can evolve into a better people, more compassionate of others, less inclined to pass judgment, as we get to know ourselves better.

Yet there are those among us who prefer to live in the shadows, who allow fear of delving too deeply into our inner workings, to keep us distanced from ourselves. Denial comes from



Lynne Farrell Abrams **GUEST COLUMN**

mulate, a breakcult. An intervention may be the only to face ourselves.

I began with feel. Some of us ben-

can wound those we love. I've coach us toward honest self appraisal. From there, writing out our thoughts can unlock pent up feelings going back decades.

writing out our histories, tak- moon. I would suggest we coning a personal inventory, and sider instead mining our own being prepared to make amends where amends are called for. Verbatim, it states: tals of insight, capable of Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.' It can take days, weeks of rigorous self examination. It is pain- employment of simple words, ful, but within this exercise there exists a huge reward. As dreams! we identify our defects of character, and where we have failed, we become unburdened. Catharsis allows us to B.A. degree in communications. begin to heal. The monster is She has been a writer and editor, finally out of the closet, and we are free, finally, to write new teacher, and a substance abuse pages, filled with words of counselor. A resident of Citrus hope.

"Honesty.

ords, whether appear-refusing to take a regular per-Willingness." The "H.O.W." of ing on a printed page, sonal inventory, where we hon-recovery; author Melody Beatspoken in well-crafted estly examine our part in what tie spells it all out for us. A happens in our blueprint for recovering from a lives. As we allow multitude of conditions: addicthe myths to build, tion, dysfunctional relationthe layers to accu- ships, you name it. Wherever we find ourselves on the specthrough becomes trum of mental health, writing increasingly diffi- and journaling are good starters for exploring our souls.

Author Isabel Allende offers manner of getting us her own insight into the benefits to be gained from writing: "Writing is a long process of in-"words." Words that trospection; it is a voyage toexpress how we ward the darkest caverns of consciousness, a long, slow efit from trained meditation. I write feeling my counselors who can way in silence, and along the way discover particles of truth, small crystals that fit in the palm of my hand and justify my passage through this world."

There are people prepared In AA, Step Four is all about to pay millions to go to the personal depths for self discovery, unearthing our own crysoffering a much more economical learning experience. And the rewards, begun through the can surpass even our wildest

> Lynne Farrell Abrams has a an adult education writing County for over 10 years, Lynne Openness. *is now happily retired.*



numbers increase in Citrus. (They also make for great Previous years' harvesting garden bed covers.) determines future year yields, and the season's length and bag limits are set in an attempt to allow successful breeding among scallop populations. As we learn more about the effects of an increase in recreational scalloping, we must stay committed to monitoring the scallops is prohibited, and stability of the season and management of the mollusk population.

To remain a viable ecotourism amenity, our bay of by all who take pleasure in navigating the local waterways.

It is imperative that harvesters obey limits on take and license regulations. And, it is also of the utmost importance that people refrain from discarding scallop shells in the Homosassa River or Crystal River, or any other inshore waters.

Discarded scallop shells not only create hazards for swimmers, they also damage seagrass habitats — the food source for manatees. As

Adhere to the bag limits: In Citrus, they are 2 gallons of whole bay scallops in shell, or 1 pint of bay scallop meat per person. The maximum is 10 gallons of whole bay scallops, or a half a gallon of meat per vessel.

Commercial harvesting of recreational harvesters must have a Florida saltwater fishing license to legally go scalloping.

The annual Citrus scallop scallops must be taken care season is anticipated with excitement and is a big part of the peak of summer activity on the Nature Coast. It's fun to snorkel and enjoy the beautiful waters that we have, but we must be always cautious of protecting scallops, and the whole ecosystem that recreational harvesting effects. Have fun, be safe and be smart this scallop season.

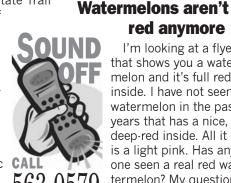
To learn more about Florida's scallop season, visit https://myfwc.com/fishing/ saltwater/recreational/ bay-scallops/.

E-bikes belong with the roads

with other motorcycles, not on

E-bikes don't belong on trail

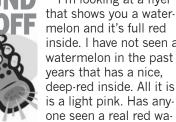
The Withlacoochee State Trail was built for the use of non-motorized traffic pedestrians, bicyclists and equestrians. Cars and trucks have already driven most bicyclists and pedestrians away from the legal use of streets and roads, in fear for their lives. Now electric CAL motorized bicycles threaten pedestrians and bicycles on the Withlacoochee State Trail.



red anymore I'm looking at a flyer that shows you a watermelon and it's full red inside. I have not seen a watermelon in the past years that has a nice,

the bike trails.

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termelon? My question is, why are they not red anymore? Can someone

answer that for me, please?

Community truly came together for **Jeremy Schreifels**

When Nancy Kennedy wrote an article about Jeremy Schreifels about 2 months ago, I felt it in my heart to campaign for this young man.

I knew someone many years ago with Tourette's, and remember how he struggled with it and sadly Tourette's won but, in his honor, I was going to do whatever I could to help. But this is not about me — it is about what I saw in this amazing small community called Citrus County.

Since the article, in less than two months, people in this county have rallied for Jeremy. They have adopted him as their own.

If any of you have checked out his Facebook, Instagram, or YouTube page — you could see how severe his tics are and read about how the DBS (deep brain stimulator) surgery could help this child.

His mother, Jennifer, has her own page, where it educates us about Tourette Syndrome. The cost is extreme and due to it being experimental for Tourette's, insurance will not cover it, but Citrus County did!

Many fundraisers have been held and more are in the planning stages. What I witnessed was the sincere love, care, and support of the nameless faces and hands of the volunteers that have

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helped with these fundraisers. They have sold tickets, painted faces, arms, legs of children and adults, donated raffle items, made and sold T-shirts, handmade items were baked and crocheted with donations going towards Jeremy's surgery, and so much more.

April Royal, Leon McClellan, Brian from Extreme Decalz, and others have been at the helm of these fundraisers, and I am so grateful that they have stepped up for Jeremy, yet the silent and many volunteers, showing up with their Jeremy's Journey T-shirts and smiles has touched my heart.

I have seen people give so much of their time, energy, and monies for this young man and it is a beautiful thing

to watch and be a part of. I just want to give a shout out to so many beautiful people out there that have helped in so many ways. It has been a pleasure working beside you to help Jeremy get the surgery he needs to be able to live as much of a normal life as possible. Please keep an eye out for the upcoming fundraisers and volunteer if you can. It is an amazing feeling to see love in action, and you'll be blessed.

> Elaine M. Diesing Beverly Hills

Laws change for e-bikes

I own National eBike in Palm Coast, and one of you kind readers shared the recent story regarding the new shop opening in your area. Bravo to the young man!

Individuals may be unaware that Gov. Ron DeSantis signed a new bicycle law last year. Effective July 1, 2020, Florida joined more than 20 other states that have a dedicated law for electric bicycles, or e-bikes. The new law, HB971 (link at end) also addresses some other much needed changes, such as legally classifying recumbent bicycles as bicycles. Regarding state trails, that also needs clarification. Link: https://tinyurl.com/fcv75w4k.

> Frank Pacilli Palm Coast

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

Sound OFF

More trees killed for development

I am absolutely appalled and somewhat just in shock as I drive by this morning and see all the trees that have been knocked down in front of the intersection of Home Depot and I wonder what in the world is our county doing destroying all our natural resources, all our beautiful trees and turning everything into asphalt and roadway and gas 563 stations? How much uglier can we get and how much more of our environment can we destroy? This makes me sick.

Animals have feelings too

To the two people that called in to Sound Off and it was published on June 7's paper (Page A8), the ones that don't agree with getting a new shelter: I guess you're animal haters. How would you like to be in a small cage just about 24 hours, seven days a week, 365 days a year and hardly any exercise with maybe two or three other dogs? Animals have feelings. I don't care what you say, they have feelings. They need a new home. The shelter does what it can with what they've got, but they need a new home, a bigger

home. So stop being such animal haters.

Put Veterans Village on front burner

In today's Chronicle, I'm reading about Veterans Village in Lecanto (in Tuesday, June 8's Page A11 editorial, "Perfect Storm," "Construction headwinds stall Veter-

ans Village"). If it wasn't for the veterans, none of us would be here. We just celebrated D-Day. Thou-)5'/5 sands of men have died on beaches in Normandy. Thousands

more died in World War II. So, let's back the Veterans Village in Lecanto. The American Legion, the VFW and anybody else that wants to contribute, please contribute to the Veterans Village. We need it badly – a lot more than we need a dog park or any other entities in this county. We need that Veterans Village and we need it ASAP. Thank you, Dr. (Paresh Desai), for all your support and effort.

Volunteers could help fix shelter

I'm the lady that called you about the Quonset huts. I'm now asking, do we have caviar commissioners? Do they know the definition of the word

"conserve"? As far as the dog kennel is concerned, it could be done over. You could get the senior citizens that live in Citrus County and Beverly Hills and give them a paintbrush and a hammer and they would volunteer to do all the painting and the work and fix up the kennel. We have a lot of old senior citizens that would be willing to go over there with a paintbrush and a hammer and do a lot of work and volunteer and be very happy to do it for the dogs. "Conserve" is the word that we need to know.

Gravel truck driving on path

I'm speaking in answer to this question: The paved paths through Crystal River are clearly marked, "No motor vehicles," but yet yesterday, there was a Crystal River gravel truck driving on the path. What gives? Maybe our mayor might have an answer to that question.

Finally ground breaks on traffic light

Sept. 24, 2019, our BOCC brushes off the complaints of its citizens about the risk and danger of the weirdly designed intersection of County Road 491 (and) State Road 200. June 2020, FDOT announces a traffic signal in 18 months. May 2021, FDOT breaks ground on the project with estimated completion

by September. Thank you, FDOT, and poop in both shoes of one former commissioner and two on the current board, namely Ron Kitchen and Scott Carnahan. BOCC needs to represent its citizens.

Tough luck on the noise

I'm responding to Sound Off (about the Wednesday, June 9, front-page story), "Board targets rowdy crowds." We have a law that you can make all the noise you want from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. So now you're telling me you want to have a gray line because people on the Homosassa River feel it's too much noise for them and they want the peace and quiet? Well, tough luck. I'm sorry about it. So if there's a gray line there, you're going to have to put it all over Citrus County. Accept it, leave it and accept it. They're allowed to make the noise from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. unless you want to force them to change the law. I would like to see that done, but that's not going to happen.

It was dirt when it was bought

In reference to the city's looking into paving the dirt roads (Wednesday, June 9's front-page story): I guess the people in this subdivision are complaining about the dirt roads. Well, when you moved there and you bought businesses...

your house, you saw it was a dirt road. Why are you complaining now? You purchased your house when it was a dirt road.

Outstanding fines could pay for it

I'm responding to Sound Off (about the Wednesday, June 9, front-page story), "County: Plan to move courts is too expensive," where it's \$2.5 million to renovate the historical building. Just think about it. We have multi-multi-millions of dollars in outstanding court fines that are not collected. They go to collection agencies. Now if you threaten them with jail time and put them in jail for not paying their fines, or make them do community service, you would reap some of the rewards back and get some of that money back and maybe you could build that new courthouse. But, no, they send it to collections. No, if they do the crime, do the time or pay your fine. If they don't pay the fine or don't make payments on their fine, then they go to jail and do their time served for not paying their fine, period.

Local business over 'Fivebucks'

We don't need a "Fivebucks," aka Starbucks, in Citrus County. What we do need to do is continue to support our local

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the presence of mosquito-borne diseases, so efforts can be targeted at certain areas of the county before disease is transmitted to horses and humans.

INSPECTIONS

While the surveillance department collects data from traps, our technicians are out in the field looking for breeding areas. Most of our county is made up of wetlands that collect water. If you didn't know, water is essential for mosquitoes to lay eggs. Aedes aegypti and Aedes albopictus mosquitoes are particularly important because they vector Zika, Chikungunya, Dengue Fever and Yellow Fever. Aedes aegypti and Aedes albopictus will lay eggs in your backyard in anything that holds water.

Homeowners can practice Nile Virus. source reduction by eliminating breeding sites around their homes. Dump out standing



Spraying via helicopter is a major component of the Citrus County Mosquito Control District's efforts to control the mosquito population in the county. It may not hurt to help the district out by clearing out standing water near your residence.

TREATMENTS We use a variety of treatment helicopter treats larger areas. larvae. We stock Gambusia in

Most of the larvicides we use dry swamps and woodland are derived from naturally oc- pools that fill up with water curring soil bacteria and spe-during the mosquito breeding larval season and they last all season.



Special to the Chronicle

Aedes albopictus, the Asian tiger mosquito, takes a blood meal. The mosquito, along with other members of the Aedes genus, is one of the vectors for the Zika virus and is found in all 67 Florida counties.

illnesses. Remember to fight the bite and practice the five D's of protection (Dawn, Dusk, Dress, Drain, Defend). Beware the hours of dawn and dusk because that's when most mosquitoes are out. Dress in long sleeves and long pants to protect your skin from mosquito bites. Drain standing water around your property every few days to prevent breeding your own mosquitoes. Defend yourself by using an EPA approved repellent and always follow the label instructions.

mosquito breeding.

Some other habitats of importance that we target are swamplands, woodland pools, lakes and rivers.

water every few days to prevent methods to control mosquitoes. cifically You have probably seen the fog truck that kills adult mosquitoes at night. However, we primarily work during the day to target mosquitoes in the larval are used as biological controls The mosquitoes that breed in stage before they hatch as bit- in ponds, pools, and man-made these areas vector Eastern ing adults. Technicians hand containers because they are to protect yourself from mos-

target mosquitoes. Our proactive approach means less fogging, and less pesticide resistance.

Gambusia, or mosquitofish,

PUBLIC EDUCATION

One of the most important parts of IMM is public education. We want you to know how Equine Encephalitis and West treat small areas, while the natural predators of mosquito quito bites and mosquito-borne

For more information, please visit citrusmosquito. org.



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people live in Inverness. Inverness has also devel- remember, in 1980 the oped its own community plan.

The other 92% of the people in our community live Parkway.

in the unincorporated sections and are governed by the county commission.

Citrus County last created its plan for development in the 1980s. Let us population was 54,703 and no one knew anything about the Suncoast

times as many people and the same plan.

county commission don't has to do to be re-elected want a plan because they don't want to be held accountable for not getting anymore. anything done. It is much easier to simply deal with ing up rapidly and a major problems as they come

quate decisions. One member snidely says be-Some members of our hind the scenes that all he is to "not raise taxes."

That is not enough

Citrus County is growparkway is about to open.

We now have three along and try to make ade- If we do not have a plan and the commitment to follow it, bad things will happen and we will all wonder how our beautiful little community became a mess.

> Kudos to Crystal River and Inverness for having a plan and working on implementing it.

It's time Citrus County, representing the other 92% of the citizens, got on the ball and developed an updated plan.



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Citrus County received millions of dollars to complete projects that will protect our environment and build infrastructure to help move Citrus County into the

\$5 million for the development of an airport industrial park.

Homosassa River restoration: The project will receive a portion of the \$10 million from the Springs Coast and Peace River basin watersheds.

■ King's Bay restoration: \$4 million to continue its ■ Inverness Airport: outstanding

Waterway.

■ LifeStream Behavioral Center: \$1.5 million to build a mental health and addiction treatment campus.

Phase 5 for the Homosassa septic-to-sewer project: \$3.9 million.

leadership in policy to keep state. He leads with integ-Florida competitive and his rity and principle, and we work in cleaning up an willingness to stand up for are the benefactors of his Florida free enterprise were cited leadership.

by Florida Chamber in their recognition of Simpson with the Most Valuable Legislator Award, and we agree.

We know Senator Simpson to be a genuine legislator that works tirelessly for Simpson's outstanding his constituents and the

Our legislative delegation also includes Rep. Ralph Massullo who is an impactful legislator. Rep. Massullo is A-rated by the Florida Chamber and for good reason. The exceptional work of the legislature takes leadership in both houses and rep. Massullo carries the mantel for our community well.

County Chamber of Commerce, we are thankful for our legislative delegation: Senate President Wilton Simpson and Rep. Ralph Massullo.

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John Murphy is chairman of the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee.

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future.

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when we vote, we pick the party that basically aligns with how we feel about cal parties is to give us foreign affairs generally, and then we trust the person representing that tions, then ladies and party to make the decision for us. The same can be said for any issue on the political spectrum.

So back in the 1950s, the menus each party put out were so strikingly similar that they had failed to give the American people much of a choice at all. People in- and broader as time goes volved in politics had a by. hard time telling the difference between parties gap is a problem. People

be involved or even interwhere each party stands on certain issues.

If the purpose of politidiametrically opposed menus of political opgentlemen, the Republicans and Democrats of the 2000s have handily exceeded a 1 1 expectations.

There is no question about where each party stands. And the gap between the two seems to just keep getting deeper

I don't know that the 70 years ago. That's are never going to agree selves in.

definitely not the case 100% on any of the issues today. You don't have to at hand. The U.S. popula- infrastructure bill frametion is 331,449,281 accordested in politics to know ing to the 2020 census. of hope across our politi-That means there are calgalaxy — not because likely 331,449,281 political opinions out there and neither party fully the bill suddenly jumped captures any of them. So ship and became mempolitical difference is always going to be there.

> What's dangerous about our political gulf today is not that there is a divide, but rather that the American people. our politicians don't seem in order to get things done.

be a small breeze of re- crucially, our electrical prieve in the usually vitriolic and acerbic ing to happen. political atmosphere we've come to find our- cross the ever-widening

The newly agreed upon work sends shining stars the Republicans and Democrats who backed bers of the other party – but because they did what their job required of them. They compromised for the greater good of

We need an infrastructo be willing to bridge it ture plan — badly. Our roads and bridges are in desperate need of repair. And yet, there seems to And probably even more grid is a catastrophe wait-

We need politicians to

The bill has a long way to go. And there are massive pitfalls that could derail it. But just the idea that in a political atmosphere as tenuous as ours is today, the picture of Republicans and Democrats standing together in a room and acknowledging that both sides need to give a little in order to make progress happen, gives us hope that our political system has not

failed. We can function. I personally hope they figure it out. We need an infrastructure bill. And we need the hope that our politicians are for us as their constituents. We need to believe that the people we have placed gulf and work together to our trust in to represent

our political opinions are more committed to us than they are to a party platform. The divide will always be there. And it should. We just need more politicians who are willing to cross it.

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On behalf of the Citrus

get this done.

Sound OFF

Remember the old adage

The discussion of the despicable signs around has one quick solution. Just remember the old adage: All you can expect from a pig is a grunt.

There's a cost to jailing criminals

It's Friday, June 4, and I'm responding to a (Page A13 Sound Off) in the paper, "Give felons harsher punishments." OK, I agree that they get out on ridiculous bonds and everything else, but I understand the county's position there, too. If they lock them up and throw away the key for everybody in this county that gets arrested for anything, felony or otherwise, who do you think's got to pay for their housing, their food, their guards, their security and everything else? The county. If the county's got to keep shelling out the money, somebody's got to pay for it and that eventually is going to be you and me. Secondly, they don't have the room to lock everybody up.

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on bail until they go through the system and then the state can take them and do what they want with them. Higher bonds? Yes, I agree. Changing the penalties? Yeah, I agree, but there are pretty good reasons why CALL they go out on the street with bail pretty quickly, in most cases. Even-

tually, the state will get them

Unions take care of people

You know, I'm calling in reference to I think we need unions in a lot of these companies. You can raise the hourly wage all you want, but if you don't have a union to enforce it, it can't be done. And I do know there are places here that are still paying \$10, \$10.50 an hour and you can't do anything about it unless you have a union. So let's get on with this and let's stop fighting with stupid things and let's

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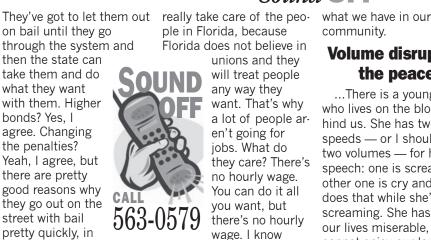
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ple in Florida, because Florida does not believe in

unions and they will treat people any way they want. That's why a lot of people aren't going for jobs. What do they care? There's no hourly wage. You can do it all you want, but there's no hourly wage. I know

companies that are paying that. So let's try and get some unions in

Also note shop in Homosassa

here.

(Re the Sunday, June 6, Page A3 story, "Medical marijuana dispensary coming soon to Crystal River," "Trulieve remodels storefront on U.S. 19"): In your writing about the medical marijuana dispensary, I was surprised that you didn't at all mention the new shop in Homosassa. It's brand new. I don't believe it's medical marijuana, but it would be of interest to the public

VERTICAL BLINDS

HORIZONTAL BLINDS

community.

Volume disrupting the peace

... There is a young lady who lives on the block behind us. She has two speeds - or I should say two volumes — for her speech: one is scream, the other one is cry and she does that while she's screaming. She has made our lives miserable, as we cannot enjoy our lanai, we cannot enjoy sleeping a little later on weekends and we cannot do anything because of her voice. It is like an alarm clock; it wakes you up. I wish her parents would do something. They obviously are so used to her that they don't even hear it, but other people do and it would be very nice if they would put a stop to it. You

but I thank you anyway. Unwanted animals a burden

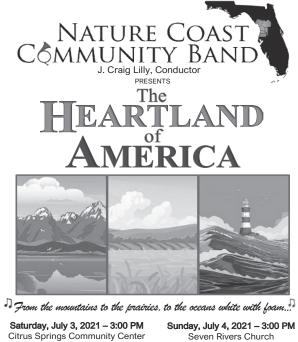
probably won't print this,

No taxpayer money for animal shelter. If animal lovers want to spend their palace to house unwanted pets, that's fine. Taxpayers that don't have animals shouldn't have to pay for it. The county has a responsibility to pick up problem animals and hold them for seven days. If the owner doesn't claim them and the animal lovers' charity groups don't claim them, then they should be destroyed. Our animal shelter is large enough to serve that purpose.

Existing buildings could work

In Crystal River, on West Gulf-to-Lake Highway (State Road 44), there are two county buildings that are almost dead across the street from Dan's

money on an air-conditioned Clams. The buildings are already established, there's plenty of parking and there's an 8-foot chain-link fence with barbed wire around the top. Why can't they dedicate those to the new animal control facility? Why is it the county wants to keep kicking the can down the road? Or is it that they want to wait long enough for everybody to forget about the donated money and then it's absorbed into the infrastructure? This would make a great, centrally located animal control facility and the county already owns the buildings. Come on, what excuse will the county come with now to keep this from happening?



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CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE -

Nature Coast SCORE announces two new volunteers

Special to the Chronicle

As the newest members of Nature Coast SCORE Amy Holaday and Cynthia Oswald have been tapped to enhance local efforts in marketing, community outreach, and visibility for the local SCORE program which encompasses both Citrus County and Levy County.

"As the economy recovers from a worldwide pandemic our local small businesses are ramping up and Nature Coast SCORE is ready to help," said Jennifer Brooks, SCORE co-chairperson. Following SCORE National's

Following SCORE National's lead the local group wants to send a message of support that reaches all facets of the Citrus/ Levy communities.

"Bringing on these two dynamic women comes at the perfect time for Nature Coast SCORE as we are prepared to launch expanded programming for our small business owners, entrepreneurs, and would be entrepreneurs," said Katherine Regan, SCORE co-chairperson.

Holaday moved to Citrus County with her parents in 1973 and graduated from Crystal River High School. After graduating from USF (University of Southern Florida), she began her career in marketing and sales.



She spent 20 years in the automotive industry including 12 years traveling as a corporate trainer.

Amy Upon returning to Citrus Holaday County in 2006,

she worked with the College of Central Florida managing Continuing Education and Conference Services, and completed her career journey as sales and marketing director for Sunflower Springs Assisted Live

Still asking for Aldi



MATTHEW BECK/Chronicle file

Pete's Pier Marina in Crystal River has earned the coveted "Clean & Resilient Marina" designation from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). The marina has made numerous upgrades to become the FDEP's first Clean & Resilient Marina in Citrus County.

County comings, goings and a special honor for Pete's Pier Marina

efore launching into this month's new restaurants, stores and businesses, I want to introduce a feature called the "Tip of the Hat" department.

I plan to highlight local businesses that have achieved some honor or designation that makes them stand out.

First up is Pete's Pier Marina in Crystal River, which has earned the coveted "Clean & Resilient Marina" designation from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP).

The marina has made numerous upgrades to become the FDEP's first Clean & Resilient Marina in Citrus County. fastest-growing chains in the nation with the goal to become the third-largest by the end of 2022.

The Chronicle has reached out many times to Aldi's corporate office and asked representatives when Citrus can expect its first store.

Two weeks ago, the latest inquiry brought this response from Matt Thon, Haines City division vice president for ALDI. "At this time, we

"At this time, we do not have any information to share about a potential ALDI store opening in Citrus County," Thon said. "As soon as there are any upcommercial uses, including a two-story office building and a four-bay selfservice car wash, both built in 1988. There's also another office building that's been there since 1974.

Plans call for demolishing those existing buildings and building a new car wash and Dunkin Donuts.

The Chronicle will continue to update developments there.

Homosassa getting some new eateries

Homosassa residents will soon be able to patronize two new fast-food restaurants in their neighborhood. A new Wendy's at the corner of U.S. 98 and U.S 19 has spent the past month hiring employees and is expected to open

Sunflower Springs Assisted Living Community in Crystal River.

She has served in the U.S. Peace Corps and also on multiple nonprofit boards in Citrus County.

Oswald, recently retired from her position as public informa-



tion officer for the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners, is now working part time as program support specialist for the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce.

Cynthia Oswald

She joined SCORE this past March to support program development along with enhancing visibility for the group.

Oswald was the first woman president/CEO for the Livingston County Area Chamber of Commerce in New York. She has experience in nonprofit, health care and education systems, along with economic development projects both at home and internationally.

She currently serves on the Nature Coast Ministries Board, Salvation Army Board and is a member of Citrus Sertoma.

Over the past 30 years, Nature Coast SCORE has provided small business services and support to area entrepreneurs through faceto-face and virtual mentoring, business workshops on timely topics, and leadership skills development. The chapter's 19 volunteers have an average of 30 years of business experience, with a wide range of expertise.

For more information about Nature Coast SCORE, call 352-249-1236 or visit online at https:// naturecoastfl.score.org.

Since 1964, SCORE national has helped 11 million entrepreneurs to start or grow a business. SCORE's 10,000 volunteers provide free mentoring, workshops and educational services to 1,500-plus communities nationwide, creating 29,681 new businesses and 67,706 non-owner jobs in 2019 alone.

Visit SCORE at www.score.org or call 800-634-0245. Follow @ SCOREMentors on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. They replaced their fixed docks with floating docks, renovated their bathrooms, restored the deck and are replacing their pump-out unit.

The state noted Pete's Pier emergency and evacuation plans; an active emergency preparedness leadership team that provides training to staff and boaters; floating docks that extend into deep waters; and dock-anchoring systems designed to resist storm surge and high winds.

Now, on with the comings and goings:

Why no Aldi in Citrus County?

Citrus County has been hoping for an Aldi grocery store for years.

Dunnellon recently celebrated the opening of its new Aldi, the third in Marion County. Hernando County has two Aldis —one in Spring Hill and one in Brooksville.

And yet, nothing in Citrus County. This, despite it being one of the dates regarding ALDI stores in that area, we will reach out."

And the Chronicle will do the same. Keep your fingers crossed.

Another Dunkin on the way?

Dunkin Donuts has expressed interest in building at the southeast corner of U.S. 19 and West Homosassa Trail, but no permits have been issued as of June 8.

The county in 2020 approved a Planned Urban Development (PUD) for a new self-service car wash and restaurant — between RaceTrac gas station to the north and a CVS pharmacy to the south.

The site currently has multiple

soon. Construction is well underway for a new Taco Bell at 9357 U.S. 19, next to the Shoppes of Sugarmill Woods. Joining Taco Bell at the complex will be a new Verizon store.

Opening dates have not been announced for either business.

Odds and ends

■ Winn-Dixie on June 9 unveiled its new Beverly Hills liquor store at 3589 County Road 491.

■ The Law Offices of Lucas & Magazine has opened a branch at 2200 State Road 44 West in Inverness.

■ Campbell & Company investment firm opened a branch at 2202 State Road 44 in Inverness.

Contact reporter Michael D. Bates at 352-563-3205 or mbates@chronicleonline.com.

Is your wedding budget ready?

LAUREN SCHWAHN NerdWallet

www.edding celebrations largely took a hiatus after the COVID-19 pandemic was declared in 2020. Among couples who had a set wedding date between March and December 2020, 47% postponed their wedding receptions, according to The Knot's 2020 Real Weddings COVID Study. The trend continued this year.

In March, New York City couple Lindsay Holmes and Sean Brech pushed their wedding date from August 2021 to May 2022.

"So many things were unclear at the time," Brech says. "We wanted to push it out to 2022 to have the best possible wedding like how we originally envisioned it."

Now, as the percentage of vaccinated Americans grows

and restrictions ease, celebrations are roaring back. If you're moving forward with or modifying wedding plans, here's how to prepare your budget.

Connect with venues, vendors quickly

The high volume of couples who postponed weddings has created a "pent-up demand" for venues and vendors, says Lauren Kay, executive editor at The Knot. That's restricting availability, and in some cases, leading businesses to raise prices.

If you haven't secured the locations and services you need, start now. The longer you wait, the less flexibility you may have choosing your preferred date or vendors.

Amanda Berg, senior growth marketing manager for the wedding planning and registry website Zola, and fiance Jesse Krieger stress the importance of contacting vendors early. The couple — who plan to wed in Bedminster, New Jersey, next spring learned how competitive the search was when they began looking into photographers.

"Some of them were booked already for May 2022, and we were doing this planning in October, November of 2020," Krieger says. "Fortunately, we got everyone we wanted, partly because we got such a head start."

Couples who've already signed contracts should ask about fees, restrictions or scheduling conflicts before altering plans. You could lose a deposit when you switch to a larger venue or face charges to rent extra chairs.

"Each vendor contract is going to stipulate different things with regard to changes in dates, changes in plans, changes in guest numbers. So it's really important that you know what's in the contract," Kay says.

Prioritize and pare down spending

Couples are feeling optimistic about gathering in person and having a larger guest count that feels more like the wedding they imagined pre-pandemic, according to Kay. But as the guest list increases, so do expenses.

"That's going to not only affect the costs for catering, but also for the number of chairs, the centerpieces and number

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The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce is an organization of businesses unified in efforts to advance the economic growth of theregion, promote the interests of the business community, provide key leadership on key commerce issues and preserve the county's quality of life.



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Chamber provides grants to businesses

The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce offers a grant program for businesses that furloughed employees due to COVID-19 and have since rehired them. To qualify for full funding, the business must have furloughed an employee for a minimum of two months before rehiring and steadily employing for a minimum of 90 days. The grant amount is \$2,000 per rehired full-time equivalent employee. All local businesses are eligible.

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- 9301 W Ft. Island Trail Crystal River 352-795-4211

List your Job Openings on the Chamber website!

The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce will list Chamber member job openings for FREE on the Chamber website!

With the \$300 per week supplemental Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation Program having ended in Florida on June 26, we anticipate that the local labor pool will increase significantly. Get a jump on having your job openings seen by as many applicants as possible by taking advantage of all posting resources, including this Chamber option.

To have your jobs posted, please send the job listing to Corrine Sachewicz at corrine@citruscountychamber.com, and include the following:

- Business Name
- Job title
- Brief description of job
- Contact information (email, phone like to share in the posting

Citrus Sign-On Bonus Program

nesses have a new option Source. Likewise, employthat may boost their ability to attract workers to fill their open positions: The Citrus Sign-On Bonus Program.

The program is available to all local businesses with 75 or fewer full-time or part-time workers. Jobs to be filled must be full-time positions that pay \$15/hour or less. The newly hired workers must work for the employer for 90 days to qualify to receive the \$1,000 sign-on bonus.

To participate, employers must post the jobs they

ees must apply for the job through CareerSource. Following 90-days of successful employment, employers for reimbursement of the bonus.

Funding for the bonus program comes from \$70,000 in CARES funds to the Citrus County YMCA or call (352)249-3278.

Citrus County small busi- seek to fill through Career- to provide day care scholarships for parents in the same workforce category.

If you are a business that would like to participate in the program, go to the Cawill invoice CareerSource reerSource Citrus Levy Marion website at https:// careersourceclm.com/ and click on the Citrus County Sign On Bonus link.

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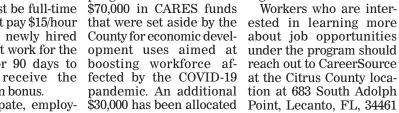


About CareerSource Additionally, we encourage you to

ALWAYS take advantage of CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion to also post your jobs. All jobs posted through them become part of the statewide Employ Florida network that is seen by hundreds of thousands of job seekers in Florida. You may also find that you qualify for other services from CareerSource — and remember, most of their services are FREE to businesses. Visit their website for more information at https://careersourceclm.com.

number, website page or other way to contact you)

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Complete information on the grant program and documentation required is on the application form.

Applications are open at www.CitrusCounty Chamber.com/ furlough-rehire-grant.

For questions, please email CitrusFurlough Rehire@gmail.com

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MEMBER AND COMMUNITY NEWS

■ B&W Rexall Drugs pharmacy staff will make home visits to offer COVID-19 vaccinations. Sign up through the state's online website at www. CovidShotsCitrusCounty.com (open 24 hours a day), or telephone the pharmacy at 352-726-1021 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday).

■ We Care Food Pantry's mobile pantry will be at The New Church Without Walls on June 30th at 9 a.m. For information call 352-344-2425.

■ Citrus County Libraries and Coping with Dementia LLC announced an expanded schedule of free

■ "ABC of Dementia" workshops. The next workshop will be held July 23rd at Central Ridge Library in Beverly Hills. For more information, call 352-422-3663 or email deb@ coping.today.

Chamber Report' on WYKE

Watch the weekly Chamber Report show on WYKE-TV to stay informed on Chamber events, is-

sues, and member spotlights. Chamber Report is broadcast on Tuesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays at 5:00 p.m. on Spectrum Channel 16 or through LiveStream (www.livestream.com/watch and search for "WYKE TV 47").



This week, host Jade White, Chamber Public Relations & Communication Coordinator, talks with Cregg Dalton, the Citrus County Property Appraiser, about his recent election into this position, his background and experience, what the Property Ap-

Cregg Dalton

praiser's office offers and services their departments provide for our community. Chamber Report is your ticket to the many happenings in Citrus County!





The premiere business expo of Citrus County presents an opportunity for businesses to meet new clients, create new working relationships, and make community connections. Open to the public, free to attend, 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M., Saturday, September 18th, 2021.

Back by popular demand in 2021 is the Money Machine!!! A goodie-bag (LIMITED SUPPLY SO DON'T BE LATE) will be given to the guests as they enter the auditorium on Saturday morning. Included in the goodie-bag, a chance drawing ticket for the opportunity to be randomly selected to step-up and cash grab. Additional chance drawings throughout the event day (items donated by our sponsors, businesses, and community), a DJ, kid's activities, DIY demos, and health talks are just a few of the FUN activities for ALL AGES!

The Chamber Business Expo is a great opportunity to show off what YOU, our local businesses have to offer, make contacts within the business and Citrus County Community, and mingle with fellow business leaders, building important relationships within our very own Citrus County!

To reserve your slot, visit www.CitrusCountyChamber.com/Business-Expo For sponsorship opportunities email Janet@CitrusCountyChamber.com







Questions? Call Erika Corley at 352-795-3149 or email Events@CitrusCountyChamber.com.



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Celebrating Homeownership Month

County is celebrating! Realtors are are engaged in efforts to reckon with the strong believers and activ-

ists in achieving homeownership for all.

Not only is homeownership one of the best ways to build long-term wealth, providing resources for a more comfortable retirement, but it also fosters an immeasurable sense of community and stability vital to growing families. Homeownership is a commitment to economic growth.

Homeownership helps generate jobs and stimulate

economic growth. The design, construc- up to protect the investments they have tion, and rehabilitation of homes employ local labor and use a vast array of American-made products and services. In addition to it bolstering your community's treasury through taxes, research shows the many social benefits it provides, including increased volunteerism, improved health, and less crime.

We can all agree that the purchase of your own home is usually one of the biggest expenses people have during their lifetime. Homeownership is the largest single contributor to intergenerational wealth for American families. But it has not been accessible to all Americans on equal terms.

With awareness of this history growing, cities and states are exploring ways to repair past harm and protect against fu- need to make some tough choices about housing market and broader economy... ture loss. As community leaders, priorities, especially with our tax dollars. and the institution of homeownership

une is Homeownership Month, and advocates for homeownership, and prothe Realtors® Association of Citrus tectors of property rights, REALTORS®

> past and build a more equitable future. Florida Realtors even has a specialized license plate to raise money for this important attainable housing initiative.

Current public policy recognizing the value of homeownership can be an effective tool to help address some of the difficulties homebuyers face. But this support cannot be taken for granted. In fact, homeowners are increasingly being forced to speak

made.

ing champion of Florida's affordable housing programs and the hard-working Floridians they support, long before we advocated for the passage of the Sad-

Recent changes in legislation have permanently cut the funding of these housing programs by 50% putting them in serious jeopardy, and Realtors® agree that it is time to act. Florida Realtors will be launching a statewide ballot initiative this week called "Floridians for Housing" and will be looking to collect a million signatures in support of these

There is no question that Americans



to be one, changes in policies supporting ations to come. homeownership potentially impact your own wallet and family as well as our

Whether you are a homeowner or aspire - the American Dream itself - for gener-

- Kelly Tedrick, 2021 RACC President Broker Associate, FL Real Estate Instructor, C2EX

RACC Charity Spotlight

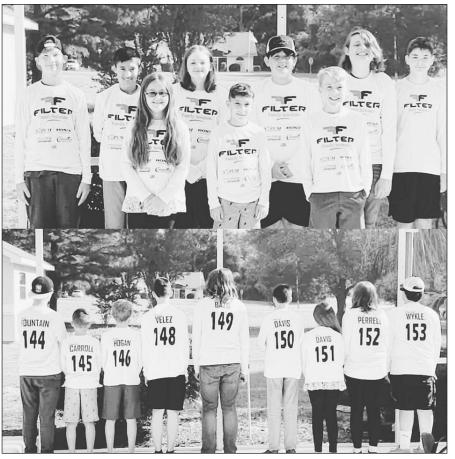
the founding of Filter Family Solutions. The goal in 2011 was



Kelly Tedrick

marks ten years since to engage the business community with bike sponsorship opportunities as a way of helping pay for the expenses

that come with dirt biking and showing giving businesses a way to show that they support the emotional growth of the families in our com-



Florida Realtors has been a long-standowski Act in 1992.

legislative efforts.

program to be researchbased and effective. It sounded good, and a lit-

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nation's most uniquely

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students and for this

we would capture the attention of students was the opportunity to learn to ride Honda dirt bikes.

Dirt biking is great fun and a great way to spend time with mentors, but we knew dirt biking alone would not be enough to make the kind of change we wanted to make in the lives of children and their families. So, we added a skillbased curriculum that would be taught to the youth and their parents.

Families would come together one evening a week to learn how to better communicate with each other, how to solve problems more effectively, and maybe how to head some problems off at the pass.

We laid out a plan to have our students complete a weekly time sheet that would determine how much ride time they earned based on completing goals and getting good grades.

We approached the law enforcement community and education system to munity. We asked Cornerstone Baptist Church if we could use

tle crazy when considering that the way their facilities as our home base and they agreed.

Looking back, the fact that we were able to get that little mentoring program up and running says something truly amazing about Citrus County. We are a community that cares about children. We are a community that knows the importance of strong families.

Our first day having children on dirt bikes was February 23, 2013. Not long before that first group of kids graduated from Filter, we thought it would be cool to award each student with a riding shirt having a number on the back.

Dustin received shirt number one, signifying that he was the first young person to graduate our new program. Donovan was number two. Tyler was number three, and so on it went. Our sixteenth group graduated on May 29th, and we left off with Patrick receiving shirt #153.

We will pick up from there on August 9th when we begin the next session and gain their support. We also found ways add more families to our growing Filter

Family.

Solutions or to make a contribution, To learn more about Filter Family visit www.filterfamily.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS/CLASSES

- **7/1** Matrix with Marsha 7/5 — RACC Closed. ■ 7/8 — Best Practices Course
- 7/12 YPN Sponsored
- Coastal Clean-Up Day **7/13** — Lunch & Learn with the Property Appraisers
- office ■ 7/20 — Contract to Close Class
- 7/22 Social Media Essentials

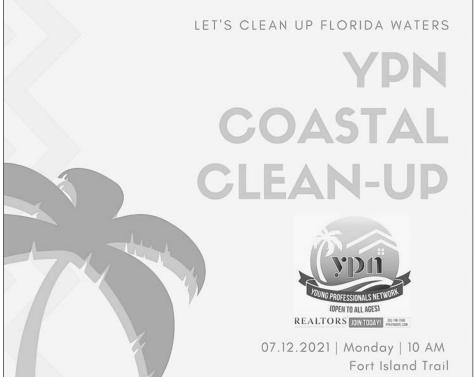
■ 7/29 — If You Can't List You Can't Last course ■ 7/29 — Be the Change — Fair Housing and You ■ 8/12 — YPN REBAR camp & General Membership Meeting ■ 8/24-8/27 — Florida RE-ALTORS Convention & Expo ■ 8/19 & 8/20 — 14 Hour

Class with Dennis Pilon ■ 9/23 — Annual Meeting

■ 9/23 — Business Partner Showcase & Chamber Mixer ■ 10/4 — RACC Annual Charity Golf Tournament ■ 11/4 — Cheryl Nadal Memorial Chili Cook-Off All events/classes are limited to Licensed Agents and/ or Business Partners unless marked Public. Visit www. raccfl.com for a complete list of upcoming events.

Citrus County Market Statistics — Q1 2021

	Single Family Homes	Townhouses/ Condos	Manufactured Homes
Closed Sales	369	24	60
Median Sale Price	\$239,900	\$132,450	\$110,000
Median Time to Contract	10 Days	15 Days	16 Days
Months' Supply of Inventory	0.8	0.9	1.5



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Some used vehicles now cost more than original price

TOM KRISHER AP Auto Writer

DETROIT — When it was new, the window sticker price on a typical 2019 Toyota Tacoma SR double cab pickup was just under \$29,000. Two years later, dealers are paying almost \$1,000 more than that to buy the same vehicle, even though it's used.

Then they're selling it to consumers for more than \$33,000.

Welcome to the wacky world of U.S. car and truck sales, where the pandemic and a global shortage of computer chips have pushed prices to record levels.

In the past year, used vehicle prices on average have climbed 30%, according to Black Book, which tracks car and truck data. That's created many crazy situations where high-demand vehicles are selling for more than they did when they were new, said Alex Yurchenko, the company's senior vice president of data science.

The market is very strange right now," said Yurchenko. "Dealers need the inventory, so they are paying lots of money for their vehicles on the wholesale market."

Yurchenko has found 73 models of 1to 3-year-old vehicles being sold at auctions (where dealers buy their vehicles) for prices above their original sticker, which is called the manufacturer's suggested retail price.

Used vehicle price increases accounted for one-third of the large rise in inflation last month, according to the Labor Department. Prices shot up a record 10% in April and another 7.3% in May, as inflation spiked 5%, the biggest 12-month increase since 2008. The average used vehicle cost \$26,457 this month, according to Edmunds.com.

Many of the models Yurchenko found were high-priced trucks and SUVs or highly sought-after loaded-out vehicles, including the high-performance Ford F-150 Raptor pickup, the 2019 Jeep Wrangler Unlimited Rubicon SUV and the boxy Mercedes G-Class AMG63 high performance SUV.

But the two-wheel-drive Tacoma SR is the lowest-priced model of Toyota's top-selling small pickup. To be sure, higher end versions of the Tacoma also were on the list, but even more mainstream vehicles are selling for more than their original prices. For instance, the



Associated Press file

This Jan. 24 file photo shows a long line of used Challengers at a Dodge dealership in Littleton, Colo. In 2021, high demand and low supply have driven up used vehicle prices so much that many are now selling for more than their original sticker price when they were new.

2020 Kia Telluride and Hyundai Palisade consumer electronics. That created a made the list even though both are considered good values compared with more expensive SUVs with three rows of seats.

Yurchenko says the crazy prices are moving further into more ordinary vehicles. "Before we get through this, prices for many mainstream vehicles will get closer to their manufacturer's suggested retail price," he said.

It all started in April and May of last year, when U.S. automakers were forced to close factories for eight weeks to help stop the novel coronavirus from spreading. That cut production, limiting inventory even as demand remained

surprisingly strong.

The factories came back faster than expected, and in the meantime, computer chip makers had switched to manufacturing semiconductors for phones, laptops, gaming systems and other

shortage of automotive chips, which is forcing car companies to temporarily close factories, leaving some dealers with few new vehicles.

The lack of new vehicles and higher prices have sent more people into the used vehicle market, so demand is high there, too. Plus, rental car companies, normally a source of late-model used vehicles, are keeping their cars longer because they can't get new ones, Yurchenko said.

At present, consumers who have to replace a vehicle don't have much choice. "Unfortunately, if you need a vehicle, you'll need to pay the price," Yurchenko said.

But there are signs that price increases are starting to slow. Used car prices rose 0.75% last week, the lowest weekly gain in 17 weeks. Trucks and SUV

prices grew 0.68%, the lowest weekly gain in 15 weeks, according to Black Book

Karl Jensvold, owner of PricedRite Auto Sales, a used vehicle dealer in Lincoln, Nebraska, said he's seeing wholesale prices leveling off, but he doesn't expect them to drop anytime soon. "I think the normal used car market has reset to a different price point," he said. "I don't think we'll see the prices (from) before COVID for a while.'

Yurchenko said at some point prices will have to go back to normal and used vehicles will depreciate once again. The timing depends on how long it takes to get more computer chips so automakers can resume normal production, he said. "Once the new inventory levels start increasing, that's where the pressure on the used market will be relieved," he said

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of tables," says Melanie Tindell, owner and event planner of Oak + Honey Event Planning Co. in Cleveland.

These growing expenses aren't compatible with all budgets. If you want a higger celebrati you might have to make some trade-offs, Kay says. Focus your spending on the elements that matter most to you and scale back others.

open bar, and less on details they say are "nice, but don't make or break a party," like invitations and floral arrangements.

Budget for safeguards

The pandemic isn't behind us. Venues or couples may require masks for guests, ample space for social distancing and other precautions to ensure the health and safety of attendees. This often carries additional costs. "If you're going to need

tentially become a cost because you may want an additional vendor to handle that," Tindell says.

pectations with your venue, vendors and guests.

pectedly. Consider looking into wedding

severe weather or injury. Same goes for travel insurance for honeymoons: Before purchasing a policy, make sure you understand what it covers.

Map out expenses

It's easy to lose track of what you're paying for and when, especially if you switch dates or vendors. Mark down payment due dates as you go to avoid late fees from vendors and credit card issuers

"We created a budgeting doc to track every little thing we could possibly need so we know there aren't going to be a ton of surprises when we actually have to end up paying for something," Holmes says.

can help you estimate wedding costs and adjust your budget as needed.

BUSINESS DIGEST

- Submit information via email to community@ chronicleonline.com, attn: Business Digest.
- The Chronicle reserves the right to edit notices.
- Submissions about

budget toward a band and vaccinated, that could po-

Keep up to date on local guidance and set ex-

Plans can change unex-

Planning out purchases

Berg and Krieger are allocating more of their to keep track of who's vaccinated and who's not

insurance in case you need to cancel or postpone the event. Tindell says wedding insurance doesn't typically cover coronavirus-related reasons. But it can still reimburse you for disruptions due to circumstances like

Engaged couple Holmes and Brech also recommend keeping a running list of expenses.

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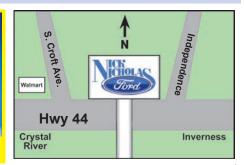
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Different citrus varieties produce fruit at different times. Here a young Meyer lemon is loaded with fruit in early November. This home garden tree has been pruned as a bush for easy harvesting. All citrus are grown on cold-hardy vigorous rootstock, about 5 to 10 inches above ground level. Remove any sucker shoots below the graft as they are sour lemon and will outcompete the desirable grafted variety. JANE WEBER/Special to the Chronicle

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Existing home sales fall in May nationwide

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sales of previously-occupied homes fell for the fourth straight month in May as soaring prices and a limited number of available properties discouraged many would-be buyers.

Existing home sales dropped 0.9% last month from April to a seasonally-adjusted annual rate of 5.8 million units, the National Association of Realtors said Tuesday. The string of sales declines comes after sharp gains last fall and through the winter, as many Americans sought more living space during the pandemic. Sales are up nearly 45% from last May, when purchases fell to their lowest point of the COVID-19 outbreak.

The drop in sales suggests that the hot housing market is cooling a bit, even as hiring is steady and the economy is recovering rapidly from the pandemic recession. Home sales boomed last year as many Americans sought more living space during the pandemic. That lowered the number of homes available and caused prices to spike.

That increase has likely frustrated many would-be home buyers, particularly first-time buyers, and led them to postpone a home purchase. The median sales price topped \$350,000 last month, the NAR said, a record high.

The number of homes for sale rose slightly in May, to 1.23 million, still very low by historical standards, and down nearly 21% from a year earlier. Perhaps revealing as well as any other statistic how skewed the housing market has become this year, there are now more Realtors than there are homes for sale.

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Hendricks hits new high for 2021 Peaav Hendricks. broker

of Home Finder Realty announced her total sales for the first half of 2021. She has surpassed \$5 million in sales.

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office has exceeded the \$1 million mark and Jodi Manor-Wynn and Dawn Berry of our Dunnellon office have also passed the \$1 million mark. We congratulate them on their success and know that they will continue to do well in the upcoming months of 2021.

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Bunny isn't ill — just stubborn

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ear Gardener Gal: I have a wild bunny on the property that lets me get way too close to it. Like 6 or maybe 8 feet away. Even then, it doesn't haul butt, it just

sort of moves slowly away. My husband wondered if maybe it was blind? I'm worried it has rabies. Have you seen this before? -Holly



Dear Holly: I appreciate that you are worried about your little wild neighbor.

Leslie Derrenbacker GARDENER GAL

If the rabbit looked healthy (not listing to one side, moves smoothly. is alert, you see it eating, etc.), not to worry.

First of all, small rodents like squirrels, rats, mice and also lagomorphs (including rabbits and hares) almost never get rabies. They

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John and Sandra from Pine Ridge shared this photo of their backyard pond with Gardener Gal Leslie Derrenbacker. Look closely and you can see a hawk!

Porcelain cockatoo is from known Danish manufacturer

County Chronicle for years. En- Grondahl. The company has you tell me anything about it? —

closed are a couple of photographs of my little porcelain bird that sits in my china cabinet. I tried to get a good photo of the information that is stamped on the bottom. It says made in Denmark and the letters B & G. I believe it is some kind of a parrot. He is 4 inches tall and there is no damage any-

where on it; even his comb is boudoir lamp signed Hawkes. I perfect. Do you know what com- received it as a gift and do not pany made it and does it have know how old it is. When I was any value? — W.U., *internet*

is a cockatoo. It was made in back they had one just like it. the word Hawkes inside. In the



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been making fine C.M., internet quality porcelain Dear C.M.: Hawkes is a and continues into current time. They are also widely rec-

Dear John: I have

a lovely cut glass

at the Toledo Museum of Art

figurines and table- widely recognized name by the 20th century. ware since the 1850s collectors of cut glass. Thomas England in 1846 and died in 1913. He emigrated to New ognized for their

York City as a young man and Christmas plates began working in glass companies. By 1889 he won the Grand tion in 1895. Current Prize at the Universal Exposipotential dollar tion in Paris, enabling him to incorporate T.G. Hawkes & Company in 1890. It was family run until 1962.

The marks on Hawkes's crystal are used to date their pieces. The original mark on Hawkes cut glass was a trefoil shape with two hawks on ei-Dear W.U.: Your cute figurine glass exhibition a few years ther side of a fleur-de-lis with

ear John: I have been Denmark, as marked, likely be- Could this be a rare piece? It very early 1900s the word reading your articles on tween World War I and II. The seems impossible to get a good Hawkes was placed outside antiques in the Citrus letters B & G are for Bing and photograph of the detail. Can and just below the trefoil.

If only the word Hawkes appears on your crystal lamp, it would have been produced in

The lamp you have is not Gibbons Hawkes was born in rare. The one you saw in the museum is an example of the quality they produced for sale to the general public through fine jewelry stores.

John Sikorski has been a professional in the antiques business for 30 years. Send questions to Šikorski's Attic. P.O. Box 2513. Ocala. FL 34478 or asksikorski@aol.com.

This little figurine portrays a cockatoo. It was probably made sometime before World War II by Bing and Grondahl, a recognized manufacturer in Denmark.



Special to the Chronicle

Splashy water toys for patio, pool and yard



An inflatable for dogs. Don't forget the family pets; a nonporous, puncture-resistant floating dog bed at Frontgate comes in a bunch of colors and three sizes.



Кім Соок Associated Press

have been working hard all vear because of the pandemic, and this summer they can provide new pool on our urban Chicago ways to cool off and have rooftop felt like being transfun in the water.

tables and tubs for kids to design and pattern." floating loungers with drink holders for adults.

One company, Minnidip, makes inflatable "adult kiddie pools" that aim to transport you to some exotic travel destination. Patterns

nools. MLS#800615-\$23.000

Frontgate

on the Marrakesh pool reference Moroccan architectural details, while the Backvards and patios Amalfi is a nod to the blue. vellow and white tile of the Italian coast.

"Because for me, having a ported to another place." Whether you have a lot says company founder of space or a little, there's Emily Vaca. "I wanted to gear ranging from water capture that feeling through

Minnidip also offers inflatable drinks coolers and glam pool balls filled with gold confetti, among other offerings.

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ailable. MLS#798708 - \$87.500

Easy perennial edibles

omeowners with larger gardens can install perennial fruit trees and bushes that last for years or a lifetime. Common choices that thrive in Central Florida zones 8-9 locally include muscadine grapes, blueberries, grafted persimmon, loquat, figs, Pindo Palm, Simp-

son's Stopper and citrus, among others. Pantropical coconuts, and subtropical avocados, papaya, mangos and bananas are tempting

Jane Weber JANE'S GARDEN

but are not cold-tolerant, cannot survive freezes or may not produce fruit north of zone 10.

Ten years ago, Craig Collins of Color Country sold me six varieties of muscadine grapes three bronze and three black. I stretched two wire cables. 70 feet long, between sturdy fence posts and planted the vines 10 feet apart between the posts. Muscadines are vigorous native plants that are deciduous in winter. For the first two years I pruned to encourage vertical main stems and let the vines trail along the two horizontal cables. Muscadines leaf out by late April and flower in May in my zone 8b-9a garden. Muscadines grow small clusters of grapes, not at all like huge table grape bunches. Harvest time is July to August. There are several u-pick farms locally.

Craig also suggested a 'Fuji' persimmon grafted on cold hardy male native persimmon rootstock. Cut off root runners sprouting nearby, as they are male and cannot produce fruit. In March, hundreds of flowers get pollinated and begin to



JANE WEBER/Special to the Chronicle

Small but nutritious yellow loquat fruits contain pectin fiber, vitamin A, vitamin C, and B-complex vitamins like thiamin, riboflavin, niacin, pyridoxine, folates and folic acid, which boost overall human health. Loquats contain minerals like iron, calcium, manganese, potassium, phosphorus, zinc, copper and selenium. Low in cholesterol and calories, loquats have monounsaturated fats like omega 3 fatty acids and omega 6 fatty acids. Loquat fruits are very low in saturated fat, cholesterol and sodium and are a good source of dietary fiber, potassium, manganese, vitamin B6 and an excellent source of vitamin A.

develop fruit. Persimmons need to be irrigated regularly in the dry months of April and May until the summer rainy season begins in mid-June. Without irrigation, persimmon will shed much of its fruit before it ripens from late July to August or later. The tasty yellow-orange fruit is eaten fresh, frozen as a puree, preserved or made into jam.

Pindo Palm, *Butia capitata*, native to South America and

cold-hardy in north Florida, has long clusters of edible small yellow and orange fruit. Fruit is tart and tasty, eaten fresh, pitted and put into smoothies or cooked into preserves and jelly, or fermented into wine. Pindo's sturdy trunk grows only about 25 feet tall. Long, silvery-blue frond leaves are pinnate — like a feather. The inflorescence (flower stalk) droops downward under the weight of the fruit for easy picking. The tree can

produce fruit between June and fall. Each fruit contains one seed that can sprout if allowed to rot on the ground or if carried away by wildlife.

To avoid self-sown palm seedlings, gardeners can plant a sterile Mule Palm — a hybrid between a Pindo and Queen palm. It is taller and hardier than a Pindo, has graceful green fronds like a frost-tender Queen, and sets as much edible fruit as either parent. Mule seeds are generally non-viable or sterile and cannot sprout.

Southern highbush blueberries need fewer winter chill hours than Rabbiteye blueberry bushes to induce flowering. They flower about a month apart, so the spring blueberry harvest season is extended. There are many u-pick blueberry farms locally. Blueberries are pruned after harvest before summer starts on the northern hemisphere's summer solstice.

If planting a citrus tree, give it space to grow to maturity. All varieties are grafted onto coldhardy sour orange rootstock. Let no vigorous suckers grow from below the graft, as they will bear sour oranges and crowd out the desirable grafted variety. Check the University of Florida publications for the best varieties to grow in north and central Florida. Hard freezes will kill citrus trees. It is best to plant citrus in the shelter on the south side of a home to gain radiant heat during winter this far north. Planting near water bodies also provides a warmer microclimate for citrus fruit trees.

There are many u-pick farms throughout Central Florida. For blueberry varieties in Florida, see https://tinyurl.com/x4f4x78 and https://tinyurl. com/283nb5bn.

Each species produces fruit at a different time to provide homegrown food — from winter strawberries, spring blueberries and loquats, summer Simpson's Stopper and Muscadine grapes, exotic Pindo and Mule palm fruits and fall and winter citrus. Growing perennial fruit is a pleasant and rewarding garden project that requires time, patience and a little annual maintenance.

Jane Weber is a professional gardener and consultant. Semi-retired, she grows thousands of native plants. Contact her at jweber12385@gmail.com or phone 352-249-6899.



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also have not been known to transmit rabies to humans.

If injured, it would be hiding until after dark. If blind, it would be using those giant ears to hear every little footstep you took. Where does that leave us? At the risk of going all "Wonderful World of Disney" on you, the little creature has just gotten used to having you in its territory.

I sometimes literally have to get off my utility vehicle and shoo them off the path so I can get by. My husband has heard me yell "STUPID BUNNY!" many times.

Word of caution: Now that you know you have a cottontail or marsh rabbit on your property, you will need to be extra careful when mowing or using a string trimmer. Rabbit nests are just shallow dents in the grass. You will need to look closely at any piles of grass or fur before working in that spot.

Enjoy your up close and personal time with your new friend.

Dear Readers: Before I share the "Favorite Garden Spot," I must tell you about my latest garden tool acquisition. As I've mentioned before in this column, I'm on a mission to simplify my garden chores. I'm looking ahead to a time when I can't do many of the chores anymore, so always on the lookout for new and better tools to make things simpler.

My husband bought me a batteryoperated mini chainsaw. I have always been scared of chainsaws and relegated the jobs requiring them to my husband. This little machine isn't scary! It is perfect for when the grapevine or branch is too big for loppers and my husband isn't available to help. There are many brands out there, so read the reviews carefully to find the right one for you. Wear your safety glasses and get busy!

Now for our "Favorite Garden Spot." **Dear Gardener Gal:** We enjoy your articles in the Chronicle. We live in Pine Ridge and have done a lot of landscaping over the years. We like our small pond in the backyard and have a camera on it so we can look at it on an app. — John and Sandra

Readers: Look close on Page E4, and you will see a hawk enjoying John and Sandra's pond. I believe the other birds are ornamental.

"Gardener Gal" Leslie Derrenbacker is a Master Gardener and native Floridian. Send your questions to askgardenergal@gmail.com.



Just because a wild bunny doesn't seem afraid of humans doesn't mean there's something wrong with it. They sometimes get used to humans on their territory.



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Special to the Chronicle

Gardener Gal has found that a battery-operated mini chainsaw is a perfect tool for many gardening chores.



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other backyard water toys for the summer:

table from Best Choice gradable foam solution to Products has a removable water. top section with a little sandbox and water tub tach it to West Elm's inflatbelow; four kids can sit to- able rainbow or giant gether, and there's an adjustable umbrella, too.

lets you make waves, Little has a couple of fountains, Tikes' Island Wavemaker plus a bunch of wiggly has a water wheel, plus worm hoses. Or hook up to cute sea creatures and a BigMouth's giant 6-footaround the waterway or water out of her horn. down the waterfall. Tod- There's a ginormous ape. dlers can practice their fine giraffe, dinosaur and gimotor skills with Little raffe here as well. Tikes' Spinning Seas Water Table: small balls, a cup, a funnel and a water wheel set up the fun.

Step2's two-sided Waterfall Discovery Wall has adjustable toggles, spinners version they call the Aqua and chutes to send the Treadmill. water tumbling in lots of different ways. And Lakeshore Learning's Watch It Flow water table features bed at Frontgate comes in three plastic logs that can a bunch of colors and be configured however you three sizes.

wish. Fill the logs using a trol the flow and can close up to make long tubs.

Let's dive in to some folks at Little Tikes, creates mountains of easy-to-A multipurpose picnic add the nontoxic, biode-

Turn on the hose and atshark mouth sprinklers. Fat Brain Toy's Hydro The only water table that Twist Pipeline Sprinkler

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hose or bucket; gates con-Floaterz sturdy tur- doesn't come with an at- and Water Slide, with a from aqua, blue or flatle-shaped water toys for tached barrier at the bot-bounce area, water gun, mingo pink. Or splash out dogs, as well as rope- tom, make sure to put two slides, a basketball Foamo, also from the handled bumpers and a something soft there. variety of floating balls.

clean-up foam when you pool can be a good noning off: just hose it out and stow away. Other pluses: The doggos will also have fun splashing around in it. less slippery.

A basic heavy-duty plas- interconnected. wee pirate to send paddling high unicorn, who shoots tic water slide or "slip and slide" can be set up in space, consider Costway's floating armchair with cheeseburger and taco.

A hard-sided kiddle slide has a crash pad at for easy transport. the finish line, plus two yard? Get two; they can be water pools.

Chewy has ZippyPaws most backyards; if yours inflatable Bounce House attached ottoman. Choose hoop and several balls. It kitted out with drink Studio 21 Graphix's comes with a storage bag holders.

Marisa Issa of Los Angeinflatable option for cool- lanes for racing and a lessays her family's favorsprinkler curtain to pass ite pool games are corn thru on the way down, hole and a floating basket-Wow Watersports' Strike ball hoop, but her favorite Zone Water Slide is 25-by-6 is a floating mat from Frontand it makes a great sand feet of slipperiness; zigzag gate "that only mom can Bali Cabana Lounger, with or snow play zone in sprinkler patterns assure use," she says. The sleek, a curved integrated shade, colder weather. The Sun a wet ride, fat pontoons on minimalist white float has a a tropical leaf print, cup Squad Wading Kiddie Pool either side keep riders in-headrest, and is made of holders and handy grab is inexpensive and has an side, and two sleds are in-marine-grade dense foam, ropes. embossed bottom, so it's cluded. Got a really long suitable for chlorine or salt-

If you've got lots of little, Frontgate's got a donut, watermelon slice,

on a full-size pool chaise

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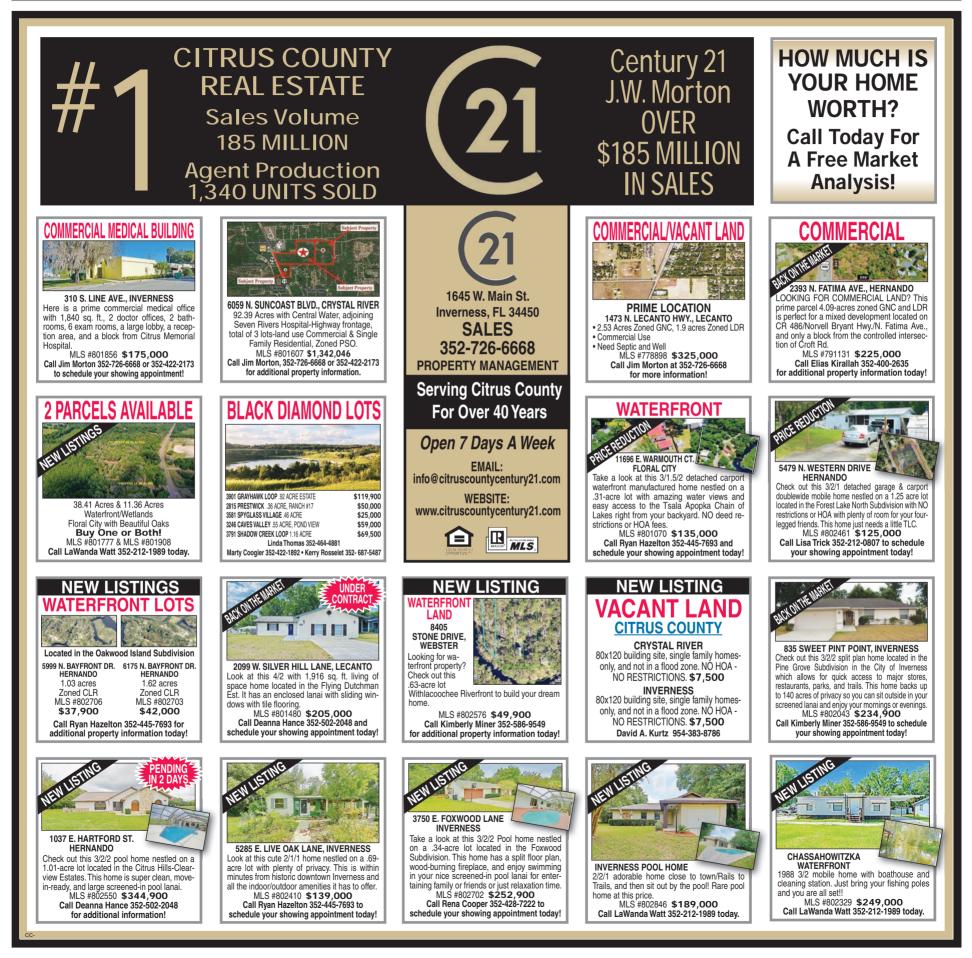
BigMouth has some food-related inflatables like If you prefer sitting up a a giant ice pop, pizza slice,



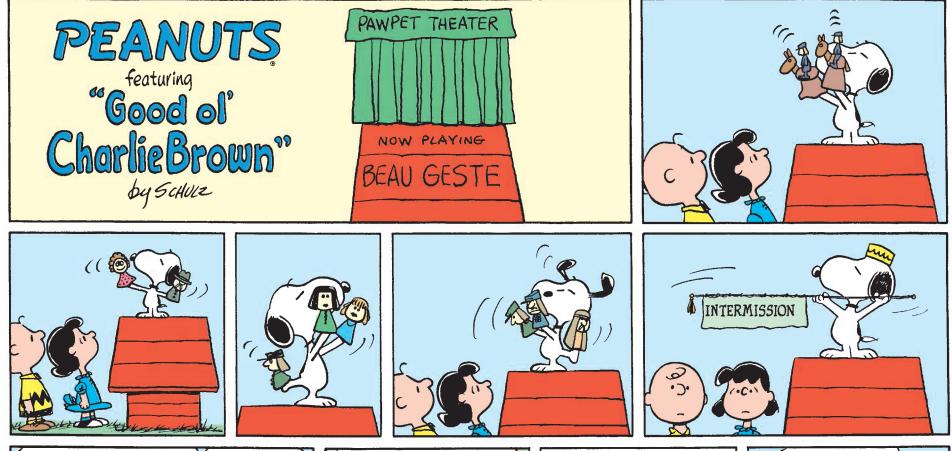


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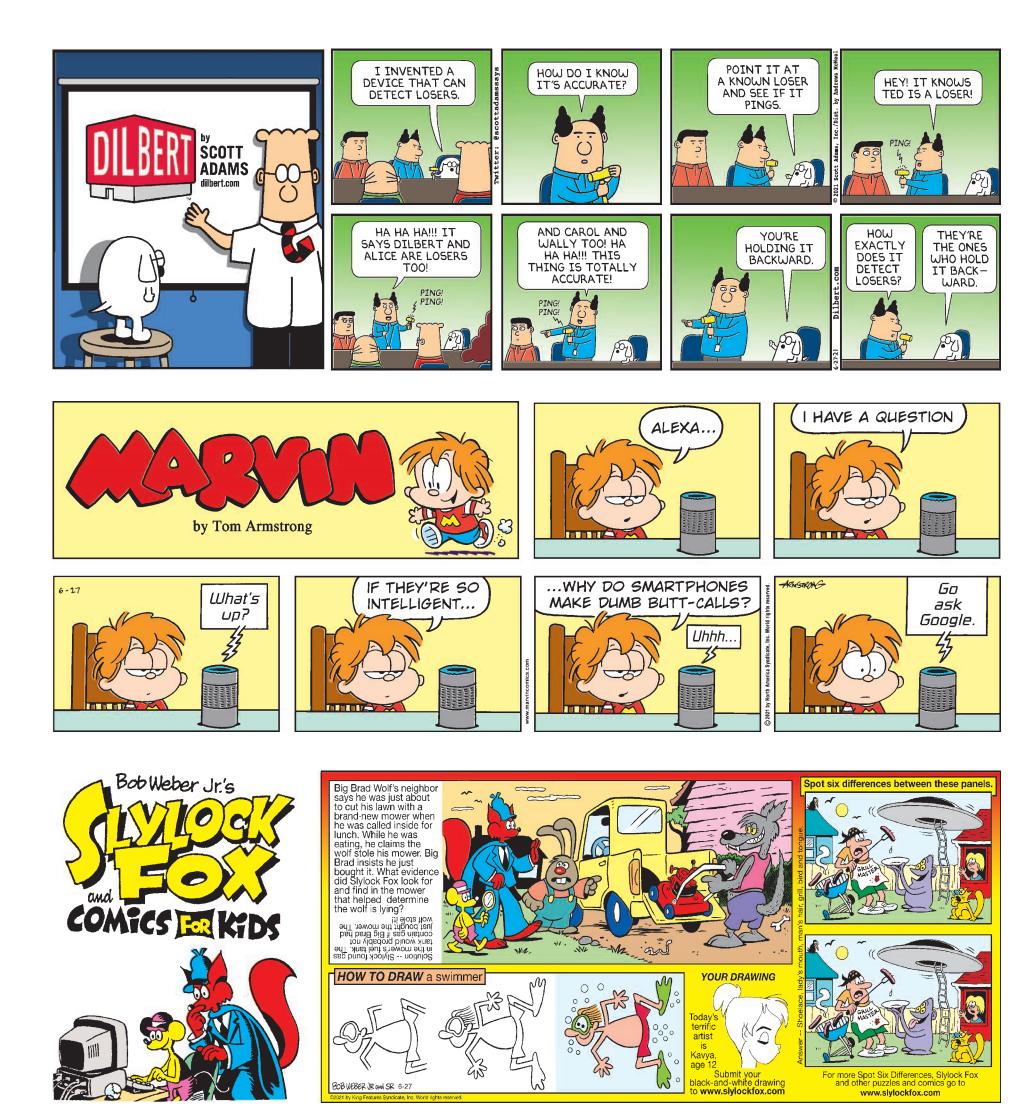
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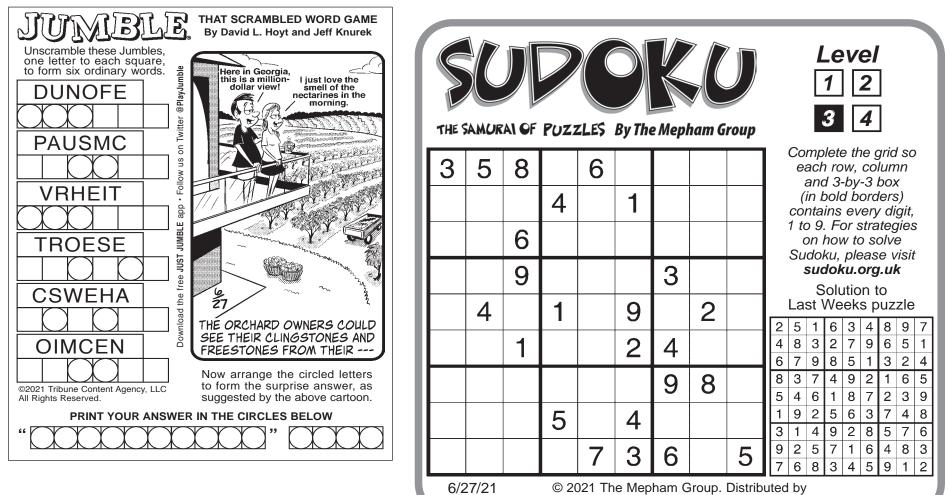




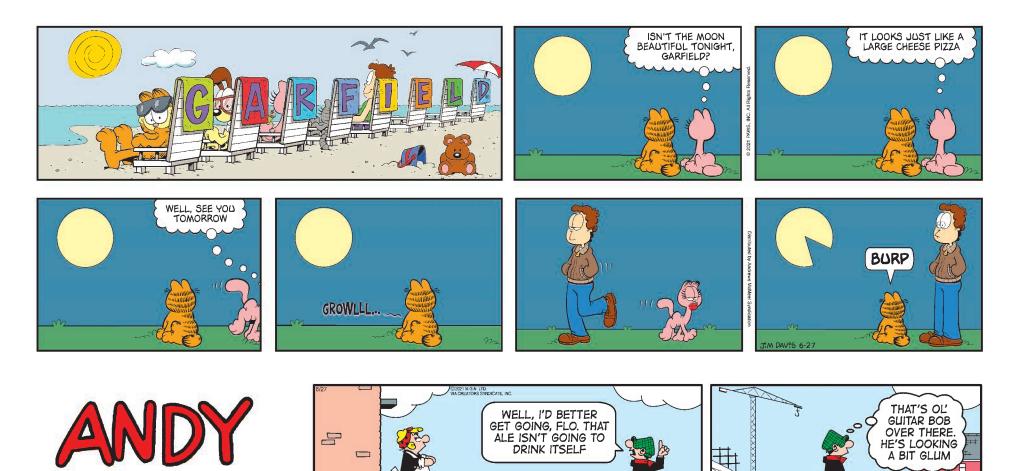


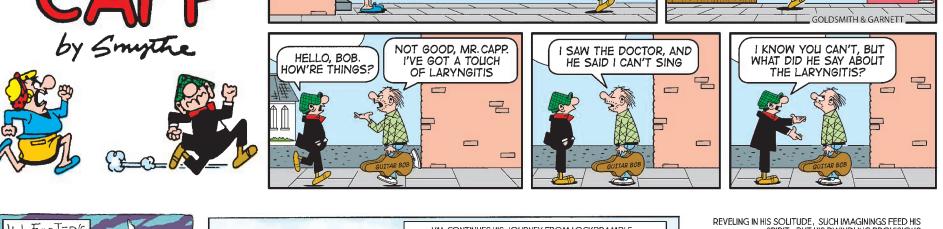
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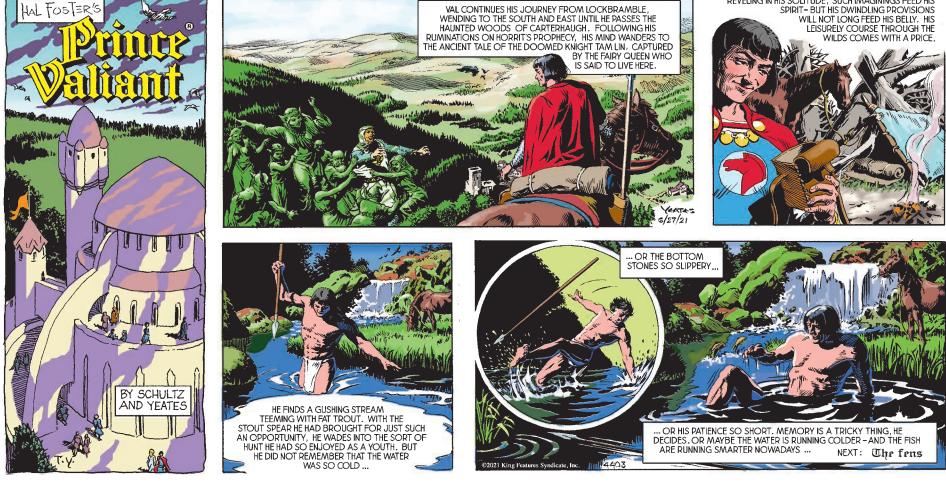


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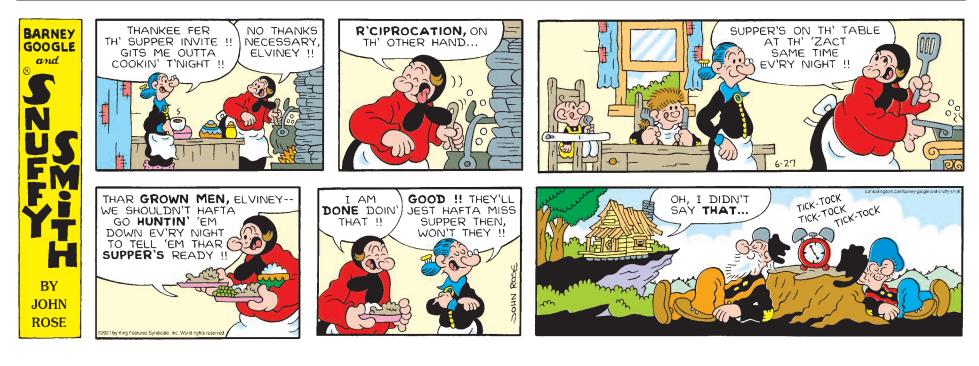




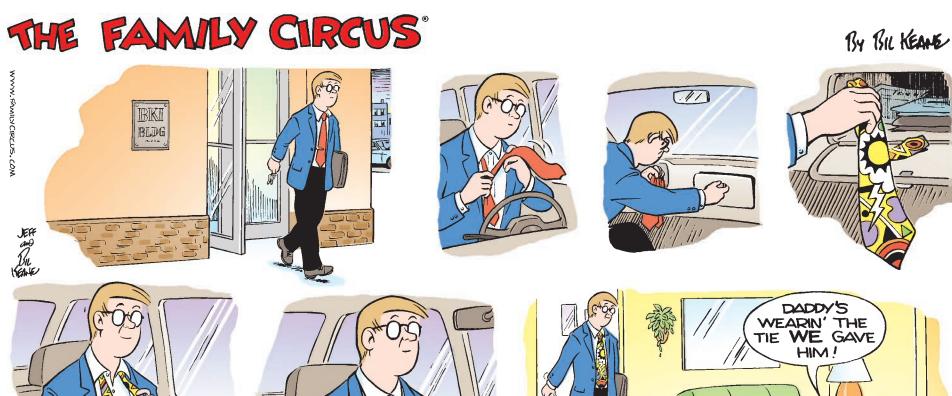
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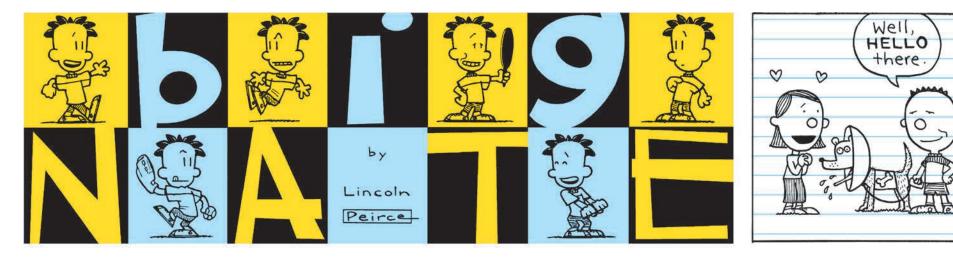












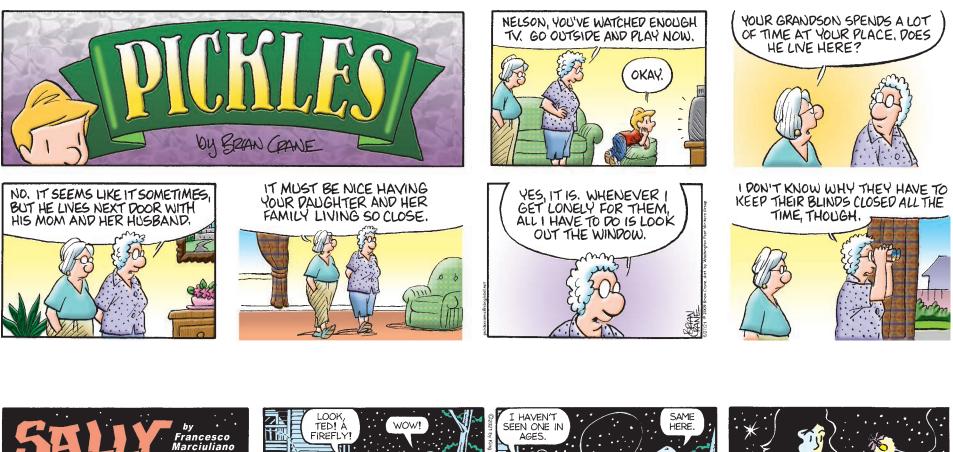




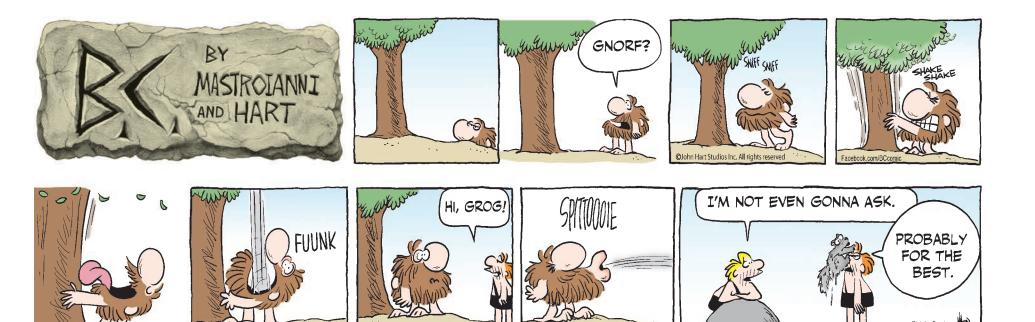
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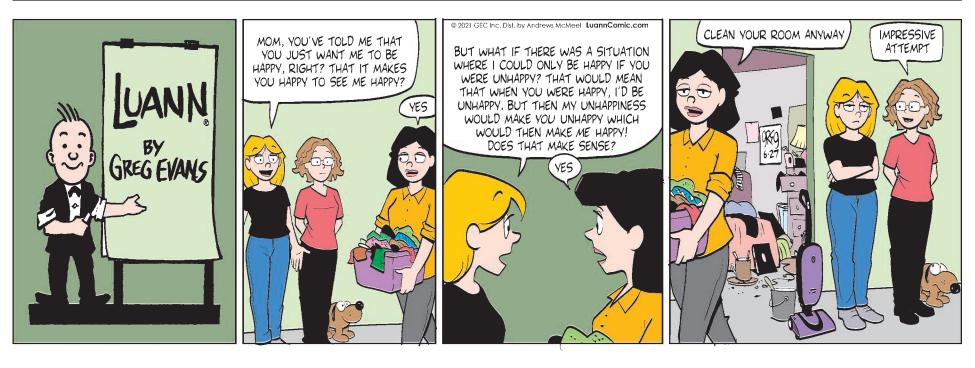




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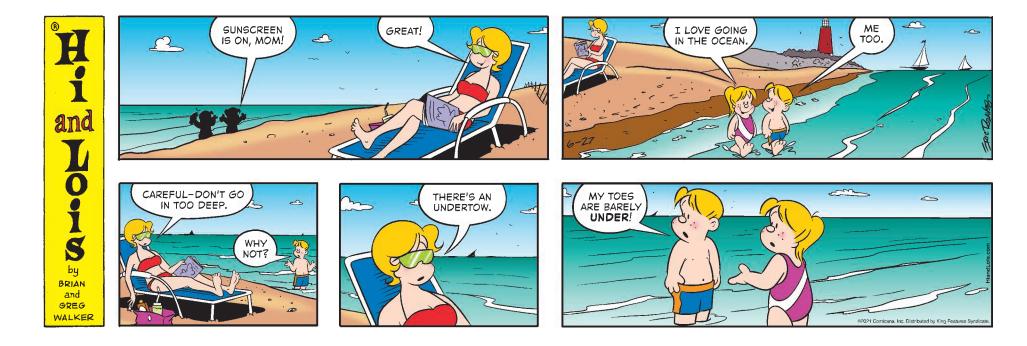


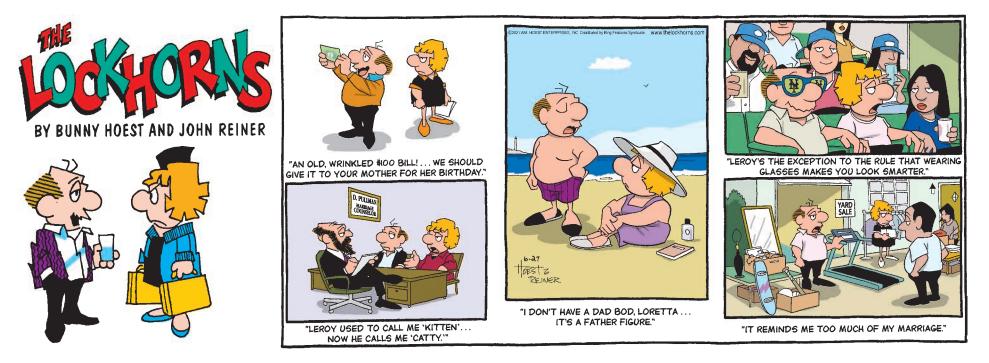












Summer living 🚺

Tan lines and good times

CAMPING 10 food safety tips

Improper storage, handling and preparation 7. Keep your cooking utensils and work surof your food when camping can make you sick. Here are a few helpful food safety tips to keep in mind during your next outdoor adventure.

- 1. Prepare and freeze several dishes ahead of time. The frozen meals will last longer and help keep other items cool.
- 2. Place high-risk foods such as meat and dairy products on the bottom of your cooler. Keep more frequently used items on top to avoid leaving the lid open.
- 3. Use ice blocks, as they melt slower and last longer than ice cubes.
- 4. Place your cooler in a shady spot away from direct sunlight, and regularly add ice to make sure your perishables stay at or below 4 C.
- 5. Eat fresh or cooked meat within two to three days.
- 6. Wash your hands often, especially before cooking and after touching raw meat.

- faces clean at all times.
- Rinse meat, vegetables and fruit with po-8. table water before eating.
- 9. Use different utensils for each food item, and never let raw meat touch cooked meat.
- 10. Immediately cover and store leftover food in your cooler.

Lastly, you should keep in mind that highrisk foods that are kept out of the cooler for more than two hours have too much bacteria to safely consume.



5 summer activities to enjoy solo



Being alone doesn't mean you can't have fun. Here are five solo activities you may want to try this summer.

- 1. Visit a museum. You can choose which exhibits you want to explore and not worry about being rushed or taking too long.
- 2. Go to a movie. You can visit either a theatre or drive-in. Once the movie starts, it won't matter if you're there alone. Sit back, relax and enjoy the show.
- 3. Relax at the park. Take some time to read, do yoga or picnic at a nearby park.
- 4. Attend an outdoor show. Once you're

there, you'll be swept up in the festive atmosphere and probably won't need anyone to talk to.

5. Eat at a restaurant. Take the opportunity to enjoy a delicious meal without having to worry about making conversation.

This summer, don't deprive yourself of doing things you like just because you're alone. Instead, make the most of the season and be open to trying new things.

3 fat biking tips for beginners

Though fat biking in winter is becoming increasingly popular, this outdoor activity can also be enjoyed in the summer. If you're interested in trying this sport as the weather warms up, here are some tips.

1. TAKE IT SLOW AND STEADY

Even though the fat bike's oversized tires make it easier to ride over rough and bumpy terrain, you should avoid hairpin turns and steep slopes on your first few outings. It's best to start with short, flat trails until you get the hang of riding your fat bike.

2. LEARN TO CONTROL YOUR SKIDS Experienced riders will tell you that skidding in sand and snow is part of the thrill of

fat biking. However, to avoid injuring yourself, you should first practise how to safely perform the manoeuvre on beginnerfriendly trails.

3. PACE YOURSELF

If you come out of the gate running, you're going to tire yourself out pretty quickly. It's better to start off slow and gradually increase your pace as you gain more experience.

In addition, make sure to keep your fat bike in good working order by maintaining the right tire pressure, lubricating the chain and keeping it clean.



Fall in love with trail running

Trail running can be demanding, but many people enjoy it. Here are a few reasons this activity is becoming increasingly popular.

PHYSICAL HEALTH

On top of the usual benefits of running, trail running challenges your balance, coordination and agility. Running up and down hills, along winding trails and over uneven ground forces you to adjust your pace and stride to suit the terrain. Not only is it more challenging, but the movements are less repetitive, reducing the risk of injury. In addition, the ground is softer than asphalt, which limits the impact on your joints.

MENTAL HEALTH

Running over uneven terrain requires intense concentration. This increased focus helps you stay present instead of thinking about your worries and concerns. Plus, the benefits of spending time in nature and breathing in fresh air are well known. For these reasons, running outdoors can help relieve stress and keep your mind sharp.

What's more, the beautiful scenery helps you focus less on your performance and more on enjoying yourself. In particular, it encourages you to slow down and admire your surroundings. There's nothing like reaching your destination and being rewarded with a stunning view and a sense of accomplishment.

Lastly, trail running is simply fun. It can be

freeing to let yourself trample through dust, mud and puddles. If you don't mind getting a little dirty, head out and explore the trails in your area this summer.



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