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## Third time is charm on campaign finance

Coker, Eversole file amended reports that comply with state law.

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For a pair of Lake City Council candidates, the third time was indeed the charm.

District 14 candidate Befaithful Coker and District 10 candidate Anna Eversole both filed amended campaign finance reports with the city Thursday after both reported cash contributions in excess of \$50 from individual



Coker



Eversole

donors, violating the state's campaign finance law. According to Section 106.09 of the Florida Statutes, candidates may not accept cash contributions in excess of \$50 per election from a single contributor. Those in violation — both accepting and making the contribution — could be charged with a first-degree misdemeanor, the law states.

In her original filing, Coker had reported nine cash contributions in excess of \$50. She amended her filing for April on Tuesday to reflect that four of those were actually CashApp deposits that were originally recorded as cash, while refunding excess donations from two cash contributions she received from her minor children. Electronic deposits actually count as checks,

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## Independence through the years



COURTESY

An undated painting of the banks of Lake DeSoto shows a quiet life enjoyed by Columbia County pioneers, even on Independence Day.

## How Columbia County has historically celebrated July 4

By CHRISTOPHER ESING  
Special to the Reporter

As we come together to honor our nation's Independence, I thought that it would be fun to look back at the past and see how our community has observed the 4th of July over the years and how

those events have shifted and changed. Although there are only two references for the 19th century, what is surprising is just how community-centered most of the celebrations were well into the 20th century. In an era in which the majority of people relied upon their horse and bug-

gies, most festivities took place in one of the more than 200 communities that made up Columbia County. Sections like Dry Prairie, Mason, Lulu and Mt. Tabor threw tremendous gatherings that lasted all day.

At the turn of the century, the 4th of July frequently coincided with political

primaries, and many of the rallies featured local politicians talking about the importance of civic engagement, patriotism, responsibility and their platforms. All of the festivities culminated with a great feast, and as a forewarning, this

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# Catholic Charities facing food 'crisis'

Higher costs, food shortages leading to less help for needy.

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If you don't have food, what do you do?

That is the question that some Catholic Charities clients — as well as the agency itself — are currently facing.

Providing services to a larger number of clients, while experiencing a decrease in contributions and rescue food and ris-

ing fuel costs, has Catholic Charities looking for additional community involvement to solve its dilemma.

Suzanne Edwards, regional director for Catholic Charities, said there is a critical and immediate need for food at the agency.

"There has been a critical need and it is increasingly becoming a crisis in the last three-four weeks," Edwards said.

She noted with children out of school, it places a strain on a household's food inventory, which was already challenging due to

supply chain issues for grocery stores.

"It really had not hit our area too bad for a while," Edwards said. "It did, but then it seemed to subside, but Feeding America Food Banks like we are, have been feeling the impact now for over eight weeks and longer."

Catholic Charities is seeing a diminished amount of "rescued food" — or short-dated food collected from grocers just before it reaches its expiration date — on a five-day basis, which Edwards said is a problem for food banks across the

nation.

That food is brought back to Catholic Charities, weighed and inspected to make sure its intact, within its expiration date and is properly refrigerated or frozen.

"Usually that product goes out that day or the next morning," Edwards said.

"We're seeing a decrease in the amount," confirmed David Boozer, Catholic Charities food bank manager, of the rescue food inventory reduction. "One of the things that is challenging is transportation costs.

People have forgotten that's another added item that interferes with what we're doing."

Boozer said the rescue food and USDA product, food that was costing \$65,000 a truckload a year ago, is now costing \$165,000.

"When you've got X-amount of money to spend, then it really puts a challenge on that budget," he said. "We're seeing a decline (in rescue food), some days we get a little influx... but I think we have a long time of recovery coming."

Boozer said traditionally their trucks collect between 8-10 pallets of food and commodities to bring back to Catholic Charities.

Lately, there has only been only around two pallets of food.

"I haven't done a comparison to see what the difference is, but it's substantial decrease," he said.

He also noted that no matter the amount of food collected, it still impacts Catholic Charities when the fuel costs for each trip and wear and tear on the agen-

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# LO Council locks down officer raises

## Stipends will make city police salaries more competitive.

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LIVE OAK — Looking to stop escapes for better-paying opportunities, the Live Oak City Council has agreed to boost the pay for city police officers.

The council, in a 4-1 vote with Robintina Reed dissenting, authorized \$300 biweekly stipends to its officers through September, the end of the fiscal year at a special meeting Tuesday.

Live Oak Police Chief Keith Davis said those stipends are covered in his department's current budget. To make up the difference, the city is freezing three vacant positions with the Live Oak Police Department that City Manager George Curtis said have been almost impossible to fill.

Davis also hopes it stems the flow of officers out of the LOPD to Suwannee County or state agencies.

"It's not where we need to be by any means," Davis said about why it's been hard to keep a fully-stocked staff. "But we've got to do something to try and

maintain what we have or we're going to go way backward."

Those defections come after the Florida Legislature budgeted additional funds for sheriff's offices and state departments — Florida Highway Patrol, Florida Department of Corrections, etc. — to help recruit more officers and retain them.

That has left municipal departments behind.

"That causes a disparity, a gross disparity, in the salary between certified, armed law enforcement officers that work for the city versus these other agencies," Curtis said, adding, from his understanding, the beginning pay for deputies was around \$45,000. FHP troopers start at \$50,000.

The current starting pay at the LOPD is \$33,816.18.

The twice-monthly stipends would improve that by \$7,800 annually to bring that salary up to a minimum of \$41,616.18, making the city at least more competitive.

"We're not closing the gap all the way but it's a move in the right direction," Curtis said.

Councilwoman Lynda Owens said the plan sounds like just

putting a "bandaid" on the problem.

Davis, though, said it's the best plan he currently has, especially to not effect his budget. He said he'd be willing to talk additional raises during the budget process for the next fiscal year. Curtis added city staff and the council would address cost of living raises during that process, too.

There may be additional help coming in the future as well. Davis said he has heard the Florida Legislature is considering providing funding for city departments in next year's budget. But, that is still a year away.

"We've got to survive another year to be able to see that," Davis said.

Calling the issue "important," Council President Don Allen said the council had to do something. With the "substantial" raises allotted officers with other agencies, he said city police would continue to bolt to improve their situation.

"I'd probably do it, too," he said. "City police officers are going to be looking at that pay increase by simply changing the name on their paycheck.

"We'll just be a training academy for the other agencies."

### CRA OKs PURCHASE

During its regular meeting Tuesday, the Live Oak Community Redevelopment Agency board unanimously approved having staff move forward with the process of buying a 0.39-acre parcel along Duval Street as part of the Heritage Square project.

Curtis told the board that an appraisal on the parcel came back at \$37,000. He added that Stephanie Hinton and Travis Land with Jim Hinton Oil Company said they may look into having their own appraisal performed.

Curtis said if the board approved the purchase at the appraised value, staff would bring back any changes in that price for board approval before closing the deal.

"It's an important piece to the puzzle there," he said.

The CRA board also set a budget workshop for July 19 at 5:30 p.m. During that workshop, in addition to status updates on current funded projects and discussing what new projects the board wants to pursue, Curtis said they would also discuss staffing options for the CRA moving forward.

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according to guidance from the Florida Division of Elections the city received on June 24. However, that still left three transactions that broke state guidelines: \$500 cash contributions from Carolyn Wright and Andrew Moemeka, and a \$400 cash contribution from Eunice Barnum.

Coker refiled her finance summary Thursday afternoon with the city to clear that up, amending all three donations to reflect that they were check — or electronic payment —

contributions. Likewise, Eversole's campaign finance report for June 1-17 also had discrepancies that needed taking care of. Eversole reported that she made a \$50 cash contribution to her own campaign on June 13, two days before she filed her candidacy paperwork with the city. State law prohibits candidates from accepting contributions or making expenditures before they file their campaign treasurer form. Her amended form was received by Sikes at 1:44 p.m. on Thursday as well to reflect that \$50 contribution occurred on June 14, still one day before she filed

her paperwork with the city. Her amended form did update a \$900 cash contribution from Nicholas Robinson to indicate it was actually a loan.

Eversole then filed another amended report three hours later Thursday that indicated she refunded herself the \$50 cash contribution that occurred prior to filing for office.

The other three candidates seeking city office — Ricky Jernigan in District 14, as well as Harlan Shawn Holmgren and Chevella Young in District 10 — are following campaign finance regulations, according to the records provided by the clerk's office.

## Florida tops 74,000 covid-19 cases last week

News Service of Florida

Florida has topped 71,000 new covid-19 cases in each of the past five weeks, a report released Friday by the state Department of Health shows. It has exceeded 73,000 reported cases in each of the past four weeks — including totaling 74,481 cases during the week that started June 24 and ended Thursday. The state has seen significant increases in covid-19 cases during the past two months as subvariants of the coronavirus have spread.

## QUICK HITS

### Scripture of the Day

"F or I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith."

— Romans 12:3 (KJV)

### Thought for Today

The best way to cheer yourself up is to try and cheer somebody else up.

— Mark Twain, 1835-1910, American writer

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### In Brief

#### Biden to award Medal of Freedom to Biles, McCain, Lindsay

President Joe Biden will present the nation's highest civilian honor, the Presidential Medal of Freedom, to 17 people, including actor Denzel Washington, gymnast Simone Biles and the late John McCain, the Arizona Republican with whom Biden served in the U.S. Senate.

Biden will also recognize Sandra Lindsay, the New York City nurse who rolled up her sleeve on live television in December 2020 to receive the first covid-19 vaccine dose that was pumped into an arm in the United States, the White House announced Friday.

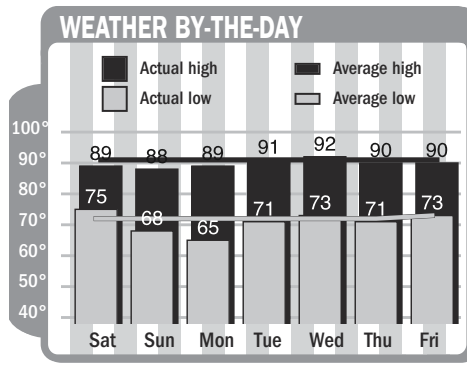
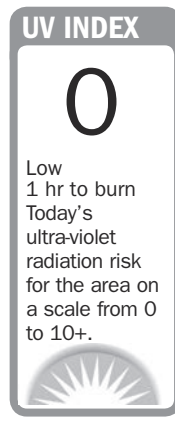
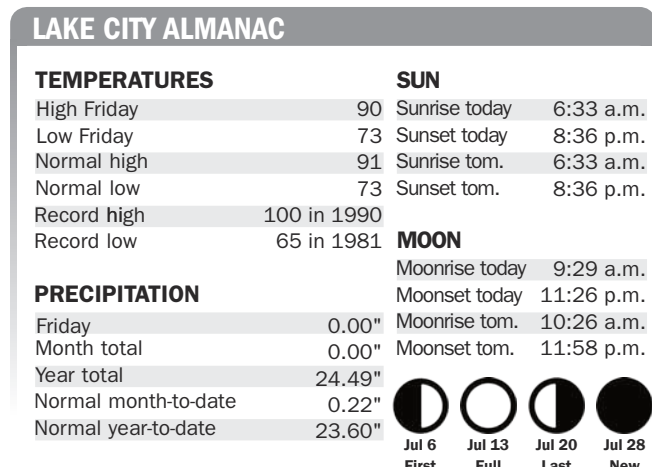
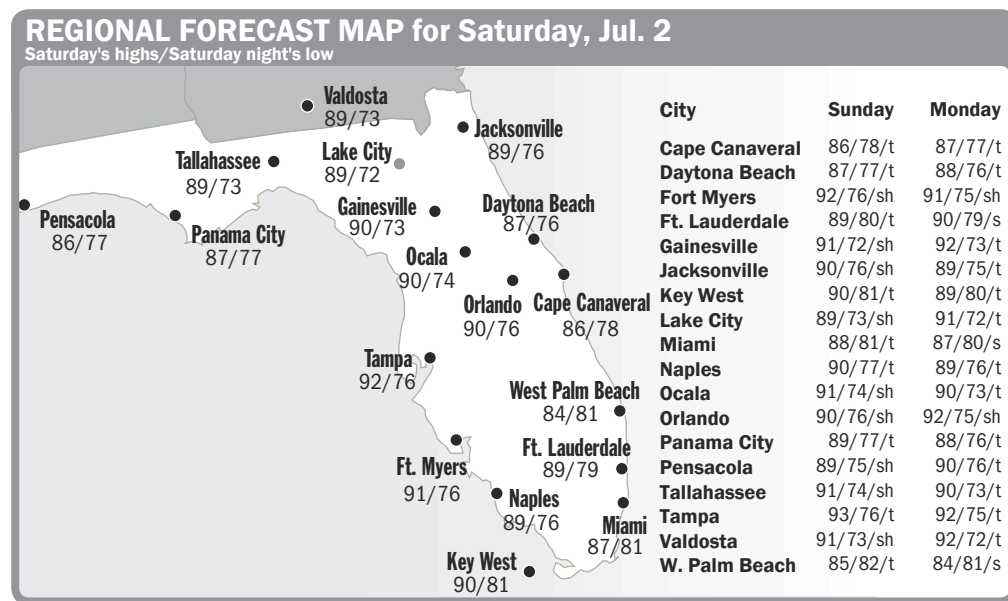
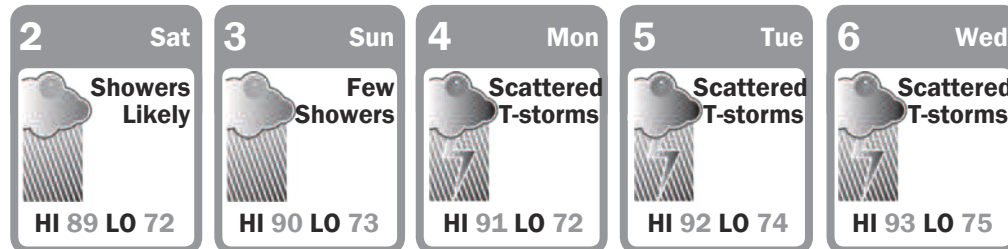
The Democratic president will present the medals at the White House next week.

The honor is reserved for people who have made exemplary contributions to the prosperity, values or security of the United States, world peace or other significant societal public or private endeavors, the White House said.

Biles is the most decorated U.S. gymnast in history, winning 32 Olympic and World Championship medals. She is an outspoken advocate on issues that are very personal to her, including athletes' mental health, children in foster care and sexual assault victims.

— Associated Press

## THE WEATHER



**WEATHER HISTORY**  
On July 2, 1833, an unusually large New England tornado, one-half to three-fourths of a mile wide, went from Salem Pond to Norton Pond, Vt. and then into Canada. It destroyed everything in its path.

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# Another option arises for vacant city manager seat

Retired Alachua commish Wilford expresses interest.

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A new hat has been tossed into the ring for the vacant Lake City manager position.

When the Lake City Council meets Tuesday — 6 p.m. at City Hall, 205 N. Marion Avenue — it will have three options pertaining to its year-long search



Wilford

for a permanent chief executive: a contract on consideration with a new search firm to guide the process after terminating Renee Narloch & Associates in June; or potential interviews with David Lynch, a former village manager and mayor in Ohio; and Robert Wilford, a former Alachua City Commissioner.

Wilford resigned from the Alachua commission in March with plans on retiring in St. Augustine.

However, in a letter to City Clerk Audrey Sikes on June 23, Wilford expressed interest in how he could properly apply for the “critical position.”

“I have been following your search for a City Manager over the past several months,” Wilford wrote. “Even though I relocated to St. Augustine in February, I am interested in submitting an application for your Open City Manager position and would be willing to agree to a three-year contract.”

In addition to serving on the Alachua City Commission from 2010-22, the U.S. Navy veteran served as CEO of the Tri-County Community Council in Bonifay, Crowley’s Ridge Development Council in Arkansas and the Central Florida Community Action Agency as well as a substance abuse prevention, intervention and treatment agency.

While serving on the Alachua commission, where he filled the vice mayor role on three occasions, Wilford also was a member of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council including a stint as its chairman.

Among the accomplishments listed in his biography, Wilford touts the economic growth experienced in Alachua “under his ‘can do’ foresightedness and visionary guidance,” including building an \$11 million arts and recreation complex and a \$5 million operations center.

According to Division of Administrative Hearings records, Wilford was fined by the Florida Elections Commission in 2017 for mistakes on financial records during his 2016 campaign, including accepting excessive cash contributions.

Lynch sent a letter of interest to city officials on June 7, even expressing a willingness to travel from Newton Falls, Ohio, to Lake City to interview at his own

cost. He also touted his grant-securing abilities in the letter, claiming he has the highest success rate of obtaining grant funding per capita in Ohio history.

“I am so confident in my ability to bring new funds to your government that I am willing to guarantee my success in grantsmanship against my salary,” Lynch wrote.

That confidence intrigued the council at its June 21 meeting, where it expressed a willingness to talk with Lynch, who was the Newton Falls village manager from 2018 to 2021. He had previously served as a mayor, in a strong mayor form of government, in Euclid, Ohio, from 1988-95.

However, Councilmen Eugene Jefferson and Todd Sampson, also said they were wary of hiring Lynch, who resigned in Newton Falls last July after the council tried to terminate him a week earlier. His exit there came about a year after he made “racist remarks” in a council meeting.

According to media reports, Lynch, while thanking residents for volunteer work, referred to one helper as “working on his green card, we think, folks.” Lynch later called the remark a “dumb joke.”

The council also is scheduled to resume its discussion of a contract with Colin Baenziger and Associates to serve as the city’s new headhunter. Baenziger, in a June 14 engagement letter, proposed conducting a search of 90 to 110 days, for \$29,500.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Also at Tuesday’s meeting, the council will hear a pair of requests about city property.

Christopher Esing, a county historian, is looking to remove and replace the existing World War I Memorial in Olustee Park, utilizing donated funds to cover the \$2,000 cost for the new marker.

The new memorial would include the names of 60 individuals from Columbia County who died during the war.

Esing’s plan is to move the current memorial to DeSoto Park on Lake DeSoto and place it in front of a trench mortar, which was secured as “a monument to all those who served in World War 1.”

The second request scheduled for the meeting is from Dale Williams, the executive director of the Lake Shore Hospital Authority. The LSHA board has directed Williams to discuss with the council the 12 lots it transferred to the city for the construction of a new city hall in February 2020.

However, the city chose not to build a new administration building and the authority is interested in getting the property back. A reverter clause in the transfer agreement would return them to the LSHA in 2024.



COURTESY UF/IFAS

An elevated tractor applies fertilizer to a corn field in May. UF/IFAS is looking to conduct new research on the best management practices for key crops, including how much fertilizer to use.

# IFAS looks for new crop of BMPs

\$8.8M research will update practices on five priority crops.

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UF/IFAS received \$8.8 million to conduct new research that will provide farmers with new and improved recommendations for fertilization of key Florida crops. The funding, approved by the Florida Legislature, will be administered by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Farmers apply fertilizers to their crops within recommended parameters commonly referred to as “best management practices” (BMPs). Florida BMPs come from UF/IFAS research that establishes appropriate fertilization rates for maximum economic crop yields and minimal nutrient losses to the environment.

With advancements in crop production brought

about by selective plant breeding, improved growing techniques and emerging technology, new research is needed to update UF/IFAS nutrient management recommendations for key crops grown across the state.

“This research and the Extension activities resulting from it are important to Florida producers because many of the UF/IFAS fertilizer and nutrient management recommendations are decades old,” said Thomas Obreza, senior associate dean for UF/IFAS Extension and project leader. “Since that time, better plant genetics have increased yield potential, and technology has improved production practices. Our recommendations need to be brought up to date to align with current conditions.”

Using the appropriate amount of fertilizer or other inputs is also important for producers because it impacts their bottom line.

“Economics and resource-use efficiency are also

important to our producers when they consider nutrient management,” Obreza said. “We will incorporate both of those aspects as we revise our nutrient management recommendations.”

Research in the first year will focus on five priority crops identified by the legislature: tomatoes, potatoes, citrus, grain corn and green beans. Hemp and forage grass will also be studied. Most of the work will be done with grower-cooperators in their fields, and it will cover production areas across the state, from the Panhandle to South Florida.

Research will take place in line with the crop seasons — tomatoes and green beans starting in the fall, potatoes in the winter and corn next spring. Citrus will start once the research teams are ready and will continue year-round.

UF/IFAS is slated to begin this work in late summer. Projects of this nature take two to three years to complete the research and devel-

op new recommendations. Tomato and potato research will build on work started in 2021, supported by previous Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services funding. The new \$8.8 million allows UF/IFAS to continue this research and expand it to additional crops at different locations across the state.

“UF/IFAS has an abundance of faculty with education, training and experience in soil fertility, agronomy, horticulture, water management and other aspects of Florida crop production that equip us for a project of this size and scope,” Obreza said. “We will have experienced and early-career faculty working together to produce unbiased scientific research results that will allow our Extension specialists to develop nutrient management recommendations for maximum economic yield while minimizing potential negative environmental effects.”

## CRISIS

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cy’s trucks are factored into the equation.

Edwards said food donations in the local communities have been down because people just don’t have enough to donate due to the rising grocery costs and food supply shortages at grocery stores.

The reduction in food and commodities is not just due to lack of food supplies from donations and rescue food, but also from a growing number of families seeking services to fight food insecurity.

Renee Manning, a case manager at Catholic Charities, said she is seeing new clientele come to the agency looking for services.

“I’ve been getting a lot more families who are asking for help who’ve never asked before,” she said. “I’ve had multiple appointments where they come to the office and they’ve just been so prideful and they’re upset because they actually have to ask for help. It’s working dads that

all of a sudden lost their job of 20 years or their hours were cut back for whatever reason. I’ve had grown men in my office crying because they’re so appreciative, but they hate they had to ask (for services).”

Manning said other common clientele includes single mothers with multiple children, who are working, but are having a hard time paying rent and dealing with rising grocery costs, as well as seniors, on a fixed income, who are having to pay for medications and food on their limited budgets.

She said some of the seniors have only been making one trip to town per week due to the price of gas, and after visiting the grocery store, they visit Catholic Charities for additional food or help with their bills.

Manning said they have families with multiple children or teenagers visit and ask if they can get more food, they have more people and teens eat more food.

“We just don’t have it to give them,” Manning said. “We have to give every-



Members of Catholic Charities pose with their new refrigerated food truck in February.

one pretty much the same amount.”

Jaye Smith, Catholic Charities office manager, suggested that people who want to help Catholic Charities donate canned meats, canned goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, water, noodles, spaghetti, rice and beans.

She said meat is one of the most requested items that people are seeking

during this crisis, noting people on government assistance aren’t always able to get meat products.

“They’re constantly asking for meat, so they’re not really able to get it in the grocery stores either,” she said. “When you go to try to buy for your own household, it’s gone up so much and the shelves are almost bare, so they’re looking for us to supplement.”

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## OUR OPINION

### STEM building moves FGC into the future

To celebrate its 75 years of serving Columbia County and the surrounding communities, Florida Gateway College looked to its future.

The college officially opened its new science, technology, engineering and math building — the Quinn and Keith Leibfried STEM Building — on Thursday. The two-story, state-of-the-art facility will house chemistry labs, biology labs, earth science labs and multi-purpose classrooms in its 26,440 square feet.

The modern building, though, also has some unique characteristics that will make it stand out on the FGC campus.

The main stairwell of the building will have a double purpose. It also will serve as a hangout spot and active learning space with areas to sit and relax. It was already a popular destination during Thursday's grand opening.

On top of that, and tapping into the innovative and creative purpose of the building with STEM, the building will also feature a hologram at the top of the stairwell on a wall that will constantly change and update. The hologram was a design feature meant to show FGC moving ahead into the future.

The \$12.8 million STEM building will do just that.

But Thursday's celebration was more than a grand opening. It was also the launch of a grand year for the college, which is celebrating 75 years of educating students in North Central Florida.

Congratulations FGC on your years of service and here's to many more.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:

In 1566, French astrologer, physician and professed prophet Nostradamus died in Salon.

In 1776, the Continental Congress passed a resolution saying that "these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States."

In 1881, President James A. Garfield was shot by Charles J. Guiteau at the Washington railroad station; Garfield died the following September. (Guiteau was hanged in June 1882.)

In 1917, rioting erupted in East St. Louis, Illinois, as white mobs attacked Black residents; nearly 50 people, mostly Blacks, are believed to have died in the violence.

In 1937, aviator Amelia Earhart and navigator Fred Noonan disappeared over the Pacific Ocean while attempting to make the first round-the-world flight along the equator.

In 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed into law a sweeping civil rights bill passed by Congress.

In 1976, the U.S. Supreme Court, in Gregg v. Georgia, ruled 7-2 that the death penalty was not inherently cruel or unusual.

In 1979, the Susan B. Anthony dollar coin was released to the public.

In 1986, ruling in a pair of cases, the Supreme Court upheld affirmative action as a remedy for past job discrimination.

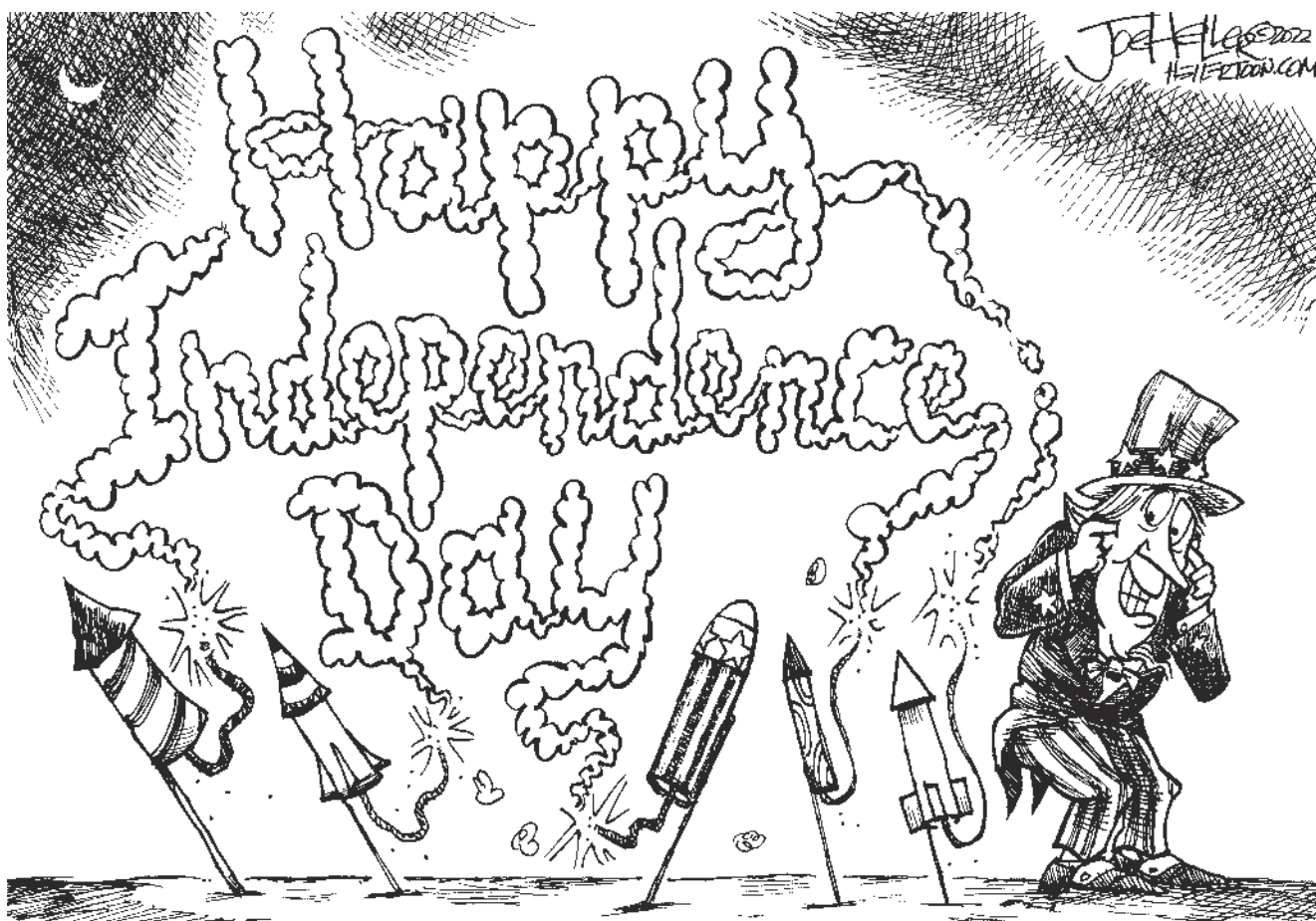
In 1990, more than 1,400 Muslim pilgrims were killed in a stampede inside a pedestrian tunnel near Mecca, Saudi Arabia.

In 1997, Academy Award-winning actor James Stewart died in Beverly Hills, California, at age 89.

In 2018, rescue divers in Thailand found 12 boys and their soccer coach, who had been trapped by flooding as they explored a cave more than a week earlier.

In 2020, a statement posted on his Twitter account revealed that former GOP presidential candidate Herman Cain was being treated for the coronavirus at an Atlanta-area hospital, less than two weeks after attending President Donald Trump's campaign rally in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

■ Associated Press



How to overcome writer's block? Just keep typing

## The column about nothing

We never refer to it as "writer's block" here in the big leagues. Nope. Not here. Not us pro-o-o-o-o-o-FESH-unlunl writers. Huh-uh. No such thing up here. We shake it off without a doubt and just keep pecking away at the keyboard. Never stumped.

That writer's block stuff? That's for amateurs, freshman comp one students staring at a blank screen, intimidated by a piddly 1,000-word assignment. These are the assignments the math and science types, the future engineers and such, hyperventilate over. They cringe at the thought of stringing coherent sentences together on a single topic and writing about the most exciting moment of their childhood or what they did on their summer vacation or how the detailed, technical-writing steps of cooking a frozen pizza just cannot possibly be explained in the written word.

It's fingertip panic. Remember that coach back in school, the one who constantly belittled at the team to keep moving forward, keep those feet driving, keep pressing on, that's what's happening here. That's the never-quit that stifles that W-B and puts it



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away never to be seen again. I'm doing it here, fingers flying. (See, so far we've passed 200 words without a hitch.)

So what to write about when there's nothing to say? Here's how the inner-voice conversation goes at a small-town newspaper: Stay out of the jungle with national issues or state politics or state politics attempting to become national issues. Don't get into the worldwide weeds of discussions right here in a personal column.

There's plenty to write about with city government seemingly creating one issue after another, plus the hospital authority sorting through very important proposals that could

affect the future of healthcare for the entire community, and the county dealing with continual growing pains. Yeah, but those are serious issues better addressed in the newspaper's formal business editorial, in the upper left corner of this page. (We've now passed 300 words here. Stay with me.)

When I get this deep searching the tank, I keep talking to myself and on hot days like this, I wonder, why does pistachio almond ice cream never get the respect it so rightly deserves? Why is it so often mistaken for its common cousin, mint chocolate chip, when pistachio almond is so much more? You must judge your ice cream by the content of its flavor, not just its green hue. Eh, most of the world just goes for chocolate every time. (We passed 400 words and you didn't notice. Or, maybe you're already reading the obituaries.)

Weird ideas sometimes make the best starting points for good personal columns. Sometimes not. Here's 476 words of testimony to those who said I would never make it as a writer. Well, don't do as I do. Do better.

■ Todd Wilson is publisher of the Lake City Reporter.

## War memorials of Olustee Park

Morris Williams has the week off. This column is a reprint from July 2020.

As we continue to celebrate this Independence Day weekend, perhaps it would be in order to take a stroll through Olustee Park to see the memorials dedicated to some of our local men who died preserving our independence.

■ World War I: "This memorial is dedicated to all of those who served in World War I."

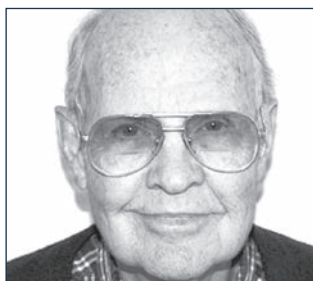
■ World War II: "Dedicated to the memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice in World War II. Sponsored by the Lake City Garden Club."

The 40 names of those "who made the supreme sacrifice" are inscribed on the plaque. God love the members of the Lake City Garden Club who sponsored the plaque — without them there might be no plaque at all.

■ Korean Conflict: "Tribute to Carlis J. Callahan, William Bonner Slade, Arlys I. Roberts, Stanford Ware, and Alvin Lofton who made the supreme sacrifice, and all the veterans of the Korean Conflict June 27, 1950-January 31, 1955." Personal: This was the first war where one of my CHS classmates died, Arlys "Pete" Roberts.

And on the back side of this monument, "Dedicated May 27, 1985, by American Legion posts 57 and 322, Disabled American Veterans Chapter 020, Fleet Reserve Association Branch 220, and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2206."

■ Vietnam Memorial: "All gave some, Some gave all." The 23 names of those who made the



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supreme sacrifice are inscribed. Comment: One of the 23, Major Raymond E. ("Cookie") Johnson, gave the late School Superintendent Grady Markham his nickname of "Sam." Note: John Clark and Jimmy R. Garbett are listed as Missing in Action.

When the names on this marker were being inscribed, they evidently ran out of space and had to put the name of Johnnie Carter on the back of the marker — where Johnnie's name could have gone unnoticed. However, some good soul corrected this by adding a separate marker to the front so Johnnie's name now appears where it belongs, on the front with all the others — and his name still appears on the back also.

■ Desert Storm: "Dedicated July 3, 1991, by the North East Florida Leadership Council, Inc. In honor of the Columbia County Desert Storm Military Personnel."

Three other markers are part of this memorial area. The first says, "All gave some, Some gave all." The second, "Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 772 Lake City, Florida." The third marker poignantly quotes former Lake City Veterans Medical Center official

John Elliot Pickens III: "Engraved in stone and in our hearts, the price of freedom is visible here."

(There is also a Confederate monument, but that is a topic for another day.)

Spend a few minutes with these markers from time to time as an ongoing reminder of the high price of freedom.

### ALWAYS A MARINE

CHS grad, the late J. L. Markham, a World War II veteran, even on his death bed, could still say "Once a U.S. Marine, always a Marine." And he still remembered that a Marine's rifle is his best friend in combat.

J.L. also still remembered his drill instructor's lecture as he received his first rifle at the Parris Island boot camp. "Your mama and daddy may die, your girlfriend may leave you, your best friend may abandon you, but your rifle will always be faithful to you if you take care of it."

J.L. fought some rugged battles in the Pacific but 60 years later he could still remember the serial numbers on the only two rifles he ever used. The first was 10463871 and the second was 1457192 and he recalled those numbers without hesitation.

### BURMA SHAVE

Here are two favorite Burma Shave rhyming road signs from many years ago. "School Zone. Take it slow. Let the little shavers grow." And: "Around the curve. Lickety split. Beautiful car. Wasn't it!"

■ Morris Williams is a Columbia County historian and long-time retired educator.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ To submit your calendar item, stop by the Reporter office or email Morgan McMullen at [mmcmullen@lakecityreporter.com](mailto:mmcmullen@lakecityreporter.com)

## Today

### SongFarmers Meeting

The SongFarmers of the Suwannee River Valley will meet Saturday, July 2, from 7-9 p.m. at St. James Episcopal Church, 2423 SW Bascom Norris Drive, Lake City. All ages and skill levels welcome. Multiple genres and styles. Jam style format. Acoustic instruments only. Musicians, friends and families welcome. No charge to attend or participate.

### Acrylic Dip

Instructor Mary McGuerty will be leading a class in acrylic dip on tile and canvas at the Gateway Art Gallery on Saturday, July 2, from 10 a.m. to noon. The class costs \$30. Supplies are provided. Call 386-752-5229 to register. The Gateway Art Gallery is located at 168 N. Marion Street in historic downtown Lake City.

## Tuesday

### Basics of Gouache

Local artist Mike Grecian will teach the basics of gouache, including technique and application, in a pair of workshops on Tuesday, July 5, at the Gateway Art Gallery. The first class is from 10 a.m. to noon, while the second is set for 5-7 p.m. The cost of the class is \$30. Call 386-752-5229 to register. The Gateway Art Gallery is located at 168 N. Marion Street in historic downtown Lake City.

## Thursday

### Beginning Watercolor

This class covers the watercolor painting basics, including reviewing materials, experimenting with controlling the water on paper, and learning various "secret" techniques developed by the artist. After practicing, the student will choose a flower to paint. \$30 fee covers instruction and all materi-

als for the Thursday, July 7, class from 10 a.m.-noon. Award-winning artist Carol Cieslik is the instructor. Call 386-752-5229 to register. The Gateway Art Gallery is located at 168 N. Marion Street in historic downtown Lake City.

### Seven Up Service

Angel Community Outreach Church is hosting its annual Seven Up Service on Thursday, July 7, at 7 p.m. The event will feature seven messengers from local area churches with seven words of God. Speakers for the event include Sister Theodosia Brown-Mallory, Minister Martha Kelsey, First Lady Charlotte Johnson, Pastor Angelina Powell, Elder Lavern Daniels, Minister Paula Perry and Sister Wanda Alston. Presiding over the service will be Evangelist Gwen Allen. Angel Community Outreach Church is located at 443 N. Marion Avenue in Lake City.

## Recurring

### Grief Support Program

First United Methodist Church will be offering a Grief Support Program on Thursdays beginning at 5:30 p.m. It is open to everyone in the community. It will be held in our Fellowship Hall located at 973 S. Marion Ave. Please call if you have any questions or need more information at 386-752-4488.

### Movie/Food Truck Rally

This community event will be a Food Truck Rally and an outside movie for the community to enjoy for free. The movie night and food truck rally will be held the second Friday of the month. Bring a blanket or chair to watch the movie. Popcorn will be served. The movie will start at 8 p.m. Food trucks will be there earlier that day for lunch/dinner. Address for this event is: Wilson Park/The

Darby Pavilion, 828 NE Lake Desoto Circle, Lake City. For more information or to be a vendor at a future market, please contact the city's Community Program Manager Terri Phillips at 386-758-5427 or [cityevents@lclfa.com](mailto:cityevents@lclfa.com).

### Friday Night Dances

The Friday Night Dances start a new year. It's all happening at the multipurpose building at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church at 1272 SW McFarlane Ave. in Lake City. Come join us as our DJ plays all your favorite songs from line dancing to waltzing to Rock n' Roll. Singles and couples are welcome. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and dancing runs from 7-9:30 p.m. Drinks and snacks will be provided. Admission is \$7 per person. For more information, please call Shirley at 386-365-9643.

### Community Walk

The NorthStar Family Resource Center, 255 NE Coach Anders Lane in the Ferguson Building, hosts a daily community walk on Mondays through Fridays, starting at 9 a.m. in an effort to reduce coronary artery disease, heart failure, hypertension and elevated cholesterol. The walk is 1.5-2 miles. For more information, please call 386-758-3319.

### Youth Ministry

Lantern Park Baptist Church is beginning a youth ministry on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. for ages 12-17. There will be a service in the gym followed by snacks and games. For any question, please contact Hunter Wortman at [rootedyouth-LPBC@gmail.com](mailto:rootedyouth-LPBC@gmail.com).

### Historical Museum

The Lake City Columbia County Historical Museum is open every week on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to

1 p.m. Please stop by 157 SE Hernando Ave. in Lake City and visit. Admission is free.

### Take Stock in Children

Take Stock in Children is a statewide, non-profit organization that provides a unique opportunity for deserving, low-income youth to escape the cycle of poverty through education. Underserved students are offered one-on-one support through caring volunteer mentors, professional college success services, the opportunity to earn a college scholarship, and hope for success in college, career, and life. Take Stock in Children is always accepting volunteers that want to make a difference in a student's life. To learn more information and fill out a mentor interest form, please visit: [www.takestockinchildren.org](http://www.takestockinchildren.org) or contact Peggy Boston at 386-754-4423.

## Save the Date

### Skulls, Skins & Snakes

The Hamilton County 4-H and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission will be meeting at Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, July 9, to explore skulls, skins and snakes as part of a Summer Adventure Series. For more information, contact 4-H agent Beth Kerr at 386-792-1276 or call Stephen Foster State Park at 386-397-2733.

### Youth Art League

Youth Art League members of the Gateway Art Gallery receive free monthly fine art lessons at the Gateway Art Gallery. The July lesson is scheduled for Saturday, July 9, from 10 a.m. to noon. YAL membership is \$15 yearly. Youths aged 10 -18 receive free monthly lessons, in which all art mediums are explored. Come by the Gateway Art Gallery at 168 N. Marion Street on the Courthouse

Square in Lake City to register your child's membership and enroll for the free classes. For more information, call 386-752-5229.

### Summer Fest 2022

The Richardson Community Center, located at 255 NE Coach Anders Lane, will host Summer Fest on Saturday, July 9, from 6-9 p.m. This event will feature the opportunity to meet local, federal and state candidates for political office, including school board and city council candidates. Voter registration will be on site to help attendees register to vote. A cornhole tournament and cake auction will also be featured at this event. The event is co-sponsored by the Richardson Community Center Advisory Board. For more information, please contact Lawrence Davis at 386-697-4002 or at [lda-vis753@yahoo.com](mailto:lda-vis753@yahoo.com).

### Candidates Forum

The Suwannee County Voters League will hold a County Candidates forum on Monday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m. at Live Oak City Hall, 101 White Avenue SE. The Florida Voters League is a nonpartisan organization formed to generate public interest in the political process. On the local level, the Voters League organizes and hosts political forums and "get out to vote campaigns." The Suwannee County Voters League has invited all the Suwannee County qualified candidates for the Aug. 23 primary election to attend the forum on July 11. The public is invited to attend. For additional information on the forum, please contact the Voters League at [suwannee.voters.leagues@gmail.com](mailto:suwannee.voters.leagues@gmail.com).

### Birds Program

The Hamilton County 4-H will be meeting at Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park from 9 a.m. to noon

on Saturday, July 16, to learn about birds of prey as well as dissecting owl pellets as part of a Summer Adventure Series. For more information, contact 4-H agent Beth Kerr at 386-792-1276 or call Stephen Foster State Park at 386-397-2733.

### Fire & Water Play Day

The Hamilton County 4-H will be joining Florida State Park Rangers/wildland firefighters at Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, July 23, for a day of relays and plays as part of a Summer Adventure Series. Smokey the Bear will be joining the fun as well. For more information, contact 4-H agent Beth Kerr at 386-792-1276 or call Stephen Foster State Park at 386-397-2733.

### Harmony in the Streets

The Columbia County Sheriff's Office and the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Inc. are hosting Harmony in the Streets, a five-day camp starting Monday, July 25, for children ages 7-13 at the Richardson Sixth Grade Academy. The camp is open to the first 60 kids that register. Camp times will run from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m.-2 p.m. on Friday. A short graduation ceremony will occur from 2-2:30 p.m. on Friday. Kids are encouraged to wear a T-shirt and shorts with closed-toed shoes and to bring along a swim suit or change of clothes, a towel, sunscreen and a hat. Activities campers will enjoy will include archery, games, arts and crafts, environmental education and water activities. For more information, please call the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches office in Live Oak at 386-364-7700.

## OBITUARIES

### Mrs. Margaree Maxine Kirkland

Mrs. Margaree Maxine Kirkland, age 97, of Bryceville, Florida went to be with the Lord on Thursday, June 30th, at the St. Catherine Laboure Manor, Jacksonville, Florida. Mrs.



Kirkland was born in Lake City, Florida and lived in Lake City for 30 years until residing in Jacksonville for the rest of her life. Mrs. Kirkland was a member of the Garden View Baptist Church for many years. She was employed at Montgomery Ward for 10 years then was a homemaker after that. She thoroughly enjoyed crocheting, making stuffed animals, gardening, yard sales, and most of all, spending time with her family and loved ones. Mrs. Kirkland will be missed tremendously. Mrs. Kirkland was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Thelcia Crews. She is survived by her two sons, Samuel Moses (Judy) Kirkland of Bakersville, North Carolina, and Ralph Travis (Sue) Kirkland of Three Forks, Montana; One daughter, Sheila Diane Kirkland of Bryceville, Florida; One sister-in-law, Adrena Crews of Lake City, Florida; 4 Grandchildren, Sam Kirkland III, Travis Kirkland, Jason Kirkland, and Chase Kirkland; and 3 great-grandchildren, Charlotte Kirkland, Elizabeth Kirkland, and Ethan Kirkland. A graveside funeral service to honor the life of Mrs. Kirkland will be held at 11 A.M. Wednesday, July 6th, in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Lake City, Florida with Rev. Ralph Rodriguez officiating. Visitation and gathering with the family will be from 10 to 11 A.M. Wednesday,

July 6th (One hour before services), at GUERRY FUNERAL HOME, 2659 S.W. MAIN Blvd., Lake City, Florida.

### Sharon Ruby List

Sharon Ruby List, 64, of Lake City, passed away on Friday morning, July 1, 2022 after an extended illness. She was born in Enid, Oklahoma on October 18, 1957 to the late Gilbert G. McDuffie and Lena Mae McDuffie. She was a military child, following her Father's military career in her younger years before moving to Lake City from Texas in the early 1970s. She worked for over 19 years with DCF as a Family Support Worker and was a member of the Christian Heritage Church. In her spare time, she enjoyed going to see her family and friends, enjoyed playing with her grandchildren and going to the beach.

She is survived by her two daughters, Allegra Smith (Alan) of Pensacola, FL and Aleah Duren Gibson (Andrew) of Johnson City, TN. Three grandchildren, Sonya & Christopher Smith both of Pensacola, FL and Dean Gibson of Johnson City, TN along with her one sister, Shirley MacDuff also survive.

A graveside funeral service for Mrs. List will be conducted on Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. in the Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery with Rev. Chris Jones, Pastor of Christian Heritage Church, officiating. Interment will follow. The family will receive friends for a time of visitation on Tuesday evening, July 5, 2022 from 5:00-7:00 P.M. at the funeral home. Arrangements are under the

direction and care of GATEWAY-FOREST LAWN FUNERAL HOME, 3596 S. US HWY 441,

Lake City, FL, 32025, 386-752-1954. Please leave words of comfort for the family at [www.gateway-forestlawn.com](http://www.gateway-forestlawn.com).

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## FOURTH

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article may very well leave you hungry. In an era in which entertainment was limited, hundreds attended each of the celebrations, in many cases marking the biggest social event of the summer. When reading these accounts, I hope that you have fun discovering the past as much as I have delighted in researching and transcribing each story. Outside of the George Washington Ives diary entry, all the accounts are taken from either the Lake City Reporter or Florida Index.

Please enjoy this walk down memory lane, and may our past inspire your Fourth of July celebrations to be a source of joy and memories for your families, friends, and communities for many years to come.

### 1860

George Washington Ives and the people of Lake City celebrated Independence Day with a BBQ and Parade. They woke up at 8:00 and began cooking bbq all day. The flag was raised at 10:00. 20 Men with masks and pasteboard hats led a parade on horseback. They assembled at the Methodist Church where they heard the Declaration of Independence read.

### 1899

July 4th passed away very pleasantly in our little



COURTESY PHOTOS

A "party of young people" takes in the scenery at Falling Creek in 1904.

and Walter Brooks in which Brooks was the winner. The second race was between W. E. Woltz and George Barnes and was won by Barnes. The third race, between H.D. Waugh and R.A. Wheeler, Jr. was won by Wheeler. The little steam yacht of Lott W. Johnson was loaded down with a merry party of pleasure seekers and added much to the beauty of the scene on the lake.

### 1900

A basket picnic will be held on July 4th at Dry Prairie, near the residence of Mr. Giles Tompkins six miles west of town. A large pavilion has been erected under the oak trees bordering the prairie, and the best musical talent in the county has been secured.

Don't forget the basket

that they had to be carefully hauled to town.

### 1902

Oswego - The picnic at the Lutheran church proved a grand success and everyone present spent a pleasant day of outing for the 4th of July. We have had a horde of candidates through this neck of the woods in a few days and have been entertained with the usual campaign speeches of the fellow who wants office.

Suwannee Shoals - A neighborhood picnic and fish fry given on the banks of the famous Suwannee River near here was a feature of the glorious Fourth. Plenty of fish and a good time was generally the unanimous verdict for all who attended. The candidates came last Wednesday according to appointment, and during their stay, there was of course, considerable stir in political circles.

### 1903

Lake City put on its Sunday clothes and remained very quiet on Saturday for the 4th, although the people in the country celebrated for all it was worth. There were a number of fishing and picnic parties leaving here in the morning, and these spent the Fourth beside lakes or under the shelter of the trees- anything to be off for a day.

At Mason, the annual picnic held there every 4th of July was a splendid success. Hon. W.J. Feagle was master of ceremonies. Quite a number of our people went down among them being Hon. Guy Gillen, Judge, B.H. Palmer, Sheriff W.N. Cone, and his wife. Messrs. M.M. Scarborough, Jr., F.P. Cone, and J.M. Sykes. Pastor E.C. Witt and Rev. Odom of Providence gave the morning addresses in the Lutheran Church where the services were held. Judge B.H. Palmer gave the afternoon oration on the Declaration of Independence and was the orator of the day, and those who had the pleasure of hearing him, say it was a mastery effort admirably suited to the occasion. It was brimful of patriotism, and an urgent endeavor for better citizenship.

At Worthington Springs, the farmers of Columbia, Bradford, and Alachua counties gathered to celebrate the day. State Senator, J.B. Crews seemed to be the moving spirit in the affair and presided at the public speaking during the day. It is variously estimated that from two to three thousand people were present. In the forenoon, Col. Atkins and Representative Gornto addressed the people, and at 12 o'clock, there was a call off from talking to refreshment. And such a dinner as was spread. There was beef, mutton, chicken, cakes, pies, etc., galore. To an audience of at least 800 voters, Hon.

picnic which will take place at Camp Branch church, near Genoa, for the 4th. It will be one of the largest gatherings there for many years.

### 1901

The 4th of July picnic at Dry Prairie was pulled off in grand style and proved to be one of the greatest gatherings so far this season. The day was all that could be desired; the people began to assemble on the spot with buggies and wagons loaded with the very best the land afforded and long before the dinner hour the crowd was estimated to be the largest that had ever assembled there.

The good people of the Mason and Mt. Tabor settlement gave their annual picnic on the 4th, and it is said that everybody and all of the children were there. No such crowd has ever attended that picnic before, and when the feast was spread, they tell us that instead of the tables groaning that they actually screamed and hollered so loaded down with good things they were. We are told that George Land and Will Knight eat so much

### 1907

Our good friend A.M. Hawthorne kindly furnished the Index with the particulars of the big blow-out given by the people of the southern end of the county July 4th at Mason. Mr. Hawthorne in an interview, Saturday, said, it was one of the most pleasant occasions of those annually given by the good people of that section. Mr. Thomas J. Carlisle, the superintendent of the Sunday School made an appropriate talk at the opening of the exercises. His remarks were happily delivered and produced a good impression. Rev. F.L. Crowson followed with an excellent Sunday School address found of sound reasoning and replete with facts showing the good work performed by these necessary adjuncts of the Christian Church. He was attentively listened to and his remarks were well received. Rev. M.G. Richards was the "orator of the day" in that it fell to his lot to make the Fourth of July speech proper. His speech was full of patriotic utterances, and was very interesting. Then came the dinner, and it makes one hungry to think of what he misses. The Mason section (and we do not say this to the disparagement of any other section of the county) is noted for the good things turned loose at picnic times, and yet this time, it surpassed all previous efforts. There were all kinds of meats cooked in every conceivable way, and the fried yellow legged chicken was decidedly in evidence. Cakes and pies too numerous to mention and of every kind. To sum up, it was a typical Columbia County picnic dinner, and to those who have been fortunate enough to go to one of these, that is sufficient.

### 1908

A delightful affair was the entertainment given on Saturday evening at the Elks Club House on Lake Desoto by the members of the Current Topics Club to a number of invited friends. There were some forty guests present and the brilliantly lighted verandas and parlors presented a most attractive appearance. The following attractive programme was rendered: Piano Solo- Mrs. J.F. Baya. Roll Call of Members. Piano Duet, "National Airs"- Mrs. Baya and Mrs. T.P. Jordan. Paper- "What Led to the Declaration" by Mrs. A.H. Nunnally. Vocal Solo, "The Earl King" (from the German)- Miss Ruth Julian. Reading of the Declaration- Mrs. J.L. Wells. Vocal Solo, "Love Me and the World is Mine"- Mrs. Barnett. Reading of "The Liberty Bell"- Miss Saddle Young. America- By the Club.

The celebration of America's natal day by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist Church was a delightful affair on Monday evening last at the Baptist pastorium, with Rev. and Mrs. C.M. Brittain as host and hostess. In response to invitation both written and verbal, quite a congenial crowd had gathered by 8 o'clock and the ladies who had the entertainment in charge spared no pains to make it thoroughly pleasant and enjoyable. The decorations of the entire lower floor of the residence was decidedly distinctive and lovely. Our national flag was draped gracefully with bunting of red, white, and blue, and in the parlors, small flags of other nations were arranged. Rev. Brittain's genial per-

sonality was attired in the costume of Uncle Sam, Mrs. Braxton Small, representing Columbia. The following is the program rendered: Piano Duet. "Le Mardi Gras" (Schubert)- Mrs. C.M. Brittain and Miss Julia Colson. Reading, "The Unexpected Guest"- Miss Shelton.

### 1909

Dr. J.W. Nance has recently purchased an 18-foot 3h.p. launch boat that he has put on the lake for the disposal of pleasure boating parties. The boat has been repainted and fitted with gasoline power together with energy and seating capacity for ten people. "DeSoto" which is the name of the launch was commissioned for duty in the water of Lake Desoto for the 4th.

Land Mark Lodge, No. 84, F.& A.M. celebrated with a grand masonic picnic. Near the grandstand erected for that purpose a bountiful dinner. With the completion of the noon meal, an address was made by Hon. Joe Feagle and Judge B.H. Palmer, and others. Visitors including W.J. Roebuck of Lake City, Joe Feagle, C. Clyatt, and others from Providence Lodge, J.W. Keene of Lake Butler, J.J. Croft of the Olustee Lodge, and D.D.G.M., W.D. Mann of Sanderson Lodge.

### 1910

An exciting game of baseball was played at White Springs last Monday for the 4th of July between White Springs and Lake City teams. Score 6 to 5 in favor of Lake City. A large crowd of Lake City people spent the day last Monday at White Springs for the 4th.

### 1911

The Dry Prairie Baptist Sunday School will celebrate by giving its annual picnic at Orange Creek school house on July 2nd. There will be good speaking, recitations, and music. A cordial invitation is extended to all by the committee: including Messrs. L.M. Chambers, W.J. Saucer, H.N. Register, and D.L. Jernigan.

### 1912

The biggest and best Encampment of the Baptist Young People's Union of the State of Florida is now being held at the buildings of Columbia College. Delegates arriving early came in while Lake City was getting on her Gala attire. L.B. Warren gave the opening address while Mr. Adcock and Miss Porter sang for the entertainment. Several Chautauqua addresses were given on the opening day. An automobile ride over the city was planned and carried out with the local committee with the co-operation of the owners of cars and each garage offering cars led by Mr. Cozart. Afterwards, there was a fine reception from which fruit punch and cakes were served to all the guests. For the 4th of July, the Municipal Band of Jacksonville arrived and discoursed sweet music on the campus. In the auditorium, Dr. Porter made his patriotic address on the theme "Our Country" pointing out forcefully its dangers, and the great doors open to the best things of life and work. The next day a special trip was made for the guests to White Springs which was praised. When everyone returned from their outing, a Watermelon Cutting was made at the Science Hall. A whole wagon load

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Patriotic music and outfits were common themes during Fourth of July events throughout the years in Columbia County.

city amid the lakes. Some of our enterprising young men furnished amusement to the good-natured crowd by running foot races, sack races, cup races, three legged races, and later on boat races on DeSoto Lake. Brooks, Brown, Harrison, and Woltz entered for a foot race of 100 yards. Woltz being the winner. In the bag race, Connie Edwards, Wiley Edwards, who paced off as though he had lived in a sack all the days of his life. There were many entries for the three-legged race but none of them were in it with Alvin Brown and Earnest Smith who reached the goal and were sitting down resting before many of their competitors had disentangled themselves. The cup race, in which the racers carried a cup of water on their heads and the one reaching the limit of the race with the most water in his cup to be declared the winner, furnished much amusement to the onlookers as well as the contestants. Ben Cone and Scott Edwards made a tie and were declared the victors. In the boat races, the first contest was between Hal Henderson

## FOURTH

Continued From 6A

and more were brought in. They were cut and disposed of by the merry crowd. Everyone stayed until a late hour enjoying the day and event.

### 1913

In addition to the numerous carnival attractions on the Public Square Park as advertised, there will be a number of funny contests pulled off during the day for which cash prizes will be given to the winners in the Field Sports, such as: foot races, potato race, sack race, 3-legged race, egg race, pipe race, greasy pole, flag planting contest, and the tub race, which will come off at Lake Desoto following the Field Sports. The Girls Canning Club Demonstration and Exhibition at Court House Park at 9:30 a.m. Fourth of July Oration by Governor Park Trammell at Columbia College at 11 a.m. At 9:00 p.m. Big Carnival Attractions, Home Talent, and Grand Confetti Battle. Remember this Big Carnival Celebration is given under the auspices of the Ladies Current Topic Club.

here last Monday and making other necessary arrangements for a lot of enjoyment on the Fourth. July has once again made its bow to the great mass of liberty-loving people of the United States, and as usual has filled each heart with joyous emotions, patriotism, freedom, and independence, and to add further to the great anticipation and gratification of each individuals, the advent of green corn, peas, and the luscious melons in abundance is now occupying a prominent position and preeminently above the ordinary attractive eatables even the most fastidious would relish and enjoy the combination. Our little town had a lonesome appearance on the Fourth. Most of our citizens found themselves in other parts and places such as Worthington Springs, the famous old Santa Fe, and the noted resort Itchetucknee, and other points of interest and amusements.

Like a firecracker that smolders quietly and finally explodes long after the rest of the bunch have banged and sizzled their way into oblivion comes tardily the story of the man to whom we owe our Fourth of July. Those who have not heard

looked for a hard rider with the cause at heart, a man who would ride the race for liberty and count fatigue a pleasure. They found him in a man whose name is not known to posterity, but deserved well of it. "The unknown rode on his mission. He tore away, as one of his contemporaries bore witness, as if the devil were at his heels. He broke existing records and sent the absent delegate back in a hot hurry and in time to vote. The Declaration debates and proceedings were secret, but there was a story well believed that the resolution carried by one vote. We have Paul Revere's ride in living verse, but no one has sung the song of the unknown ride. "The Man Who Made the Fourth".

### 1917

Complimenting our Lake City boys who belong to Company C., First Regiment of the Florida National Guards, the ladies of the city are planning to entertain the Company with a dinner party, as soon as it is announced at what time they will receive their marching orders toward the training camp. The dinner will be served in the dining room of Columbia College, in the evening,



COURTESY PHOTOS

Company C., First Regiment of the Florida National Guards, poses for a photo. The women of Lake City threw the company a dinner party in 1917's Fourth of July.

remarks of the former speakers, also put stress on the value of the work represented by A.A. Turner, after which the manager, club agent was introduced by B.J. Jones, the master of ceremonies.

### 1918

Loyalty Day as the Fourth of July is to be known this year was fittingly observed yesterday in the city. Hon. J.A. Mosely chairman of the American Defense Society was ably assisted by the ladies in arranging an excellent program for the Loyalty Day celebration. Col. J.B. Hodges was speaker of the day and made an excellent patriotic address in keeping with the day and hour. All stores and other places of business were closed and their entire day was given over to patriotic demonstrations which was concluded in the afternoon with the following program. An auto parade with several hundred cars participating from the city and county decorated with Old Glory and other patriotic emblems formed at the Courthouse.

### 1919

The Fourth of July celebration, as announced was celebrated in the city Friday. Mayor R.W. Farnell had issued a proclamation declaring the day a general holiday to be observed by all the places of business. Lieutenant and Mrs. Jack Ennias impersonated Uncle Sam and Miss Columbia and rode to the park in a car driven by Murray Hagen and Garrard Wilson, both of whom saw service in the war. The car was decorated in white, with many shields bearing the colors. The presentation of the flag to the city by the Woman's Club was the great event of the day and was then made. Rev. W.T. Cavell gave the invocation, which was followed by a prayer by Elder W.G. Hearne, after which Harold Tribble made the presentation speech. The audience then sang "America" and the flag was raised amid the cheers of the crowd, while the "Star Spangled Banner" pealed forth. Hon. J.B. Hodges made the speech of acceptance for the city.

Saturday was a red-letter day for Lulu. Thronged with citizenry for miles around, speechmaking by several distinguished citizens of the state, the day a perfect one, everybody spent a happy and most enjoyable day. Once each year, the local camp of the Woodmen of the World gives a picnic to which they invite all their friends and all the friends of their friends, and taken together, this makes a big

assemblage, and this year for the fourth, the crowd was about twice as large as any in the past. Promptly at twelve o'clock (high noon), Mr. Blackwelder, who had been chosen to deliver the address of welcome, stepped forward and in a most pleasurable manner bade the vast crowd a hearty welcome, and then introduced W.W. Phillips, who had been chosen to speak on the occasion. The address of Mr. Phillips was one of enlarging patriotism, his experience in the legislature, and the idea of aspirations of woodcraft, and was well delivered and enjoyed. Attorney General Van Swearingen was the next speaker, and he began his address by announcing his candidacy to be the governor of the state. His speech was listened to carefully, and he made a favorable impression upon the people. Governor Catts was then introduced, and in genuine Catts manner entertained his hearers. He announced that he was a candidate for the U.S. Senate against Duncan U. Fletcher. He said that if elected that he would look out for the people and protect them. The governor paid tribute to the Columbia representatives saying that to his personal knowledge, all of them stood by the common people. This closed the speechmaking and then the good ladies of the community began spreading the dinner, and such a dinner, chicken, cakes, pies, peaches, cream, ham, chicken bogged up in rice, chicken stewed, chicken baked, chicken fried, and all the manner of chicken.

### 1920

Itchetucknee Springs- One of Florida's most beautiful scenic spots where Dame Nature has lavished her wonderful arrangement of semi-tropical verdure- was last week the camp site of forty-six club boys of Columbia County and the Florida Extension Division of the University of Florida. Gathered by County Agent McDonald to participate in a three-day practical course in Club Work, it is needless to say that the youngsters spent three of the happiest days of their young lives on this occasion. The contingent was composed of lads from all sections of the county, and they were given expert instruction in many things among which was hog raising- comprising proper methods of deeding and care of pigs at all times. They were taught how to prepare seedbeds, how to cultivate and harvest corn, and how to combat the weevils after gathering and cribbing their crop.

During the first two days of the course which were devoted entirely to the boys, lectures were given and practical demonstrations carried out by R.W. Blacklock, H.G. Clayton, and C.K. McQuarrie, and all closely associated with the extension work in Florida and experts in their work, and by Mr. McDonald our own county agent. Work and study over the boys turned their minds towards athletics- the boys' delight. Under the leadership of the county agent and others, contests of various kinds were arranged for the young farmers, which carried out the scheme of bringing interest and enthusiasm to the course.

A Farmer's Rally and Picnic were also held. The last day of the picnic coincided with the July 4th Weekend which proved to be a banner day. On this day, grown-ups- father, mother, sisters, in fact everybody- old maids and bachelors included, if they had any interest in agricultural pursuits or rural home needs were invited to be present, not only to glean inspiration for future effort, but to help with the big picnic dinner given in conjunction with the farming rally.

The company gave a practical demonstration of the versatile use of the farm tractor. A Fordson tractor was used in the work, pulling both disc and gang plows with ease, and in a manner that surprised many present. The test was a success and placed before farmers a method of farm improvement. The three-day course and rally of the farmers was the greatest gathering of its kind ever held in the county.

Following the success of the Farmer's Rally for the 4th of July, a motion was made to make the springs more accessible. A movement is on foot by a committee of citizens for the purpose of raising a fund sufficient to erect bath houses and other improvements at Itchetucknee Springs, for the pleasure of all visitors who may wish to spend a day's outing at this popular place. There isn't a more attractive spring in the State than Itchetucknee for bathing purposes for picnicking and recreation parties.

I hope that you have enjoyed this exploration of the past. I want to wish each and every one of you a wonderful and Happy 4th of July. May it be filled with bountiful bbqs, fish fries, cookouts, watermelons cuttings, and picnics that bring smiles to the face of all those gathered to celebrate our nation's Independence Day. God Bless America!



Lake DeSoto, shown in an old photograph here, has always been a popular destination for Independence Day celebrations in Lake City.

### 1914

Quite a number of Mt. Taborites attended the picnic at the Lutheran church Saturday and reported a nice time, and also attended the ice cream supper at the home of Mr. Witt Saturday night.

### 1915

On the 4th of July, the following party spent the day on a picnic at Itchetucknee Springs. Mrs. T.H. Owens, Mrs. W.H. Markham, and Mrs. D.W. Black together with their Sunday School classes; Rev. and Mrs. J.C. Creasman, Miss Eva Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hunter, Mrs. McMannin, Mrs. J.L. Markham, Miss Mattie Small, and Messrs. Joe Roberts, Carlton Small, and Lloyd Roberts.

### 1916

J.E. Moreland and his better half were shopping

the story and who endeavor to recall some chapter of American history telling of this great man will search their memories in vain. So obscure has he remained in the annals of those times that even his name is unknown, there is only one glimpse of him as a rider hurrying through the night with a message that was to bring us our Glorious Fourth. The Chicago Post tells the story. "The friends of the Declaration of Independence" were afraid that they might not be in a majority in the great Philadelphia gatherings. It is affirmed that they counted noses and were fearful that they would fall short by one or two votes. Then it was they determined to send a messenger into Delaware to bring back an absent delegate who it was known would vote right if he were present. They

and the officers and our soldier boys as the guests and a number of our pretty Lake City girls attired as Red Cross nurses, to serve as waitresses for the occasion.

About 60 black men and women were present and took part in the demonstration in canning by A.A. Turner, manager and club agent from Tallahassee, whose lecture made new light on food conservation. Immediately after the demonstration on the court house lawn, everyone assembled in the court house to listen to the timely and most encouraging address from Hon. A.J. Moseley, Mayor of Lake City, and Mr. J.R. Lites, superintendent of public instruction of Columbia County. Rev. G.W. Curry, Mrs. A.M. Mattox, and Mrs. J.N. Niblack spoke pointedly indorsing the



An undated photo shows a large gathering for a Fourth of July picnic along the banks of the Itchetucknee River. The county has experienced Independence Day celebrations dating as far back as 1860.

# Plenty to do around the area on July 4th

Staff report

BRANFORD — When the Branford River Reunion returns for its 41st rendition, it will be bringing along a few new friends.

Opening at 2 p.m. at the Branford Greenway on July 4, the Reunion will include some new festivities to go along with some time-honored traditions.

Among the new additions to the long-running festival will be a watermelon eating contest, a watermelon seed-spitting contest, a corn hole tournament and a car show. Registration for the car show will take place from noon to 1 p.m. with judging set for 1:30-4:30 p.m. The corn hole tournament will begin at 3:30 p.m. with registration opening 30 minutes prior. Registration for the watermelon contests also begins at 3 p.m. with the eating

contest set for 3:30 p.m. and the seed spitting to follow at 4 p.m.

"To get more people at the park, at the Greenway," Peggy Terry, one of the River Reunion organizers, said about why the committee decided to add the new events.

Other events will return to the Reunion as well, like the Branford Rotary Duck Race, which will actually take place just south of the remainder of the festival in Ivey Park. The duck race starts at 2 p.m.

The festival will also include the annual parade (lineup at 5 p.m. at Buccaneer Field) at 6 p.m. and the Bedrock Derby race at 7 p.m. as well as plenty of food booths as well as craft booths and games.

Faith Jackson will perform at the stage at the Greenway in between those two events, starting at 6:30 p.m.

The grand finale will be the fireworks show, set to begin around 9:30 p.m.

## HAMILTON COUNTY

Hamilton County's annual Fourth of July celebration begins at 5 p.m. at the Hamilton County Recreation Department, 4525 SW 107th Avenue in Jasper.

There is also no fee to be a vendor at Hamilton County's event, which will also include bounce houses, waterslides and kids games at the park. The Rebellions will perform prior to the fireworks display.

## LAKE CITY

The Lake City-Columbia County Chamber of Commerce's Independence Day festivities will be a bit different this year. There will be no festival or vendors set up as part of the celebration.

Rather, there will just be

a fireworks display around 9:15 p.m. at the rodeo arena at the Florida Gateway Fairgrounds, 164 SW Mary Bethel Lane.

## LAFAYETTE COUNTY

Hosted by the Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce, the celebration will last from 6-9 p.m. at the Edward Perry Sports Complex, located off NE County Road 400 in Mayo.

According to Lynn Buchanan with the Chamber, there will be a few food vendors at the event, including snow cones. A water slide will also be at the park for children of all ages to enjoy and cool off.

The fireworks display is set to start around 9 p.m.



RAY CARPENTER/Special to the Reporter

A fireworks show gets underway in Lake City during Independence Day festivities in 2021.

## Live Oak hosting ninth annual Freedom Festival

July 4 celebration starts at 4 p.m.; fireworks at 9 p.m.

By JEWELIANA CURTIS

Special to the Reporter

The City of Live Oak is excited to announce the return of the Freedom Festival for the ninth year. Commemorating America's Independence Day.

The event will take place Monday, July 4, with festivities beginning at 4 p.m. in Millennium Park and Festival Park. The festival is open to the public and admission is free.

Celebrate Independence Day with a host of activities for the entire family, including bounce houses, balloon artists, food trucks, food vendors, retail vendors, informational vendors, and much more.

Enjoy your favorite food truck cuisine and check out the local vendors to support small businesses within the community. Be sure to head over to the hot dog eating contest where the fire department and police department will be competing to raise funds for the local humane society, "Dogs for Dogs."

Beginning at 6 p.m., enjoy a live performance by the Silvertones Rock & Roll Revue, a band specializing in era-specific music. Some of the songs on the set list include "Twist & Shout," "Tutti Frutti," "At The Hop," "La Bamba" and "Under The Boardwalk." End the evening by finding the perfect spot to watch the fireworks display at 9 p.m.

So, don your patriotic gear and head to downtown Live Oak for an evening of family-friendly fun as we celebrate America's Independence Day.



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## THE VOICE OF THE INDIANS

### Shayne Morgan's Fort White origins rooted in love for county

By **MORGAN MCMULLEN**  
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Shayne Morgan's first instinct usually steers his conversations in one direction. Not that that's ever bothered him before.

The Columbia County Emergency Management Director has decades of experience in informing folks on how to act during a natural disaster. However, his real passion may lie with the sports community around the county, particularly in Fort White.

Morgan was there for the Class 1A softball championship in Clermont in May, where he saw his Fort White girls lose a heartbreaking 1-run game and end their improbable run to a state runner-up finish. He was there for the school's first District 6-1A girls basketball championship in February. He watched, with captive awe, the school's baseball team as it reached its first ever state Final Four in May as well.

He's got his reasons. Even as a Class of 1990 graduate of Columbia High School, the Fort White obsession has a logical base. Morgan's been a lifelong resident of Columbia County, which lends his affinity to all the area schools, including Suwannee High. In fact, he got one of his first big breaks by covering Suwannee's football team as part of the crew at WQHL 98.1 in Live Oak. He spent some time as the station's midday disk jockey before getting the opportunity to put together packages of taped interviews with the head coaches at CHS, Lafayette and Madison County to be put on the air before covering SHS football stats for the night.

"Radio and TV is where I got my start at, and so I always have a special affinity for being able to do that still," Morgan said. "Keep my toe in the radio waters, as it were."

Morgan's slightly more invested than just a toe's worth in Fort White athletics. He even remembers his first radio broadcast to cover an FWHS football game. Back in 2000, the team went on the road to take on Florida High.

"That was the first true road game of the season," Morgan said. "I'm pretty sure we won that game... That was the first inking into Fort White athletics."

As far as his first PA announcing gig at Arrowhead Stadium, Morgan's memory gets a bit fuzziest.

"At this point, there's been so many over the years that the years themselves blur together... But I've seen some doozies though, man. It's been a wild ride."

One of the memories he can pick out of thin air was a 2011 home game. In Week 4, the Indians hosted Wakulla during a season in which the team eventually went 8-4, falling in the second round of the playoffs to Trinity Catholic.

"I remember it vividly because they had been beating us for most of the game," Morgan said. "We had a

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Shayne Morgan / Courtesy Photo



### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

## Florida paying \$1M to each of Billy Napier's 3 coordinators

OC Rob Sale & co-DCs Spencer & Toney will make seven-figure salaries.

Associated Press

GAINESVILLE — Florida is paying each of coach Billy Napier's three coordinators \$1 million annually.

Offense coordinator Rob Sale and co-defensive coordinators Sean Spencer and Patrick Toney will make seven-figure salaries, according to contracts the Gators shared Friday. Florida released the documents to fulfill public records requests. The school had previously disclosed details of Napier's deal.

Napier ended up spending \$6.325 million of a \$7.5 million pool for his 10 on-field assistants. Strength and conditioning coach Mark Hocke will make \$750,000,

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BRAD MCLENNY/The Gainesville Sun via AP

Florida head football coach Billy Napier speaks to the media during his introductory news conference at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium on Dec. 5, 2021.

### COLLEGE ATHLETICS

## Realignment makes another seismic shift

2 super conferences will have ripple effects from coast to coast.

By **JOHN MARSHALL**  
Associated Press

Conference realignment in college sports has been going on since 1984, when the Supreme Court invalidated the NCAA's national television contract for football.

The conference juggling has gone through ebbs and flows through the years since, from small schools bumping up to bigger leagues to power programs switching to other major conferences.

The latest move, Southern California and UCLA bolting the Pac-12 for the Big Ten, could be part of a tectonic shift. Not just because of the

marquee schools involved, but because it happened at a time when the NCAA is looking to take a more decentralized approach to governing college athletics, handing more power to schools and conferences.

"You might think this is more seismic because it's involving wealthier schools — and arguably it is — but also it's seismic because of the underpinnings of the system, the foundations of the system, are being challenged at a time when the financial structure is exploding," Smith College economics professor Andrew Zimbalist said Friday. "It may have larger ramifications, but it is a process that's been ongoing."

The decisions by USC and UCLA to join the Big Ten in 2024 come roughly a year after Texas

**SHIFT** continued on 6B

## SCOREBOARD

## MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	56	21	.727	—
Toronto	44	33	.571	12
Boston	43	34	.558	13
Tampa Bay	40	36	.526	15½
Baltimore	35	42	.455	21
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	43	36	.544	—
Cleveland	39	34	.534	1
Chicago	31	46	.403	12½
Detroit	29	45	.392	11½
Kansas City	27	47	.365	13½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	48	27	.640	—
Texas	36	39	.480	12
Los Angeles	37	41	.474	12½
Seattle	37	41	.474	12½
Oakland	25	53	.321	24½

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	48	29	.623	—
Atlanta	45	33	.577	3½
Philadelphia	41	37	.526	7½
Miami	35	40	.467	12
Washington	29	50	.367	20
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	44	34	.564	—
St. Louis	43	36	.544	1½
Pittsburgh	31	45	.408	12
Chicago	30	46	.395	13
Cincinnati	26	50	.342	17
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	47	28	.627	—
San Diego	46	32	.590	2½
San Francisco	40	34	.541	6½
Arizona	34	42	.447	13½
Colorado	33	43	.434	14½

Thursday's Games				
Cleveland 5, Minnesota 3				
Philadelphia 14, Atlanta 4				
Houston 2, N.Y. Yankees 1				
Pittsburgh 8, Milwaukee 7				
Toronto 4, Tampa Bay 1				
Chicago Cubs 15, Cincinnati 7				
Seattle 8, Oakland 6				
L.A. Dodgers 3, San Diego 1				
Friday's Games				
Chicago Cubs 6, Boston 5				

Toronto 9, Tampa Bay 2  
Miami 6, Washington 3  
Philadelphia 5, St. Louis 3  
Atlanta 9, Cincinnati 1  
N.Y. Mets 4, Texas 3  
N.Y. Yankees at Cleveland, ppd.  
Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.  
Kansas City at Detroit, 7:10 p.m.  
Baltimore at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.  
L.A. Angels at Houston, 8:10 p.m.  
Arizona at Colorado, 8:10 p.m.  
Oakland at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.  
San Diego at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

**Saturday's Games**  
Tampa Bay (McClanahan 8-3) at Toronto (Gausman 6-6), 12:07 p.m., 1st game  
N.Y. Yankees (TBD) at Cleveland (TBD), 1st game, 6:10 p.m.  
Baltimore (Lyles 4-7) at Minnesota (Gray 4-1), 2:10 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox (Cease 6-3) at San Francisco (Webb 7-2), 4:05 p.m.  
Miami (Castano 0-1) at Washington (Tetreault 2-1), 4:05 p.m.  
Milwaukee (TBD) at Pittsburgh (Thompson 3-5), 4:05 p.m.  
St. Louis (Liberatore 2-1) at Philadelphia (Gibson 4-3), 4:05 p.m.  
Kansas City (Singer 3-3) at Detroit (Faedo 1-4), 4:10 p.m.  
L.A. Angels (Sandoval 3-2) at Houston (Urquidy 6-3), 4:10 p.m.  
Oakland (Blackburn 6-3) at Seattle (Kirby 2-3), 4:10 p.m.  
Atlanta (Strider 3-2) at Cincinnati (Mahle 3-6), 4:10 p.m.  
Texas (Pérez 6-2) at N.Y. Mets (Peterson 4-1), 4:10 p.m.  
Tampa Bay (TBD) at Toronto (TBD), 6:07 p.m., 2nd game  
N.Y. Yankees (TBD) at Cleveland (TBD), 2nd game, 6:10 p.m.  
Boston (Winckowski 3-1) at Chicago Cubs (Mills 0-1), 7:15 p.m.  
San Diego (Darvish 7-3) at L.A. Dodgers (Anderson 8-1), 7:15 p.m.  
Arizona (Keuchel 2-5) at Colorado (Gomber 3-7), 9:10 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**  
Kansas City at Detroit, 12:05 p.m.  
Miami at Washington, 1:35 p.m.  
Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Toronto, 1:37 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees at Cleveland, 1:40 p.m.  
Atlanta at Cincinnati, 1:40 p.m.  
Texas at N.Y. Mets, 1:40 p.m.  
Baltimore at Minnesota, 2:10 p.m.

L.A. Angels at Houston, 2:10 p.m.  
Boston at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.  
Arizona at Colorado, 3:10 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.  
Oakland at Seattle, 4:10 p.m.  
San Diego at L.A. Dodgers, 4:10 p.m.  
St. Louis at Philadelphia, 7:08 p.m.  
**Monday's Games**  
Miami at Washington, 11:05 a.m.  
Texas at Baltimore, 1:05 p.m.  
Cleveland at Detroit 1:10 p.m., 1st game  
Tampa Bay at Boston, 1:35 p.m.  
Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee, 4:10 p.m.  
Kansas City at Houston, 4:10 p.m.  
San Francisco at Arizona, 6:10 p.m.  
Seattle at San Diego, 6:40 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets at Cincinnati, 6:40 p.m.  
Cleveland at Detroit, 6:40 p.m., 2nd game  
St. Louis at Atlanta, 7:20 p.m.  
Minnesota at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.  
Toronto at Oakland, 9:07 p.m.  
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

## WNBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	14	5	.737	—
Connecticut	13	7	.650	1½
Washington	13	9	.591	2½
Atlanta	9	11	.450	5½
New York	8	11	.421	6
Indiana	5	16	.238	10
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Las Vegas	14	5	.737	—
Seattle	12	7	.632	2
Dallas	9	11	.450	5½
Phoenix	9	12	.429	6
Los Angeles	7	11	.389	6½
Minnesota	6	14	.300	8½

Thursday, June 30				
Austin FC 1, Charlotte FC 0				
New York 2, Atlanta 1				
Saturday, July 2				
Seattle at Toronto FC, 7:30 p.m.				
Los Angeles FC at Vancouver, 10 p.m.				
Sunday, July 3				
Atlanta at New York City FC, 5 p.m.				
Philadelphia at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.				
Cincinnati at New England, 7:30 p.m.				
Real Salt Lake at Minnesota, 8 p.m.				
New York at Sporting Kansas City, 8 p.m.				
Charlotte FC at Houston, 8:30 p.m.				
Portland at Nashville, 8:30 p.m.				
Chicago at San Jose, 9 p.m.				
Monday, July 4				
Austin FC at Orlando City, 7 p.m.				
Austin FC at Colorado, 9 p.m.				
Miami at FC Dallas, 9 p.m.				
CF Montréal at LA Galaxy, 10:30 p.m.				

## MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE										
	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA				
CF Montréal	9	6	2	29	32	29				
New York	8	5	5	29	28	20				
Philadelphia	7	2	8	29	22	13				
New York City FC	8	4	4	28	31	17				
Orlando City	7	6	4	25	20	23				
Cincinnati	7	7	3	24	27	30				
New England	6	5	6	24	27	26				
Inter Miami CF	6	7	3	21	17	25				
Columbus	5	5	6	21	20	18				
Charlotte FC	6	10	2	20	17	22				
Atlanta	5	7	4	19	24	24				
Toronto FC	5	9	3	18	24	32				
Chicago	4	8	5	17	15	22				
D.C. United	4	9	2	14	18	27				

WESTERN CONFERENCE										
	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA				
Los Angeles FC	11	3	3	36	35	18				
Austin FC	9	4	4	31	32	20				
Real Salt Lake	8	4	5	29	20	19				
FC Dallas	7	5	5	26	27	20				
Nashville	7	5	5	26	22	19				
LA Galaxy	7	6	3	24	20	19				
Seattle	7	7	2	23	24	19				
Portland	5	6	7	22	27	27				
Houston	6	8	3	21	21	21				
Minnesota United	6	8	3	21	20	21				
Vancouver	6	8	3	21	18	28				
Colorado	5	7	4	19	17	21				
Sporting KC	4	10	4	16	16	32				
San Jose	3	7	6	15	25	34				

NOTE: 3 points for victory, 1 point for tie.

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## NBA

# Goibert traded to Minny in day of swaps

Associated Press

Rudy Goibert has been traded by the Utah Jazz to the Minnesota Timberwolves for a massive package of players and draft picks, a person with knowledge of the blockbuster deal said.

Utah is getting four first-round picks between 2023 and 2029, along with Patrick Beverley, Malik Beasley and a first-round pick this year in Walker Kessler, according to the person who spoke to The Associated Press on Friday on condition of anonymity because the NBA had not approved the deal and neither team could announce it publicly.

ESPN, which first reported the trade, also said Jarred Vanderbilt was going from Minnesota to Utah as part of the deal for Goibert.

Goibert has four years and \$170 million left on a five-year, \$205 million deal he signed with the Jazz last summer.

The Eastern Conference champion Boston Celtics also improved their backcourt depth Friday by acquiring combo guard Malcolm Brogdon in a multi-player trade with the Indiana Pacers. In Brogdon, the Celtics are getting a proven leader who averaged 19.1 points, 5.9 assists and 5.1 rebounds last season.

Indiana receives five players, all backup forwards with Boston, and a 2023 first-round draft pick.

The Pacers receive Daniel Theis, Aaron Nesmith and Nic Stauskas — both first-round picks — Juwan Morgan and Malik Fitts. Aside from adding Theis' physical presence, the Pacers could now have three first-round picks in 2023 and enough cap room to give them an additional \$31 million to spend.

The Atlanta Hawks also traded trading Kevin Huerter to the Sacramento Kings for Justin Holiday, Mo Harkless and a future conditional draft pick. Huerter averaged 11.4 points in four seasons with Atlanta after being selected by the Hawks with the No. 19 pick in the 2018 draft.

## NBA

# LaVine, Nurkic decide to stay put on Day 2 of free agency



AP FILE

Portland Trail Blazers center Jusuf Nurkic hangs on the rim after dunking in front of Minnesota Timberwolves guard Jaylen Nowell on Jan. 25.

By TIM REYNOLDS

Associated Press

Zach LaVine is staying in Chicago. Same goes for Jusuf Nurkic in Portland.

Day 2 of NBA free agency on Friday brought another max deal — this time, going to LaVine, who secured the richest contract in Bulls history when he agreed to a \$215 million, five-year contract.

LaVine technically was a free agent, for about 18 hours. Klutch Sports, which represents LaVine, made the announcement of the max agreement, with the Bulls able to offer the Olympic gold medalist and two-time All-Star \$56 million more than any other club could this summer.

Nurkic got by far the biggest payday of his career, agreeing to a four-year, \$70 million contract with Portland. The center just completed his eighth NBA season, the last six of those coming with the Trail Blazers, for whom he averaged 15 points and 11.1 rebounds this past season.

Mitchell Robinson is another big man not moving elsewhere, agreeing Friday to a \$60 million, four-year contract to remain with the New York Knicks. The same goes for veteran guard Ricky Rubio, who agreed to a

three-year, \$18.4 million deal to return to the Cleveland Cavaliers.

There are some players who will be changing addresses. Danilo Gallinari, according to a person familiar with his decision, intends to sign a two-year deal with the Eastern Conference champion Boston Celtics — once his waiving by the San Antonio Spurs is completed. Gallinari was sent to San Antonio this week in a trade that brought All-Star guard Dejounte Murray to Atlanta.

Also on the move: Bruce Brown Jr., a guard who has decided to leave Brooklyn and sign with Denver on a two-year deal worth just over \$13 million. Brown averaged a career-best 9 points per game this past season for the Nets.

Another deal that was put into motion earlier in the week was completed, when five-time All-Star John Wall — bought out by the Houston Rockets — announced he had agreed to a two-year deal with the Los Angeles Clippers. Wall was under contract for \$47.4 million this season, got bought out by Houston for about \$41 million, and will get the \$6.4 million difference from the Clippers. Wall hasn't played in the NBA since April 2021, and has

appeared in 82 games, including playoffs, over the last 4 1/2 seasons.

The champion Golden State Warriors brought back one of their key free agents, retaining Kevon Looney — who appeared in all 104 of the team's games this past season — on a three-year deal that could be worth about \$26 million if the final year becomes fully guaranteed. But another two rotation pieces went elsewhere; Gary Payton II is headed to the Portland Trail Blazers and Otto Porter Jr. is signing with the Toronto Raptors.

LaVine's agreement was at least the fifth deal of at least \$200 million struck since free agency opened on Thursday. The others all came on Day 1, going to Nikola Jokic (\$264 million extension in Denver), Bradley Beal (\$251 million contract to stay in Washington), Devin Booker (\$224 million extension with Phoenix) and Karl-Anthony Towns (\$224 million extension with Minnesota).

And a sixth deal could very easily join that \$200 million club: Memphis' Ja Morant agreed to a \$193 million extension that could reach \$231 million based on what awards he qualifies for this coming season.

## SPORTS ON TV

Saturday, July 2		3 p.m.
<b>3ICE HOCKEY</b>		ESPN — WNBA All-Star Team Selection Special
<b>3 p.m.</b>		
CBS/SSN — Week 3: Team Mullen vs. Team Carbonneau, Team LeClair vs. Team Fuhr, Team Trotter vs. Team Murphy, Grand Rapids, Mich.		
<b>AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL</b>		
<b>12 a.m. (Sunday)</b>		
FS2 — AFL Premiership: West Coast at Richmond		
<b>AUTO RACING</b>		
<b>8:20 a.m.</b>		
ESPN2 — W Series: Round 3, Silverstone Circuit, Towcester, England		
<b>9:55 a.m.</b>		
ESPN2 — Formula 1: Qualifying, Silverstone Circuit, Towcester, England		
<b>11:30 a.m.</b>		
CBS/SSN — FIA Formula E: The Marrakesh E-Prix, Round 10, Marrakesh, Morocco		
<b>12 p.m.</b>		
USA — NASCAR Cup Series: Qualifying, Road America, Elkhart, Wis.		
<b>2:30 p.m.</b>		
USA — NASCAR Xfinity Series: The Henry 180, Road America, Elkhart, Wis.		
<b>3 p.m.</b>		
NBC — AMA Lucas Oil Series: The RedBud National, RedBud MX, Buchanan, Mich.		
<b>8 p.m.</b>		
CBS — Camping World: The SRX Series, Stafford Motor Speedway, Stafford Springs, Conn.		
<b>BIG3 BASKETBALL</b>		
<b>1 p.m.</b>		
CBS — Week 3: Power vs. Enemies, Killer 3's vs. Tri State, Triplets vs. Ball Hogs, Dallas		
<b>CFL FOOTBALL</b>		
<b>7 p.m.</b>		
ESPN2 — Montreal at Saskatchewan		
<b>CYCLING</b>		
<b>8 a.m.</b>		
USA — UCI: The Tour de France, Stage 2, 125.5 miles, Roskilde to Nyborg, Denmark		
<b>1 p.m.</b>		
NBC — UCI: The Tour de France, Stage 2, 125.5 miles, Roskilde to Nyborg, Denmark (Taped)		
<b>GOLF</b>		
<b>8 a.m.</b>		
GOLF — DP World Tour: The Irish Open, Third Round, Mount Juliet Estate, Kilkenny, Ireland		
<b>1 p.m.</b>		
GOLF — PGA Tour: The John Deere Classic, Third Round, TPC Deere Run, Silvis, Ill.		
<b>3 p.m.</b>		
CBS — PGA Tour: The John Deere Classic, Third Round, TPC Deere Run, Silvis, Ill.		
<b>HORSE RACING</b>		
<b>12:30 p.m.</b>		
FS1 — NYRA: America's Day at the Races		
<b>3 p.m.</b>		
FS2 — NYRA: America's Day at the Races		
<b>4 p.m.</b>		



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NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of Donna Carol Cromwell, deceased, whose date of death was April 30, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Columbia County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 173 NE Hernando Ave, Lake City, FL 32055.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

Attorney for Personal Representative: Stephen M. Witt Attorney Florida Bar Number: 231916 PO Box 2064 LAKE CITY, FL 32056-2064 Telephone: (386) 755-2863 Fax: (386) 752-1732 E-Mail: stephen@attorneywitt.com

712785 July 3, 10, 2022

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION IN RE: ESTATE OF TIMOTHY E. MAI, File No. 2022-228-CP Division Probate Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of TIMOTHY E. MAI, deceased, whose date of death was October 20, 2021, and whose social security number is \*\*\*-\*\*-8994, is pending in the Circuit Court for COLUMBIA County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Columbia County Courthouse, 173 NE Hernando Ave., Lake City, FL. 32055.

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Attorney for Personal Representative: Alex L. Carswell, Jr., Superintendent

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Personal Representative: Lloyd E. Peterson, Jr., Attorney FBN: 0798797 905 SW Baya Drive, Lake City, FL 32025 Telephone:(386)961 9959; Fax: 961 9956 Rebecca D. Mai 236 SW Cannon Creek Lake City, FL 32024 Email: lloydpeterson@hotmail.com

712664 July 3, 10, 2022

NOTICE OF INTENT BY THE SCHOOL BOARD OF COLUMBIA COUNTY TO ADOPT RULE AND SET PUBLIC HEARING

The School Board of Columbia County will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 at 5:55 p.m., at the School Board Administrative Complex, 372, West Duval Street, Lake City, Florida, on proposed amendments to rules, regulations and procedures for the operation of the Columbia County School District.

Persons with disabilities who require assistance to participate in the public hearing are requested to notify the Office of the Superintendent at 755-8000 at least 48 hours in advance so that their needs can be accommodated.

TITLE: Policy 5.01 Age of Majority Policy 5.02 Suicide Prevention Policy 5.021 Out of District Residence Policy 5.022 Homeless Students Policy 5.023 Exertional Heat Illness Policy 5.025 Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care Policy 5.03 Student Assignment Policy 5.031 Student Out of Zone Transfers/Choice Policy 5.033 Controlled Open Enrollment Policy 5.035 Classroom Transfer Policy 5.04 Student Attendance Policy 5.05 Foreign Exchange Students Policy 5.06 Granting Permission for Students to Leave School Campus Policy 5.07 Student Control and Code of Student Conduct Policy 5.08 Student Detention Search and Seizure Policy 5.09 Expulsion of Students Policy 5.10 Zero Tolerance for School Related Crimes Policy 5.101 Bullying and Harassment Policy 5.102 Dating Violence Policy 5.103 Requirements for Original Entry Policy 5.107 Hazing Policy 5.11 Student Illness Policy 5.111 Administration of Medication Policy 5.12 Eye Protection Devices Policy 5.13 Student Injures Policy 5.14 Legal Name of Student Policy 5.141 Anabolic Steroid Testing Policy 5.15 Student Records Policy 5.16 Student Activities Policy 5.17 Student Random Drug Testing Policy 5.18 Tutoring for Compensation Policy 5.19 Corporal Punishment Policy 5.20 Directory Information Policy 5.21 Use of Time Out, Seclusion, and Physical Restraint for Students With Disabilities Policy 5.22 School Health Services Policy 5.23 Notification of Involuntary Examination Policy 5.24 Parental Access to Information Policy 5.29 Notification of Involuntary Examination Policy 5.40 Children of Military Families PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Revisions are being made to reflect changes in Law. SPECIFIC LEGAL AUTHORITY: 1001.41, 1001.42, 1003.21, F.S. \*\*\*\*\*

DATED THIS DAY OF June 30, 2022 SCHOOL BOARD OF COLUMBIA COUNTY Alex L. Carswell, Jr., Superintendent

712792 July 3, 2022

LEGALS COLUMBIA COUNTY

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP 2022-03) TOWN ATTORNEY LEGAL SERVICES

The Town of Fort White is requesting proposals to provide legal services for the Town of Fort White. Proposals will be accepted by the Town Clerk's office by mail at P.O. Box 129, Fort White, FL 32038, by email clerk@fortwhitefl.com, or in person at 118 SW Wilson Springs Road, Fort White, FL 32038 until 4 p.m., July 15th, 2022. Proposals delivered to any other location will not be considered received by the Town Clerk's Office.

708845 June 12, 19, 26, 2022 July 3, 10, 2022

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FLORIDA GATEWAY COLLEGE WILL RECEIVE PROPOSALS FOR THE FOLLOWING: RFP # (P-001-22-0123) LEGAL SERVICES

Florida Gateway College is soliciting Request for Proposals from qualified attorneys and law firms to provide legal services primarily regarding student, employment, and labor law matters.

Proposal Documents Available From: https://www.fgc.edu/florida-gateway-college/procurement-contracts/solicitations-goods-services/ Inquiries: Aaron Mathews Director of Procurement & Contracts Florida Gateway College 149 SE College Place Lake City, FL 32025 P: (386) 754-4381 E: aaron.mathews@fgc.edu Date & Time for Receiving Proposals: 5:00 p.m. (EST), Friday, July 15, 2022 Place for Receiving Proposals: Proposals will be received electronically via FGC Dropbox with instructions provided in the Proposal Documents. Proposals must be electronically submitted to the FGC Dropbox prior to the 5:00 p.m. deadline on July 15, 2022. The College will not be responsible for

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delays that cause a Proposal to arrive after the designated submission deadline.

712827 July 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 2022

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: AUTO EMPORIUM OF LAKE CITY INC. gives notice that on 07/15/2022 at 09:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 2832 SW MAIN BLVD LAKE CITY FL. to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

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July 3, 2022

Public Auction Will be held by Davis Towing & Recovery at 9 a.m. On 07/16/22, in Columbia County at 1226 NW Main Blvd, Lake City, FL 32055.

2002 Lincoln 1LNHM82WX3Y624610

712735 July 3, 2022

Public Auction Will be held by Davis Towing & Recovery at 9 a.m. On 07/17/22, in Columbia County at 1226 NW Main Blvd, Lake City, FL 32055.

2007 Nissan 3N1AB61E17L699165

712733 July 3, 2022

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712339 July 3, 2022

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CARE AND PROTECTION, TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS, SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION, Docket Number: 20CP0418FI, Trial Court of Massachusetts, Juvenile Court Department, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Worcester County Juvenile Court, 100 Elm Street, Fitchburg, MA 01420 TO: Gerald W. Sanborn: A petition has been presented to this court by DCF (Leominster), seeking, as to the following child: Kyle J. Sanborn, that said child be found in need of care and protection and committed to the Department of Children and Families. The court may dispense the rights of the person named herein to receive notice of or to consent to any legal proceeding affecting the adoption, custody, or guardianship or any other disposition of the child named herein, if it finds that the child is in need of care and protection and that the best interests of the child would be served by said disposition. You are hereby ORDERED to appear in this court, at the court address set forth above, on the following date and time: 08/30/2022 at 09:00 AM Pre Trial Conference (CR/CV) You may bring an attorney with you. If you have a right to an attorney and if the court determines that you are indigent, the court will appoint an attorney to represent you. If you fail to appear, the court may proceed on that date and any date thereafter with a trial on the merits of the petition and an adjudication of this matter. For further information call the Office of the Clerk-Magistrate at 978-345-7620. WITNESS: Hon. Carol A. Erskine, FIRST JUSTICE, Brendan J. Moran, Clerk-Magistrate,

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DATE ISSUED: 03/29/2022

711443 June 26, 2022 July 3, 10, 2022

Notice of Enforcement of lien without judicial intervention. The contents of the listed leased space(s) located at Ms. Lillians Self-Storage, 7434 County Rd 795, Live Oak, FL 32060 will be placed for Public Auction and Sale to the highest bidder to be held online at www.storageauctions.com on July 26th, 2022, bidding ends at 11:00 AM. \$50 refundable deposit required on each winning bid. Units may include: Furniture, Antiques, Electronics, Household items, Office items, Clothes, Toys, Baby items, Tools, Automobiles, Trailers, etc. The units, description, and customer names included in this Auction are;

A13, 5x10, Era Ewe, B31, 10x15, Stephanie Lilly, B42, 5x10, Christina Minguez B50, 10x15, Matthew (Tiffany Topping) Jenkins C58, 10x15, Xavier Wohler C60, 10x15, Cameron Brantley C68, 5x10, Mariah Crawford D101, 10x20, Jeffrey Baker D109, 5x10, Christina Minguez Vehicle and trailer photos & Vin #s and descriptions are available online at www.storageauctions.com

711314 June 26, 2022 July 3, 2022

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305-GENERAL



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## WIMBLEDON



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Tim van Rijthoven celebrates winning the first set against Nikoloz Basilashvili in a third round men's singles match on day five of the Wimbledon tennis championships on Friday in London.

# Wild-card entry outside top 100 gets Djokovic next

By HOWARD FENDRICH  
Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — It is, to be sure, the stuff of movies: An off-injured guy ranked outside the top 100, making his Grand Slam debut thanks to a wild card, knocks out two seeded players on his way to a fourth-round matchup at Wimbledon against none other than No. 1 Novak Djokovic, the three-time defending champion.

We can guess what Hollywood might do with that script. Tim van Rijthoven, a 25-year-old Dutchman, earned the chance to see what will happen in real life across the net from Djokovic after both men won in straight sets Friday at the All England Club.

"Before the tournament started, it was a dream for me to play him, basically. So to be able to have that chance, and to maybe even play on Centre Court or Court 1, is beautiful and magical," van Rijthoven said after beating No. 22 Nikoloz Basilashvili 6-4, 6-3, 6-4 on Court 12, with its capacity of 1,736, to become the first wild-card entry since 2015 to get to the round of 16 at Wimbledon.

"I go into every match thinking I can win the match," said van Rijthoven, whose baseline-based style eliminated No. 15 Reilly Opelka earlier in the week. "Also, against Djokovic, I'll go into that match thinking I can win that match."

Actually, until June, the back-ward-ballcap-wearing van Rijthoven never had won a match on the ATP Tour. Since then, he hasn't lost one, going 8-0, including a victory over current No. 1 Daniil Medvedev to claim the trophy at a grass-court event in the Netherlands.

"It's been a long one. I've had my ups and downs, injuries here and there. Also struggled mentally," said van Rijthoven, whose health issues included wrist surgery, a procedure on a vein in his right arm because of thrombosis and nine months healing from "golfer's elbow" that he noted with a smile he incurred from playing tennis.

"I'm just happy to be in the place I am right now," he said. "I hope to be there for a couple more years — or a lot more years, actually."

If he's an unknown to most, he is not to Djokovic, who grabbed the initial seven games and then six of seven in a strong stretch later on, during a 6-0, 6-3, 6-4 victory over No. 22 Miomir Kecmanovic at near-

## LOOKAHEAD TO SATURDAY

Coco Gauff and Rafael Nadal will be back on Centre Court on Day 6 at Wimbledon. Gauff will face another American, Amanda Anisimova, in the third round at the All England Club. Nadal, a two-time Wimbledon champion, will play Lorenzo Sonego. In between those match, another two-time champion at the grass-court Grand Slam, Petra Kvitova, will take on fourth-seeded Paula Badosa. French Open champion Iga Swiatek will play her third-round match on No. 1 Court against Alizé Cornet. After that match, fourth-seeded Stefanos Tsitsipas will play Nick Kyrgios.

## FRIDAY'S KEY RESULTS

**Women's Third Round:** No. 3 Ons Jabeur beat Diane Parry 6-2, 6-3; Tatjana Maria beat No. 5 Maria Sakkari 6-3, 7-5; No. 12 Jelena Ostapenko beat Irina-Camelia Begu 3-6, 6-1, 6-1; No. 24 Elise Mertens beat No. 15 Angelique Kerber 6-4, 7-5; Marie Bouzkova beat No. 28 Alison Riske 6-2, 6-3; Heather Watson beat Kaja Juvan 7-6 (6), 6-2; Caroline Garcia beat No. 33 Zhang Shuai 7-6 (3), 7-6 (5); Jule Niemeier beat Lesia Tsurenko 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

**Men's Second Round:** Jack Sock beat Maxime Cressy 6-4, 6-4, 3-6, 7-6 (1).

**Men's Third Round:** No. 1 Novak Djokovic beat No. 25 Miomir Kecmanovic 6-0, 6-3, 6-4; No. 5 Carlos Alcaraz beat No. 32 Oscar Otte 6-3, 6-1, 6-2; No. 9 Cam Norrie beat Steve Johnson 6-4, 6-1, 6-0; No. 10 Jannik Sinner beat No. 20 John Isner 6-4, 7-6 (4), 6-3; Tim van Rijthoven beat No. 22 Nikoloz Basilashvili 6-4, 6-3, 6-4; No. 23 Frances Tiafoe beat Alexander Bublik 3-6, 7-6 (1), 7-6 (3), 6-4; No. 30 Tommy Paul beat Jiri Vesely 6-3, 6-2, 6-2; David Goffin beat Ugo Humbert 4-6, 7-5, 6-2, 7-5.

## STAT OF THE DAY

**13,729** — The number of aces John Isner hit to set the record for most on the men's tour. Isner finished with 24 aces in his third-round loss to Sinner.

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Tunisians. They came up with that I think few years ago, one or two years ago. Funny because a minister in Tunisia comes like, 'Hello, Minister.' It was funny, but it's nice to be called that." — Jabeur on being nicknamed "Minister of Happiness" back home in Tunisia.

ly 15,000-seat Centre Court.

That's in part because Djokovic is pals with van Rijthoven's coach, Igor Sijsling. And in part because he's been keeping an eye on the guy.

So Djokovic offered a bit of a scouting report.

"His game, from what I've seen, is quite suitable to this surface. His big serve, one-handed backhand. Uses the slice well. He's an all-around player. He can play fast, he can also stay in the rally and come to the net," said Djokovic, who seemed to enjoy the sunny, breezy conditions in the afternoon, compiling a 36-13 edge in winners against his Serbian Davis Cup teammate. "I'm sure he's excited to play on a big stage. He doesn't have much to lose. He's on his dream run. He's a young player that is just starting, so I'm sure his career will be very good."

Other men's fourth-round matchups set up for the middle Sunday — traditionally an off day, that is now a scheduled day of play for the first time in the tournament's 145-year history — are No. 5 Carlos Alcaraz vs. No. 10 Jannik Sinner, No. 23 Frances Tiafoe vs. David Goffin, and No. 30 Tommy Paul vs. No. 9 Cam Norrie.

Djokovic is eyeing a seventh career title at Wimbledon and 21st major championship overall. Only

one other man on the top half of the bracket ever has been to the fourth round at the All England Club in the past: Goffin.

And Djokovic is the only man still around who reached last year's quarterfinals.

"I've been playing better and better as the tournament progresses," Djokovic said. "I always expect the highest of myself."

Women's fourth-rounders Sunday are No. 3 Ons Jabeur vs. No. 24 Elise Mertens, No. 12 Jelena Ostapenko vs. Tatjana Maria, Marie Bouzkova vs. Caroline Garcia, and Heather Watson vs. Julie Niemeier. One of those players will play for the championship; the only one who's ever participated in a Grand Slam singles final previously is 2017 French Open champion Ostapenko.

Watson, a 30-year-old from Britain, made her Grand Slam debut in 2010 and this is her 43rd appearance at one of the sport's four most important tournaments. It is the first time she has reached the fourth round (same for Niemeier, whose only previous major showing was a first-round exit at this year's French Open).

"Yeah, I was just sort of waiting for it to happen," Watson said. "I waited long enough, I think."

## NASCAR

# Ross Chastain threading fine line of aggression, patience

By JENNA FRYER  
Associated Press

Ross Chastain has proven to be a decent road racer over his career and there's no reason to believe he won't be in the mix Sunday at Road America in Wisconsin.

But it takes a fine line of patience and aggression to battle for race wins and Chastain has been trying hard to find that balance in his breakout season. Chastain has picked up a pair of Cup victories this season, his first with Trackhouse Racing, but he's rattled some cages among his rivals along the way.

He's admittedly made a series of overaggressive on-track moves that have strained some relationships, but the 29-year-old Chastain is torn on how to proceed. What's he done so far has Chastain both qualified for NASCAR's playoffs and ranked second in the Cup standings.

"All I know is I've chased this dream and this goal of competing in the Cup Series for going on 11 years, 12 years now," Chastain said. "When I race guys, I want it to be for the win and I want to race them for the win, and I need to not do (big moves) for fifth place. I need to have some better couth about it. I don't know how to fix it, I just know that I want this so bad."

"And that doesn't mean that I just get to run into people, like, I get that. And trying to be better has been a challenge. I just want to pass people. I feel like I'm the aggressive guy, yeah, but I also get run into a lot. And that's fine, that's racing, I love it, and I get to do it at the front of a Cup race, which is just a dream come true."

Chastain picked up his first career Cup win in March on the Circuit of the Americas road course in Austin, Texas, and he had to tussle with former teammate AJ Allmendinger in the closing laps to seal the win.

He won't be afraid to bump and bang again Sunday when NASCAR makes its second consecutive trip to the idyllic 14-turn track that stretches over 4 miles and is considered among the top permanent road courses in the world. Chastain was seventh at Road America last year and the discipline suits him: Chastain has five top-10 finishes in 14 career road course starts.

He'll be trying to navigate his way into victory lane on Sunday and become the first three-race winner this season — Chastain is one of five driv-

ers with two wins — while also trying to find his proper footing in the garage.

He's not a superstar, is unmarried so doesn't hang with the young families, and hasn't been included in any of Denny Hamlin's golfing outings or basketball tournaments.

"I don't live the same life as a lot of them; I don't have a bus here in the bus lot and that's the thing — if I wanted to hang out with them on the weekends, I probably should be over there in the bus lot," Chastain said. "But that just seems like an egregious expense that I don't care to do. Should I probably give them a call and go out on the lake with them on Mondays? Probably. But I don't like the lake that much."

"So I am probably just going to go to the shop. I've got my crew. I've got my friends. It's a pretty small circle. I'm a bit of a loner. I've got way more friends in the garage than I do on the (starting) grid."

## ROAD COURSE RINGERS

The Cup Series race has a pair of ringers entered in the field with Kyle Tilley and Joey Hand, a pair of veterans from the NASCAR-owned IMSA sports car series.

Tilley will be making his fourth career Cup start and first of the season. The British driver will be in the No. 78 Live Fast Motorsports Ford. In three starts last season, Tilley was 31st at COTA, 35th at Road America and 30th at Watkins Glen.

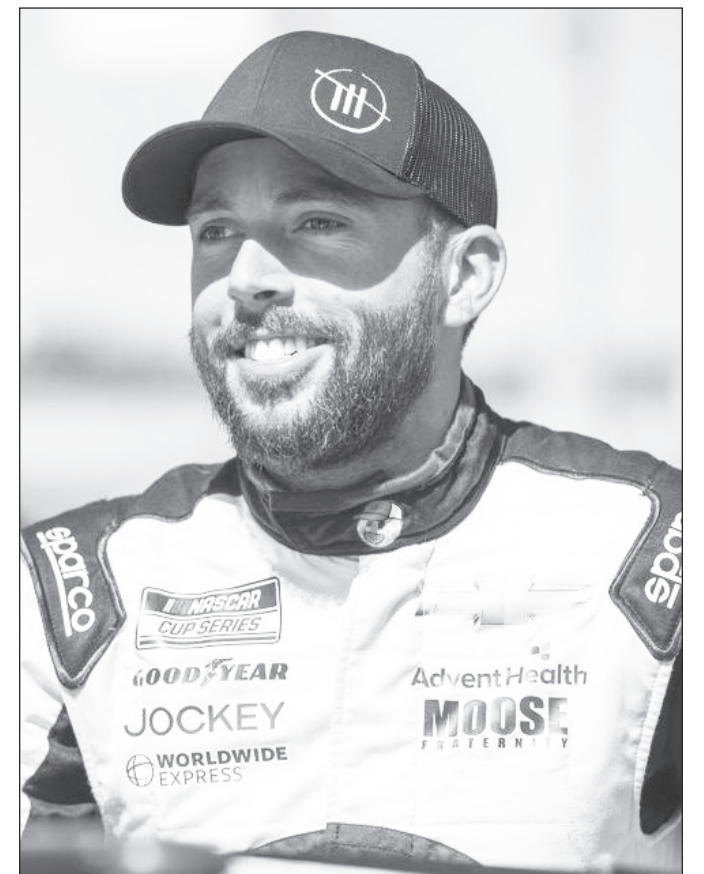
Tilley raced the IMSA event last season and finished third in the LMP2 class.

Hand, a former Chip Ganassi Racing driver, is in the race as part of his long association with Ford. The Californian will be driving the No. 15 Rick Ware Racing Ford, a car that is fielded mostly by Stewart-Haas Racing.

Road America will be Hand's fourth career start in the series, third this season. His career best finish was 20th at Sonoma in early June.

## ODDS AND ENDS

Defending race winner Chase Elliott is the favorite, per FanDuel and coming off a win last Sunday night at Nashville Superspeedway. ... If Elliott wins on Sunday, he will tie NASCAR Hall of Famer Tony Stewart for the second-most Cup Series road course wins with eight. NASCAR Hall of Famer Jeff Gordon holds the record with nine road course wins.



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Ross Chastain smiles before practice at Dover Motor Speedway on April 30 in Dover, Del.

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— Tim van Rijthoven after upsetting Nikoloz Basilashvili in the third round of Wimbledon on Friday, setting up a matchup with Novak Djokovic.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Shayne Morgan announces senior night for Fort White's football team in 2019.



Shayne Morgan interviews former Fort White athletic director John Wilson during a football game last season.

## MORGAN

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two-hour lightning delay. We didn't even get the game started until 9 o'clock, may have even been 9:30. By that time, we're all worn out. Wakulla wanted no part of going home just to turn around and come back and play on Saturday."

Morgan said at the height of a Fort White comeback attempt, Wakulla's coaches had just come down from the roof of the Arrowhead Stadium press box, excited to have, in their minds, put a wrap on the game.

"They were coming down just all excited, having won the game, talking smack," Morgan said. "We were just sitting there, looking at each other, hearing this guy carry on... just talking all this smack about them winning."

With good reason. The War Eagles had just taken a 21-17 lead with 1:38 left in the fourth quarter on a 40-yard run from Marshane Godbolt. The Indians even fumbled away the ensuing kickoff, leading to another minute dripping off the clock. Needing to drive 60 yards in under a minute, then head coach Demetric Jackson called up the hook-and-ladder play. With just 12 seconds remaining on the clock, running back Soron Williams crossed the goal line, likely upsetting at least one of those Wakulla coaches who called the game early.

"The hook-and-ladder happens, and he's like, 'Oh my gosh, oh my gosh,'" Morgan said. "You would've thought he lost his best friend at that point."

"The second that we crossed the goal line and got the winning touchdown, that was unbelievable. That was a really good game."

Over the past 20-plus years, Morgan estimates he's missed a total of four varsity football games. He missed one to participate in a marathon, one to host a visiting friend, and the other two because he was transitioning between radio stations.

As Morgan tells it, WCJX owned the rights to broadcast Fort White games at the time. Back then, he was still with WQHL in Live Oak, working with the crew that originally worked on CHS games. When WCJX said they needed help with equipment over at the Fort White games, Morgan jumped all over it.

Morgan's passion quickly grew with that change. However, as with most good things, money issues began to get in the way. According to Morgan, WCJX decided it wanted to move on to covering just Columbia athletics after the rights for the FWHS broadcasts were up in the air after that season in 2008.

"That kind of left me out in the cold, because there wasn't a radio station picking us up at the time,"

Morgan said.

Morgan said in the middle of the turmoil, former Fort White Athletic Director John Wilson gave him a ring.

"I remember the conversation vividly," Morgan said. "He called me up one day and says, 'Shayne, I know that the other station's not gonna take you for the broadcast, but don't you worry because you've got a home here in Fort White. We'll find something for you to do.' That's when I started branching off into the PA announcing for the various sports."

It wasn't just John Wilson that was in Morgan's corner. When FWHS principal Keith Couey was hired, Morgan gained another ally in his journey. However, instead of just Fort White sports, Couey had some other objectives in mind for Morgan.

"When Mr. Couey came in, I got to know him as the principal," Morgan said. "So he'll ask me to do all kinds of stuff. It's to the point now where I help him with graduations and baccalaureates, whatever he needs. He says he needs me to help him out with something, I'm like, 'If you tell me when to be there, then I'll be there.'"

Speaking of allies, it didn't stop at Couey either. Until about 2007, he'd strictly been doing Friday night football at Fort White. But even before Couey arrived on the scene around 2012, Morgan had to field offers from others in the Fort White community to help out with their sports. For example, when the football team traveled to Hamilton County for a game one year, the baseball booster club president approached Morgan.

"He asked me point blank, 'Why don't you ever announce baseball?'" Morgan remembers the president asking. Morgan's response?

"Nobody's ever asked me to announce baseball," he replied flatly. Morgan said the president asked him there on the spot.

Morgan's response? "Well, get me a schedule whenever it comes out, and I'll be there."

"The rest is history, as the cliché goes."

Couey, Morgan said, mostly recruited him for the non-sports help with school functions. It's a role that Morgan doesn't mind at all.

"Quite honestly, the kids see me around anyway and everything," Morgan said. "It's cool to be a part of that and have the respect of the administration when I show up at those events, because I've been doing graduations now for six or seven years with him. It's just that he has that trust in me, and to be a part of that team is just quite an honor."

And if you take Morgan's word for it, he wouldn't have it any other way.

"That's how it all came to be, and I wouldn't trade a lick of it for anything."

## GATORS

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bringing Napier's staff total to a little more than \$7 million. Florida gave Napier another \$5 million pool to hire his support staff.

Each of Napier's assistants signed two-year deals.

Cornerbacks coach Corey Raymond will make \$725,000 annually, followed by outside linebackers coach Mike Peterson (\$550,000), receivers coach Keary Colbert (\$500,000), running backs coach Jabbar Juluke (\$450,000), inside linebackers coach Jay Bateman (\$425,000) and tight ends coach William Peagler (\$425,000). Offensive line coach Darnell Stapleton, who followed Napier to Gainesville from Louisiana-Lafayette, will get \$250,000 a year.

Florida hired Napier to replace Dan Mullen in November, giving the Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year a salary that begins at \$7.1 million annually and increases by \$100,000 each year.

Napier's contract includes all the usual perks afforded football coaches in Gainesville: the use of two luxury cars, a suite for football games and personal use of the University Athletic Association's jets. He also has the potential to make more than \$1.5 million in annual bonuses, including \$1 million for winning a national championship.

## SHIFT

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and Oklahoma announced they were leaving the Big 12 for the Southeastern Conference.

While surprising, even to Pac-12 officials, the announcement Thursday gives the Los Angeles schools stability and exposure in a shifting collegiate sports landscape.

"It's huge for our student athletes, just from a national exposure perspective," UCLA athletic director Martin Jarmond said. "They're going compete at the highest level in a major elite conference in different time zones. UCLA is always national, but now we have the ability for student athletes to showcase their talent across the country. That's exciting."

For all the other benefits, the bottom line to the defections is the bottom line.

The SEC has become a college football behemoth that distributed \$54.6 million to each of its member schools in the 2021 fiscal year. The Big Ten has tried to keep up and had a per-school distribution of \$46.1 million last year.

The Pac-12 had the lowest distribution number among Power Five schools, paying its member institutions \$19.8 million in 2021. At the core, it's all about the TV.

The SEC has a \$3 billion deal with ESPN that's set to kick in in 2024 and the Big Ten is currently negotiating a massive media rights deal. The Pac-12 has floundered when it comes to TV as the conference's network has struggled to gain footing while many of its games are played late



AP FILE

UCLA guard Jaime Jaquez Jr. tries to get by Southern California forward Isaiah Mobley on March 5.

at night.

With costs to run college athletic programs have climbed in recent years, exacerbated by the pandemic, moving to an even bigger conference provides more financial stability. For the Big Ten, adding UCLA and USC gives the conference a foothold in the nation's second-largest media market.

"Money talks," said Tom McMillen, President and CEO of Lead1, which represents Football Bowl Subdivision athletic directors and programs. "I was on the board of regents when Maryland jumped in to the Big Ten and there were all kinds of arguments about it was academics and it was this and that, but ulti-

mately it came down to money. I think that's the same case here."

The defections will create two mega conferences that will hold the majority of power and money, leaving the rest of leagues scrambling to keep up.

The tiering could stratify even more if the SEC and the Big Ten continue to expand, which could be the next step.

The future power structure could consist of two, maybe three mega conferences of up to 20 schools at the top, with the Power Five joining the Group of Five conferences in the tier below but still above the Football Championship Subdivision.

More schools in the Pac-12 and Big 12, along with the ACC, could

look to bolt for more stability.

Conferences losing members likely will face two options: combining with another league to form a mega conference of their own or expand on the current membership. The Pac-12 it plans to take the expansion route, issuing a statement on Friday that said it is exploring all expansion options.

"You have exploding costs on one end and your revenue sources are being decimated, which is a tremendous pressure," Zimbalist said. "On the other hand, what do you do? Well, something pretty radical I think is going to have to happen."

Uncertainty is the only thing that's certain at this point.

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Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell testifies before the House Financial Services Committee on Thursday, June 23, 2022 in Washington.

## Powell: 'No guarantee' Fed can tame inflation, spare jobs

By PAUL WISEMAN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell said there's "no guarantee" the central bank can tame runaway inflation without hurting the job market.

Speaking Wednesday at a European Central Bank forum in Sintra, Portugal, Powell repeated his hope that the Fed can achieve a so-called soft landing — raising interest rates just enough to slow the economy and rein in surging consumer prices without causing a recession and sharply raising the unemployment rate.

"We believe we can do that. That is our aim," he said. But the Russian invasion of Ukraine, he said, had made the job more difficult by disrupting commerce and driving up the price of food, energy and chemicals.

"It's gotten harder," Powell said. "The pathways have gotten narrower."

ECB President Christine Lagarde echoed the "major impact" of energy shocks, which are rippling worldwide but felt acutely in Europe because of

its reliance on Russian oil and natural gas. She also pointed to Europe's proximity to the war in Ukraine and said how "energy was vastly underestimated" in the bank's assessment of inflation.

The ECB and the Fed were slow to recognize the inflation threat that emerged just over a year ago. They believed that rising prices were the temporary result of supply chain snags as the economy bounced back with unexpected speed from 2020's brief but devastating coronavirus recession.

But inflation kept accelerating. The Fed raised its short-term benchmark rate in March and May and appeared to be ready for another half-percentage-point increase at its meeting June 14-15.

Then, the Labor Department reported that consumer prices had shot up 8.6% in May from a year earlier — biggest jump since 1981. The Fed responded by pushing the rate up by three-quarters of a percentage point — biggest hike since 1994.

Europe's central bank is behind the Fed but said it

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## Zechers on the move



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Missy Zecher (from left), Maverick the dog, Helen Mincey, Suzanne Stewart and Bryan Zecher pose at the front desk of their new construction company headquarters.

## Zechers move in at new HQ along State Road 47

By TONY BRITT  
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The Zechers finally have a new place to call 'home.'

The Zecher Companies' construction business has expanded and is now housed in a remodeled building south of Lake City.

Bryan Zecher, Bryan Zecher Construction Building Company president, and his wife, Missy Zecher, a real estate broker/associate with RE/MAX Professionals, said the building is for their construction company interests.

"The building, at the moment, is for any Zecher companies that we own and operate," said Missy Zecher. "We kind of named the building because of all the companies that we operate. The new logo, the new building, right now, is more specifically tied to the construction business."

The Zechers have three companies — two building and construction companies and a holding company. Real Estate is not part of the building.

The Zecher Companies building, located at 2370 SW State Road 47, is 5,000 square feet — 2,500 square feet of office space and a 2,500 square-foot warehouse.

The Zechers purchased their new building in January and spent the past few months remodeling and renovating the site. They moved into their new space at the end of April.

"We closed in January and then, we obviously wanted to start renovations fairly quickly, but it took a while to get things going just because the product supply chain and all of the subs (sub contractors) are very busy," Missy Zecher said.

She said they didn't pull subcontractors off other jobs to work on the renovations and some items they wanted in the building needed to be back-ordered.

The building has been open for business for roughly eight weeks and is about 95% complete.

The Zechers were at their former site for about 25 years and were scheduled to close on the sale of their



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An artist's rendering shows the storefront of the Zecher Companies' new office.

old office Wednesday.

"We're closing that chapter out altogether — it's sad," Missy Zecher said.

Bryan Zecher noted that being in the new building is totally different than working out of the former 1,000-square-foot house-turned-office, where they were housed for more than two decades.

"It served its purpose," he said.

"It served its purpose for 25 years," Missy Zecher added. "We lived in that

office, rented it, then it was his office."

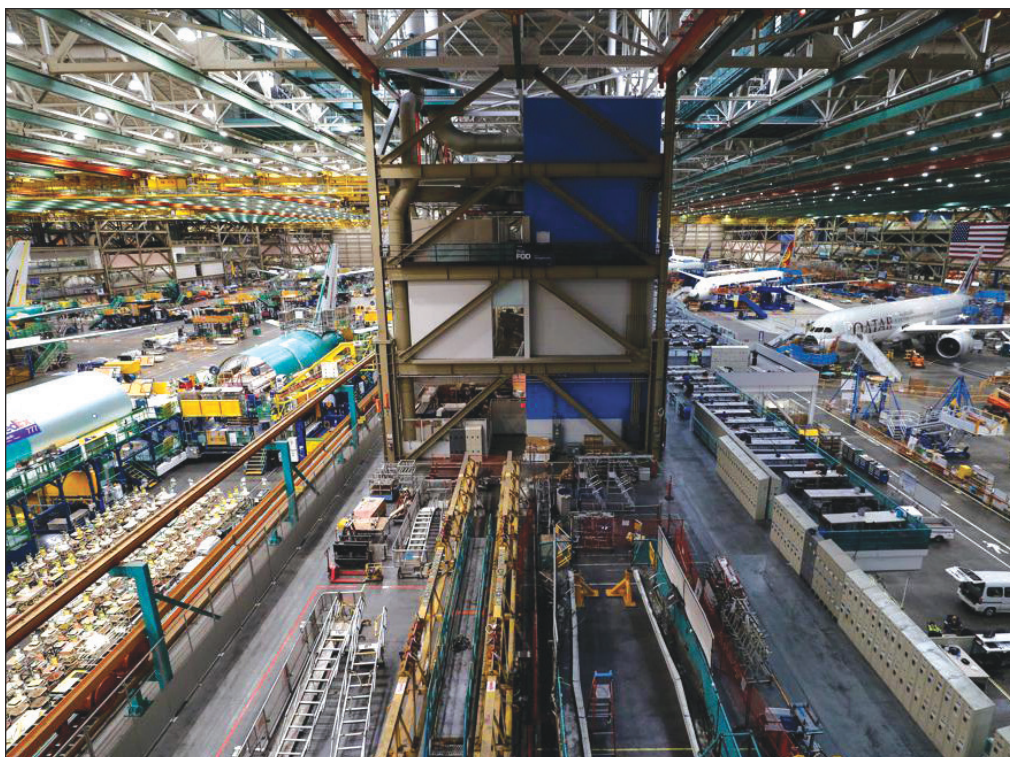
The Zechers said the new building will aid in serving their customers.

"From a product supply chain, we're able to go ahead when they sign the contract, Bryan can go ahead and order materials — windows, appliances, etc. — because now we have storage place," Missy Zecher said.

Bryan Zecher noted that

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## U.S. economy slipped 1.6% to start year; return to growth eyed



JENNIFER BUCHANAN/The Seattle Times via AP

The 777 factory line, left, is seen next to the 787 line, right, at Boeing's Everett Production Facility Wednesday, June 15, 2022, in Everett, Wash.

By PAUL WISEMAN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. economy shrank at a 1.6% annual pace in the first three months of the year, the government reported Wednesday in a slight downgrade from its previous estimate for January-March quarter.

It was the first drop in gross domestic product — the broadest measure of economic output — since the second quarter of 2020, in the depths of the covid-19 recession, and followed a strong 6.9% expansion in the final three months of 2021. Inflation is running at 40-year highs, and consumer confidence is sinking.

Last month, the Commerce Department

had pegged first-quarter GDP growth at 1.5%. But on its third and final estimate Wednesday the department said consumer spending — which accounts for about two-thirds of economic output — was substantially weaker than it had calculated earlier, growing at a 1.8% annual pace instead of the 3.1% it estimated in May.

That was partly offset by a revision to its calculation of business inventories. Commerce said that reduced restocking of company shelves had shaved less than 0.4 percentage points from first-quarter growth, down from the 1.1 percentage point hit it estimated in May.

Still, the negative GDP number probably doesn't signal the start of a recession, and economists expect growth to resume later this year.

The first-quarter dip doesn't say much about the underlying health of the economy: A bigger trade deficit — reflecting Americans' appetite for foreign goods and services — slashed 3.2 percentage points off the change in January-March GDP.

Business investment grew a healthy 5%. Still, the U.S. economy, which has enjoyed a brisk recovery from 2020's short but devastating coronavirus recession, is under pressure as the Federal Reserve raises interest rates to rein in inflation that's running at a 40-year high.

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# It may be time to sell the car

Dear Dave,

We have a 2008 Honda Accord that needs a new timing chain. Our mechanic says the repair will cost about \$2,200. The car is worth about \$4,500. Is it time to get another car, or should we have it repaired?

Susan

Dear Susan,

That sounds a little high for a timing chain fix to me. Maybe I'm wrong about that, but let's look at the

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**Dave Ramsey**  
CEO of Ramsey Solutions

math of your situation. You say the value of the

car is \$4,500 if fixed and running properly. Let's say for the sake of argument the value of the car if you sell it as-is — basically salvage — is \$1,500. If you take the value of the car as-is, plus the repair, and the number you come up with is more than the value of the car after it's fixed, you don't repair the car.

So, if this car is actually worth \$1,500, the idea of fixing it is very question-

able. If you can get \$1,500 for this thing as-is, I'd sell it and put the \$2,200 I would've thrown into fixing that old thing toward a better car.

You're talking about a big repair on an old car, Susan. If the repair price you got is right, and it was from an honest mechanic — not some padded, overblown quote from a dealer — I think it's time for that old beater to go!  
— Dave

# I'm getting spouse benefits — What happens to my own?

Dear Rusty: I was born in late 1951. When I retired 5 years ago, I was made aware that my own Social Security benefit was less than half of my husband's SS Benefit. So, I chose to take half of his. What happens to my undispensed SS dollars? On the off chance the balance increases beyond the amount I am now collecting, can I eventually switch to my own full SS amount? Signed: Curious Senior

RUSTY SAYS



**Russell Gloor**  
AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

**Dear Curious Senior:** Much depends on exactly how you claimed your SS benefits five years ago and your age when you claimed.

Because you were born in 1951, if you had reached your full retirement age (FRA) of 66 when you claimed SS five years ago and your husband was already collecting his benefits, you had the option to file a "restricted application for spousal benefits only" which would have enabled you to collect only your spouse benefit while letting your own benefit continue to grow. But if you were not yet 66 when you claimed, the "restricted application" wasn't available to you, so you are now receiving your own benefit plus an additional amount to bring your payment to your spousal amount.

I expect that the latter is the case (that you didn't file a "restricted application"), which would mean that your current payment amount consists of two parts — your personal benefit (from your own

lifetime work record) plus a "spousal boost" to bring your payment to your spousal entitlement. Except for the restricted application, Social Security always pays your own benefit amount first and then supplements your own benefit with an additional amount to give you what you're entitled to as a spouse. Thus, your personal benefits aren't "undispensed" — you're already getting them, plus a spousal supplement.

Just to complete the picture, if you did file a "restricted application" at age 66, then your own benefit continued to grow until you were 70 (at which point it reached maximum). The growth amount would have been 8% per year additional benefit, so at age 70 your own benefit would have been 32% more than your FRA amount. If you know what your own FRA benefit amount was, then increase that by 32% to see if your own amount is now higher and, if so, contact Social Security to apply for your own higher benefit.

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# The second new year: Another chance to reach your money goals

As humans, we're wired for growth. But (and it's a big ol' but) we're also prone to laziness, apathy, impulse, stress and guilt. And right about now is when most of us have let our January resolutions fall by the wayside—especially the financial ones.

You see, on the road to accomplishing money goals, there are a thousand distractions, shortcuts, opinions, excuses and traps along the way. Maybe you had committed to paying off some debt, getting on a budget, working a second job, or eating out less. But then you had a flat tire. And the HVAC system bit the dust. And inflation went through the roof. And the stock market went into a free fall. Maybe you've slipped back into old money habits or feel like this just "isn't your year" to hit those money goals.

But here's the deal: Personal finance is a marathon, not a sprint. And if you keep your eye on the prize, you can still reach your goals—you've just got to keep moving. I'm here-

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**George Kamel**  
Ramsey Solutions

by declaring a second New Year, my friend. You can still do this!

How to Take Back Control of Your Money By 2023

### 1. Refocus your money mindset

Want to know what makes one person successful with money and another give up? It's simple: It's their money mindset.

Henry Ford once famously said, "Whether you believe you can do a thing or not, you are right." What you believe about money, yourself and the world shapes how your life will unfold. Every single day you have the power to make decisions that will move you toward your goals financially or set you

back. It's up to you.

Making a budget every month, living on less than you make, and avoiding debt won't matter if you don't believe it's even possible for you. So many people hit the snooze button on their finances as if they'll just wake up one day and be able to retire with dignity (and money). Maybe they hope to take their finances more seriously later in life. Or maybe they think winning with money is only possible for "rich people."

If that's you, you've got to change your mindset. Your parents can't make you care. Your spouse can't make you care. And as much as I wish I could, I can't make you care. It's on you to change your mindset.

### 2. Evaluate your money habits

Creating better money habits starts with taking an honest look in your financial mirror—aka your bank account. Tracking your spending will help you figure out what areas you need to shave down in order to create margin with your money. Enter:

the budget. It'll help you tell your money where to go instead of wondering where it went!

I use an app called EveryDollar that makes it super easy to create a zero-based budget every month. That doesn't mean you have zero dollars—it means your income minus your expenses equals zero. You give every dollar a job—you don't want your dollars unemployed!

Once you've listed out your expenses, find some areas where you're overspending. Maybe you switch from the fancy gym to a cheaper fitness app you can use at home. Maybe you cut a few subscriptions on top of that and pick up a side hustle. Then you could get creative and do a no-spend month and have a friend change your Amazon password so you can remove the temptation to digitally window shop. Making those small, sacrificial tweaks will help you gain margin and momentum, which will fuel your progress.

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## Ask the Fool

### How Many Shares?

Q Is the number of shares of a company that can be bought limited in any way? — P.L., Lawrence, Kansas

A Yup. Each publicly traded company has a certain number of "shares outstanding" — and that number stays fixed until or unless it issues more shares, buys back shares or splits its shares.

Companies first issue shares when they "go public" via an initial public offering (IPO). They sometimes issue more later, via "secondary" offerings. (The more shares a company has, the smaller stake in the company each share represents.)

In theory, you might try to buy all available shares of a company, but in the process of doing so, your demand would drive up the price of the shares. (This is why big investors such as Warren Buffett don't publicize their purchases, and why they try to buy chunks of shares over time.)

Buying all the shares of most companies would be very costly, too: FedEx, for example, recently had around 259 million shares outstanding, and a recent share price of \$233. To buy all those shares, you'd need around \$60 billion.

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Q What is "Nasdaq"? — K.W., Arlington, Virginia

A The National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation system (NASDAQ) was launched in 1971 to help investors access stock prices. It later became the first electronic stock market through which investors could trade shares.

The Nasdaq Stock Market is now the largest electronic stock market, where more than 5,000 companies are listed. These include Costco and Starbucks, as well as lots of technology-focused businesses, such as Amazon.com, Apple, Microsoft and Netflix. The other main U.S. stock market is the New York Stock Exchange.

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## Fool's School

### Focus on Dividend Growth

It's smart to seek strong dividend-paying stocks for your portfolio. But don't just focus on dividend yields. Yield is important, but so is the dividend's growth rate.

A dividend's yield expresses how much of the stock's current price you'll receive annually in dividend form. To calculate it, you divide the annual dividend amount by the current stock price. (Thus, when a stock's price falls, the yield rises, and vice versa.)

As an example, if Buzzy's Broccoli Beer (ticker: BRRRP) pays \$0.25 per quarter, or \$1 per year, and is trading at \$33 per share, its yield will be \$1 divided by \$33 — which is about 0.03, or 3%.

It's great to have dividend payers in your portfolio because they tend to keep paying you regularly, no matter what the overall economy is doing or whether the stock is rising or falling. (If a dividend-paying company is really struggling, though, it's possible

that it will reduce, suspend or eliminate its payout.) Another great thing about dividends from healthy and growing companies is that they tend to be increased over time.

Check this out: Imagine that you bought 100 shares of Buzzy's for \$3,300. You'd receive \$100 in dividends in the first year (100 shares times \$1 each in dividends). Let's say that Buzzy's increases its dividend by about 7% annually. In 10 years, its dividend will be nearly \$2 per share, delivering \$200 in annual income. Fifteen years after that, the dividend will pay around \$543. On your \$3,300 purchase, you're now receiving \$543 for the year. That's an effective dividend yield of 16% on your original investment!

Better still, assuming that Buzzy's is still healthy and growing, the shares themselves will have increased in value over those years, too. If they're at \$180 per share, that \$5.43-per-share dividend will still sport a yield of 3%. But those who bought long ago will be getting a yield that's effectively much higher.

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## My Dumbest Investment

### Golden Rules

My dumbest investment? Well, to be honest, it's been self-help books. Success in life — and finances — all comes down to a few things: consistency, high-quality effort and good habits. Do these, and you are golden. — T.L., online

**The Fool Responds:** Many people find self-help books, well, helpful. Many such books offer good — if not great — advice, though others in the genre may be of questionable value. To benefit, though, readers need to recognize good advice when they see it — and act on it. That's not always easy to do.

Your own advice — recommending consistent, high-quality effort and good habits — is solid. To make it more specific to the financial realm, we might say: Live below your means, invest in high-quality companies (or low-fee index funds) and hang on for many years, through market booms and downturns.

Good habits would include being diligent about saving and investing, and cultivating patience. It's also smart to have low expectations in the short run and high expectations about the long run — because great wealth can be amassed through stock market investing over decades, as long as you don't lose focus, faith or determination.

Reading up on investing can help you build confidence in what you're doing. Perhaps start with John Bogle's "The Little Book of Common Sense Investing" (Wiley, \$25).

## LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

I trace my roots back to 1910, when my founder, then 18, sold two shoeboxes full of picture postcards in Kansas City, Missouri. I was soon offering valentines and Christmas cards with accompanying envelopes. I introduced fancy gift wrap in 1917 and collectible ornaments in the 1970s. In 1984, I bought the Crayola crayon business. TV programs I've sponsored have won more than 80 Emmy awards. Today, I'm valued at around \$3.5 billion, and I employ about 27,000 people worldwide. My Crown Media subsidiary boasts three cable channels, and I even have a real estate development company. Who am I? (Answer: Hallmark Cards)



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## Name That Company

I trace my roots to 1871, when my founder became an apprentice druggist. Soon, he was a partner in a business wholesaling drugs. My name changed over time due to acquisitions and mergers. Today, with a market value recently near \$30 billion, I rake in nearly \$230 billion annually. I'm a major health care distributor, employing 42,000 people; I offer a range of services, from delivering pharmaceuticals and health care products to providing technology for veterinary practices and other health care organizations. I even have a franchise program, Good Neighbor Pharmacy, for independent pharmacies. My ticker symbol evokes memories of kindergarten. Who am I?

Think you know the answer? We'll announce it in next week's edition.



# Seven ways to improve your 401(k) performance

In addition to the below tips, make sure to fully understand asset allocation and the fees being charged. Many 401(k) plans have fees subtracted by the firm that invests and manages the account. If a client is 59 1/2 and still working at the same firm where the 401(k) is, the funds can be rolled to a self-directed IRA without any tax exposure. This allows the client to select an asset allocation that might be more timely, especially retirement age draws closer.

A 401(k) at a former employer can be rolled to

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a self-directed IRA at any time. This tax-free transfer allows many more options for investing.

**1. Be Informed:** Be well-versed in all aspects

of the current 401k plan. Employees can advocate for changes they would like to see an employer adopt. If, for example, they would like to add an option to add a mutual fund, a call to a mutual fund company for information on choices might help an employer would like to have your company work with and find out everything you can about all possible choices.

**2. Be Involved:** If a company is considering 401(k) plan changes right now, is the time for employees to make their opinions known. The average company changes 401k plans

more frequently than most employees realize, and those in charge are usually open to suggestions.

**3. Be a Company Asset:** Befriending the Benefits Director may be the way to see changes implemented. They have greater decision-making clout and influence when it comes to the choice of company retirement plans. Providing information to the Benefits Director on how employees would like to see retirement options structured may help them craft a more responsive program.

**4. Be Open to**

**Help:** Some employers have other groups that might assist in influencing change, such as an employer-sponsored group, or a union-if applicable. These groups have experience in helping employees advocate for change.

**5. Be Willing to Try Grassroots Efforts:**

Consider starting a grassroots movement to advocate for change. It may sound trivial, but a petition with signatures of those employees who share common opinions on changes in the company 401(k) plan might make an impression on the higher-ups. Negative

feedback might be likely, but it might also be as likely to find more likeminded coworkers who are as ready for a change.

**6. Be Patient:** Nothing happens in an instant—especially major change like the adoption of a new 401k plan. Keep persevering until changes are addressed. Remember: today's 401(k) plan will significantly impact the financial future of employees when it comes time to retire. 401k plans are designed for the benefit of employees, so make sure the plan delivers on its promise.



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Bryan Zecher looks over a blueprint in the new Zecher Companies headquarters.

## ZECHER

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some supplies come in before expected and the warehouse will serve as a storage site until the job site is ready to receive the product.

In addition to the building's warehouse providing for storage needs, Missy Zecher noted the additional space is aides in employee efficiency, the building has more parking available and now construction managers can also work at the building. "I'm just looking forward to the ability to serve our customers," Bryan said of the new site. "I think it's a great move for us to be able to serve our customers better and help with overall building experience."

Bryan Zecher said the decision to get the building was based on a pair of concepts — timing and the need for warehouse space.

"We felt like it was good timing for a move — especially having more office space because we are increasing our staff a little bit and secondly, having a warehouse to be able to

store supplies as we need it for customers," he said.

Missy Zecher said they contemplated their options for the last two years of what they wanted to do for more space and then the building became available.

"When this became an option, it just suited his business so well and the location is fantastic," she said. "The combination of warehouse and office space could not be more perfect for Bryan."

Missy Zecher hopes that it won't take long for the building to become a community landmark.

"We're looking forward to servicing our customers at the new location," she said. "It's convenient, has a much more modern feel and plenty of room... We had eight people working out of 1,000 square feet. The memories are just so satisfying, but this is just such a blessing. We are definitely looking forward to being one of those buildings that you know — they're a staple in the community. When you come down State Road 47, you know the Zecher Companies Building is right there."

## FED

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will raise rates in July for the first time in 11 years and again in September to target inflation running at a record 8.1% in the 19 countries using the euro. In a speech Tuesday opening the ECB forum, Lagarde said the bank will go gradually with hikes but keep its options open to "stamp out" inflation if it surges faster than expected.

Increasingly, economists worry that higher rates could push the economy into a recession.

Powell, however, pointed to a strong labor market — unemployment is near a half century low at 3.6% — and noted that most households and businesses had healthy savings.

"Overall," he said, "the U.S. economy is well-positioned to withstand tighter monetary policy."

Lagarde noted similar was true of Europe.

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The rebound caught businesses by surprise, and an unexpected surge in customer orders overwhelmed factories, ports and freight yards, leading to shortages, delays and higher prices. In May, consumer prices rose 8.6% from a year earlier, biggest year-over-year jump since 1981.

In response, the Fed sped up

its plan to raise interest rates, hiking its benchmark short-term rate by three-quarters of a percentage point, heftiest increase since 1994. The Fed hopes to achieve a so-called soft landing — slowing economic growth just enough to bring inflation down to its 2% target without causing a recession.

For the full year, the economy is still expected to turn in respectable growth: 2.5%, according to the World Bank.

## SERVICE

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come to see us, but we try to build that relationship to where we can help them more long term and help them help themselves."

Walters works with a staff of about 20 volunteers between the center's primary location and it's Lighthouse Gift Shop. People can donate items to the Lighthouse Gift Shop and the items are sold as a funding source for the organization.

"The Lighthouse (Gift Shop) basically sustains our annual food budget to where either individuals come in and say 'I want this item to be sold through the gift shop,' or their gently used or new items that are donated to us," Walters said.

The organization's assistant director is Sadie House and the part-time warehouse manager is Dave Spears.

Over the past few years, Walters said the number of people served by the

Christian Service Center has slightly decreased during the period of the global pandemic. He noted the agency was basically serving about 3,000-4,000 individuals a year and before covid, the agency was serving 8,000-10,000 individuals.

"We've noticed with this year and things kind of becoming more regular, we've noticed the numbers have increased again," he said.

Walters said the Christian Service Center makes a tremendous difference in Columbia County.

He said he thinks the legacy of the agency being here and that local individuals know about the center, who they are, what the center stands for and with the center being a faith-based organization, individuals in need know they can come to the Christian Service Center. He said whether it's spiritual or physical needs, clients can have those met at the site.

The center, at times, has individuals that come in for prayer and counseling, but



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One of the original storefronts for the Christian Service Center as shown in an old photo.

the fact is the Christian Service Center can just be here to represent the community and be able to serve the community, which is a benefit within itself.

"We're just grateful for our community," Walters said. "We are a 100% com-

munity supported organization. We don't accept federal funding or anything like that. We do have a few private grants that we apply for every year, but other than that we're 100% supported by the community and churches."



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Christian Service Center Executive Director Chris Walters (right) helps assistant director Sadie House in packing up food items to be donated.

## GEORGE

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Now, part of staying motivated when you're trying to create a healthy habit is to remember the outcome of your goal. Whatever it is, visualize it and keep it front and cen-

ter when you're tempted to give up.

**3. Commit to a plan**

If one of your goals is to pay off debt, it's easy to feel discouraged and unmotivated when you don't have a plan for how to do it. That's why I love and stand by the debt snowball method. Here's

how it works:

**Step 1:** List your debts from smallest to largest regardless of interest rate.

**Step 2:** Make minimum payments on all your debts except the smallest.

**Step 3:** Pay as much as possible on your smallest debt.

**Step 4:** Repeat until

each debt is paid in full.

Now, before you start arguing about the interest rates, hear me out: When you stick to the plan (without worrying about interest rates), you're going to be jumping for joy when you pay off that smallest debt super quick. That excitement is what's

going to motivate you to keep going—all the way to that debt-free finish line. Millions of people have gotten out of debt using this method—including me. And you can do it, too.

You're over halfway through the year now, people. It's time to refocus your mindset, take a hard

look at your habits, and stick to the plan. Whatever money goals you've set for yourself in 2022, and wherever you're at with them, don't let your foot off the gas now. This is the home stretch. Don't abandon your money goals (but please feel free to abandon cart)!



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Rows of beef are in the coolers of the retail section at the Wight's Meat Packing facility in Fombell, Pa. The U.S. economy shrank at a 1.6% annual pace in the first three months of the year.

## RUSTY

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either the national center (1.800.772.1213) or at your local office (find the number at [www.ssa.gov/locator](http://www.ssa.gov/locator)). If you are currently getting spouse benefits only under a restricted application and your personal benefit is now higher, since you'll soon be 71 you should request six months of retroactive benefits when you switch from the restricted application to your own benefit.

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Comcast	Dish	DirecTV	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
3-ABC	3	-	WCJB TV20	ABC World News	Entertainment Tonight (N) <sup>6</sup>	Entertainment Tonight (N) <sup>6</sup>	UFC 276: Adesanya vs. Cannonier - Prelims (N) <sup>6</sup>	UFC 276: Adesanya vs. Cannonier - Prelims (N) <sup>6</sup>	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	The Rookie "Fight or Flight"	WCJB TV20	The Song <sup>6</sup>	
4-IND	4	4	News4JAX at 6PM	Charles Stanley	Entertainment Tonight (N) <sup>6</sup>	Entertainment Tonight (N) <sup>6</sup>	Bull "The Flying Carpet" <sup>6</sup>	Bull "The Flying Carpet" <sup>6</sup>	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	News	Inside Edition	News4JAX	Madison Brown
5-PBS	5	-	News Weekend	Antiques Road	Antiques Roadshow (Part 1 of 3) <sup>6</sup>	Antiques Roadshow (Part 1 of 3) <sup>6</sup>	Midsomer Murders (-45) Midsomer Murders "A Dying Art" <sup>6</sup>	Midsomer Murders (-45) Midsomer Murders "A Dying Art" <sup>6</sup>	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	News	Inside Edition	Austin City Limits <sup>6</sup>	
7-CBS	7	47	47 Action News Jax	Weekend News	Family Feud <sup>6</sup>	Family Feud <sup>6</sup>	*4 Auto Racing Camping World SRX Series. (N) <sup>6</sup>	*4 Auto Racing Camping World SRX Series. (N) <sup>6</sup>	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	48 Hours (N) <sup>6</sup>	48 Hours (N) <sup>6</sup>	Action News	Action Sports
9-CW	9	17	17 Mom <sup>6</sup>	Mom <sup>6</sup>	Seinfeld <sup>6</sup>	Seinfeld <sup>6</sup>	Whose Line	Whose Line	Masters of Illusion	Masters of Illusion	Dateline "Family Affair" <sup>6</sup>	Dateline "Family Affair" <sup>6</sup>	News4JAX	(35) Raw Travel
10-FOX	10	30	30 Action News	The Simpsons	MLB Baseball San Diego Padres at Los Angeles Dodgers. From Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles. (N) <sup>6</sup>	MLB Baseball San Diego Padres at Los Angeles Dodgers. From Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles. (N) <sup>6</sup>	Wheel of Fortune	Wheel of Fortune	Dateline NBC <sup>6</sup>	Dateline NBC <sup>6</sup>	Action News	Action Sports	Name That Tune <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	
12-NBC	12	12	12 News	NBC Nightly News	NewsNation Prime (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	NewsNation Prime (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	Transplant Bash and Amira take a trip.	Transplant Bash and Amira take a trip.	Dateline NBC <sup>6</sup>	Dateline NBC <sup>6</sup>	Action News	Action Sports	News	Sat. Night Live
WGN-A	16	239	307 Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	NewsNation Prime (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	NewsNation Prime (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	NewsNation Prime (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	NewsNation Prime (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	NewsNation Prime (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	NewsNation Prime (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	NewsNation Prime <sup>6</sup>	NewsNation Prime <sup>6</sup>	NewsNation Prime <sup>6</sup>	NewsNation Prime <sup>6</sup>
TVLAND	17	106	304 Mike & Molly <sup>6</sup>	Mike & Molly <sup>6</sup>	Mom <sup>6</sup>	Mom <sup>6</sup>	Mom <sup>6</sup>	Mom <sup>6</sup>	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men
OWN	18	189	279 House Hunters	House Hunters	Love & Marriage: Huntsville	Love & Marriage: Huntsville	Love & Marriage: Huntsville (N)	Love & Marriage: Huntsville (N)	Love & Marriage: DC (N)	Love & Marriage: DC (N)	Nightcap	Nightcap	Love & Marriage: Huntsville	
A&E	19	118	265 The First 48 <sup>6</sup>	The First 48 <sup>6</sup>	The First 48 "Runner Runner" <sup>6</sup>	The First 48 "Runner Runner" <sup>6</sup>	The First 48: Scared Silent (N) <sup>6</sup>	The First 48: Scared Silent (N) <sup>6</sup>	First Blood (N) <sup>6</sup>	First Blood (N) <sup>6</sup>	(:01) Panic 9-1-1 (N) <sup>6</sup>	(:01) Panic 9-1-1 (N) <sup>6</sup>	(:04) The First 48 "Missing" <sup>6</sup>	
HALL	20	185	312 "Christmas Under Wraps" (2014) Candace Cameron Bure. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	"Christmas Under Wraps" (2014) Candace Cameron Bure. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	"On the 12th Date of Christmas" (2020)	"On the 12th Date of Christmas" (2020)	Romance	Romance	"A Christmas Treasure" (2021) Jordin Sparks, Michael Xavier. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	"A Christmas Treasure" (2021) Jordin Sparks, Michael Xavier. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	"A Christmas Treasure" (2021) Jordin Sparks, Michael Xavier. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	"A Christmas Treasure" (2021) Jordin Sparks, Michael Xavier. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	"A Christmas Treasure" (2021) Jordin Sparks, Michael Xavier. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	
FALL	22	136	248 (4:30) *** "Sing" (2016) <sup>6</sup>	(4:30) *** "Sing" (2016) <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me 3" (2017) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me 3" (2017) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me 3" (2017) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me 3" (2017) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me 3" (2017) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me 3" (2017) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me 3" (2017) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me 3" (2017) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me 3" (2017) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me 3" (2017) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>
CNN	24	200	202 CNN Newsroom With Pamela Brown	CNN Newsroom With Pamela Brown	CNN Newsroom With Pamela Brown	CNN Newsroom With Pamela Brown	CNN Newsroom With Pamela Brown	CNN Newsroom With Pamela Brown	The Nineties "The One About TV" A wide range of television shows. <sup>6</sup>	The Nineties "The One About TV" A wide range of television shows. <sup>6</sup>	The Nineties "The One About TV" A wide range of television shows. <sup>6</sup>	The Nineties "The One About TV" A wide range of television shows. <sup>6</sup>	The Nineties "The One About TV" A wide range of television shows. <sup>6</sup>	The Nineties "The One About TV" A wide range of television shows. <sup>6</sup>
TNT	25	138	245 (5:43) *** "Star Wars: The Last Jedi" (2017, Science Fiction) Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, Adam Driver. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	(5:43) *** "Star Wars: The Last Jedi" (2017, Science Fiction) Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, Adam Driver. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	*** "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" (2019) Carrie Fisher. Rey and her allies battle Kylo Ren and the First Order. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" (2019) Carrie Fisher. Rey and her allies battle Kylo Ren and the First Order. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" (2019) Carrie Fisher. Rey and her allies battle Kylo Ren and the First Order. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" (2019) Carrie Fisher. Rey and her allies battle Kylo Ren and the First Order. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" (2019) Carrie Fisher. Rey and her allies battle Kylo Ren and the First Order. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" (2019) Carrie Fisher. Rey and her allies battle Kylo Ren and the First Order. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" (2019) Carrie Fisher. Rey and her allies battle Kylo Ren and the First Order. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" (2019) Carrie Fisher. Rey and her allies battle Kylo Ren and the First Order. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" (2019) Carrie Fisher. Rey and her allies battle Kylo Ren and the First Order. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" (2019) Carrie Fisher. Rey and her allies battle Kylo Ren and the First Order. <sup>6</sup>
NIK	26	170	299 (5:00) SpongeBob SquarePants <sup>6</sup>	(5:00) SpongeBob SquarePants <sup>6</sup>	*** "The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie" (2004) <sup>6</sup>	*** "The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie" (2004) <sup>6</sup>	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Friends <sup>6</sup>	Friends <sup>6</sup>	Friends <sup>6</sup>	Friends <sup>6</sup>	Friends <sup>6</sup>	(35) Friends <sup>6</sup>
PARMT	28	168	241 (5:30) Yellowstone "A Monster Is Among Us" <sup>6</sup>	(5:30) Yellowstone "A Monster Is Among Us" <sup>6</sup>	Yellowstone "The heat turns up on Rip." <sup>6</sup>	Yellowstone "The heat turns up on Rip." <sup>6</sup>	(:27) Yellowstone (Part 2 of 2) <sup>6</sup>	(:27) Yellowstone (Part 2 of 2) <sup>6</sup>	(:28) Yellowstone "A Thundering" <sup>6</sup>	(:28) Yellowstone "A Thundering" <sup>6</sup>	(:29) Yellowstone "New Beginnings" <sup>6</sup>	(:29) Yellowstone "New Beginnings" <sup>6</sup>	Yellowstone	Yellowstone
MY-TV	29	32	- The Three Stooges "The Three Stooges" <sup>6</sup>	The Three Stooges "The Three Stooges" <sup>6</sup>	Svengoolie "Attack of the Puppet People" <sup>6</sup>	Svengoolie "Attack of the Puppet People" <sup>6</sup>	A lonely dollmaker, shrinks people. <sup>6</sup>	A lonely dollmaker, shrinks people. <sup>6</sup>	Spentoonie (N)	Spentoonie (N)	Batman	Batman	Star Trek Back in time to 1960s Earth. <sup>6</sup>	Star Trek Back in time to 1960s Earth. <sup>6</sup>
DISN	31	172	290 Big City Greens "Big City Greens" <sup>6</sup>	Big City Greens "Big City Greens" <sup>6</sup>	Big City Greens "Big City Greens" <sup>6</sup>	Big City Greens "Big City Greens" <sup>6</sup>	Big City Greens "Big City Greens" <sup>6</sup>	Big City Greens "Big City Greens" <sup>6</sup>	Molly McGee	Molly McGee	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Ladybug & Cat
LIFE	32	108	252 "He's Not Worth Dying For" (2022, Drama) Robin Givens, Hilda Martin. <sup>6</sup>	"He's Not Worth Dying For" (2022, Drama) Robin Givens, Hilda Martin. <sup>6</sup>	"Jailbreak Rovers" (2022, Drama) Catherine Bell, Tom Stevens. Premiere. <sup>6</sup>	"Jailbreak Rovers" (2022, Drama) Catherine Bell, Tom Stevens. Premiere. <sup>6</sup>	(:13) TextMeWhenYouGetHome <sup>6</sup>	(:13) TextMeWhenYouGetHome <sup>6</sup>	(:13) TextMeWhenYouGetHome <sup>6</sup>	(:13) TextMeWhenYouGetHome <sup>6</sup>	(:13) TextMeWhenYouGetHome <sup>6</sup>	(:13) TextMeWhenYouGetHome <sup>6</sup>	(:07) Sleeping With a Killer <sup>6</sup>	(:07) Sleeping With a Killer <sup>6</sup>
USA	33	105	242 Austin Dillon	Austin Dillon	*** "Fast Five" (2011, Action) Vin Diesel, Dom Toretto and company ramp up the action in Brazil. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Fast Five" (2011, Action) Vin Diesel, Dom Toretto and company ramp up the action in Brazil. <sup>6</sup>	(:15) *** "Fast Five" (2011, Action) Vin Diesel, Dom Toretto and company ramp up the action in Brazil. <sup>6</sup>	(:15) *** "Fast Five" (2011, Action) Vin Diesel, Dom Toretto and company ramp up the action in Brazil. <sup>6</sup>	(:15) *** "Fast Five" (2011, Action) Vin Diesel, Dom Toretto and company ramp up the action in Brazil. <sup>6</sup>	(:15) *** "Fast Five" (2011, Action) Vin Diesel, Dom Toretto and company ramp up the action in Brazil. <sup>6</sup>	(:15) *** "Fast Five" (2011, Action) Vin Diesel, Dom Toretto and company ramp up the action in Brazil. <sup>6</sup>	(:15) *** "Fast Five" (2011, Action) Vin Diesel, Dom Toretto and company ramp up the action in Brazil. <sup>6</sup>	(:15) *** "Fast Five" (2011, Action) Vin Diesel, Dom Toretto and company ramp up the action in Brazil. <sup>6</sup>	(:15) *** "Fast Five" (2011, Action) Vin Diesel, Dom Toretto and company ramp up the action in Brazil. <sup>6</sup>
BET	34	124	329 (5:30) *** "Friday" (1995, Comedy) Ice Cube, Chris Tucker, Nia Long. <sup>6</sup>	(5:30) *** "Friday" (1995, Comedy) Ice Cube, Chris Tucker, Nia Long. <sup>6</sup>	** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube, Mike Epps. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery. <sup>6</sup>	** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube, Mike Epps. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery. <sup>6</sup>	** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube, Mike Epps. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery. <sup>6</sup>	** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube, Mike Epps. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery. <sup>6</sup>	** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube, Mike Epps. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery. <sup>6</sup>	** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube, Mike Epps. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery. <sup>6</sup>	** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube, Mike Epps. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery. <sup>6</sup>	** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube, Mike Epps. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery. <sup>6</sup>	** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube, Mike Epps. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery. <sup>6</sup>	** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube, Mike Epps. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery. <sup>6</sup>
ESPN	35	140	206 SportsCenter (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	SportsCenter (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	UFC 276: Adesanya vs. Cannonier - Prelims (N)	UFC 276: Adesanya vs. Cannonier - Prelims (N)	SportsCenter (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	SportsCenter (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	SportsCenter (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	SportsCenter (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	SportsCenter (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	SportsCenter (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	SportsCenter (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>	SportsCenter (N) (Live) <sup>6</sup>
ESPN2	36	144	209 NBA California Classic: Lakers vs Heat	NBA California Classic: Lakers vs Heat	CFL Football Montreal Alouettes at Saskatchewan Roughriders. From Mosaic Stadium in Regina, Saskatchewan. (N)	CFL Football Montreal Alouettes at Saskatchewan Roughriders. From Mosaic Stadium in Regina, Saskatchewan. (N)	30 for 30	30 for 30	30 for 30	30 for 30	30 for 30	30 for 30	30 for 30	30 for 30
SUNSP	37	-	- MLB Baseball Tampa Bay Rays at Toronto Blue Jays. From Rogers Centre in Toronto. (N)	MLB Baseball Tampa Bay Rays at Toronto Blue Jays. From Rogers Centre in Toronto. (N)	Rays Postgame	Rays Postgame	Rays All-Access	Rays All-Access	Fight Sports: Boxing	Fight Sports: Boxing	Fight Sports: Boxing	Fight Sports: Boxing	Fight Sports: Boxing	Fight Sports: Boxing
DISCV	38	182	278 Naked and Afraid "Alligator Alley" <sup>6</sup>	Naked and Afraid "Alligator Alley" <sup>6</sup>	Naked and Afraid "Error in Tanzania" <sup>6</sup>	Naked and Afraid "Error in Tanzania" <sup>6</sup>	Naked and Afraid <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	Naked and Afraid <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	Naked and Afraid "23 Days" <sup>6</sup>	Naked and Afraid "23 Days" <sup>6</sup>	Naked and Afraid "Hell or High Water" <sup>6</sup>	Naked and Afraid "Hell or High Water" <sup>6</sup>	Naked and Afraid "Man vs. Amazon" <sup>6</sup>	Naked and Afraid "Man vs. Amazon" <sup>6</sup>
TBS	39	139	247 *** "Independence Day" (1996) Will Smith, Bill Pullman. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	*** "Independence Day" (1996) Will Smith, Bill Pullman. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships. <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory
HLN	40	202	204 Very Scary People (Part 1 of 2) <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People (Part 1 of 2) <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People (Part 2 of 2) <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People (Part 2 of 2) <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People (Part 1 of 2) <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People (Part 1 of 2) <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People (Part 2 of 2) <sup>6</sup>	Very Scary People (Part 2 of 2) <sup>6</sup>
FNC	41	205	360 Fox Report With Jon Scott (N) <sup>6</sup>	Fox Report With Jon Scott (N) <sup>6</sup>	Gutfeld! <sup>6</sup>	Gutfeld! <sup>6</sup>	One Nation With Brian Kilmeade (N)	One Nation With Brian Kilmeade (N)	Unfiltered With Dan Bongino (N) <sup>6</sup>	Unfiltered With Dan Bongino (N) <sup>6</sup>	Lawrence Jones Cross Country (N)	Lawrence Jones Cross Country (N)	One Nation With Brian Kilmeade <sup>6</sup>	One Nation With Brian Kilmeade <sup>6</sup>
E!	45	114	236 (4:30) *** "Forgetting Sarah Marshall" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Forgetting Sarah Marshall" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition. <sup>6</sup>
TRAVEL	46	196	277 Ghost Hunters "The Girl With No Eyes" <sup>6</sup>	Ghost Hunters "The Girl With No Eyes" <sup>6</sup>	Ghost Hunters "Wraiths of Winchester" <sup>6</sup>	Ghost Hunters "Wraiths of Winchester" <sup>6</sup>	Ghost Hunters "Moonshiner Spirits" <sup>6</sup>	Ghost Hunters "Moonshiner Spirits" <sup>6</sup>	Ghost Hunters "The Shadow Man" (N)	Ghost Hunters "The Shadow Man" (N)	Portals to Hell (Season Finale) (N)	Portals to Hell (Season Finale) (N)	Portals to Hell <sup>6</sup>	Portals to Hell <sup>6</sup>
HGTV	47	112	229 Fixer to Fabulous <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	Fixer to Fabulous <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	Fixer to Fabulous <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	Fixer to Fabulous <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	Love It or List It <sup>6</sup>	Love It or List It <sup>6</sup>	Love It or List It "1970s Drab to Fab" <sup>6</sup>	Love It or List It "1970s Drab to Fab" <sup>6</sup>	Love It or List It "Bachelor Pad Blues" <sup>6</sup>	Love It or List It "Bachelor Pad Blues" <sup>6</sup>	Love It or List It "A One Story Story" <sup>6</sup>	Love It or List It "A One Story Story" <sup>6</sup>
TLC	48	183	280 Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper "Eggs Lipoma" <sup>6</sup>	Dr. Pimple Popper "Eggs Lipoma" <sup>6</sup>	Dr. Pimple Popper (DVS)	Dr. Pimple Popper (DVS)	Dr. Pimple Popper "My Third Eye" <sup>6</sup>	Dr. Pimple Popper "My Third Eye" <sup>6</sup>	Dr. Pimple Popper "Raw Meat Mass" <sup>6</sup>	Dr. Pimple Popper "Raw Meat Mass" <sup>6</sup>	Dr. Pimple Popper "Alligator Skin" <sup>6</sup>	Dr. Pimple Popper "Alligator Skin" <sup>6</sup>
HIST	49	120	269 (3:00) Barrett-Jackson Live Auction From the Las Vegas Convention Center. (N)	(3:00) Barrett-Jackson Live Auction From the Las Vegas Convention Center. (N)	American Pickers <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	American Pickers <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	(:02) American Pickers <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	(:02) American Pickers <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	(:02) American Pickers <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	(:02) American Pickers <sup>6</sup> (DVS)	(:05) American Pickers "Big Tex" <sup>6</sup>	(:05) American Pickers "Big Tex" <sup>6</sup>	(:05) American Pickers "Racy Relics" <sup>6</sup>	(:05) American Pickers "Racy Relics" <sup>6</sup>
ANPL	50	184	282 Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet	Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet	Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet (N)	Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet (N)	Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet (N)	Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet (N)	(9:56) Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet	(9:56) Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet	(10:56) Shark Academy (N)	(10:56) Shark Academy (N)	(10:56) Shark Academy (N)	(10:56) Shark Academy (N)
FOOD	51	110	231 Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Guy's Road Trip	Guy's Road Trip	Guy's Road Trip	Guy's Road Trip	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive
TBN	52	260	372 Precious Memories With Bill & Gloria	Precious Memories With Bill & Gloria	In Touch With Dr. Charles Stanley	In Touch With Dr. Charles Stanley	Huckabee <sup>6</sup>	Huckabee <sup>6</sup>	The Story Behind	The Story Behind	Hour of Power With Bobby Schuller	Hour of Power With Bobby Schuller	Hour of Power With Bobby Schuller	Hour of Power With Bobby Schuller
FSN-FL	56	-	- MLB Baseball: Marlins at Nationals	MLB Baseball: Marlins at Nationals	Marlins Postgame	Marlins Postgame	Marlins Access	Marlins Access	World Poker	World Poker	In the Spotlight	In the Spotlight	In the Spotlight	In the Spotlight
SYFY	58	122	244 *** "Transformers: Dark of the Moon" (2011, Action) Shia LaBeouf, Megan Fox. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Transformers: Dark of the Moon" (2011, Action) Shia LaBeouf, Megan Fox. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me" (2010, Children's) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Despicable Me" (2010, Children's) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	(:15) *** "Despicable Me 2" (2013, Children's) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	(:15) *** "Despicable Me 2" (2013, Children's) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. <sup>6</sup>	Transformers	Transformers
AMC	60	130	254 *** "National Lampoon's Vacation" (1983, Comedy) Chevy Chase. <sup>6</sup>	*** "National Lampoon's Vacation" (1983, Comedy) Chevy Chase. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Sixteen Candles" (1984) Molly Ringwald, Anthony Michael Hall. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Sixteen Candles" (1984) Molly Ringwald, Anthony Michael Hall. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Sixteen Candles" (1984) Molly Ringwald, Anthony Michael Hall. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Sixteen Candles" (1984) Molly Ringwald, Anthony Michael Hall. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" (1982, Comedy) Sean Penn. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" (1982, Comedy) Sean Penn. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" (1982, Comedy) Sean Penn. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" (1982, Comedy) Sean Penn. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" (1982, Comedy) Sean Penn. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" (1982, Comedy) Sean Penn. <sup>6</sup>
COM	62	107	249 The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>	The Office <sup>6</sup>
CMT	63	166	327 (5:00) *** "Son-in-Law" (1993, Comedy) Pauly Shore. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Son-in-Law" (1993, Comedy) Pauly Shore. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Tommy Boy" (1995) Chris Farley, David Spade. An heir tries to save his father's business. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Tommy Boy" (1995) Chris Farley, David Spade. An heir tries to save his father's business. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Tommy Boy" (1995) Chris Farley, David Spade. An heir tries to save his father's business. <sup>6</sup>	*** "Tommy Boy" (1995) Chris Farley, David Spade. An heir tries to save his father's business. <sup>6</sup>	*** "The Longest Yard" (2005, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Chris Rock. <sup>6</sup>	*** "The Longest Yard" (2005, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Chris Rock. <sup>6</sup>	*** "The Longest Yard" (2005, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Chris Rock. <sup>6</sup>	*** "The Longest Yard" (2005, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Chris Rock. <sup>6</sup>	*** "The Longest Yard" (2005, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Chris Rock. <sup>6</sup>	*** "The Longest Yard" (2005, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Chris Rock. <sup>6</sup>
NGWILD	108	190	283 The Incredible Dr. Pol <sup>6</sup>	The Incredible Dr. Pol <sup>6</sup>	The Incredible Dr. Pol "Paw & Order" <sup>6</sup>	The Incredible Dr. Pol "Paw & Order" <sup>6</sup>	Heartland Docs, DVM <sup>6</sup>	Heartland Docs, DVM <sup>6</sup>	Heartland Docs, DVM <sup>6</sup>	Heartland Docs, DVM <sup>6</sup>	Heartland Docs, DVM "Heart and Foal" <sup>6</sup>	Heartland Docs, DVM "Heart and Foal" <sup>6</sup>	Heartland Docs, DVM <sup>6</sup>	Heartland Docs, DVM <sup>6</sup>
NGEO	109	186	276 To Catch a											

DEAR ABBY

Young mother careening through stressful life

DEAR ABBY: My stepdaughter, "Crystal," has a toxic relationship with her mother. Both have battled alcoholism. The mother did some extreme damage that has ended the possibility of Crystal regaining custody of her 6-year-old son. My husband and I hired a lawyer to help her fight for her rights, and we have brought her to our home twice. The last time was right out of the hospital after she nearly killed herself with alcohol poisoning.



Abigail Van Buren www.dearabby.com

Fast-forward: Crystal is trying to mend her relationship with her mother, and now we have become second fiddle. What used to be a daily phone conversation happens now only when I call. When we try to visit them, they make excuses, and they have visited us only twice in the last six months. Her latest plan is to stay overnight with us and spend the following day with her mom.

mend fences with her mother. Try not to take personally that she has tunnel vision right now. I do not think you should address this with her at this time. Let more time elapse, and if her distancing continues, talk to her about it then.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I live in southern Florida. My problem is our children, grandchildren and their spouses. When they come to visit, they only eat certain foods and need "healthy this" and "healthy that." I feel like we're being used as a hotel and restaurant. I want to see them, but it is becoming exhausting. What should I do? — ROLLING BACK THE WELCOME MAT

We are swallowing our pride so we can see our 6-month-old granddaughter, but our feelings are so hurt. Please help me take the high road. Do we talk to her or just feel crushed? — WOUNDED IN MICHIGAN

DEAR ROLLING: Roll back that welcome mat. Talk to your children, grandchildren and their spouses. They may not realize the extent to which they have been imposing on you. Tell them that if they have special dietary require-

ments, they should buy their own foods, and you will make room in the refrigerator to accommodate them. If their presence in your home is becoming too taxing, provide a list of affordable hotels or rentals in the area they might consider.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 91-year-old, 4-foot-8 woman who still drives and goes alone to shop and conduct business. My problem is I am frequently approached by strangers who want to "help" me. This frightens me because I cannot defend myself. While someone holding a door open for me is appreciated, I have no way to identify a purse snatcher who may intend to knock me down. How can I communicate that I'm capable of caring for myself without offending the person? — GREAT-GRANDMOTHER IN THE MIDWEST

DEAR GREAT-GRANDMOTHER: You are not the only senior who has expressed these feelings. Look the person in the eye and say firmly, "I know you mean well and thank you, but NO THANK YOU. I prefer to do this myself."

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

HOROSCOPES | THE LAST WORD BY EUGENIA LAST

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Work with what you have to build a strong foundation. Put your heart and soul into the people and things that matter to you, and you will excel. Sharing your intentions with someone you love will lead to a strong bond. ★★★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Change only what's necessary. Keep the peace by avoiding situations that make you feel uncomfortable. Reset your goals, and gather the information that will help you incorporate what you enjoy doing into your everyday routine. Be a leader, not a follower. ★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): An idea you have will help you advance. Put together a proposal and a list of people who have something unique to offer. An impromptu gathering will lead to sensitive discussions and an exciting plan. Romance is on the rise. ★★★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Do something that challenges you physically and mentally. Including a family member, lover or good friend will encourage team spirit and plans that lead to a vibrant, healthy lifestyle. Personal growth will transpire once you hit your groove. ★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): An energetic plan will challenge you and help you make positive changes to your life and what you pursue. Don't settle for less when you can have so much more with a bit of effort and love in your life. ★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Do what you feel passionate about, and make a statement that will draw attention. Socialize, network and interact with people who inspire and motivate you to use your skills and attributes for a good cause. Don't slow

down. ★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Take a step in a new direction. Speak up, share your thoughts and find who wants to help. Don't let anger or disappointment set in if someone decides not to join you. Carry on, enjoy and reap the rewards. ★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Play by the rules and make necessary adjustments. Find a way to make a difference for someone you love. Setting a good example will help you bring loved ones together. Honesty and integrity matter. ★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Be positive, and do your best to make others smile. A kind word, gesture or offer will open a conversation that encourages you to start something new. Consider how to utilize your space to accommodate what you want to pursue. ★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Relax, and do something to improve your surroundings or relationships. Assess your routine, and consider what you can do to avoid overindulgence. Hang out with people who live healthy lifestyles and offer sound advice. ★★★★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't hold back; speak up and clear the air if something concerns you. Evaluate your life, what you've achieved and what you want to do next. Put a plan together, and share your intentions with someone you love. Romance is encouraged. ★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't let the little things get to you. Keep your eye on what matters, and walk away from confusing or uncomfortable situations. Take better care of your health and reputation. Someone will mislead you if given a chance. ★★

SUNDAY BIRTHDAYS

Jul. 3: Olivia Munn, 42; Andrea Barber, 46; Tom Cruise, 60; Montel Williams, 66.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

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

" GUZMGJJF O DGJH GTEMLC DOZV ZVP
PXXF DVPTPAPT O RE, NMZ O'X APTF
UGYMGJ GNEMZ OZ." — JGTF CGAOC

Previous Solution: "When God created the world, he didn't draw a line between Canada and America." — Marianne Williamson

TODAY'S CLUE: N siera 7

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Answer for today's cipher located under "Dear Abby" No. 0626

SUNDAY CROSSWORD

SOME LIGHT READING

BY JEREMY NEWTON / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Jeremy Newton, of Austin, Texas, is a software engineer who makes mobile games. He has been constructing crosswords for The Times since 2007, specializing in unusual themes, often with visual elements. The idea for this one occurred to him last fall while he was stopped at a traffic light. It took him several months, off and on, to work out all the elements. This is Jeremy's 15th Sunday crossword and 22nd Times puzzle overall. — W.S.

- ACROSS
1 "In a word ... awful!"
7 Range of light that's invisible to the human eye
20 Brand in the frozen-foods aisle
21 Called to Bo-Peep
22 "You and me both"
23 Strong breath fresheners
24 —
25 Like one of Michael Jackson's hands when performing
26 Exams for top H.S. students
28 Alternative to J.F.K.
29 Skedaddles
30 Reviews negatively
31 Usual
32 Stage set?
35 Nathan who said, "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country"
36 Locks that have been changed
39 Inapplicable stat for electric cars
40 Mark Twain, religiously
41 Some art supplies
42 Label on some jars
44 Hon
45 John Hancock, famously
48 Reef predators
49 Beast slain by Hercules in his fourth labor
50 Three-pronged letter
53 Boatloads
54 Jessica of TV's "Candy"
55 Treacherous places to land for eagles?
57 "Mazel \_\_\_\_!"
58 Moolah
60 Cocktail with an energy boost
61 —
62 Seedy bar
63 Listed, obsolescently
64 —
65 Tennis pro Nastase, the first athlete to sign an endorsement deal with Nike
66 Washington, with "the"
67 —
68 Hunts, with "on"
69 Hot \_\_\_\_ (speaker's worry)
70 Brushes are dipped in them
72 Small knocks
73 See-through piece
74 It's observed at LAX during part of the year
75 Cross one's fingers
76 Nickname for Chloe
77 Portland native, e.g.
79 What a raised hand might mean
80 Avid war campaigner
81 [What a snoozefest!]
82 Car in the Beach Boys' "Fun, Fun, Fun"
84 Sweater fuzz, e.g.
85 It can be detected using the "bite test" or "vinegar test"
89 Noted slacking speedster
90 Not stay undefeated
93 Certain spa treatment
95 Trim
96 1988 No. 1 country album named for its singer
97 Roman god often depicted with a radiant crown
98 Zenned out
101 Two-player board game with spies and bombs
103 Bust midcrime
105 —
106 Lover of psychedelics, informally
107 Words to a silly goose
108 Putting on the heat?
109 Mascot who made his Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade debut in 2017
110 —
111 Cinq x six
DOWN
1 Hawkeye
2 Stand for a photograph
3 Guard
4 "Oh, shove it!"
5 Fruity refreshments
6 What nervous eyes might do
7 Big name in cloud computing
8 Roofer's power tool
9 Gargoyles are often depicted with them
10 Draw upon again
11 Sponsored content, essentially
12 Twisting on an axis
13 Some ice cream purchases
14 Heart charts, in brief
15 Cartoon frame
16 There's a 4.75 percent chance of getting this in poker
17 Tesla and Edison, famously
18 Early online discussion forum
19 Pharma supplies
27 Lose its spark, as a relationship
29 Temporary solutions
33 Opening words?
34 Little troublemakers
35 Thrilling
37 "That's a touchy subject"
38 Move hurriedly
40 Utterly, in slang
42 Giggle
43 "It's my turn" [or] Comment after rambling on
44 Equus africanus asinus, more familiarly
45 Marijuana strains said to be more invigorating
46 "How marvelous!"
47 Wield authority
48 Lucky numbers in Chinese culture
49 Stars of the Wild West
50 Film critic Kael
51 Someone sequencing DNA, e.g.
52 Vacation getaway
54 Lighter fluid
55 Reach, as new heights
56 Baseball slugger, informally
58 Lack of harmony
59 Ready to watch later
60 Major political announcement before a convention, informally
62 Actor in a much-publicized 2022 defamation case
71 —
72 —
73 —
76 Place for a lighthouse
77 Pull off the road for gas or snacks, say
78 Blow away
79 Book some wedding entertainment
80 Tries
81 Starchy vegetable
82 Kind of roof for a tiki bar
83 Peter Pan's creator
84 Opposite of a superstar
85 Avenger who stepped into the role of Captain America
86 Invitation on a wrapped gift
87 Preamble
88 Clothed, so to speak
90 Paper size
91 Japanese brew
92 Prankster's smug shout
94 One might be right outside your window
95 Junior's hurdle
96 Stagger about
99 "Copy \_\_\_\_"
100 Surname of the "Incredibles" superhero family
102 Nonetheless, poetically
103 Lowly worker, so to speak
104 Yell before a snap

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UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

Complete the grid so every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

9x9 grid with some numbers filled in for a universal sudoku puzzle.

Word search grid with words hidden in various directions.

9x9 grid with numbers for a second universal sudoku puzzle.

# 40 years of service



Christian Service Center Executive Director Chris Walters (left) and assistant director Sadie House pose next to a CSC banner advertising the organization's services.

TONY BRITT/Lake City Reporter

## CSC celebrates four decades of community giving

By TONY BRITT  
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For the past four decades, local residents who were combating food insecurity, needed aid paying utility or other bills, were in need of some gently used clothing or just wanted someone to pray with, they could also find a 'friend' at the Christian Service Center.

The Christian Service Center operates with a mission statement of: Serving those in need in Columbia County through our Christian, faith and resources. The local organization is celebrating its 40th anniversary in 2022.

"I look at it as that we've been blessed to be able to serve our community for those past 40 years," said Chris Walters, Christian Service Center Executive Director. "I've only been here for eight of those years, but of those eight, it's just been an amazing experience to be able to just serve the community. Just the fact that there is the

legacy that's in Columbia County that we could have been here for 40 years."

The Christian Service Center, founded in February 1982 and incorporated on July 11, 1982, is an outreach ministry of the Body of Christ to minister to the emergency needs of families in Columbia County. Seven churches came together to give their financial support and to provide a central location for the families visit in seeking services. The Christian Service Center was designed to be a place where all churches could send people seeking help so there was no duplication of services. With every visit, each client is offered prayer and a Bible, if they so choose.

The Christian Service Center, located on the corner of Washington Avenue and Hilton Street, works inter-denominationally with local churches as well as other service agencies to accomplish its mission.

The Christian Service

Center also has a resale gift shop that's open two days a week with all the proceeds going toward the purchase of food.

Each year the Christian Service Center holds special events to give out Christmas toys and Christmas baskets, back-to-school shoe giveaways and garage sales.

Walters said the agency was founded because the founders noticed that individuals were going to local churches, from one church to another, trying to get the same services.

"They (founders) wanted to be here as an outlet," Walters said. "From the beginning of it was to actually serve the churches themselves, rather than an individual go from church to church, they could send that individual to the center and the churches themselves could say 'we support the center.'"

Today the Christian Service Center provides food, clothing, offer partial help with utility bills,

gasoline (in some circumstances), prescriptions, household items and the agency can also help with furniture if there's been a flood, fire or some other form of emergency.

"I think over the years, the biggest change that we've made is rather than just be here to primarily give out physical items or support temporary needs for individuals, we work toward getting to the root of the cause of what the situation maybe, to where we don't become an organization that just sustains what might be going on in their life," Walters said. "We actually ask the tough questions and have those conversations with the individuals so that we can get to the root of the problem and we can help them from there and then move forward, rather than just give those temporary items to help just for that point in time. We do help individuals at that point when they

SERVICE continued on 3C



COURTESY

A photo taken from before construction began on the new site of the Christian Service Center at the intersection of NW Hilton Ave. and NW Washington St.

# Beer joints

SEAN OF THE SOUTH



Sean Dietrich

The kid was playing guitar in a beer joint. He was pretty good, too. He was mid-20s, he had a ponytail, tattoos, and his face looked like someone dipped it in a bucket of hair. He was a big guy, nice-looking. Maybe six-one. His voice had experience in it.

I was in the seating area, watching him work. Nobody else was paying attention. Everyone else was at the bar, lost in their own world. The male patrons were flirting with anything that moved. The female patrons were trying not to move.

The kid was providing background music. He was playing Merle Haggard, and he wasn't just playing hits. This kid was playing B-side stuff. Such as, "This Time I Really Do," "The Longer You Wait," and "I'm a Lonesome Fugitive."

Then he started playing Willie, Lefty Frizell, Tex Avery, Bob Wills, and Spade Cooley.

Most folks don't even know who Spade Cooley is.

This kid deserved someone to pay him attention. Might as well be me.

I used to play music for a living. Just like him. I played music in rooms where people smoked fistfuls of Marlboros and laughed too much.

On my plywood stage was a repurposed Sam's Club mayonnaise jar labeled: TIPS.

My highest aspiration was to play a song that would inspire someone to leave a \$100 bill in my jar.

That only happened one time. I have played thousands of gigs in my lifetime, from Atlanta to Chiefland. But I have only played one gig where a man tipped a hundred bucks.

I was playing "Amazing Grace" in Pensacola, Florida. The man in the audience was weeping. His son had just died in a car wreck on I-10. The man said his son loved "Amazing Grace."

The man tried to give me a hundred bucks, and I refused. Namely, because he had been overserved. His breath was potent, and you wouldn't have wanted to light a match within 12 feet of him.

But the man insisted I take the cash, and he kept calling me Jonathan.

Before he left the bar, escorted by a cab driver, the man hugged me so hard he nearly ruptured my spleen. "I love you, Jonathan," he said into my ear. "I love you so much."

I could never bring myself to spend that hundred dollars. It stayed in my wallet for decades.

My musical life all started when I was 2 years old, when I got my first guitar, which was much bigger than me.

By age 9, I learned how to play "Waltz Across Texas." By age 11, I was picking "Faded Love" and "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry."

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After my father died, I stayed holed up in my room and alternated between playing music and playing a typewriter. I did anything to avoid human contact.

By my teenage years, I was playing five nights per week in dim-lit rooms with unlevel pool tables and bathrooms that required a tetanus booster before entering.

I played through cheap, electrified sound systems that made my music sound like a guy playing ukelele through a bull-horn.

And I enjoyed my work. I got free beer. Free supper. I was expected to wash my own dishes.

The pay was crummy, but 50 bucks was 50 bucks. And I didn't have anything else to do with my life. I had few friends. And young women didn't want much to do with an orphan whose truck featured a front bumper made from a two-by-four.

In the daytime, I worked construction gigs and got splinters in my fingertips. At night, I played "Walkin' The

Floor" until 1 a.m.

I was godawful. But I learned things behind a microphone. On a beer-joint stage, you see the world from a different angle. You see your fellow humans, sitting in the audience, at their most vulnerable moments.

You see under-confident young women who just want to be noticed. You see guys who don't know where else to go, so they come to a bar. You see happy people. Sad people. Grief stricken people. Fighters. Sinners. Pranksters. Lovers. Fathers. Mothers. Dancers.

You meet elderly people who just want someone to play "Misty." You meet couples whose only goal for the night is to dance to "Mustang Sally," "Rolling On a River" or—"God help us all—"Brown Eyed Girl." Which are songs you used to actually like, until you played them a million-and-one times.

And even though nobody pays attention to you, you love playing music. You do not do it because people are paying attention. You play music because life is hard and ruthless and harsh. And the world needs more pretty things in it.

When the kid stopped playing I approached his tip jar. It's been 20-odd years, but I finally figured out how to spend that money.