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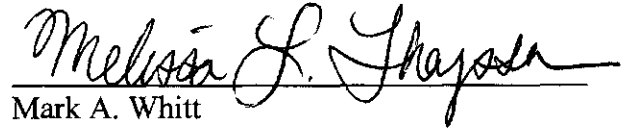
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ELECTION 2012

Concerns over Romney's faith quieter but not gone

After failed presidential bid in 2008, candidate rarely mentions his Mormon ties unless asked

By Rachel Zell

GREENE, S.C.: The second time around, the shock has worn off. The prospect of a Mormon president appears to be less alien to South Carolina Republicans who are giving Mitt Romney a second look after his failed White House bid in 2008. Still, worries about his faith persist in a state where one pastor jokes there are "more Baptists than people." Voters preparing for Saturday's presidential primary are weighing whether Romney's religion should matter so much when they cannot pay their bills and a Democrat many distrust occupies the White House.

Although Romney's faith is still a matter of some discussion, it is less of a political problem for him than it

was in 2008," said Jim Guth, a political scientist at Furman University in Greenville, in South Carolina's conservative upstate. "Most Republicans have a generally positive view of Romney, even evangelical Christians."

Four years ago, the Romney campaign directly took on suspicion about the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Conservative Christians, including Protestants and Roman Catholics, do not consider Mormons to be Christian, although Mormons strongly do. The former Massachusetts governor courted evangelical pastors and formed a national faith-and-values steering committee. Romney gave a major 2007 speech in Texas, modeled on John F. Kennedy's pivotal 1960 address on Catholicism,

that promised "no authorities of my church or of any other church for that matter" would influence his policies.

This time, Romney has no formal religious committee and rarely mentions his faith unless asked.

In an appearance Thursday in a motorcycle dealership in Greenville, he said the election was about "the soul of America" and described the national debt as a moral issue. He called America "the Beautiful" a national hymn. ("The music was, in fact, originally composed by a church organist for a hymn.")

The only direct mention of religion at the event came from the South Carolina state treasurer, Curtis Loftis. In a speech introducing Romney, Loftis noted that he was a Baptist.

By contrast, at South Carolina's barbecue joints and churches, Texas Gov. Rick Perry has been giving what evangelicals call personal testimony of how



Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney campaigns Saturday at American Legion Post 35 in Spartanburg, S.C. Unlike during his 2008 bid, Romney rarely talks about his Mormon faith unless asked.

he accepted Christ at age 14. Former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum, a social conservative and Roman Catholic who's sometimes mistaken for an evangelical Protestant, recently asked an audience in Greenville to pray for his campaign.

"It's a tough battle every day out there," Santorum said.

"And we need that hedge of protection."

Appeals like these are almost expected in a state where Christianity is so much part of daily life.

As Romney arrived in Columbia for the first time since his New Hampshire primary victory, churches around the state were welcoming families

for the weekly food, fellowship and Bible study that is a Wednesday night tradition in evangelical churches throughout the South.

In 2008, 60 percent of Republican voters in the South Carolina primary identified themselves as born-again Christians, according to exit polls.

GOP amps up outreach to Hispanics

Anti-immigration tone alienates many Latinos; New Mexico governor warns rhetoric dropped

By Ann Clausen

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.: The Republican Party is beefing up its minority outreach nationwide and preparing to put its rising Latino stars on the campaign trail amid concerns that tough immigration rhetoric in the presidential primary is taking on an increasingly anti-Hispanic tone.

But immigrant-rights groups and some political watchers say the damage may be irreversible. They argue that the GOP has severely hampered itself as it looks to woo the critical Latino voting bloc that could decide who wins key states like New Mexico, Nevada, Colorado and Florida next fall.

Mitt Romney "is done," said DeDee Blake, founder of Somos Republican in Arizona. "He'll be lucky to get 4 percent of the Hispanic vote" after saying

he would veto legislation that would create a path to citizenship for some illegal immigrants and accepting the endorsement of anti-immigration activist Kris Kobach, architect of two of the strongest immigration crackdown laws in the country.

The GOP front-runner, Romney has referred to the legislation — called the DREAM Act — as a handout. The measure would allow some young illegal immigrants brought to the U.S. as children to earn legal status if they went to college or joined the military. Challenges, including Texas Gov. Rick Perry, former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum and Ron Paul, have also taken tough anti-immigration stances in the campaign.

Language from them has been so sharp that even New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez, a Republican, has warned the candidates to watch their tongues.

"What we have to do is this: We have to tone down the rhetoric, and we have to have a sincere, honest conversation with the voters," Martinez said Wednesday, shortly after the Republican National Committee announced that it had hired a director of Hispanic outreach and was expanding its Latino-focused efforts. She's among the popular Hispanic politicians Republicans will deploy to battleground states.

There's a reason for the urgent tone coming from Republican leaders on this matter.

The government projects Hispanics will account for roughly 30 percent of the population by 2050, doubling in size and boosting their political power. Overall, Hispanics traditionally tilt Democrat, meaning the Republican Party is looking at a threat to its political power if they don't work to make inroads with this politically pivotal group now.

Democrats have strengthened their standing with Hispanics in the most recent presidential election years. While much was made during the Democratic primary of 2008 of President Barack Obama's perceived weakness among Hispanics, he won 67 percent of their vote in the general election to 31 percent for Republican John McCain. It was a huge jump from 2004 when Democratic nominee John Kerry won Hispanics by 53 percent to 44 percent for Bush, a Texas who focused heavily on Hispanics.

Some worry that this year's eventual GOP nominee won't fare much better than McCain four years ago — and may fare worse — if candidates don't soften the way they talk about immigration.

"It's an emotional issue, and I think if the candidate can realize that and talk about it, you can still be conservative on immigration and talk about it in a way that doesn't turn off Hispanics," said Jennifer Korn, executive director of the Hispanic Leadership Network.

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Giants stun Green Bay, 37-20

Eli Manning throws 3 TD passes as New York advances to NFC title game

Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — For Eli Manning and the New York Giants, Lambeau Field has become a familiar launching pad. After beating the Green Bay Packers at home for the second time in four years, they only hope this trip ends the same way — at the Super Bowl.

Manning threw three touch-down passes and the Giants shocked the Packers 37-20 in an NFC divisional playoff game Sunday. Manning threw for 330 yards, sending the Giants to San Francisco for the NFC championship game next Sunday night.

The Giants stunned the reigning Super Bowl champion with a touchdown off a long heave just before halftime, then knocked them out with a late touchdown off a turnover. Lambeau Field fell silent as the Giants swarmed the field in celebration, with a handful of New York fans chanting, "Let's go, Giants!"

The win came four years after the Giants beat a Brett Favre-led Packers team in the NFC title game. It wasn't nearly as trivial this time around, and the Packers' vaunted defense seemed to be waiting to get sliced up.

Manning found six different receivers against a porous Packers defense. But Manning did the most damage with his throws to Hakeem Nicks, who caught seven passes for 168 yards and two touchdowns.

Nicks' biggest play was a 66-touchdown catch at the end

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of the first half.

The Giants' defense also was able to defuse the big-play abilities of Aaron Rodgers and the Packers' defense.

Rodgers was 26 of 46 for 284 yards, with two touch-downs and an interception. He also was the Packers' leading rusher with 66 yards on seven carries.

Meanwhile, the Packers' past problems with dropped balls by their talented group of wide receivers returned at the worst time imaginable.

And while the Packers' defense has been porous all season, giving up far too many yards and big plays, they typically made up for it by forcing turnovers.

This time, the Packers were the ones giving the ball away.

**Ravens beat Texans,
move to AFC title game**

BALTIMORE — A fierce defense led by Ray Lewis and Ed Reed came up with four turnovers to lead Baltimore to a 20-13 victory over the Houston Texans on Sunday, sending the Ravens into the AFC championship game.

The Ravens forced two turnovers in the first quarter and moved to a 17-3 lead, and interceptions by Lardarius Webb and Reed in the final eight minutes preserved the advantage.

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No. 11 Ohio State women beat Michigan State

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Taylor Hill scored 21 points to help No. 11 Ohio State beat Michigan State 64-56 on Sunday.

Ohio State (17-1, 4-1 Big Ten) handed the Spartans (12-6, 4-1) their first loss in the conference.

Hill made a 3-pointer to put the Buckeyes ahead with 3 minutes left in the first half they didn't give up the lead.

Ohio State enjoyed some 11-point cushions in the second half and led 54-44 with 7-plus minutes left in the game.

After Michigan State pulled within three points for a second time in the final minutes, Samantha Prahalis made a jumper and two free throws to give Ohio State a seven-point lead with 35 seconds left. Prahalis finished with 15 points.

Courtney Schiltzauer scored 12, Becca Mills had 11 points and Lykendra Johnson added 10 points for the Spartans.

Ohio State's Darysse Moore had 11 points and Amber Stokes scored 10.

has dismissed two players for off-the-field problems.

Ohio State spokesman Jerry Enig confirmed Sunday that defensive backs Dominic Clarke and Derjuan Gambrell have been released from their scholarships.

Clarke, a redshirt sophomore from Frederick, Md., has been charged with drunken driving and also had been arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct after allegedly discharging a BB gun on campus. No one was hurt in the latter incident.

Gambrell, a freshman from Toledo, was also discharged for a "violation of team rules," but Ohio State did not specify what that violation was.

**OSU assistant to coach
linebackers at Arkansas**

PAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Ohio State assistant football coach Tom Johnson will be in charge of linebackers on Arkansas coach Bobby Petrino's staff.

Petrino announced Sunday that Johnson had been hired as an assistant head coach for the Razorbacks.

Johnson spent five seasons with Ohio State, which compiled a 50-15 record during his

tenure and won four Big Ten titles. Ohio State finished with a 12-1 record in 2010 and a victory in the Alamo Sugar Bowl.

Johnson briefly served as the defensive line coach with the Oakland Raiders after five years at Miami (Ohio), and he spent a year with the Cleveland Browns as special teams coach.

He was the linebackers coach and defensive coordinator at Middle Tennessee, an NCAA Division III school, and was a graduate assistant at Notre Dame in 1999.

**Blue Jackets
Marleau's late goal
lifts Sharks, 2-1**

COLUMBUS — Patrick Marleau scored off a rebound with 2:57 left to lead the San Jose Sharks to a 2-1 victory over the Columbus Blue Jackets on Saturday night, extending the Sharks' point streak to eight games.

Ben Clove also had a goal for the Sharks, who are 6-0-1 in the new year and 6-0-2 in their last eight. Thomas Greiss had 25 saves to beat the Blue Jackets for the second time in his only two starts since Dec. 3. He also beat Columbus by the same score in San Jose on Jan. 5.

the nation's attention and began when Denver was 1-4 and made Tebow a starter. The one-time third-stringer promptly won six in a row and seven of eight, with a string of stunning comebacks, and the Broncos ended up backing into the AFC West title.

**Stingy 49ers hold down
Drew Brees, Saints**

SAN FRANCISCO — Alex Smith completed a 14-yard touchdown pass to Vernon Davis with 9 seconds left just after Drew Brees had put the high-powered Saints ahead, and the resurgent San Francisco 49ers capitalized on fine New Orleans turnovers for a thrilling 36-32 playoff victory Saturday.

Smith ran for a 28-yard TD with 2:11 left and threw another scoring pass to Davis. Coach Jim Harbaugh's NFC West champions (14-3) proved that a hard-hitting, stingy defense can still win in the modern, wide-open NFL by holding off one of league's most dynamic offenses.

San Francisco triumphed in its first playoff game in nine years, moving within one win of returning to the Super Bowl for the first time since capturing the proud franchise's fifth championship after the 1994 season. The Saints finish at 14-4.

Next up for the 49ers is the NFC title game against the winner of Sunday's New York Giants-Green Bay Packers matchup.

Rick Nash picked up his fourth goal in four games for the Blue Jackets, who split home games on back-to-back nights.

Curtis Sanford had 31 saves for Columbus.

**College Hockey
Ohio State, Michigan
face off outdoors**

CLEVELAND — Michigan and Ohio State dropped the puck above a baseball diamond Sunday with the Wolverines coming out on top 4-1 in the Frozen Diamond Faceoff at Progressive Field.

With the rivals' fans sitting side-by-side in the home of the Cleveland Indians, the Wolverines and Buckeyes played the first outdoor college hockey game in Ohio before a crowd of 25,864.

Indiana president Mark Shapiro said the Indians will evaluate the event and decide whether to hold it again next year.

Shapiro arrived at the downtown ballpark more than five hours before the start and was greeted by hundreds of fans tailgating like it was a Saturday during college football season.

Simmons defends title in 50 freestyle for Arrow girls

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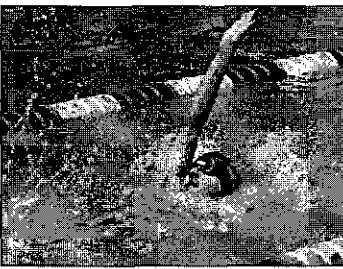
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"He was a body length behind with 50 meters to go, and it's not easy to close that gap," Geren said of Reynolds' meet-closing leg of the 400 relay. "When you can get the crowd to jump to its feet and make that kind of noise, it's big."

"In some ways, I feel for Gabo, because we count on him a lot. He takes that very seriously and wants to do well for the team, and today he sure did."

Junior Maggie Simmons led the AHS girls by defending her title in the 50 free (25.99), placing second in the 100 free and swimming on a pair of the third-place relay quartets (400 free, 2:00 medley).

"The OCC is a big deal, there are so many good swimmers here," Simmons said. "I did OK, I wasn't as fast as I've



Don Starcher photo
Ashland High School's Adrianna Hosier cuts through the water Saturday during the 100 backstroke in the OCC Championships at Wooster High School.

place swimmers from Ward (200 free), Swartzentruber (100 free), freshman Adrianna Hosier (100 back) and from diver Shadie Johnson. Also grabbing bronze was the 200 medley relay of Hosier, Keegan McDaniel, Trinitie Leon and Simmons and the 400 free foursome of Ward, Swartzentruber, Leon and Simmons.

Winning boys relays were Garrison, Logan Leon, Bryce Wood and Reynolds in the 400 free and Cameron Thompson, Robby Ward, Leon and Jacob Whaler in the 200 free. Ward, Leon, A.J. Snell and Thompson were second in the 200 medley, with Ward (100 free) and Snell (100 breast) earning individual titles.

Girls Swimmer of the Year was Madison Meinhold of Orrville, who set conference records in winning the 200 free and 500 free.

Bank displays famous signers' checks

BROOKLYN, Ohio (AP) — Dozens of personal checks from former U.S. presidents, authors and other famous people, including one written by President Abraham Lincoln the day before he was assassinated, are part of a collection that has been rediscovered by an Ohio bank and is being displayed to the public.

A total of 70 checks have been stored in a vault at Huntington Bank's Columbus headquarters since 1983 after Huntington acquired the check collection when it took over Cleveland's Union Commerce Bank. A Union Commerce president had developed the check collection, said Huntington spokeswoman Maureen Brown told The Associated Press.

The list of notable check-signers includes inventor Thomas Edison, composer George Gershwin and authors such as Mark Twain, Charles Dickens and Ernest Hemingway.

Huntington officials decided last year to start publicly displaying some of the checks after an employee looking through the collection was struck by their historical significance and suggested that they really needed to be shared with everyone, Brown said. Huntington had not forgotten the checks' existence, but "through the years — as employees left and new ones came in — the actual value of the checks hadn't been recognized," she said.

She said the bank began displaying some of the checks last summer at a Pittsburgh branch, and the public reaction was so positive that officials decided to display some of the checks at various branches across the Midwest.

"We were surprised that



In this Jan. 10 photo, a check written by President Abraham Lincoln to himself from the First National Bank for \$800 one day before he was assassinated is displayed at the Huntington Bank in Brooklyn, Ohio. Dozens of personal checks from former U.S. presidents, authors and other famous people, including the one written by Lincoln, are part of a collection that has been rediscovered by an Ohio bank and is being displayed to the public.

there are so many history buffs out there," Brown said.

Some of the checks are currently displayed at Huntington's Brooklyn branch in suburban Cleveland. Branches in Akron, Canton and Toledo will have similar displays this year.

Abraham Lincoln's check was written on April 13, 1865, the day before he was shot by John Wilkes Booth. The check for \$800 was written to "self" and drawn on the First National Bank of Washington, D.C., according to an appraisal done for the bank by Cowan's Auctions in Cincinnati.

That check was reportedly

used to get cash to pay debts incurred by Lincoln's wife, Mary Todd Lincoln, "who apparently was a shopper," Brown said.

A special collection librarian at Cleveland State University sees the checks as quite a find. The Plain Dealer of Cleveland reported.

"These are remnants of a vanished society," librarian Bill Barrow said.

Checks with original signatures show that famous historical figures like Lincoln had bills, too, Barrow said.

"The fact that President Lincoln had this in his hand the day before he was shot, it helps

connect people," Barrow said.

Twenty-four of the checks bear the signatures of American presidents.

The Lincoln check is worth about \$25,000 today, while one written by George Washington to William Thornton for \$500 is valued at \$10,000. A check written by Thomas Jefferson in 1793 for \$22.69 is now worth about \$6,000, according to the appraisal.

Hemingway's check was written to Curtis Publishing Co. for \$3.50, and is worth about \$1,500 today.

Cowan's has valued the entire collection of checks around \$73,000.

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Ohio has 840,000 students getting school lunch aid

COLUMBUS (AP) — More than 840,000 students are getting subsidized meals at school this year, setting a record high, according to new data from the Ohio Department of Education.

That means nearly half of Ohio children in school are getting free or reduced-price lunches. The Columbus Dispatch (<http://bit.ly/xCrXOV>) reported Sunday. The data show the percentage of students receiving lunch aid has climbed from just under 25 percent a decade ago to about 45 percent this school year.

Students can qualify for aid through the federal lunch program based on family income, making the data a good indicator of poverty or economic well-being among families with schoolchildren.

Students can become eligible for free meals if their annual household income is less than 130 percent of the federal poverty level, or about \$29,000 for a family of four. Students whose families earn up to 185 percent of the poverty level, or about \$41,300, can get reduced-cost lunches.

The number of students

taking advantage of those provisions has increased as the recession battered family budgets when people lost jobs or income, the newspaper reported.

Some school districts have responded by adding free or reduced-price breakfasts at school or offering other meals on weekends and during summer break.

Foreclosure prevention changes may help Ohioans

By KANTELE FRANKO

COLUMBUS — Ohio's foreclosure prevention program has made changes aimed at helping more struggling owners remain in their homes.

The Ohio Housing Finance Agency, which administers the "Restoring Stability" program, says the recently amended guidelines could make more people eligible for mortgage assistance. The program helps people who are unemployed or facing other financial strains, such as reduced wages or work hours, increased medical expenses, or the death of a spouse.

The changes, praised by housing advocates, affect who is eligible for aid.

"It actually provides a deeper level of assistance," said Bill Faith, executive director of the Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio, which provides housing assistance and has worked with OHFA to make sure the aid program benefits as

many people as possible. "They were finding that an awful lot of the people that were coming to them for help were people that were unemployed or they may have found another job but their job paid a whole lot less than their old job."

Under the new guidelines, a person can now have liquid assets equal to six months of mortgage payments instead of three months and still be eligible. Another change means homeowners who are unemployed or meet certain other criteria can get money for full mortgage payments, instead of the previously offered partial payments for up to 15 months or a total of \$20,000.

Faith said the setup of having an owner pay part of a mortgage and the program pay part of the mortgage had created some processing problems for mortgage servicers when the payments were received at different times.

Owners who missed mortgage payments but can now make payments can get up to \$25,000 to reinstate mortgages, an increase of \$10,000 from the previous limit. The money does not have to be repaid.

Eligibility also is being extended to owners who live in manufactured homes titled as real estate.

"Each of these program enhancements will help further the Ohio Housing Finance Agency's efforts in assisting thousands of Ohio homeowners struggling to maintain possession of their homes," OHFA Executive Director Doug Garver said in a statement.

The program has helped

more than 3,900 homeowners at risk of loan default or foreclosure since it was implemented with funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury in 2010, according to OHFA.

An increase in the number of foreclosure cases had been a problem in Ohio throughout the previous decade. The number of new foreclosure filings in Ohio's courts of common pleas rose for nine straight years to a high of more than 80,000 in 2009 before dropping to about 8,500 in 2010, according to data from the Ohio Supreme Court. A summary from 2011 is not yet available.

In total, OHFA has distributed more than \$31 million in mortgage payments through agreements with more than 280 mortgage servicers, the agency said.

Library

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"I think the basis (of the design) is there," said Trustee Pat Neyhart.

"I like what's there so far," said Galichotte.

Patti Stevic, the manager of the mobile branch, updated the board on the construction of a new bookmobile to replace an older model.

"The chassis should arrive later this month or early in February," Stevic said.

"We chose navy blues and green (used to cover the seats) — we (also) have wheel box covers," Stevic said, adding the colors related to exterior graphics.

"There is nothing to unveil yet," related to exterior graphics, Stevic said, noting, "We need some professional input."

"We want (people) to look

at this and know it's a library vehicle," she said. "We want it to be simple, but we want it to say what it needs to say."

"We're going to throw a big party when this thing comes out," Stevic quipped to the board.

The discussion of capital projects also addressed wear and tear to the carpet on the stairs and entryways of the downtown library on Liberty Street in Wooster.

"We do not want to let the facility (go)," Neyhart told the board, adding, "It was kind of a big discussion (in the facility committee)."

"(They are) high-traffic areas," Trustee Sandy Wenger pointed out.

Neyhart's position is the areas should be repaired, but

other alternatives for covering them should be researched.

Capital project funds, including a landscape trailer and updated technology, for 2012 total \$272,960.

In response to a question from board President Doug Drushal, Fiscal Officer Katherine Long said, "It is a little higher than we've been doing."

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Flat

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market has bottomed out and will begin to see some growth in 2012. However, a full recovery will not likely happen until 2015-2016, he added.

Finley believes Wayne County has been a little slower, and he is not sure the market has bottomed out here.

"I think we're seeing the repercussions of Rubbermaid leaving," Finley said. Those workers who filled the company's former headquarters on Akron Road, whether executives, office workers or factory workers, helped spur the economy and bought homes.

With those jobs gone, "We're feeling the crunch of that," Finley said. "This is year 33 for me, and I went through the '80s. This does not compare ... this is serious."

During the Wayne County Planning Commission meeting Wednesday, Jan. 11, Betsy Sparr, director of the Planning Department, reported some "very sad annual statistics." The number of lot splits, major subdivisions and common access drives signs of development, were all down.

Zytowicki said 2012 is starting out pretty good. There is a construction project beginning in the Green school district.

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Dominion

NATIONWATCH

LAS VEGAS

Miss Wisconsin wins Miss America

A 23-year-old beauty queen from Wisconsin won the Miss America pageant Saturday in Las Vegas after singing opera and strutting in a white bikini and black beaded evening gown.

Laura Kaeppeler also had to answer a question about whether beauty queens should declare their politics.

"Miss America represents everyone, so I think the message to political candidates is that they represent everyone as well," she said. "And so in these economic times, we need to be looking forward to what America needs, and I think Miss America needs to represent all."

Ellen Bryan, of Celina, represented Ohio at the national competition.

ANCHORAGE, Alaska

Fuel tanker arrives at ice-in town

The ice that has cut off a remote Alaska town for months will connect it to the world again as crews prepare to build a path over it to carry fuel from a Russian tanker that was moored roughly a half mile from the town's harbor Sunday.

A Coast Guard cutter cleared a path through hundreds of miles of Bering Sea ice for the tanker as it made its way toward the town of 3,500 on Alaska's western coast, where residents are coping with their coldest winter since the 1970s.

NEW YORK

American masters get new life at Met

Get ready to fall in love all over again—with John Singer Sargent, Winslow Homer, Frederic Edwin Church, Frederic Remington and other masters of American art.

The Metropolitan Museum of Art is opening its understated but elegant new American Wing for paintings, sculpture and decorative arts on Monday after a four-year renovation. The collection, covering works from the 18th to the early 20th century, shines as never before.

For the first time, the works are displayed on one floor; chronologically and thematically, in a modern interpretation of the classic European Beaux-Arts picture gallery. There are 26 rooms featuring coiled ceilings, cornices and natural light from skylights in 18 of the galleries.

CHICAGO

Shackles off-limits for pregnant in jail

Jailers in Cook County, Ill., will no longer be allowed to shackle pregnant prisoners and those in postpartum recovery unless they are deemed to pose security or flight risks, under a new state law.

Despite a previous law banning the practice, pregnant women in Cook County custody continued to report being handcuffed by the wrist or shackled by the leg while they were giving birth.

In 1909, Illinois became the first state to ban the practice of shackling women who were in labor. That law imposed restraints of any kind, including handcuffs and leg restraints, used on women who were either in labor or being taken to the hospital to give birth.

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Cheaper natural gas helping families

By JONATHAN FAHEY
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The price of natural gas is plummeting at a pace that has caught even the experts off guard.

A 35 percent collapse in the futures price over the past year has been a boon to homeowners who use natural gas for heat and appliances and to manufacturers who power their factories and make chemicals and materials with it.

The country is flush with natural gas as a result of new drilling techniques that have enabled energy companies to tap vast supplies that were out of reach not so long ago.

The country's natural gas surplus has been growing ever as the country burns record amounts.

This winter's warm weather slowed the growth in demand, however, and created a glut. In the Northeast, December was the fourth warmest in the last 117 years. Winter supplies are 17 percent above their three-year average.

The natural gas futures price fell 13 percent last week, to \$2.67 per 1,000 cubic feet. That's the lowest winter-time level in a decade.

"The market has been overwhelmed with gas," says Anthony Yuen, a commodities analyst at Citibank.

He and other analysts expect the price to average about \$3 for all of 2012. If the weather stays mild, the price could even dip below \$2, a level not seen since 2002.

Cheap natural gas is mainly a good thing for the economy:

• More than half of U.S. households use natural gas for heat, and a quarter of the nation's electricity is made from it. Falling heating and electric costs are offsetting the impact of high gasoline prices and enabling families and small businesses to spend on other things. Residential gas and electric customers are saving roughly

\$200 a year, according to a study by Navigant Consulting.

• For companies that make plastics, fertilizer and other chemicals derived from natural gas, the falling prices are nothing short of a windfall. The same goes for makers of products from steel to bricks to beer. All use a lot of natural gas to heat their furnaces. U.S. manufacturers are becoming more competitive globally as a result of the country's cheap natural gas, industry officials say.

Some industries aren't cheering, though. With electricity prices falling, the profits of all electric power producers — whether

they rely on coal, nuclear or wind — are shrinking.

Companies that drill solely for natural gas are earning less these days, too. That's prompting some to hunt instead for oil, whose price is near \$100 a barrel.

Still, drillers aren't reducing natural gas production as much as they would have during previous periods of low prices. They've found ways to produce the fuel at much lower cost so they can be profitable at much lower prices. And, in many cases, natural gas is a byproduct of oil drilling, which is so profitable that companies are going after every barrel they can find.

Candidates go all-out for Jesus

Republicans reaching for evangelical vote



Texas Gov. Rick Perry, a Republican presidential candidate, bows his head in prayer Sunday, the Faith and Freedom Coalition Prayer Breakfast in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. (AP) — On Sunday, Republican presidential candidate Rick Santorum and Rick Perry attended a prayer breakfast in Myrtle Beach, North Carolina, to rally their personal "baggage" at a church in North Charleston, and Jon Huntsman attended services in Charleston.

Their appearances were aimed squarely at evangelical or born-again Christian voters, who made up 60 percent of primary voters four years ago and who remain divided among several candidates.

Rallying much of that vote could help one candidate catch Mitt Romney, who leads in the polls.

Santorum looked for a surge of support after a weekend endorsement from a group of national religious and social conservatives.

"It's a very big deal," the former senator from Pennsylvania said. "We feel very, very good that with their support were going to get a network of grass-roots leaders here, riding up behind us

and giving us that surge that we need coming down to this last week."

Sen. John McCain called the endorsement a setback for Romney, whom he supports. "It is a hit," McCain said on CNN. "Let's be very honest. There is a very strong, evangelical movement in South Carolina, particularly inland."

Regardless of movement, candidates latched out to make their appeal directly to voters.

"I know what the values are of South Carolina. I've spent a lot of time here," Santorum told several hundred people at a prayer breakfast. "The question is, will the people of South Carolina vote their conscience. Quit compromising. Vote your conscience. ... Speak as South Carolinians to a country that is looking for leadership and put someone in there, give someone the

opportunity to do what's necessary to heal this land."

Perry told the same audience in Myrtle Beach about his faith.

"At age 14, I walked down that (church) aisle and gave my heart to Jesus Christ," the governor of Texas said. "I don't know how to leave me alone."

Perry urged attendees to pick a candidate who embodies their Christian ideals. "Who will be faithful to your values?" he said.

At the Cathedral of Praise in North Charleston, Gingrich spoke to a congregation of about 1,000 about his three marriages, a record that many voters cite as a reason they won't vote for the former House speaker.

"I don't come here today as a perfect person," he said. "I don't come here today without, I guess the advertisement is, baggage."

Perry: Marines in video are just kids

He says Obama rhetoric about corpse desecration is overblown

By ANNE FLAHERTY
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Republican presidential hopeful Rick Perry on Sunday accused the Obama administration of "over-the-top rhetoric" and "blatant lies for the military" in its condemnation of a video that purportedly shows four Marines urinating on corpses in Afghanistan.

Perry's comments put him at odds with Sen. John McCain, the top Republican on the Senate Armed Services Committee, who said the images could damage the war effort.

"The Marine Corps prides itself that we don't lower ourselves to the level of the enemy," McCain said when asked about Perry's position. "So it makes me sad more than anything else, because ... I can't tell you how wonderful these people (Marines) are. And it hurts their reputation and their image."

No one has been charged in the case, but officials in the U.S. and abroad have called for swift punishment of the four Marines. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta said last week that he worried the video could be used by the Taliban to undermine peace talks.

A military criminal investigation and an internal Marine Corps review are under way. The Geneva Conventions forbid the desecration of the dead.

Texas Gov. Perry said the Marines involved should be reprimanded but not prosecuted on criminal charges.

"Obviously, 18-, 19-year-old kids make stupid mistakes all too often. And that's what's occurred here," Perry told CNN's "State of the Union."

He later added: "What's really disturbing to me is the kind of over-the-top rhetoric from this administration and their (clashes) for the military."

Later appearing on the same show, McCain said he disagreed.

"We're trying to win the hearts and minds" of the Afghanistan population, he said. "And when something like that comes up, it obviously harms that ability."

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Mail

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be cut.

"I don't want to see them cut any jobs, so I'm glad to help if a penny increase keeps the mail service running," he said.

Terry Greathouse of Marietta also relies heavily on the U.S. Mail.

"We mostly use it to pay bills, but we also receive advertisements and other mail," he said. "And given the present economy this is probably not the best time to raise the cost of a stamp."

Post office officials say the one-cent increase in

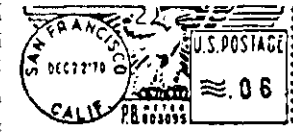
first-class postage will generate another \$888 million a year for the agency, but more revenue sources and cost-cutting measures will still be required in the future.

Carol Sciance has a farm in Warren Township.

"I think e-mail is taking so much business away from the post office, and cell phones have made it much easier to just call and talk to someone anywhere," she said, adding that such technology is replacing the time-honored practice of hand-writing and mailing letters.

Still, Sciance said she prefers using the postal service.

"I mail my bill payments because I don't like putting



my personal information on the Internet," she said. "There's just no privacy there. So I don't think a price increase for stamps is going to make any difference to me."

Newark, W.Va., resident Kim Settle also prefers the U.S. Mail.

"I get all my bills in the mail and I pay them through the mail," she said. "And I probably write let-

ters at least once a month."

Settle said she does get a lot of junk mail in her mailbox — mostly credit card preapprovals that she discards immediately. But she noted junk mail also comes through her e-mail account.

"I spend a lot of my time online deleting that junk mail," she said.

"I rely on the postal service, so increasing the cost of a stamp doesn't bother

me, although I may have to buy some 1-cent stamps next week," Settle said.

It's a different story for Marietta College student Christine Drawl, from Mecca, Ohio. Like many young people, she makes use of e-mail and other Internet technology to do

pay bills and communicate with friends and family. "I buy stamps very rarely, and I never buy a whole book," she said. "But I have grandparents out in Colorado who don't have e-mail, so I do write them letters about twice a year."

Fellow student Amanda Hardt from Mars, Pa., uses the U.S. Postal Service and technology.

"My parents often send care packages, and I like

to send packages as well to my family members on special occasions like birthdays, and it's nice to have those kinds of mail services on campus," she said.

Hardt said her grandparents on her mother's side of the family still send letters via the U.S. Mail.

"But the grandparents on my dad's side use e-mail, and we've even set up a Skype account for them," she added.

Also coming Sunday, the cost to mail a postcard will be hiked from 29 cents to 32 cents, and letters to Canada or Mexico will be increased to 85 cents.

Letters to other foreign locations will cost \$1.05, up from the current 98 cents.

King

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writings conjure memories of his message, and a 30-foot-tall sculpture depicts King emerging as a "stone of hope" from a "mountain of despair," a design inspired by a line of his famous "I Have a Dream" speech.

Some gaze upon this figure in silence. Some smile and pull out cell phone cameras. Others chat about how closely the statue resembles King. And some are moved to tears.

"Just all that this man did so that we could do better and be anything," said Brandon Brown, 26, of Chesapeake, S.C., who visited the memorial Saturday with her aunt and cousin.

"I know it took a lot more than him to get to where we are, but he was a big part of the movement."

Brown's aunt, Gloria

Drake, 69, of Cheraw, S.C., said she remembers King almost as though he was Moses leading his people to the promised land, even when there were so many reasons to doubt things would get better in an era of segregated buses, schools and lunch counters.

"It was really just hostile," she said. "And then we had a man that came to tell us things are going to be better."

"Don't be mad, don't be angry," she recalled King's message. "Just come together in peace."

They said King's lasting legacy is the reality of equality and now having a black president. Drake said President Barack Obama reminds her of King with his "calmness" even in the face of

anger. Christine Redman, 37, visited the memorial with her husband, James Redman, 40, and their young son and daughter. She said they also feel a personal connection to King.

"We're a mixed family, and we know that without a lot of the trials that he went through to help end segregation and help the race to become one, we would not be able to have the freedoms to love who we want to love and be accepted in the world," she said.

Her son, 8-year-old Tyler, copied his name. "And he who we want to be."

The family tries to celebrate King's birthday by finding a way to serve others, they said. They were thinking about volunteering at a food pantry or donating toys for needy kids.

When he thinks of King, James Redman said he thinks of hope. Still, he said, King's legacy is lost on many.



King in 1966.

"Dr. King was about love and about cooperation and compromise and working together," he said. "We don't see a whole lot of that in our leaders. We don't see a whole lot of it in our citizenry."

THE STAGE
On Broadway, theatergoers are seeing a different version of King — one that is more man than legend.

The realism was refreshing for Donya Fairfax, who marveled after leaving a matinee of "The Mountaintop" that she had never really thought of King cursing, as actor Samuel L. Jackson does while portraying King in the play.

"He was human and not someone who was above fault," said the 48-year-old, visiting from Los Angeles. "He cursed. He did things that people do behind closed doors. He was regular."

For some, such a portrayal would seem to chip away at King's memory. But for Natalie Perz, who at 20 has

come to know King only through the gauzy view of history, it seemed a precious reminder that it is not beyond the reach of the ordinary and the flawed to effect change.

"It's important for people our age to see that he wasn't this saint-like figure," she said. "It's making you see that just because you're not perfect, it doesn't mean you can't do good."

For M.E. Ward, seeing an in-the-flesh incarnation of King brought her back more than 40 years, to when she watched his soaring speeches on the television. No matter how human he seemed on stage, she said, he still carried a godly gift.

"Still charismatic, still an orator, and an individual who was able to move people through his speech," she said, adding that King enlightened the world with a message "to be peaceful, to be patient, to be non-violent."

No matter how distant his presence is now, that legacy is

still very relevant, she said, in what she called "a world of turmoil and violence, constant violence."

Do people idealize him too much?

"They don't do it enough," said 64-year-old Elizabeth Carr, who cried through most of the play, feeling some of the pain she felt when the civil rights leader died. "The youngest generation, they don't know anyone... They don't understand what they went through."

After traveling more than five hours with three friends — all of them African-American — to see Saturday's matinee, Mariko Tapper Taylor said seeing King in his flaws did nothing to diminish his legacy.

"It's better to remember him as human," she said. "Who's flawless? It just shows that there's another side of him."

For her, the holiday remains very personal, Taylor said.

Giants

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"Just don't screw things up."

This time around, though, he took control from the opening drive, almost single-handedly managing the Giants' transition from a run-first offense to a multi-faceted passing attack — a necessity in the new, points-a-plenty version of the NFL. By the end, Manning had rolled up 330 yards on 21-of-33 passing for three touchdowns and a nifty 114.5 QB rating.

The offensive line did a great job. We had time to get the ball off," Manning said.

He can be self-effacing to a fault. You could almost see him reviewing a roster of his teammates to make sure he didn't leave anyone out.

"We kept our tight ends in. We kept our backs in," he added. "They gave me time to sit back there and wait for guys to get open."

It wasn't nearly as simple as he made it sound, though. Seven of those catches and two TDs were claimed by receiver Hakeem Nicks — including his stunning, jump-ball grab of a rainbow in the end zone to close out the first half — but Manning spread the wealth around to seven different receivers.

"He understands the defense. He understands what we can see on every

Weekend playoffs at a glance

Ravens 20, Texans 13

BALTIMORE — If style points and offensive fireworks meant anything, the Baltimore Ravens wouldn't stand a chance of making it to the AFC championship.

Played defense and protecting the football are what they do best, and that formula led to a 20-13 victory over the Houston Texans, putting Baltimore in the AFC title game against the New England Patriots. The Ravens (13-4) had almost as many punts (nine) as first downs (17) and scored only three points over the final 45 minutes. But Baltimore wasn't penalized often, didn't commit a turnover, intercepted rookie quarterback T.J. Yates three times and totaled four takeaways — two in the first quarter and two over the final eight minutes.

Baltimore beats New England next Sunday. The Patriots lead the series 6-1, but Baltimore's Jon Ryan came in the postseason. Patriots 48, Broncos 10

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Tom Brady's way of dealing with Tebowmania was to silence it with a record-setting performance. Brady threw six touchdown passes, five in the first half, and put the New England Patriots into the AFC championship game after another roughing up Tim Tebow and the Denver Broncos 45-10 Saturday night.

The Patriots (14-3), winners of nine straight games, will host Baltimore next Sunday for a spot in the Super Bowl.

Here's the Saints 10

SAN FRANCISCO — Alex Smith completed a 14-yard touchdown pass to Vernon Davis with 9 seconds left just after Drew Brees had the high-powered Saints ahead, and the resurgent San Francisco 49ers capitalized on the New Orleans Lamourers for a thrilling 36-32 playoff victory Saturday.

Smith ran for a 28-yard TD with 2:11 left and threw another scoring pass to Davis. Coach Jim Harbaugh's NFC West champions (14-3) proved that a hard-hitting, stingy defense can still win in the modern, wide-open NFL by holding off one of the league's most dynamic offenses. San Francisco triumphed in its first playoff game in nine years, moving within one win of returning to the Super Bowl for the first time since capturing the proud franchise's fifth championship after the 1994 season. The Saints followed at 14-4.

Next up for the 49ers is the NFC title game against the New York Giants.

single down and every single coverage," receiver Victor Cruz said. "He's just a situation that begged for a making the right reads and really hitting people when the time is right."

With these Giants, that means most of the time. Leading 20-10 early in the fourth quarter, New York was desperately trying to hold onto its momentum.

So Giants offensive coordinator Kevin Gilbride

put Manning in the shotgun with an empty backfield, pitting the fate of the drive onto his quarterback's slim shoulders. Manning coolly delivered a 9-yard sideline throw to Mario Manningham for the first down, then wound up driving New York another 21 yards to set up Lawrence Tynes for a 15-yard field goal. None of it — not Gilbride's gutsy call, nor Manning's crisp spiral to a tight spot on the sideline — surprises the Giants' receiving corps anymore.

"He trusts the ball in Eli's hands," Cruz said, referring to Gilbride. "So any time we get that pass call on third-and-short, we understand what we have to do, get open so we can get the ball."

In a fitting postscript, just as his running backs rediscovered their legs late in the game, Manning switched from driving the offense to getting behind the car and pushing. As Jacobs headed toward the right sideline on what would turn out to be a 14-yard TD run, Manning threw a block to buy him

runner a few yards of space. "It might not have been the best technique, but it got the job done. I'm sure I'll get some heat from the guys when we watch it on

film tomorrow. Doesn't matter," he said. "I'm still saying I'm proud of my block."

Maybe so. But before Manning gets carried away, he should remember that the fat paycheck the Giants

send him every week is for being an elite quarterback, not a pylon.

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Truck smacks into home

"It sounded like a bomb," is what home owner Don Bayer said when this pickup ran into his house Saturday at 4:56 p.m. on Ohio 681 just north of Brandon. The Ohio State Highway Patrol said Juan Grimaldo, 44, Columbus, was southbound when his truck ran off the left side of the road, drove through a field, hit and bounced over an embankment, traveled uphill and hit the Bayer home in the laundry area. The vehicle traveled more than 400 feet off the road. Grimaldo was charged with driving while intoxicated.

Deputy injured in accident

By CHUCK MARTIN
News Staff Reporter

MOUNT VERNON — A Knox County Sheriff's deputy was injured early Thursday morning in an accident on Vernon View Drive.

View Drive, Sheriff David Barber reported. Barber said his office has not yet received the official report from the Ohio Highway Patrol, which investigated the accident. However, he was also called to the scene and what apparently happened was that Deputy Max Huffman, who was northbound on Vernon View Drive

on his way home after ending his shift at midnight, swerved to avoid a deer.

The cruiser rolled and Huffman received cuts and bruises but was protected from more serious injuries by the roll bar that's part of the cage in the cruiser, Barber said.

Huffman was transported to Knox Community Hospital by the College-Moore Township Emergency Squad where he was treated and released. "I talked to Huffman yesterday," Barber said Friday, "and he was still stiff and sore."

Towering legend, flawed man? King's image evolving

WASHINGTON (AP) — On the National Mall in Washington, Martin Luther King Jr. is a towering, heroic figure carved in stone. On the Broadway stage, he's a living, breathing man who chain smokes, sips liquor and occasionally curses.

As Americans honor King's memory 44 years after he was assassinated, the image of the slain civil rights leader is evolving. THE MEMORIAL

The new King memorial, which opened in August in the nation's capital, celebrates the ideal King espoused. Quotations from his speeches and writings conjure memories of his message, and a 30-foot-tall sculpture depicts King emerging as a "stone of hope" from a "mountain of despair," a design inspired by a line of his famous "I Have a Dream" speech.

Some gaze upon this figure in silence. Some smile and pull out cell phone cameras. Others chat about how

close the statue resembles King. And some are moved to tears. "Just all that this man did so that we could be anything and be anything," said Broadway Brown, 26, of Cherry S.C., who visited the memorial Saturday with her aunt and cousin.

"I know it took a lot more than him to get to where we are, but he was a big part of the movement."

Brown's aunt, Gloria Drake, 60, of Cherry S.C., said she remembers King almost as though he was Moses leading his people to the promised land, even when there were no many reasons to doubt things would get better in an era of segregated buses, schools and lunch counters.

"It was really just hostile," she said. "And then we had a man that comes to tell us things are going to be better." "Don't be mad, don't be angry," she recalled King's message. "Just come together in peace."

Foreclosure prevention changes may help Ohioans

COLUMBUS (AP) — Ohio's foreclosure prevention program has made changes aimed at helping more struggling owners remain in their homes.

The Ohio Housing Finance Agency, which administers the "Restoring Stability" program, says the recently amended guidelines could make more people eligible for mortgage assistance. The program helps people who are unemployed or facing other financial strains, such as reduced wages or work hours, increased medical expenses, or the death of a spouse.

The changes, praised by housing advocates, affect who's eligible for aid. "It actually provides a deeper level of assistance," said Bill Faith, executive director of the Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio, which provides housing assistance and has worked with OHFA to make sure the aid program benefits as many people as possible. They were finding that an awful lot of the people that were coming to

them for help were people that were unemployed or they may have found another job but their job paid a whole lot less than their old job."

Under the new guidelines, a person can now have liquid assets equal to six months of mortgage payments instead of three months and still be eligible. Another change means homeowners who are unemployed or meet certain other criteria can get money for full mortgage payments, instead of the previously offered partial payments, for up to 18 months or a total of \$20,000.

Faith said the setup of having an owner pay part of a mortgage and the program pay part of the mortgage had created some processing problems for mortgage servicers when the payments were received at different times.

Owners who missed mortgage payments but can now make payments can get up to \$25,000 to reinstate mortgages, an increase of \$10,000 from the previous limit. The money does not have to be repaid.

TONIGHT	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Overcast with rain beginning	Breezy and not so cool with rain	Much colder; cloudy, then clouds and sun	Mostly cloudy, some or flurries possible	Snow or flurries possible, not as cold
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AccuWeather 5-DAY FORECAST FOR MOUNT VERNON

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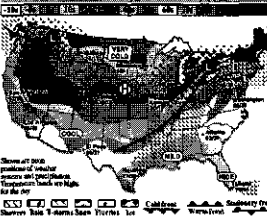
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NATIONAL WEATHER FOR JANUARY 17, 2012



NATIONAL SUMMARY

Falls will drop the Ohio Valley and mid-Atlantic tomorrow, with gusty winds rushing through the South. As cold air sweeps out from the Upper Midwest, snow will begin on the Pacific Northwest with some rain at first, with several more inches expected in Seattle.

THE NATION

City High Low Wind City High Low Wind

Atlanta 61 44 12-30

Boston 43 36 10-20

Chicago 43 36 10-20

Columbus 43 36 10-20

Dallas 43 36 10-20

Denver 43 36 10-20

Detroit 43 36 10-20

Houston 43 36 10-20

Los Angeles 43 36 10-20

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Legend: W: weather, S: snow, P: partly cloudy, C: cloudy, D: drizzle, U: unknown, F: fog, M: mist, T: thunder, L: lightning

FOR THE RECORD

LOTTERY

Sunday, January 15

Mid-day Pick 3: 3-3-7

Mid-day Pick 4: 6-7-7-7

Pick 3: 9-4-5

Pick 4: 7-6-7-2

Rolling Cash: 7-9-12-19-31

Saturday, January 14

Mid-day Pick 3: 2-9-2

Mid-day Pick 4: 6-2-0-0

Pick 3: 9-8-4

Pick 4: 8-3-6-1

Rolling Cash: 3-5-11-19-38

Classic Lotto: 1-27-36-38-41-45

Power Ball: 10-30-36-38-41-45

Friday, January 13

Mega Millions: 10-27-28-37-51 (19)

OSHP

Carl Pike, 47, Gambier,

was charged with failure to control after a one-car crash

Wednesday at 10 p.m. The

Ohio State Highway Patrol

Highway Patrol said she was

traveling on State Road

when her car ran off the left

side of the road into the

ditch. It was raining, the

patrol said.

Abby Altizer, 17, Center-

burg, was charged with

assured clear distance ahead

after a crash Thursday at

7:15 a.m. on Vanatta Road.

The patrol said her car ran

into the rear of a vehicle

driven by Jessica Mann, 30,

Howard, who was stopped

for a school bus.

Logan (AP) — A terminally ill woman has died days

after her husband fatally shot

her and two of her daughters

in front of her at a

southeastern Ohio home and

then killed himself.

Authorities said the shoot-

ings last Monday in rural

Logan apparently stemmed

from family tensions over the

CALENDAR

Monday, January 16

Passage

support/educational group,

5:30-7 p.m., Hospice office

(Community Room), 17700

Coburn Road. Sponsor:

Hospice of Knox County

TOPS 893 at Public

Library of Mount Vernon and

Knox County, 201 N. Mulberry

St. Weight-in: 5:45-6:45

p.m.; meeting: 7-7:45 p.m. For

information: 393-0188 or 504-

3760.

AMVETS Euchre, 6:30

p.m., at recreation hall, 206

W. Ohio Ave. (Use West Ohio

Avenue entrance). Doors open

at 6.

Up for Discussion (pub-

lic forum), 7-8:15 p.m., Sips

Coffee House, 101 S. Main St.

Tuesday, January 17

Mount Vernon Rotary

Club, noon. The Alovec, 116

S. Main St.

Seropositive Club of

Mount Vernon and Knox

County dinner meeting, 5:30

p.m., The Alovec (Garden

Room), 116 S. Main St. Social

hour: 5:30-8 p.m.

Knox County Genealogical

Society annual

research, 6:30-8:30 p.m.,

Knox County Recorder's

Office and Records Center in

Knox County Service Center

(Park and use the side

entrance.)

Ohio taking death penalty

case to US Supreme Court

COLUMBUS (AP) —

Ohio's governor and attorney

general said Sunday the state

is asking the U.S. Supreme

Court for a ruling that Ohio's

protocol for carrying out the

death penalty is constitutional.

Gov. John Kasich and Attorney

General Mike DeWine

said in a statement that the

state wants the high court to

reverse a federal appeals court

decision to delay the Wednes-

day execution of Charles Lor-

raine.

Lorraine was condemned to

death in the 1986 slaying of an

elderly Trumbull County cou-

ple. But the federal appeals



Columbiana School District Treasurer Lori Posey (left) administers the oath of office to newly elected board members Mark Hutson and Tony Roncone.

Momentum builds for fence

By KATIE SCHWENDEMAN
Staff Writer

COLUMBIANA — Two school board members have joined the call for a permanent fence around the football field at Firestone Park.

Mark Hutson and Randall Guy said a permanent fence wouldn't keep anyone from using the public park.

A temporary fence that has been used around the field for several years is falling apart and the city's park board is looking into purchasing a new one or erecting a permanent fence.

A permanent fence was discussed in the past but was met with opposition by some in the community who felt the fence didn't align with the concept of a public park.

The park board recently formed a committee to decide what type of fence is needed at the field, and school district Superintendent Donald Mook was invited to join.

The school district is one of only two in the state with a football field in a public park and as such responsibility falls on both the school and the city.

The topic was discussed briefly at the close of the recent board of education meeting after Guy questioned Mook on the status of

the fence.

Mook said the committee has not formally met yet and agrees the fence should be replaced.

"As a school district we wish that were our property. I would imagine that this committee has to review how the park board operates and how the park is set up to operate. That might not be such an easy decision. I certainly know they want to protect the quality of reinvestment that is out there," he said.

Guy said he doesn't understand the "logic" behind the objection to a permanent fence.

"The permanent fence is the way to go, in my two cents. You keep going with a temporary fence you're not going to close that off. A permanent fence is so much more appealing than that plastic fence... it's so unappealing and cheapens the whole facility," he said.

He and Hutson noted the permanent fence would still have openings that could be accessible to the public.

"You're not cutting anybody off. If anything, all you are doing is controlling the access so you are preserving the facility," Hutson said.

He also said he would be happy to serve on the committee if needed.

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Columbiana keeps eye on possible Firestone purchase

By KATIE SCHWENDEMAN
Staff Writer

COLUMBIANA — A low buzz has begun in the city about the possible sale of foreclosed property at the Firestone Farms housing development.

Columbiana Schools Superintendent Don Mook and City Manager Keith Chamberlin said it appears interest is being shown in the property and County Treasurer Nick Barborak expects it could be sold in the coming months.

A potential buyer was not identified or confirmed by the three men, although they are optimistic.

"I would say we have had some interest in various abstractors researching interest in the taxes. The fact that somebody has asked leads me to believe that someone is interested in making a purchase... that's a good sign, that people are looking into it," Barborak said. "I'm certainly cautiously optimistic that there is someone interested in purchasing the property but I don't know their identity."

Judge C. Ashley Pike ordered the property owned by Meadowbrook LLC foreclosed on last year to cover the \$1.29 million in delinquent real estate taxes, including taxes owed to the school district.

The property includes many undeveloped and unsold tracts of property around the current development, located in both Fairfield and Unity townships along state Route 14.

The ruling followed a cross suit filed by Barborak after National City Bank filed a request for foreclosure in 2009.

The bank's lawsuit was put on hold by agreement of the parties while a new owner

was sought by the bank.

The bank was seeking about \$8 million it was owed on mortgages, Barborak said, and assessments and taxes owed the city have increased since Pike's ruling, with special assessments alone approaching \$1 million.

The school district is owed 70 percent of delinquent property taxes and penalties.

Whoever purchases the property will also take on the payment of assessments to refund the city for money spent on sewer lines to the development.

The city took out a 20-year general obligation bond about eight years ago to pay for sewer lines to the development and Meadowbrook LLC was supposed to pay the city back with money made from the sale of houses there. However, after the company went through the bankruptcy process the city was left footing the bill alone, which was estimated at \$7 million, plus interest.

Chamberlin said the city has been paying about \$400,000 annually the last three years on the bond using reserves from its sewer fund.

Finance director Kevin Smith, who has since left that position, said in 2010 the city wouldn't have enough money in the sewer fund to provide funding for the bond this year.

But that may not be necessary, since Barborak is of the belief the property will be sold this year.

"I'm pretty optimistic that it's going to sell in the coming months given the activity around the property. We're anxious to get it to sale... this has gone on way too long and we'll be very happy to put it behind us," he said.

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Contractors sought for CHIP

The Columbiana County Community Action Agency (CAA) is accepting application from contractors wishing to participate under the Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) rehabilitation and home repair programs on behalf of County Commissioners. Contractors may attend an informational meeting at 5 p.m. Jan. 19 at the CAA administration building, 7880 Lincoln Place, Lisbon. Applications will be available. Those unable or for more information should contact CAA at 424-4013.

City nearly sated with records

By KATIE SCHWENDEMAN
Staff Writer

COLUMBIANA — Technology advances are changing the way records are retained in the city.

Police Chief Tim Gladis questioned the records commission recently on the storage and disposal of expunged records and video and web-based records.

He said the department is running out of storage space for expunged records, which are in document form, and asked if they are subject to retention schedules.

The schedules dictate that some records can be disposed of after 30 days, others two to five years or even 10 to 15 years, depending on the type of record.

The records can only be disposed of following approval from the Ohio Historical Society and Ohio Auditor.

Municipal Attorney Dan Blasdel said expunged records aren't necessarily subject to retention schedules since anyone with a court order can access them.

Gladis said military and court sources have requested access to the records and that the FBI even requested to look into a case from 1956.

"It is becoming a storage issue. We have boxes full of expunged records," he said.

He also said storage is an issue when it comes to backing up the phone and computer systems in the event of a power outage.

At the close of last year city hall and the police department were without phone and computer service following a thunder and lightning storm.

Gladis said if the building had an off-site backup, that wouldn't have been a problem.

Chamberlin said former Finance Director Kevin Smith spoke with DRS Technologies about a backup sys-

tem.

"The entire city needs to look at backup through DRS. That was one of our recommendations through the last audit. I think it would be money well spent," he said.

The city already has an agreement with the company for on-call services.

Chamberlin said the service is "very much needed" and that DRS Technologies is a highly recommended company.

The discussion then turned to placing video records from two new cameras in the ambulances on a retention schedule.

A camera was recently installed on the dashboard of each ambulance to monitor driver safety. The cameras do not record patient activity.

Blasdel said video records from cameras in the city's two ambulances will need to be placed on a schedule, with at least 15 years of

retention prior to disposal.

As far as storage and disposal of web-based records, Blasdel said he would gather more information on those requirements.

Gladis said GPS equipment in each cruiser has the capability to record their location information at any time and that information is kept on a cloud storage space.

Cloud storage is online storage hosted by a third party and accessible through a web service application program or web-user interface.

"The argument is that since those records aren't maintained here we can't dispose of them, but that argument is thin," he said.

Blasdel said advances in technology make it difficult to "keep up" with regards to how certain records should be maintained.

"Technology is always steps ahead," he said.

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It's official: Red kettles goal surpassed

The Salvation Army red kettles campaign met its goal by Christmas Day, according to Capt. Gary Thornton.

Addressing the Advisory Board at the Jan. 12 meeting, Capt. Thornton announced the kettle donations resulted in \$50,882. The goal was \$50,000.

"By the grace of God, we hit the mark," Thornton said. "We are thankful for the Guernsey County community and the inspiration that was put in peoples' hearts to contribute in the kettles."

Capt. Thornton also released the totals collected by volunteer groups ringing the bells:

- Ninth Street United Methodist Church - \$1,196.77
- Salvation Army Advisory Board - \$987.56
- Advantage Bank - \$661.28

- Beckett Avenue United Methodist Church - \$984.23
- First Christian Church - \$539.03
- Masonic Lodge 66 - \$328.08
- Autumn House - \$272.01
- Knights of Columbus - \$1,022.94
- Faith United Methodist Church - \$693.90
- Cambridge Rotary Club - \$1,400.66
- Cambridge Kiwanis Club - \$2,355.60
- National Road Riders/Kmart toy run - \$1,107.53

Red kettle funds go for various expenses and programs year-round at The Salvation Army. Capt. Thornton also thanked and led a round of applause honoring Judy Clay for coordinating the Christmas food boxes and distribution.

Judy Clay, Christmas chairperson, shared that 522 families received assistance in December during the holidays.

"I say this every year, but it's worth repeating. The young people in the community touch this cause, and we could not do this without their help," Clay said. "We were fortunate to have successful food drives from both John Glenn and Cambridge high schools. The packing efforts were boosted by 4-H, Boy Scouts and Cambridge Kiwanis Club. The CHS boys' basketball team volunteered on distribution day. We could not do all of this without all of them."

When packing began in early December, Clay noted more than 12,670 cans of donated food in addition to food purchased and food drives that came in later during December.

Chair Dick Brixner presided at the January meeting with Jack Welch offering the invocation.

Bob Wilhelm presented the finance report.

Capt. Thornton reported Corps activities have resumed.

A teen group has been added to the weekday lineup meeting on Thursdays.

Thornton also said expanded evangelistic services will be added most likely to Sunday evenings.

To learn what groups and meetings are available for children and adults, phone The Salvation Army at 432-7759.

Guests at the board meeting included Connie Humphrey from First Presbyterian Church and Salvation Army Regional Auditor Doug Morgan.

The Advisory Board will next meet at noon, Thursday, Feb. 9.

Hunters kill 19,251 during muzzleloader season; Coshocton-co. sets pace

Hunters killed 19,251 deer or season, Jan. 7-10, with the state with 722 deer during Ohio's muzzleloader season. Coshocton County again lead checked.

Karen Edwards signing of police history book scheduled at library

Guernsey County District Public Library will host a book signing for local author Karen Callihan Edwards at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 27 in the Finley Room at the Main Library in downtown Cambridge.

Edwards will be available to sign purchased copies and answer questions pertaining to her recent publication "From the Beginning: The Cambridge Ohio Police Department." Copies will be available for purchase that day.

The book contains stories and facts about the history of the police department. Much of the

information was taken directly from old police ledgers and newspapers.

The book includes more than 100 photographs and several personal accounts from active and retired Cambridge police officers. It took several years to compile the data and make it available to the public.

This event is presented in conjunction with the adult winter reading program offered through the library.

Call the Finley Room, 432-5946, for information.

WEEKEND LOTTERY NUMBERS

OHIO SUNDAY		
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07-09-12-19-31	10-30-36-38-41, Powerball:	0-3-6-9
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02-09-12-18-26-27-35-37-	Rolling Cash 5	6-1-6-0
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	OHIO FRIDAY	73-75-80

AREA MARKETS

Livestock prices

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The Eastern Cornbelt Daily Direct Summary from Thursday as reported by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agriculture Marketing Service.

Barrows and gilts on a carcass basis: 2.06 higher.

BASIS MARKET

On a carcass basis, plant delivered (54-57 pct lean)

75.50-85.00, weighted average 82.06. Actual pricing with lean premiums added:

0-8.0 inches basket: 72.50-85.00.

0-6.0 inches basket: 75.50-85.00.

Total prior day negotiated sales: 6,282.

Thursday's total movement: 79,275.

RESULTS FROM UNITED

PRODUCERS AUCTION

Market trends for Friday:

Hogs: steady; cattle: steady; some steady.

Summary of Thursday's auction at Bucyrus:

Hogs

Market 62.00-65.50; light 59.00-62.00; heavy 59.00-63.50.

Steers

Light 50.00-65.00; heavy 57.00-61.25.

Heifers

Light 45.00 and lower; heavy 27.75-29.50.

Cattle

Choice: steers 112.00-123.00; heifers 120.00-134.25.

Select: steers 115.00-121.00; heifers 109.00-119.00.

Holsteins: steers 110.00-120.00; heifers 100.00-110.00.

Cows

Commercial and utility: 65.00-89.50.

Commercial: 52.00-65.00.

Bulls

All bulls 60.00-97.00.

Fleisher cattle

Yearlings: steers 110.00-122.00.

Calves: steers 105.00-134.00; heifers 100.00-125.00.

Holstein steers

550 lbs. and down 70.00-85.00.

Sheep & lambs

Choice: wools 155.00-169.00; clips 158.00-170.00.

Live hogs 150.00-172.00.

Roasters 175.00-179.00.

Agd slaughter sheep 87.00-119.00.

Egg markets

SHELL EGGS: Daily Midwest

Regional Eggs Producer prices are 4 cents lower for Large, and 1 cent lower for Medium and Small. Midwest delivered prices are steady. The undertone is barely steady to weak. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are lower. Trade sentiment is barely steady to weak. Demand is light on moder-

ate to heavy offerings. Some breakers seek available spot liquid to fill needs. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow. Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, cents per dozen. Prices delivered to warehouses: Range mostly Extra large 124-113 107-110



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ENTERTAINMENT
Plain Dealer Reporter

Shirley glimmered over blue eyeshadow, lips stained ruby, and sequins on the cobalt and pink of dance uniforms: 977 versions of this look bounded around Cleveland State University's Weinstein Center on Sunday.

The only nods to more innocent days of American girlhood? Oversize bows on super-high ponytails and gleeful smiles.

This is the world of cheerleading-dances in 2012. A few thousand people came to see girls ages 5 to 17 strut in the American Cheer Power event during its first visit to Cleveland. It was billed as a competition, but was more of a glossy show — adolescent energy mixed with Vegas-style flash.

And as the house announcer kept repeating, "Everyone gets a trophy."

While cheerleading continues in the subterranean middle and high schools, the girls in these arenas aren't cheering on sports teams. They're performing in their own sport, a blend of dancing, tumbling and stunts. More makeup, though, is required.

But it was clear the girls enjoyed being glammed up to show off their choreographed moves, getting extra bounce from the spring-floor mat. Fifty-eight teams performed, with 75 percent of the participants ranging from ages 6 to 12, said operations manager Todd Crenshaw, with most of the teens in high school. Most teams were from this region, but some traveled from West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

"We consider this a sport," Crenshaw said. "We call our competitors athletes."

The day started with the "tut" category. (Whether it was cute or distressing to see 3-year-old blond cherubs in midriff-baring outfits can be left up to the observer.) The day ended with polished 17-year-olds, who tossed petite teammates some 20 feet in the air before catching them. (Talk about learning to trust.)

The days' theme? "The Fabulous Fifties," which meant the audience got blessed interludes

of "One Fine Day" and "Tutti Frutti" between the blasting techno mash-ups of Beyoncé and Rihanna to which the teams performed.

Think Paula Abdul's "Laker Girls" looks and moves circa 1985, taken to little-girl-level, performed to "Single Ladies (Put a Ring on It)."

American Cheer Power is a version of the "traveling sports team" phenomenon. A number of parents credit the cheer-dance program for their daughters having refined their dance and tumbling skills, developing a work ethic through practice, and having found confidence, onstage and off. And, certainly, it takes fearlessness for a girl to be supported by one foot and ankle by three other girls as she holds her other leg behind her in "dancer" pose — all at a height of about 10 feet.

This comes at a significant investment: shows like Sunday's cost \$20 for a girl to enter, and there are the tickets for family and friends (\$10 each), as well as lessons, food, lodging and the costumes, which even a 16-year-old contestant will tell you "are really expensive."

Angie Brumfield's two daughters — Savannah, 10, and Cheyenne, 17 — were participants. The North Olmsted girls train at the North Coast All-Stars gym in Berea. Savannah is on the Night Hawks team; Cheyenne, on the Phoenixes.

"Just talking to people now, my girls are so much more confident," said Brumfield. "This is different from cheering for sports, which Cheyenne used to do. This is intense."

Indeed, there were a handful of uniformed girls walking around with leg casts on.

So, what if one of her daughters decides she wants to become a Laker girl?

"That would be very cool," Brumfield said.

Vicki Lezon's daughter Emily, 16, was born with cerebral palsy. She's in a wheelchair, but that hasn't kept her from being a cheerleader at Vermilion High School, as well as competing in the Special Team category of American Cheer. Lezon said



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Marissa Mohrnick, 8, of North Ridgeville, soars as one of the North Coast All-Stars cheerleaders in what has become a classic aerial stunt among competitive cheerleaders. The girls were competing in American Cheer Power's open cheerleading event at Cleveland State University's Weinstein Center on Sunday. Go to cleveland.com/metro to see a photo gallery.

Emily's confidence and her friendships with other girls have flourished since she joined.

Emily's pleasure is apparent. "It feels great," she says, wearing the cobalt and navy dance uniform of the Ohio Extreme Superstars. "My friends that lift me up. I know they'll take care of me."

She means that figuratively and literally — they take her from her chair during the dance routine and hold her up over their heads.

"I feel like I'm flying."

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moving through Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court.

William Dilley, 67, of Mentor: Bench trial continues Tuesday on charges of tampering with records, perjury, attempted theft and theft. The financial adviser is accused of changing a 93-year-old Glenwillow woman's will in 2006 so he would inherit her estate, worth about \$750,000. The original beneficiaries were friends, the Holy Family Cancer Home and Save-A-Pet. A suit was filed and Dilley falsely claimed there were witnesses to the woman signing the will, prosecutor's spokeswoman Maria Russo said. Dilley received a \$75,000 settlement of the suit.

Collin Rand Jr., 23, of Cleveland: Arraigned Tuesday on charges of dog fighting, cruelty to animals, drug trafficking and possessing criminal tools. Police searched Rand's East 91st Street home Dec. 22 and confiscated 27 dogs, a treadmill with plywood sides to keep the dogs from being able to get off, a weighted collar, several syringes, a bag of marijuana and electronic scales with cocaine residue on them, prosecutors said.

Helen Fettes, 80, of Olmsted Falls: Arraigned Tuesday on charges of misdemeanor vehicular homicide and two third-degree felonies, failure to stop after an accident and tampering with evidence. Fettes is accused of striking 13-year-old Charles Kho with her car about 7 p.m. Oct. 17 on Cook Road in Olmsted Township and leaving the scene. He died the next day.

Clifton Robinson, 34, of Oberlin: Sentencing Tuesday by Judge Ronald Suster for aggravated assault, felonious assault and two counts of murder. Robinson fatally stabbed 25-year-old Kevin Chee II, of Warrensville Heights, Oct. 17, 2010, outside Earth Night Club on Old River Road in Cleveland. A 24-year-old man was also stabbed when he tried to stop Robinson from leaving.

David DosSantos, 39, of Garfield Heights: Arraigned Thursday on charges of rape, gross sexual imposition, sexual battery and kidnapping. The former youth social worker is accused of sexually assaulting two 17-year-old girls at a shelter last year. He was fired Nov. 18 and arrested Nov. 23. Prosecutors would not identify the shelter.

India Parker, 35, of Cleveland: Arraigned Thursday on charges of tampering with evidence and offenses against a human corpse. Parker is accused of leaving her dead 5-year-old daughter, Kaliyah Parker, in her bed for about a week in late 2008, then putting the body in a trash bag and can, which was emptied by Cleveland sanitation workers. Parker had told her mother that Kaliyah was living with her paternal grandmother. According to Cuyahoga County Children and Family Services, a social worker called police after hearing from the father of Parker's 8-year-old son that Kaliyah died when a bookcase fell on her.

vated robbery. He and co-defendant Dennis Smith, 18, tried to rob two men July 8 near Linn Drive and Tuscora Avenue in Cleveland. Williams fired a handgun at the victims and one of them returned fire, striking Williams three times. Smith was sentenced Jan. 6 to three years in prison.

These are some of the cases that moved through the court last week.

Ashley Franklin, 21, of Maple Heights: Plead guilty Jan. 9 to attempted felonious assault, felonious assault and vandalism. She struck her 22-year-old ex-boyfriend and his 21-year-old girlfriend with her car Sept. 29.

Virgen Caraballo, 45, of Cleveland: Sentenced Monday by Judge Shirley Surckland Saffold to 10½ years in prison for mistreating a 78-year-old Alzheimer's patient at the Elisabeth Severance Prentiss Center at MetroHealth Medical Center. A hidden camera videotaped her as she forcefully moved a woman from her bed to a wheelchair, tossed her onto the bed and pushed her face into her bed while washing her. Caraballo pleaded guilty to seven counts of patient abuse.

Clyde Scott, 33, of Mentor, and Richard Grant, 31, of Cleveland: Arraigned Tuesday and held in lieu of \$200,000 bail on charges of kidnapping, felonious assault, aggravated robbery, theft and having weapons after a felony conviction. They are accused of robbing and shooting at two men.

Timothy Rogers, 24, of Akron: Arraigned Wednesday and held in lieu of \$250,000 bail on charges of attempted rape, attempted kidnapping and possessing criminal tools. Prosecutors say undercover investigators with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force saw an online ad Dec. 19 posted by a man seeking to share a "taboo" experience with a family. An investigator began communicating with the suspect about possible sexual activity between the suspect and a 6-year-old and 12-year-old girl. The suspect expressed an interest in observing the girls engage in sexual activity, then having sex with them and the girls' father, Russo said. The suspect arranged to meet the father Dec. 30 at a restaurant on Rockside Road in Independence, then go to a nearby hotel. Rogers was arrested about 1 p.m., when he followed the investigator to the hotel, Russo said.

Brandon Whatley, 24, of Maple Heights: Arraigned Wednesday and released on a \$10,000 bond on a felonious assault charge. Whatley is accused of using extremely hot water to rinse a 51-year-old man at the Bedford Heights Group Home for Mentally Disabled Adults.

DeShawn Carter, 22, of Cleveland: Trial reset for Feb. 15 on charges of attempted murder, felonious assault and criminal damaging. Carter is accused of shooting a 27-year-old Euclid man Oct. 26, 2010, outside a gas station at 687 East 152nd St. in Cleveland.

FUGITIVE OF THE WEEK

Deportee wanted on sex charges



Magana

Deputy marshals need help finding 35-year-old fugitive Salvador Magana.

Magana is wanted in Lorain on charges of gross sexual imposition and domestic violence. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement also wants him for illegally re-entering the United States after being deported twice for felony convictions.

Magana is accused of forcing himself on a woman Dec. 11 in a home in the 1800 block of East 42nd Street.

He is 5 feet 7 and 198 pounds. He frequented south Lorain, Amherst and Oberlin and lived in the 100 block of Brace Avenue in Elyria.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force at 1-866-492-6833 (1-866-4WANTED). Reward money is available.

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VOLUNTEERING

If you have some spare time, consider helping those in need.

Conduct BTV: The Center for Nonprofit Excellence (a merged organization of *Business Volunteers Unlimited* and the *Center for Nonprofit Excellence*) at 216-736-7711 or search for opportunities at bvuonline.org. Here are some of the latest offerings. (Other organizations' opportunities are listed afterward.) Office work. Answer phones and help with mailings and other office duties for organization that fights childhood hunger. Immediate opportunities available 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday; flexible schedule. Downtown.

Data entry. Help environmental organization with data entry two to three hours a week in Bath. Knowledge of QuickBooks and a commitment of at least six months required.

Donation aides. Check, sort and stock donations at West Side community service center and assist clients. Needed: 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays. Must be at least 12. Those 12-17 must be accompanied by an adult.

Greater Cleveland Volunteers offer volunteer opportunities for those 18 and older. Call 216-391-9500 or go to greaterclevelandvolunteers.org for more information on these and other opportunities.

Tutor. Assist with bilingual tutoring program for Hispanic students in grades 6-12 at various West Side locations after school.

from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays. College students and current or retired teachers who are fluent in Spanish are preferred. Skills in math and science needed. Flexible schedule.

Child care. Provide basic care for preschool-age children while their parents are job searching, and plan fun, appropriate activities. Needed 9 a.m.-noon Mondays-Thursdays; flexible schedule.

Sewing instructor. Assist participants with sewing projects and oversee the sewing program at East Side senior center. Needed 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Fridays.

The following opportunity is offered by a separate organization: **Cuyahoga Valley National Park.** Serve aboard the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad, handling on procedures, sharing information and answering questions (flexible schedule) or assist in the Student Explorer Program or Canal Camp, both of which involve activities for students in the park. Must be available in the morning Mondays-Fridays (in summer only for Canal Camp). Call 330-457-1914.

To submit items for this column, write to The Plain Dealer, Volunteering/Living Department, 1800 Superior Ave., Cleveland, OH 44114, or fax to 216-412-2033. Submissions must be received at least two weeks before the publication date.

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OHIO

FROM B1

State regents, education to share office space

The test would replace the current Ohio Graduation Test, Petro said.

Petro, who discussed establishing a single state education department when he ran for governor in 2006, said he reached out after Heffner was named head of the Education Department last July, three months after Petro was appointed to his post by Gov. John Kasich.

"We need collaboration," Petro said. "Rather than a merger, we will try living together. I think it can be valuable. Instead of scheduling a meeting, we can bump into each other in the hall."

Members of the Board of Re-

that now requires some post-secondary training or education to find a viable job.

"The chancellor has fostered collaboration with K-12 that we have been unable to accomplish in the past," said board Chairman James Tuschman, who was appointed in 2004. "There is a much stronger united front for higher education. We are in the beginning of a more proactive program and have made a few forward steps on a long, long walk."

While Petro said moving the regents from their offices on the 36th floor of the Rhodes Office Tower to the education building on Front Street should occur by April, Heffner was less specific.

"Although there are no detailed efforts yet under way to house the Board of Regents together with the Department of Education, we do see value in this to enhance our coordination of efforts and joint work," Heffner said in an emailed comment.

The vote, held throughout the day Sunday, ended with

announced in August that it was considering a \$225 million

upgrade to its Faircrest plant to meet growing demand for steel in oil drilling, hydraulic fracturing and heavy equipment. However, the investment was contingent upon the company having assurance that there would be no strike while the upgrades were being completed.

It was the company that initiated talks for an early contract, which began in Sep-

why the large number of voters passed rejected the contract.

"It could be any number of things. It's all over the map," he said Sunday night of the many different groups and seniority levels within the company and the different ways the contract could have affected them.

As for heading back to the bargaining table, Hoagland

ry upgrades, he said, could be done at one of Timken's southern facilities.

"The ball is in their court at this time," Hoagland said.

The company released a statement Sunday night announcing the contract rejection.

The release said that the proposed contract offered wage and benefit increases, a signing bonus for ratification

our commitment to invest \$225 million in steel operations in Canton."

Miraglia noted the existing contract remains in effect until December 2013 and said the company will be evaluating other investment opportunities in bearing and power transmission markets and operations around the world to support the company's overall growth strategy.

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CRIME REPORT

Listed information, including addresses, has been gathered from arrest and incident reports publicly available at

area law-enforcement agencies. If your name appears here and your case was dismissed or you were cleared of the crime, let us know by calling City Editor Dave Sereno at 330-580-8317, or by emailing newsroom@cantonrep.com.

ALLIANCE

ARREST Christopher M. Blue, 38, of 678 S. Arch Ave., Alliance, was arrested at his home Saturday and charged with auto theft. According to the report, Blue borrowed a vehicle from someone and failed to return it. He told the victim

he refused to return the car until a civil dispute was paid.

CANTON

ARREST Craig Blackshear, 34, of 1707 Stark Ave. SW was arrested on a felony domestic violence charge Saturday at his home. The victim reported that he grabbed her by the neck and threatened her with a knife. She had visible marks on her neck, the report said.

AUTO THEFT A resident reported he left his car running outside of his residence in the 1000 block of 13th Street NW Saturday. An unknown suspect took the vehicle.

GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION A 16-year-old girl reported that she was bitten several times and forced to have oral sex between June 1 and Oct. 10, 2011. The crime happened in the 800 block of McKinley Monument Drive NW. The suspect is an 18-year-old white male.

RAPE A woman reported that a family member had sexual contact with her without her permission Friday in the city's southwest area.

THEFT A gun was stolen from a vehicle in the area of Fourth Street and Fulton Road NW last week. It was taken from a car that was stolen and later recovered.

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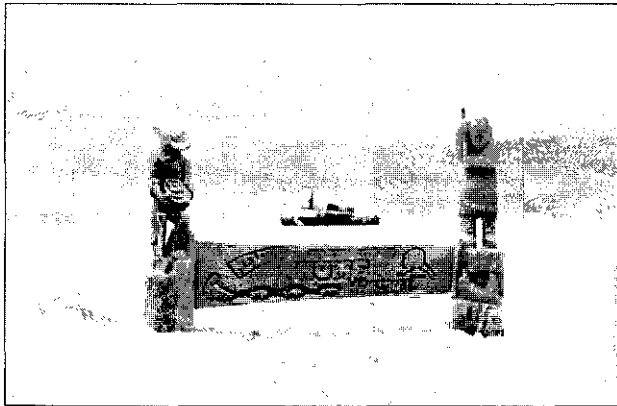
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THIS IMAGE provided by the U.S. Coast Guard shows the Coast Guard ice breaker Healy breaking ice near the city of Nome, Alaska, Saturday.

Tanker carrying fuel arrives at iced-in Alaskan community

By MARY PEMBERTON
Associated Press

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — The ice that has cut off a remote Alaska town for months will connect it to the world again as crews prepare to build a path over it to carry fuel from a Russian tanker that was moved roughly a half mile from the town's harbor Sunday.

A Coast Guard cutter cleared a path through hundreds of miles of floating sea ice for the tanker as it made its way toward the town of 3,500 on Alaska's western coastline, where residents are coping with their coldest winter since the 1970s.

The tanker got into position Saturday night, and ice disturbed by its journey had to freeze again so workers could create some sort of roadway across the 2,100 feet from tanker to the harbor in Nome, upon which they'll rest a hose that will transfer 1.3 million gallons of

fuel. It'll take about four hours to lay the hose, said Jason Evans, board chairman of the Sitsasak Native Corp.

Workers on Sunday morning were walking around the vessel and checking the ice to make sure it is safe for the transfer.

A storm prevented Nome's 3,500 residents from getting a fuel delivery by barge in November. Without the tanker delivery, supplies of diesel fuel, gasoline and home heating fuel Nome are expected to run out in March and April, well before a barge delivery again in late May or June.

The tanker began its journey from Russia in mid-December and has slowly made its way toward Nome, stalled by thick ice, strong ocean currents and one Alaska's snowiest winters in memory. It picked up diesel fuel in South Korea, then headed to Dutch Harbor, Alaska, where it took on unleaded gasoline. Late Thursday, the vessels

stopped offshore and began planning the transfer in Nome, more than 500 miles from Anchorage on Alaska's west coast.

Now, residents await the final leg of the crew's mission, which comes with its own hurdles: In addition to waiting for the ice to freeze, crews must begin the transfer in daylight, a state mandate. But Nome has just five hours of daylight this time of year.

Despite the complicated logistics of delivering fuel by sea in winter, Sitsasak opted for the extra delivery after determining that it would be much less costly and more practical than flying fuel to Nome.

A Coast Guard spokesman didn't know how long it will be before fuel flows as crews must wait 12 hours, or until about 5 a.m. local time Sunday (6 a.m. Pacific), to ensure that the disturbed ice has refrozen.

Gunmen storm Iraq compound, kill 7 police

By BUSHRA JUHI
Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Iraqi security forces on Sunday battled gunmen who detonated a car bomb before blasting their way into a government compound and killing seven policemen in a one-time Sunni insurgent hotbed, police and local government officials said.

The three-hour standoff between Shiite-dominated security forces and suspected Sunni insurgents in the Anbar province capital of Ramadi, 70 miles (115 kilometers) west of Baghdad, marked the first serious gun-battle for Iraqi forces against insurgents without American backup since the U.S. military completed its withdrawal last month.

Violence has surged since American troops left, and Iraq was plunged into a political crisis after Shiite-dominated government charged Sunni Vice President Tareq al-Hashemi with running death squads, issuing an arrest warrant against him just as the last U.S. soldiers crossed into neighboring Kuwait.

On Sunday, a court in Baghdad ruled that al-Hashemi must stand trial on terror charges in Baghdad, rejecting his request to be tried in the ethnically mixed city in Kirkuk. He has fled to the autonomous Kurdish region, out of reach of authorities in Baghdad. He believes he could get a fair trial in Kirkuk but would be in danger in Baghdad.

Al-Hashemi's Iraqya party is boycotting parliament and Cabinet sessions since last month to protest

what it sees as efforts by Shiite Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki to consolidate power, particularly over state security forces.

The sectarian crisis in the government and the spike in attacks, like a bombing Saturday that killed more than 30 pilgrims during a Shiite procession and Sunday's assault on the government buildings, has raised concerns Iraq could return to sectarian bloodshed that killed tens of thousands of civilians after the 2003 U.S.-led invasion and brought the country to the brink of civil war just a few years ago.

On Sunday morning, five gunmen wearing military uniforms and explosive-rigged vests stormed a compound in Ramadi, two police officials said. The compound houses Ramadi police headquarters and several federal security agencies, including an anti-terrorism police task force and a detention facility where terrorism suspects are interrogated.

Before reaching the compound in central Ramadi, the gunmen set off an explosives-filled car in the eastern part of the city, in an apparent effort to draw security personnel from the heavily guarded government area, according to an Anbar government official. Comrades of the attackers were being held there on suspicion of involvement in terror attacks.

One policeman was killed and three others were injured in the blast, police and health officials said.



Associated Press
MISS WISCONSIN
Laura Kaeppler reacts after being crowned Miss America Saturday at The Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino in Las Vegas.

Wisconsin entry new Miss America

By OSKAR GARCIA
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — A 23-year-old beauty queen from Wisconsin won the Miss America pageant Saturday in Las Vegas after singing opera and strutting in a white bikini and black beaded evening gown.

Laura Kaeppler also had to answer a question about whether beauty queens should declare their politics.

"Miss America represents everyone, so I think the message to political candidates is that they represent everyone as well," she said. "And so in these economic times, we need to be looking forward to what America needs, and I think Miss America needs to represent all."

Miss Oklahoma Betty Thompson came in second, while Miss New York Kaitlyn Monte placed third.

"I was crying even before my name was called," Kaeppler said. "It was just surreal to have this honor."

Rivals say split SC conservative vote aids Romney

By BETH FOUHY
Associated Press

COLUMBIA, S.C. — A splintered conservative vote in South Carolina could pave the way for Mitt Romney to win this week's pivotal primary, some rivals said Sunday, acknowledging an outcome that prominent state lawmakers suggested could end the nomination fight.

"I think the only way that a Massachusetts moderate can get through South Carolina is if the vote is split," said Newt Gingrich, portraying

himself as the lone conservative with a "realistic chance" of beating Romney in the first-in-the-South contest.

Polls show Romney, the former Massachusetts governor who struggled to a fourth-place finish in South Carolina during his 2008 White House run, with a lead heading into Saturday's vote. The state has a large population of evangelicals and other conservative Christians, and concerns arose four years ago about his Mormon faith.

But Gingrich, Rick

Santorum and Rick Perry all said Romney, after victories in Iowa and New Hampshire, continued to benefit from the fractured GOP field and the failure of social conservatives to fully coalesce around a single alternative.

"If for some reason he's not derailed here and Mitt Romney wins South Carolina ... I think it should be over," said the state's senior senator, Republican Lindsey Graham. He added, "I'd hope the party would rally around him if he did in fact win South Carolina."

Santorum said South Carolina is "not going to be the final issue" and spoke of the "need to get this eventually down to a conservative alternative" to Romney. "When we get it down to a two-person race, we have an

excellent opportunity to win this race," said the former Pennsylvania senator, who won the endorsement of an influential group of social conservatives and evangelical leaders Saturday in Texas.

U.N. chief: Syrian head must stop violence

BEIRUT (AP) — The U.N. chief demanded Sunday that Syria's president stop killing his own people and said the "old order" of one-man rule and family dynasties is over in the Middle East on a day when activists said 27 people died.

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, delivering the keynote address at a conference in Beirut on democracy in the Arab world, said the revolutions of the Arab Spring show people will no longer accept tyranny.

"Today, I say again to President (Bashar) Assad of Syria: Stop the violence. Stop

killing your people," Ban said.

Ban has been highly critical of the Assad government's deadly crackdown on civilian protesters since the killings began — unlike the U.N. Security Council. That body is deeply divided. The U.S. and European nations demand strong condemnation and possible sanctions against Assad, but Russia and China are opposed.

Ban's speech Sunday was his toughest against the continued survival of authoritarian regimes in the face of the growing international clamor for democracy.

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Definition

Fibromyalgia is a common condition characterized by widespread pain in joints, muscles, tendons, and other soft tissues. Some other problems commonly linked with fibromyalgia include fatigue, morning stiffness, sleep problems, headaches, numbness in hands and feet, depression, and anxiety. Fibromyalgia can develop on its own, or secondary to other musculoskeletal conditions, such as rheumatoid arthritis, or systemic lupus. Diagnosis of fibromyalgia requires a history of at least three months of widespread pain, and pain and tenderness in at least 11 of 18 tender-point sites. These tender-point sites include fibrous tissue or muscles of the Neck, Shoulders, Chest, Rib Cages, Lower Back, Thighs, Knees, Arms (elbows), and Ankles. The overwhelming characteristic of fibromyalgia is long-standing, body-wide pain with defined tender points. Tender points are distinct from trigger points seen in other pain syndromes. (Unlike tender points, trigger points can occur in isolation and represent a source of radiating pain, even in the absence of direct pressure.) Fibromyalgia pain can mimic the pain experienced by people with various types of arthritis. The repetitive pain of fibromyalgia is described as deep-burning, radiating, growing, shooting or burning, and ranges from mild to severe. Fibromyalgia sufferers tend to awaken with body aches and stiffness.

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Shale gas training sessions set

STUBENVILLE — Eastern Gateway Community College will have two information sessions on upcoming shale gas training.

The two-hour event will provide information on entry-level jobs, the training programs offered at the college, program requirements and what is involved in the application process. Day and evening sessions will be held Tuesday at 1:30 or 6 p.m. in the lecture halls on the Jefferson County Campus. The sessions are free and require no registration.

"The gas industry has clearly stated its preference for a local workforce and is committed to hiring local employees as fast as workers can be identified and trained," said Trace Joles, assistant director of workforce outreach at Eastern Gateway.

"The biggest challenge to building a well-prepared local workforce for the gas industry rests in recruitment and pre-employment training for this industry especially because of its unique culture," he said.

Eastern Gateway will offer recruitment and pre-employment training in high-priority occupations, targeted by the ShaleNET grant, which include derrick operator, rotary drill operator, service unit operator,

roustabout, welder/brazer and CDL. Successful graduates of these programs will possess the entry level skills and aptitudes necessary for successful entrance into the industry.

Eastern Gateway has been working to develop relationships with local oil and gas companies to support the ShaleNET training efforts by making their work sites available to the trainees and committing to interview successful completers as their workforce needs dictate, she said.

As a partner to the ShaleNET grant, the college applied for training funding to offer these initial classes for free or at discounted rates. The ShaleNET grant — Marcellus ShaleNET, a comprehensive recruitment, training, placement and retention strategy for jobs in the Marcellus Shale gas industry was launched in 2011 with a \$4.964M community-based job training grant from the United States Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. Several community colleges are participating from Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Eastern Gateway is the only college from Ohio participating in this grant program.

Two training programs currently

scheduled include:

■ The required safety course for those interested in preparing for jobs in the oil and gas industry will be offered in January. The PEC Premier Basic Orientation, which provides the student with SafeLand and SafeGulf certification upon completion of this course, is scheduled Jan. 19 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Jan. 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. A second session is set for Jan. 21 from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern Gateway's workforce development department is the only authorized PEC/Premier Safety Management provider of this training in the state of Ohio.

■ The Commercial Drivers License (CDL) program also starts this month. The Big Rig Truck Driving School, Inc., an Ohio licensed CDL training provider, and Eastern Gateway partnered to offer a Class A Basic Truck Driver Training program. The Class A Basic Truck Driving training prepares adults, 18 or older, for entry-level positions as tractor-trailer drivers. This is a 160-hour program. The first class begins Jan. 30.

For more details on the information sessions or scheduled training, call (740) 264-5591 or 1-800-682-6553, Ext. 310.

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Council will contact a company to check out the pipes and have them completely cleaned out. The second phase would be to increase the pipe size.

Council voted to rescind the prior motion previously voted on to close the community center January through March of the year. With the installation of the new furnace it was felt that it would be more economical to rent the hall at this time. Any person wishing to rent the community center will need to contact Councilwoman Bobbie Gaffney at the city building and she will advise what dates are open for events.

Also, Councilwoman Brenda Reski, Building and Grounds Chairman, advised that the new windows that are to be installed at the community center will be installed next week.

Councilwoman Carol Bednar reported talking to ODN regarding the water problem in Adena. She will be following up with them on this matter.

Bednar also reported that Brayden McCordat is interested in renting the community center for self-defense classes. Council agreed to allow him to rent the community center and a contract will be given to him for signature. McCordat wants to start the classes in February.

Temporary appropriations were approved by council for 2012. Horton advised that the village may be in for proposed cuts.

Council members signed a citation for the celebration of the 100 birthday of the Adena resident, Josephine Ferda. An open house will be held at the Adena Fire Department for the celebration.

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MLK

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"Just all that this man did so that we could do anything and be anything," said Brandilyn Brown, 26, of Cheraw, S.C., who visited the memorial Saturday with her aunt and cousin.

"I know it took a lot more than him to get where we are, but he was a big part of the movement."

Brown's aunt, Gloria Drake, 60, of Cheraw, S.C., said she remembers King almost as though he was Moses leading his people to the promised land, even when there were so many reasons to doubt things would get better in an era of segregated buses, schools and lunch counters.

"It was really just hostile," she said. "... And then we had a man that comes to tell us things are going to be better."

"Don't be mad, don't be angry," she recalled King's message. "Just come together in peace."

They said King's lasting legacy is the reality of equality and now having a black president. Drake said President Barack Obama reminds her of King with his "calmness" even in the face of anger.

Christine Redman, 37, visited the memorial with her husband, James Redman, 40, and their young son and daughter. She said they also feel a personal connection to King.

"We're a mixed family, and we know that without a lot of the trials that he went through to help end segregation and help the races to become one, we would not be able to have the freedoms to love who we want to love and be accepted in the world," she said.

Her son, 8-year-old Tyler, echoed his mom: "And he who we want to be."

The family tries to celebrate King's birthday by finding a way to serve others, they said.

They were thinking about volunteering at a food pantry or donating toys for needy kids.

When he thinks of King, James Redman said he thinks of hope. Still, he said, King's legacy is lost on many.

"Dr. King was about love and about cooperation and compromise and working together," he said. "We don't see a whole lot of that in our leaders. We don't see a whole lot of it in our citizens."

THE STAGE
On Broadway, theatergoers are seeing a different version of King — one that is more man than legend.

The realism was refreshing for Donya Fairfax, who marveled after leaving a matinee of "The Mountaintop" that she had never really thought of King as an actor. Samuel L. Jackson does while portraying King in the play.

"He was human and not someone who was above fault," said the 48-year-old, visiting from Los Angeles. "He cursed. He did things that people do behind closed doors. He was regular."

For some, such a portrayal would seem to chip away at King's memory. But for Natalie Perz, who at 20 has come to know King only through the gauzy view of history, it seemed a precious reminder that it is not beyond the reach of the ordinary and the flawed to effect change.

"It's important for people our age to see that he wasn't this saint-like figure," she said. "It's making you see that just because you're not perfect, it doesn't mean you can't do good."

For M.E. Ward, seeing an in-the-flesh incarnation of King brought her back more than 40 years, to when she

watched his soaring speeches on the television. No matter how human he seemed on stage, she said, he still carried a godly gift.

"Still charismatic, still an orator, and an individual who was able to move people through his speech," she said, adding that King enlightened the world with a message "to be peaceful, to be patient, to be non-violent."

No matter how distant his presence is now, that legacy is still very relevant, she said, in what she called "a world of turmoil and violence, constant violence."

Do people idealize him too much?

"They don't do it enough!" said 64-year-old Elizabeth Carr, who cried through most of the play, feeling some of the pain she felt when the civil rights leader died. "The younger generation, they don't know anymore. ... They don't understand what they went through."

After traveling more than five hours with three friends — all of them African-American — to see Saturday's matinee, Marko Tapper Taylor said seeing King in all his flaws did nothing to diminish his legacy.

"It's better to remember him as human," she said. "Who's flawless? It just shows that there's another side of him."

For her, the holiday remains very personal, Taylor said.

One of her friends, Dr. Donita Scott, chimed in: "If it wasn't for him we probably wouldn't be doctors," she said, nodding at the two ER physicians and a psychiatrist.

Dr. Jan Thomas agreed: "We're standing on that mountain."

Students

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"All together, the students made 15 fleece blankets of varying sizes, 10 stuffed animals, including whales, dogs, bears and penguins, and 15 pillows for a total of 50 items. I promised Harmony House at least 30 items, but my students were very enthusiastic to make a special project for an unfortunate child or handicapped adult."

Turbanc said Christa Wensel, a child advocate from Harmony House, spoke to the older Home Economics students and showed a video on child abuse in the auditorium.

"The students were very interested and

anxious to do anything to help," she said. "This was not an assignment for the kids. I was really proud of them. The kids really jumped onboard."

"I am delighted by the response of my students to help others in need and the response of our staff to help contribute to a fine organization such as Harmony House."

She added that students may continue the donations next year.

Turbanc also thanked the school staff for donating money and materials for the items.

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Consol

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Consol expects to recruit and hire 200-250 experienced hourly and 100 experienced and certified supervisors this year for its various outfits in West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Hrutkay said Consol's frontline supervisors typically start at \$95,000 a year. And hourly workers with overtime typically make \$75,000 a year.

One miner, who asked not to be identified, said he worked as a miner for 35 years. He spent many years at the Saginaw mine in St. Clairsville that closed in 1992.

"It's good to see the industry coming

back. It was getting pretty dead the past 20 years," the man said. "I just want to find a good spot and finish my career out."

Wheeling resident Douglas Lund described himself as a retired electrician looking for new work at a Consol mine. And Cadiz resident Ryan Perri, a mechanic, said he too was simply hoping to find work.

In addition to job fairs, Consol also recruits at local schools and colleges, and seeks those who are safety-minded and have good maintenance and mechanical skills.

Pincola

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Explaining the commissioners' main role is to set and oversee the county budget, Pincola noted, "I took office at the height of the recession and was prepared through my past experiences and education to tackle the difficult times ahead of us. We have balanced our budget for the past two years and even ended 2011 with a carry-over to begin 2012."

"I also wanted to support all efforts to make our historic and unique courthouse more accessible and initiated the efforts to modernize our elevator, and install handicapped accessible restrooms on the ground floor of the courthouse."

Those two projects will be completed in 2012 utilizing a grant and special project funding.

Noting that she has met several controversial issues head-on in the past three years, Pincola said that she was faced with making decisions that were not always popular. "I'm not afraid to go the non-popular route if I believe that it is in the best interest of the common good, and I can back up my reasoning," she added.

While believing in personal privacy to a degree, the candidate said she also believes in full disclosure for public officials. She added that many people

know that 2011 was a challenging year for her personally, in addition to all the countywide issues that occurred.

"After several major surgeries and four months of chemotherapy, I am happy to report that I have earned the right to call myself a 'cancer survivor' and that I am fit to continue representing the county," she noted. "I tried to get through that challenge without affecting my work as commissioner, and I was able to do what was necessary to take care of myself while only missing two public meetings."

The board of county commissioners has three representatives, and Pincola noted that this "is designed to prevent any one commissioner from becoming too powerful. I believe it is a good system, but it takes teamwork. It's not always easy to accomplish but Harrison County has three commissioners that currently work for the common goal of providing sound county government. I hope to remain a member of this team and be able to continue working for a productive Harrison County."

Homeless man arrested

A HOMELESS man was arrested by Belmont County Sheriff's deputies on Saturday and booked into the county jail on charges of importuning and pandering sexually oriented material.

James Williams, 28, is being held on \$7,500 bond.

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St. C. burglaries reported

TWO BURGLARIES were reported to St. Clairsville Police Sunday morning.

One happened at a residence on N. Sugar Street and it was called in at 5:22 a.m. An intruder entered the house through the back door.

The other was on Maple Avenue and the call was received at 7:03 a.m.

No information was available on what items were stolen at either residence.

A dispatcher at the police station said both burglaries remain under investigation and there are no suspects at this time.

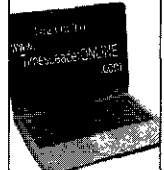
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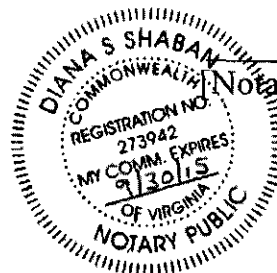
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