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Groups opposing Mountaineer NGL storage

By ROBERT A. DEFRANK
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PLANS FOR a Mountaineer Natural Gas Liquids Storage facility near the Ohio River in Monroe County are raising fears of pollution and long-term damage to the area and its people.

A virtual meeting was held Thursday evening in which environmental groups shared information and comments, with the overall goal of telling the public to reach out to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources during a 30-day comment period that ends Feb. 6.

PTT Global Chemical America has reached an agreement with Mountaineer NGL, which intends to use salt caverns to store liquid components of the local natural gas stream, such as ethane, underground. That ethane would serve as feedstock for a PTTGCA ethane cracker plant if it is built as proposed a few miles to the north. A final investment decision about the cracker has been postponed indefinitely due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The meeting was hosted by groups including Concerned Ohio River Residents, the Buckeye Environmental Network, The Ohio River Valley Institute, the Freshwater Accountability Project, and EarthJustice. Barnesville resident Jill Hunkler outlined concerns about what the activists fear a storage facility could bring to the Ohio Valley.

"This facility would develop underground caverns for the storage of natural gas liquids," she said. "These materials are highly flammable. Many have explosive compounds and are used in the petrochemical production. This site is very problematic."

She pointed out the location is near Clarington in Monroe County and in close proximity to drinking water supplies. She said the facility would hold up to 3.25 million gallons of material.

"And stored adjacent to and potentially under the Ohio River and pose a significant threat to public health and the environment," she said.

She described the process of drawing fresh water from the Ohio River to carve out the storage caverns, constructing a brine reservoir near the Ohio River.

"We fear brine from this reservoir could contaminate other sources of drinking water on the Ohio River, potentially compromising the drinking water for 5 million people," she said.

She also said the proposed storage of carbon-free hydrogen at the facility could worsen climate change, since it would be manufactured using fossil fuels.

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Vaccines for 80 and older begin

By ROBERT A. DEFRANK
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ST. CLAIRSVILLE – Belmont County Health Department administered 400 COVID-19 vaccines to residents 80 and older Thursday at the Belmont County Fairgrounds.

Deputy Health Commissioner Robert Sproul said his staff dosed seniors with the Pfizer BioNTech version of the vaccine throughout the day, having received the vials late Tuesday. This version of the shot requires ultra-cold storage, which is not available in the county, but Sproul said the doses could be used in this situation.

"As long as you hold it in the (transport) container, you can keep it for multiple days. That's why we went with a one-day (vaccination event)," Sproul said.

At the drive-through clinic, vaccine recipients were checked to see if they had registered and contacted to report. They were then injected and given a card they will need to receive their second injection in about 29 days. After their shots, they waited on-site for about 15 minutes to report any side-effects they might experience.

"We have EMS and EMA over there, monitoring to make sure there are no additional health issues," Sproul said.

He added that he expects another 400 doses to arrive next week.

"At that point, we're moving to the 75 and above age group, in addition to people with serious health conditions," he said.

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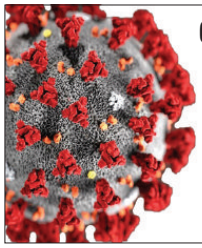
ED LARGE, 90, of Morristown is one of many who received an initial COVID-19 vaccine dose Thursday. He is transported by son Jim Large.



COVID-19 by the numbers

COUNTY	CASES*	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
BELMONT	4,695	3,471	1,137	87
HARRISON	882	816	50	16
JEFFERSON	4,154	3,402	683	69
MONROE	1,003	766	206	31

OHIO*
Positive cases 746,398
Deaths.....9,402

Source: Ohio Department of Health and county health departments.

Bellaire to create board for grants

By SHELLEY HANSON
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BELLAIRE – Village Council is moving forward with plans to create a board to better garner grants for Bellaire.

During a regular meeting Thursday, village attorney Michael Shaheen said he was working on putting together an ordinance and hoped to have it reviewed by members before the next meeting.

The ordinance will call for creation of a new 501c3 nonprofit group affiliated with the village, but overseen by a board of directors. Shaheen said the board would need to have at least five members and be of an odd number for voting purposes.

Councilman Mike Doyle said the new nonprofit group, yet to be officially named, would have great benefit to the city.

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Cadiz water plant upgrades to begin in the spring

By CARRI GRAHAM
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CADIZ – The village's water treatment plant upgrades and improvements are set to get underway in the next few months.

Cadiz Village Council discussed the project during Thursday's evening meeting. The expansion project is set to begin in mid-March or early April.

Following the meeting, Mayor John Migliore said the $2.3 million project is crucial to provide the village with clean drinking water and also to increase water production capacity. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency prompted the upgrades after the village's water source, Tappan Lake, tested positive for small amounts of cyanotoxins, which are produced by harmful algal blooms.

"That's the main reason why we're upgrading," he said.

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• Biden signs burst of virus orders, vows 'Help is on the way'

WASHINGTON (AP) – With a burst of executive orders, President Joe Biden served notice Thursday that America's war on COVID-19 is under new command, promising an anxious nation progress to reduce infections and lift the siege it has endured for nearly a year.

At the same time, he tried to manage expectations in his second day in office, saying despite the best intentions "we're going to face setbacks."

He brushed off a reporter's question on whether his goal of 100 million coronavirus shots in 100 days should be more ambitious, a point pressed by some public health experts.

The 10 orders signed by Biden are aimed at jump starting his national COVID-19 strategy to increase vaccinations and testing, lay the groundwork for reopening schools and businesses, and immediately increase the use of masks – including a requirement that Americans mask up for travel.

One directive calls for addressing health care inequities in minority communities hard hit by the virus.

"We didn't get into this mess overnight, and it will take months to turn this around," Biden said at the White House. U.S. deaths have have surged past 400,000, and he noted projections that they could reach 500,000 in a month.

But then, looking directly into the TV camera, Biden declared: "To a nation waiting for action, let me be clear on this point: Help is on the way."

The new president has vowed to take far more aggressive measures to contain the virus than his predecessor, starting with stringent adherence to public health guidance.

A key difference is that under Biden, the federal government is assuming full responsibility for the COVID response. And instead of delegating major tasks to states, he is offering to help them with technical backup and federal money.

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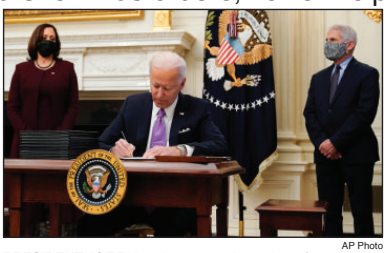

AP Photo

PRESIDENT JOE Biden signs executive orders after speaking about the coronavirus, accompanied by Vice President Kamala Harris, left, and Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, right, in the State Dinning Room of the White House in Washington.

T-L Photo/CARRI GRAHAM

SALE SIGNS cover the exterior of Christopher & Banks at the Ohio Valley Mall. The retailer will close its doors for good by mid-February.

Mall to lose another retailer

• Christopher & Banks to close by mid-February

By CARRI GRAHAM
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ST. CLAIRSVILLE – Due to financial difficulties amid the COVID-19 pandemic, women's clothing retailer Christopher & Banks will close its doors at the Ohio Valley Mall.

After more than 18 years at its St. Clairsville location, Christopher & Banks plans to close sometime next month. Joe Bell, spokesman for the mall's parent Cafaro Co., said although there is not an exact closing date for the store at this time, it will close by mid-February.

"We're sorry to see it happen, it's unfortunate. It's a difficult time that some of these retailers faced last year," he said.

The retailer recently announced it would close all of its brick and mortar locations after filing for bankruptcy protection. According to its website, the chain is in the process of closing all of its stores between now and next month.

"On behalf of the Christopher & Banks family, we express our deepest gratitude for your valued business over so many years. The last 65 years simply would not have been possible without you. As stores are winding down, hours of operation may vary so please call your store before your visit," the company states online.

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• Groups

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Hunkler also said permits for the storage facility do not take local geography and the area's mining history into account, which they fear could contribute to an accident. Other fears include air pollutants and "entrenchment" of a fracking-based economy.

Alex Cole, member of the Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition and a West Virginia resident, spoke about his experiences growing up in the area of the Kanawha River in West Virginia.

"The Kanawha River is polluted beyond repair," he said. "This is what I don't want to see on the Ohio. … I'm no expert, but I've experienced this firsthand."

Cole showed videos of the process of forming a casing around such caverns, expressing concerns that the casing could fail.

Speakers referenced past accidents and incidents surrounding similar operations, including the Bayou Corne sinkhole in Assumption Parish Louisiana in 2012, the Aliso Canyon Methane Leak in Los Angeles in 2016, the Hutchinson natural gas explosion in Kansas in 2001, and closer to home the XTO well pad explosion near Captina Creek in 2018. In comparing these situations to the proposed Mountaineer operation, they expressed fears of potential cracks in the well casing and concerns that the caverns might collapse.

"They want to really make you think that this is safe, but as you're going to see, there are a lot of things that can go wrong," Cole said, also referring to the proposed saltwater lake.

Megan Hunter, staff attorney with EarthJustice, said the 30-day period for public comment to ODNR ends Feb. 6 and the agency can be reached at oilandgas@dnr.ohio.gov or by calling 614-265-6937. A form letter can be found online at bit.ly/MountaineerNGL.

"We want to make sure that ODNR is considering the ultimate purpose of these wells when they are going through the permitting process and not just treating this like a salt mine," Hunter said. She said the groups are also requesting an extension of the comment period in consideration of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Among the speakers was Travis London of Louisiana, who shared his experiences living in highly polluted areas, including the presence of plastic pollutants, adding he believed this could increase susceptibility to the COVID-19 pandemic.

They also referred to an upcoming economic impact study from the Ohio River Valley Institute, which they said would suggest job creation and economic development in the area associated with fracking and plastics will not benefit the region in terms of jobs and population.

After the session, Mike Chadsey, director of public relations with the Ohio Oil & Gas Association which advocates for the industry, said many of these fears were unfounded, chiefly due to the composition of ethane, which he said is inherently safer since it is made of methane, butane, ethane and propane.

"They're trying to use fear, uncertainty and doubt to stop economic progress," Chadsey said. "Most folks don't know the difference between ethane storage and some of the other projects they brought up this evening, which clearly have nothing to do with ethane storage. That's why the permit process with ODNR exists. They have to prove everything they do is safe and well-regulated and can be inspected."

He said the cracker plant the storage site would support would generate significant employment and tax dollars for the Shadyside Local School District through production of useful plastic projects. He said the cracker plant site was also carefully chosen to maximize safety.

"No dart was thrown on a map," he said. "Geological studies were done."

A recording of the meeting itself can be viewed at bit.ly/MountaineerVideo.

NGL Storage Project Facts

■ Powhatan Salt Company will be mining salt from the Salina formation more than a mile underground.

■ The drilling program of Powhatan Salt Company, as required by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, far exceeds industry standards for typical solution mining operation in Ohio.

■ The 3- to 5-acre caverns eventually created well below the Marcellus Shale, will be impermeable, keeping the ground water and land safe and clean.

■ The Powhatan solution mining operations will use the most environmentally safe solution that exists today for brine disposal in the Ohio River basin.

■ Mountaineer NGL Storage LLC will acquire the caverns after they've reached a safe and usable size for bulk storage operations.

■ Mountaineer has chosen salt as the storage medium because it is the safest and most environmentally sound means of large-scale hydrocarbon storage.

■ More than a billion barrels of liquid hydrocarbons are safely stored in salt in facilities throughout the country.

■ By way of example, there is a salt cavern facility storing natural gas liquids in a Canton, Ohio, neighborhood which has been operated safely and successfully for more than 30 years

■ No storage is proposed under the Ohio River and a significant amount of time and money has been invested on cavern design safety based on work performed on salt cores from the Mountaineer test well.

■ The rare explosions that have occurred predominately involve high-pressure natural gas typically stored in depleted oil and gas reservoirs.

■ Liquid hydrocarbons stored in salt caverns operate at lithostatic pressure, the exact pressure of the surrounding rock.

■ The Mountaineer project is a key link in the creation of new manufacturing jobs in the Ohio River Valley.

Source: Dan Williamson, Paul Werth Associates public relations, Columbus, Ohio.

• Mall

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A liquidation sale is underway. The store will continue to accept gift cards at its mall location. Bell said the store is still receiving new product shipments and will carry out sales until its closing.

"They are going to try to maintain their business as long as they have products to sell," Bell said.

Hel said he is hoping many retailers will be able to regroup and maintain their business in the coming year. In the meantime, the mall will be on the lookout for a potential replacement to fill the 3,600-square-foot pending vacancy, he said.

"We're going to move along and look for those up-and-coming retailers and other potential occupants that we can bring into the Ohio Valley Mall. We'll have to see how the year plays out," Bell said.

Christopher & Banks is currently open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday and closed on Sundays.

• Bellaire

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"It would allow us to put in for other grants not just in the public sector, but private grants as well," Doyle said during a past meeting.

In other matters, Police Chief Dick Flanagan said one of his department's cruisers had been wrecked during two different past pursuits and was damaged beyond repair.

The possible purchase of a new cruiser to replace it is expected to be discussed during a finance committee meeting at 2 p.m. today in council chambers.

Councilwoman Nikki Liberatore asked if federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act money given to the village could be used to buy a new cruiser. Village Administrator Mike Wallace said nearly all of the money given to the village has been appropriated already.

The council meeting was not broadcast via the village Facebook page on Thursday night like past meetings. Council apparently had technical difficulties getting the equipment to work.

Treasurer Tom Sable said because council could not get its Zoom meeting to "go live" on the village's Facebook page, no action on legislation would be taken during the meeting.

The village, along with many other municipalities, received federal money to purchase equipment related to COVID-19. A portion of the CARES Act money was used by the village to purchase computer equipment and monitors and to pay for Zoom services in order to hold meetings more safely.

Since only so many people are allowed to gather in the room at one time, a few council members have opted to participate remotely via Zoom. To date, council has broadcast three of its council meetings on Facebook.

• Vaccines

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Since placing a registration link on the health department website at belmontcountyhealth.com, Sproul said there has been a deluge of registrations.

"We still have quite a few. We're getting more every day. We've got a large number of people we have to do," he said, adding that the number of residents in the 80-and-older category is about 1,500.

He estimated about 45 percent of Belmont County's population is 65 years old and older.

"We're an older county, so 1B is going to be our biggest category," he said.

The age bracket of people to be vaccinated will expand by five years each week.

Gov. Mike DeWine's office is providing more doses for adult school staff and allowing them to seek go through private health providers.

"He wants all the educators vaccinated by the end of February, so any teacher who wants a shot should have it by the end of February. It's his goal," Sproul said, noting his office has been in contact with local school districts, several of which have already begun in-person education five days a week.

Ed Large, 90, was among those receiving a vaccine Thursday.

He was transported by his son, Jim Large.

Both are Morristown area residents.

"It's the first day of vaccine distribution and they're trying to motivate as many people to get here as possible … ," Jim Large said, adding that the process was very efficient. "We appreciate all the work that went into making this happen. We appreciate everyone who is participating and helping out."

He said the isolation of the pandemic has been difficult for his father.

"He's not been able to travel, not been able to get out and do much, and we understand that everybody needs to keep their mobility and be available to get out and interact," he said. "That's what's concerned me the most."

Also on Thursday, DeWine announced a partnership with the Abbott and eMed companies to bring rapid and reliable testing into Buckeye State homes.

The state will purchase 2 million rapid antigen tests that can be self-administered.

"Individuals can get results in about 15 minutes," DeWine said, adding the tests will be available to county health departments.

In other news, the 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew that had been set to expire Saturday will continue due to the high number of infections across the state. DeWine speculated it may be changed to an 11 p.m. start time in the future.

"We're not there yet," DeWine said, referring to new, more contagious strains of the virus that may become dominant in the state in the coming weeks.

He also addressed the concerns of bar and other business owners.

"I know this has hit your ability to operate. We base this on the science," he said, adding the virus spreads more easily inside buildings during the winter months. "Your business is a business where unfortunately people cannot wear a mask at the same time they're eating, at the same time they're drinking."

DeWine said he had been advised to close bars but instead issued a curfew during the time period when increased contact and spread are likely.

Sproul said there have been 4,695 total positive tests so far in Belmont County, with 1,097 people now isolated at home with active cases, 40 people hospitalized and 3,471 recoveries.

Eighty-seven residents have died while infected.

• Cadiz

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According to prior reports, small amounts of cyanotoxins are safe for consumption, but elevated amounts can cause health problems. The upgrades are a pre-emptive measure in case the levels would ever become unsafe.

The upgrades are also necessary to provide increased water production capacity for the village.

This increase in capacity will enable the village to supply the Harrison Energy Center power plant when it is built.

The project cannot begin until all the equipment and an alternative water source are in place, Migliore said. The village must have a backup water source in place in order to provide residents with water while the plant receives the upgrades.

"It's really important that we have everything available and ready before it starts," he said. "We'll be shutting down our existing water plant and they'll be bringing in a portable water plant. It will purify the water and put it back into the tanks.

To my knowledge, this is the first time it's ever been done in Ohio."

The village will have a truck brought in that will filter the water from the Tappan Reservoir to act as its backup water source.

Once the upgrades are completed, the water production capacity will reach 1 million gallons per day.

The village's current actual flow is approximately 400,000 gallons per day.

Migliore said the village has secured numerous funding sources for the facility upgrades including a principal forgiveness loan of up to $1 million through the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

According to OEPA, such loans stem from the federal Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act, providing financing for disadvantaged communities to complete environmental infrastructure projects. A portion – or perhaps all – of the loan may be forgiven and will not have to be paid, much like a grant.

Council will next meet at 7 p.m. Feb. 4 at the fire department social hall in the village.

MARKET REPORT

LOCAL STOCKS

DOW

Last: 31176.01
Change: -12.37

S&P 500

Last: 3853.07
Change: +1.22

NASDAQ

Last: 13530.91
Change: +73.67

Air Products	282.61	-3.95
Allstate Corp	110.72	-.28
Amer Elec Power	80.97	+.22
Arcelor Mittal	23.12	-.35
Big Lots	48.74	-.88
Cardinal Health	55.07	+.48
Colgate-Palmolive	79.28	-.92
DuPont de Nemours	80.98	-3.31
FirstEnergy Corp	31.07	-.26
Genasys Inc	7.89	+.05
Gen Electric	11.07	-.32
Huntgtn Bancshs	14.51	-.17
JPMorgan Chase	134.83	-1.14
Johnson & Johnson	161.73	-.65
Kroger Co	33.21	+.14
Lowes Cos	172.34	-.05
Marriott Intl A	126.62	-.11
McDonalds Corp	213.53	-.10
PPG Inds	143.53	-1.02
Rite Aid Corp	19.49	-.05
Tractor Supply	155.18	-.17
Truist Financial Cp	51.07	-.56
Utd Bncp OH	13.98	+.28
Utd Bcsh OH	24.11	-1.49
Verizon Comm	57.27	+.01
WalMart Strs	144.85	-.66
Wendys Co	21.24	-.22
Wesbanco	30.98	-.51
Wstn Digital	53.51	+1.69

Today

Strong finish?

Ally Financial reports its fourth-quarter results today.

The company, which offers insurance and financing for cars, jewelry and other consumer goods, has benefited from increased borrowing as more of the economy reopened following pandemic lockdowns last spring. Ally posted increased earnings and revenue in the July-September quarter versus a year earlier. Wall Street expects the company also delivered improved results in the final quarter of 2020.

Price-earnings ratio: **20** based on past 12-month results

Dividend: **$0.76** Div yield: **1.9%**

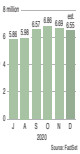
Source: FactSet

Housing market barometer

The housing market is showing some signs of cooling after months of strong gains.

Sales of previously occupied U.S. homes fell 2.5% in November to a seasonally adjusted 6.69 million annualized units. That's the first decline in that figure since May. Ultra-low mortgage rates have helped entice would-be homebuyers, boosting sales and lifting home prices. The National Association of Realtors reports its December sales tally of previously occupied U.S. homes today.

NAHB/Wells Fargo Index
seasonally adjusted



Source: FactSet

Not so slick

Wall Street expects Schlumberger closed out 2020 with another downbeat quarterly report card.

Analysts predict the giant oilfield services company will report today that its earnings and revenue declined in the fourth quarter versus a year earlier. That would match its results in the previous three quarters. The pandemic led millions of people to work from home and put off air travel, sharply lowering demand for oil. That's led to reduced oil drilling in the U.S. and elsewhere, which has hurt oilfield services companies.

MUTUAL FUNDS

105 BIGGEST MUTUAL FUNDS BY ASSET RANK

Fund	NAV	Chg	12-Mo %Rtn
American Century			
Grthv	46.07	+.33	+33.6
SmCpValInv	9.34	-.09	+18.5
ValInv	8.57	-.05	+6.2
American Funds			
AMCpA m	40.41	-.06	+21.6
AmrcnBalA m	30.75	-.02	+11.0
CpWldGrIncA m	61.95	+.01	+18.5
CptlIncBldA m	64.44	-.18	+4.6
FdmtlInvsA m	71.26	-.04	+15.9
GrfAmrcA m	70.65	...	+39.0
IncAmrcA m	24.17	-.06	+6.4
IntlGrIncA m	40.10	+.04	+11.7
InvCAmrcA m	45.59	-.10	+15.1
NwPrspctvA m	63.42	+.04	+35.8
SmCpWrldA m	83.46	-.04	+40.6
WMktóInvsA m	51.49	-.10	+8.7
BlackRock			
EqDivInstl	21.01	-.17	+6.3
LatinAmerInvA m	44.55	-.85	-16.8
Boston Trust			
Eq	33.27	...	+12.6
CGM			
Foc	35.55	-.27	+12.9
Mul	30.83	-.19	+14.3
Rlty	25.32	-.34	-1.0
Dodge & Cox			
Inc	14.59	-.01	+8.1
IntlStk	45.86	-.18	+7.3
Stk	202.32	-1.90	+10.6
DoubleLine			
TlRetBdI	10.71	...	+3.3
Dreyfus			
BstnCoSmCpValI	22.33	-.26	+11.3
Fairholme Funds			
Fund d	30.18	-.40	+49.0
Fidelity			
500IdxInsPrm	133.64	+.06	+18.2
BCGrowth	172.70	+.98	+61.8
ContrafundI	17.24	+.09	+29.9
GroCo	34.89	+.12	+67.7
InvmGradeBd	11.84	-.01	+8.3
LatinAmerica	22.88	-.31	-21.5
TlBMdIdxInsPrm	111.35	-.09	+21.4
USBdIdxInsPrm	12.33	-.02	+5.9
Forester			
ValN b	5.45	-.03	+.3
Franklin Templeton			
IncA t m	2.34	...	+5.4
SmMidCpGrA m	49.14	-.05	+56.3
James Advantage			
BalGldRnR b	21.85	+.01	+2.8
Janus Henderson			
GlobalSelectT	18.30	+.01	+19.6
MidCapValueT	16.20	-.15	+.4
Matthews			
ChinaInv	30.75	+.01	+59.8
IndiaInv	27.10	-.26	+18.1
Metropolitan West			
TlRetBdI	11.11	-.01	+7.6
Oakmark			
EqAndIncInv	31.89	-.13	+12.5
PGIM Investments			
JenUltA m	16.23	-.08	+1.4
TlRetBdZ	14.96	...	+6.4
PIMCO			
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Permanent			
I	47.10	-.28	+20.1
Schwab			
SP500Idx	58.95	+.03	+18.2
T. Rowe Price			
BlCGr	169.99	+.70	+31.5
CptlApprc	34.23	-.10	+15.4
GrStk	100.62	+.68	+35.1
IntlValEq	14.82	-.04	+6.1
NewHorizons	84.40	-.26	+54.3
Rtr2010R b	18.42	-.01	+11.9
Rtr2025	15.26	-.01	+13.3
Rtr2020R b	22.79	-.02	+13.5
Rtr2030	19.88	-.01	+15.7
Rtr2030R b	28.71	-.03	+16.6
Rtr2035	21.97	-.02	+18.7
Rtr2040R b	30.98	-.03	+19.4
RtrBalR b	16.04	-.01	+11.5
U.S. Global Investor			
ChinaRegionInv	bt13.31	-.08	+26.4
GlbRes b	6.55	+.04	+51.1
GoldPrcMtls b	13.27	-.12	+39.0
WldPrecMnral b	5.19	-.03	+67.8
Vanguard			
500IdxAdmrl	355.80	+.14	+18.1
BalIdxAdmrl	45.10	-.04	+16.0
CptlOpAdmrl	191.28	-.50	+28.5
DivGrInv	32.88	-.20	+7.6
EqIncAdmrl	81.37	-.40	+4.5
GblEqInv	39.65	-.05	+25.7
GrIdxAdmrl	133.84	+.63	+36.6
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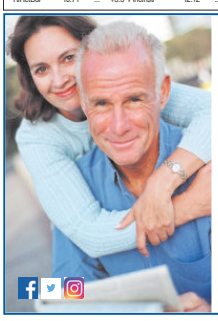

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McConnell seeks to push impeachment trial to February

WASHINGTON (AP) – Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell is proposing to push back the start of Donald Trump's impeachment trial by a week or more to give the former president time to review the case.

House Democrats who voted to impeach Trump last week for inciting the Jan. 6 Capitol riots have signaled they want a quick trial as President Joe Biden begins his term, saying a full reckoning is necessary before the country – and the Congress – can move on.

But McConnell told his fellow GOP senators on a call Thursday that a short delay would give Trump time to prepare and stand up his legal team, ensuring due process.

Indiana Sen. Mike Braun said after the call that the trial might not begin "until sometime mid February." He said that was "due to the fact that the process as it occurred in the House evolved so quickly, and that it is not in line with the time you need to prepare for a defense in a Senate trial."

The timing will be set by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, who can trigger the start of the trial when she sends the House charges for "incitement of insurrection" to the Senate, and also by McConnell and new Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, who are in negotiations over how to set up a 50-50 partisan divide in the Senate and the short-term agenda.

Schumer is in charge of the Senate, assuming the majority leader post after Democrats won two new Senate seats in Georgia and Vice President Kamala Harris was sworn in Wednesday. But with such a narrow divide, Republicans will have some say over the trial's procedure.

Democrats are hoping to conduct the proceedings while also passing legislation that is a priority for Biden, including coronavirus relief, but they would need some cooperation from Senate Republicans to do that, as well.

Schumer told reporters Thursday that he was still negotiating with McConnell on how to conduct the trial, "but make no mistake about it. There will be a trial, there will be a vote, up or down or whether to convict the president."

Pelosi could send the article to the Senate as soon as Friday. Democrats say the proceedings should move quickly because they were all witnesses to the siege, many of them fleeing for safety as the rioters descended on the Capitol.

"It will be soon, I don't think it will be long, but we must do it," Pelosi said Thursday. She said Trump doesn't deserve a "get out of jail card" in his historic second impeachment just because he has left office and Biden and others are calling for national unity.

Without the White House counsel's office to defend him – as it did in his first trial last year – Trump's allies have been searching for lawyers to argue the now-former president's case. Members of his past legal teams have indicated they do not plan to join the effort, but South Carolina Sen. Lindsey Graham told GOP colleagues on Thursday that Trump was hiring South Carolina attorney Butch Bowers, according to a person familiar with the call who was granted anonymity to discuss it. Bowers didn't immediately respond to a message Thursday.

ap photo

ON THE first full day of the new Democratic majority in the Senate, Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., the top Republican, walks to the chamber for the start of business as the minority leader, at the Capitol in Washington. There is now a 50-50 split between Republicans and Democrats, but with Democratic Vice President Kamala Harris as the tie-breaker, the majority shifts by the slimmest of margins.

Prosecuting the House case will be Pelosi's nine impeachment managers, who have been regularly meeting to discuss strategy. Pelosi said she would talk to them "in the next few days" about when the Senate might be ready for a trial, indicating the decision could stretch into next week.

Trump told thousands of supporters to "fight like hell" against the election results that Congress was certifying on Jan. 6 just before an angry mob invaded the Capitol and interrupted the count. Five people, including a Capitol Police officer, died in the mayhem, and the House impeached the outgoing president a week later with 10 Republicans joining all Democrats in support.

Pelosi said it would be "harmful to unity" to forget that "people died here on Jan. 6th, the attempt to undermine our election, to undermine our democracy, to dishonor our Constitution."

Bowers has represented elected officials and political candidates in South Carolina on governmental and election law matters. He served as a special counsel on voting matters at the U.S. Department of Justice under President George W. Bush and has served as counsel to former Govs. Nikki Haley and Mark Sanford.

He guided Haley, Trump's former United Nations ambassador, through an ethics case and worked for Sanford when state lawmakers mulled impeaching him after revelations Sanford had left the state to see a mistress in Argentina in 2009.

Members of Trump's defense team are expected to be announced soon, the person familiar with Graham's comments said.

Graham would not answer questions about Trump's representation on Capitol Hill on Thursday. But he told reporters that "I think he's going to get a legal team here pretty soon."

Trump was acquitted by the Senate in February after his White House legal team, aided by his personal lawyers, aggressively fought the House charges that he had encouraged the president of Ukraine to investigate Biden in exchange for military aid. This time around, Pelosi noted, the House is not seeking to convict the president over private conversations but for a very public insurrection that they experienced themselves and that played out on live television.

"This year the whole world bore witness to the president's incitement," Pelosi said.

Illinois Sen. Dick Durbin, the No. 2 Senate Democrat, said it was still too early to know how long a trial would take, or if Democrats would want to call witnesses. But he said "you don't need to tell us what was going on with the mob scene, we were rushing down the staircase to escape."

McConnell, who said this week that Trump "provoked" his supporters before the riot, has not said how he will vote. He told his GOP colleagues that it will be a vote of conscience.

Democrats would need the support of at least 17 Republicans to convict Trump, a high bar. While a handful of Senate Republicans have indicated they are open to conviction, most have said they believe a trial will be divisive and questioned the legality of trying a president after he has left office.

Graham said that if he were Trump's lawyer, he would focus on that argument and also the merits of the case, whether it was "incitement" under the law. He agreed with Pelosi that a trial should be quick.

"I guess the public record is your television screen," Graham said. "So, I don't see why this would take a long time."

Time, transparency needed as Biden inherits frazzled census

By MIKE SCHNEIDER
Associated Press

Battered by criticism that the 2020 census was dangerously politicized by the Trump administration, the U.S. Census Bureau under a new Biden administration has the tall task of restoring confidence in the numbers that will be used to determine funding and political power.

Picking up the pieces of a long, fractious process that spooled out during a global pandemic starts with transparency about irregularities in the data, former Census Bureau directors, lawmakers and advocates said.

They advised the new administration to take more time to review and process population figures to be sure they get them right.

The high-stakes undertaking will determine how many congressional seats and Electoral College votes each state gets as well as the distribution of $1.5 trillion in federal spending each year.

"We are optimistic that things at the Census Bureau will be better. The question is whether the damage caused by the Trump administration can be rectified," said Marc Morial, president and CEO of the National Urban League. Morial's organization, along with other advocacy groups and municipalities, sued former President Donald Trump's administration last year over a decision to end the once-a-decade head count early.

According to critics, that damage includes a failed effort to add a citizenship question to the 2020 census questionnaire and a Trump order to figure out who is a citizen and who is in the U.S. illegally. They say another Trump directive to exclude people in the country illegally from the apportionment of congressional seats, shortened schedules to collect and process data, and four political appointments to top positions inside the bureau also threatened the count's integrity.

Census workers across the country have told The Associated Press and other media outlets that they were encouraged to falsify responses in the rush to finish the count so the numbers used for determining how many congressional seats each state gets could be produced under the Trump administration. Census Bureau officials said such problems were isolated.

Census advocates were heartened Wednesday by President Joe Biden's quick revocations of Trump's order to produce citizenship data and the former president's memo attempting to exclude people in the U.S. illegally from the apportionment count. The Biden administration also has pledged to give the Census Bureau the time it needs to process the data.

"President Biden's swift action today finally closes the book on the Trump administration's attempts to manipulate the census for political gain," said Dale Ho, director of the ACLU's Voting Rights Project, who argued against the legality of the apportionment memo before the Supreme Court last year. The high court ruled that any challenge was premature.

After the bureau missed a year-end deadline for turning in the apportionment numbers, it said the figures would be completed as close to the previous deadline as possible. Trump administration attorneys recently said they won't be ready until early March because the bureau needs time to fix irregularities in the data.

There will be flaws, likely undercounts of communities of color and overcounts of whites, but "they will just have to 'bake the best cake possible' through identifying and correcting the errors they can find," said Ron Santos, president of the American Statistical Association.

Still, Arturo Vargas, CEO of the NALEO Educational Fund, said he's worried about the accuracy of the data on the nation's Latino population because the Trump administration's efforts created widespread distrust that may have discouraged participation.

Trump's four political appointments to the Census Bureau last year were denounced by statisticians and Democratic lawmakers worried they would politicize the once-a-decade head count. The Office of Inspector General last week said two of them had pressured bureau workers to figure out who is in the U.S. illegally before Trump left office, with one whistleblower calling the effort "statistically indefensible." Then-Census Bureau Director Steven Dillingham ordered a technical report on that effort but halted it after blowback. He resigned this week after Democratic lawmakers and civil rights groups called for his departure.

The bureau's new interim chief, Deputy Director Ron Jarmin, didn't respond to a request for an interview. He will report to Biden's new pick to head the Commerce Department – which oversees the Census Bureau – Rhode Island Gov. Gina Raimondo.

Former Census Bureau Director Kenneth Prewitt said he's optimistic the final product will be as accurate as past censuses, especially now that Jarmin is at the helm.

"They know how to do it right. It just takes time," said Prewitt, who served in the Clinton administration.

Another former bureau director, John Thompson, said the exit of Trump's appointees will help eliminate distractions to finishing the 2020 census, but the agency needs to hold a public forum to discuss what anomalies bureau statisticians have found in the data and what they're doing to fix them ahead of the apportionment numbers being turned in.

"Clearly, confidence in the census has been shaken," said Thompson, who led the agency during part of the Obama administration.

U.S. Sen. Brian Schatz, a Democrat from Hawaii, asked Biden to set up a nonpartisan commission to review the apportionment data to make sure it's fair and accurate before it's delivered to the House of Representatives.

"The Census Bureau faced a number of challenges with the 2020 Census," Schatz said in a letter. "Some, like the pandemic, were beyond the agency's control. However, the Trump Administration actively interfered with the agency's operations."

AP Photo

OHIO GOV. Mike DeWine shrugs his shoulders in response to a reporter's question about him testing positive for COVID-19 in Bexley, Ohio.

Ohio to spend $50 million on 2M home tests

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) – Ohio will use $50 million in federal pandemic aid dollars to buy 2 million at-home rapid coronavirus tests to help local health departments respond faster to testing needs, Gov. Mike DeWine announced Thursday.

The governor also said the state's 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. pandemic curfew, due to expire in a couple days, will be extended, though he didn't provide details. Meanwhile, Lt. Gov Jon Husted said the state is wrestling with huge numbers of fraudulent unemployment claims being filed for federal pandemic aid.

Of 1.4 million of those claims, nearly 800,000 have been flagged as fraudulent, including a claim someone made in Husted's name, the lieutenant governor said.

The at-home test kit deal involves a partnership between the state, Miami-based digital health company eMed and Chicago-based medical device company Abbott Laboratories. Users can administer the BinaxNow at-home rapid antigen tests with results available in about 15 minutes.

Users will receive online guidance to take the tests, and the results will be recorded with the Ohio Department of Health, according to eMed. Local health departments have been asking for this type of rapid testing, DeWine said.

"We think that this would be very, very helpful in slowing the spread of the virus," the governor said. "If we get a hot spot somewhere, if there would be an outbreak in a factory, we would be able to move in very, very quickly."

The rapid antigen tests are not as reliable as PCR tests, which examines genetic material specific to the virus. DeWine experienced this disparity last summer when he had a false positive antigen test, followed a few hours later by a negative PCR test.

The bigger concern is "false negatives," said Ohio chief medical officer Dr. Bruce Vanderhoff. That means testing that shows a negative result even though the patient may have the coronavirus.

"A negative antigen test does not really give you the kind of confident answer that a positive test does," Vanderhoff said. "But if you have a positive result, then you know what you need to do."

Regarding the curfew, DeWine said he understands the frustration of bar and restaurant owners who say the 10 p.m. cutoff is arbitrary and the same precautions against social distancing can be made later into the evening.

The curfew was a compromise with experts who said bars and restaurants should be shut down altogether, said DeWine, reiterating a point he's made often.

The next step might be to extend the curfew to 11 p.m., "but we're just not there," the governor said.

Also Thursday, the state said the number of Ohioans filing initial claims for state unemployment compensation during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic jumped last week.

The latest figures show Ohioans filed 42,975 initial jobless claims for the week ending Jan. 16, a 15% increase over the previous week, the Department of Job and Family Services said. Ohioans also filed 265,467 claims for continued unemployment, slightly down from previous weeks.

The seven-day rolling average of daily new cases in Ohio did not increase over the past two weeks, going from 7,438 new cases per day on Jan. 6 to 6,113 new cases per day on Jan. 20, according to an Associated Press analysis of data provided by The COVID Tracking Project.

The seven-day rolling average of daily deaths in Ohio has risen over the past two weeks from 73 deaths per day on Jan. 6 to 75 deaths per day on Jan. 20, the data showed.

More than 450,000 Ohioans – or about 4% of the state's population – have received at least one dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines since mid-December.

Now, the left has problems to deal with

By PATRICK BUCHANAN
Creators Syndicate

That mob that split off from the Donald Trump rally of Jan. 6 to invade the Capitol has proven a godsend to the left.

The death of a Capitol cop has enabled the left to posture as fighting allies of the men in blue.

Liberals who implored us to understand the grievances of the rioters last summer have become sudden converts to the church of law and order.

Elites who had condoned the smashing of statues and monuments to Columbus, Washington, Jefferson and Jackson as a needed cleansing have declared themselves sickened that Trumpists would desecrate the temple of democracy.

Had it been antifa or BLM that carried out the invasion, not one statue would have been left standing in Statuary Hall, and we would have been instructed that it was slaves who had, after all, built the Capitol building.

The media is airing endless footage of the mob marauding inside the Capitol. Purpose: to plant indelibly in the public mind the fiction that this was the deliberate work of Donald Trump.

Indeed, to protect the nation from rightist uprisings in state capitals, this weekend saw the widespread deployment of the National Guard.

Sunday was to be the day the murderous violence of the right would manifest itself.

What happened?

As The Washington Post reported Monday:

"Authorities in cities from coast to coast mobilized a military-style defense of state capitol complexes on Sunday, rolling out Humvees, concertina wire and thousands of National Guard troops clad in battlefield helmets to defend against a possible onslaught of rioters whipped up by the baseless claims of the American president.

"The assault never came. Despite warnings from the FBI and boasts from armed, far-right extremist groups, security forces in every instance outnumbered scattered groups of demonstrators, and there were no reports of violence."

In anticipation of Wednesday's inauguration, 25,000 National Guard have been deployed in and around D.C. to defend against right-wing mobs or would-be assassins.

Three or four times as many troops are here in D.C. as there are U.S. troops in Afghanistan, Iraq and Syria combined.

Now, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

And better too much security than not enough. But even given the Jan. 6 outrage, to arm our capital city as though Stonewall Jackson's Confederates were going to march up Manassas Road and capture Abe Lincoln after the Union defeat at Bull Run seems a bit excessive.

Yet, Wednesday was a historic day.

Trump is gone and national power and responsibility has passed to the Democratic Party.

Democrats take over the House, Senate and White House. Virtually all major media will be in their camp. They will be welcomed in a city that has never elected a Republican mayor and has no Republicans on the city council.

The government bureaucracies here are as deeply Democratic as the "deep state" that bedeviled Trump for four years. Biden's Cabinet is the most racially and ethnically diverse ever; the majority of its members are women and people of color. Obama administration holdovers dominate the national security team.

Problems Trump failed to solve — the pandemic now killing 3,000 to 4,000 Americans a day, the failure to get vaccines into the arms of millions of more Americans -- are now Joe's problems.

Democrats have it all. If they wish, they can abolish the filibuster, pack the Supreme Court, forgive all student debt, and vote for slavery reparations.

One reads that a caravan of thousands is forming up in Honduras to pass through Guatemala in the hope of reaching and crossing the U.S. border when Biden becomes president. That, too, is Joe's party's problem now.

Old Man River's
Cheers & Jeers

CHEERS to Martins Ferry officials for considering ways to make council meetings more accessible to the public during the pandemic. They are thinking about ways to hold meetings online.

JEERS the U.S. reaching a new coronavirus-related milestone this week. More than 400,000 Americans have died after becoming infected with the virus.

CHEERS to the new president and vice president, Joe Biden and Kamala Harris. May they have a successful term, so that all of the nation can succeed.

JEERS to news that a man led police on a multi-county chase earlier this week before being arrested on multiple charges. But CHEERS to the law enforcement officers who captured him safely.

CHEERS to area residents who took advantage of the recent hunting seasons and the opportunity to enjoy some time in the great outdoors. Officials say more people opted to hunt this year, while COVID-19 made many other activities dangerous or impossible.

CHEERS to Belmont County Tourism Council for continuing to find creative ways to promote the area and support the nonprofit agencies within the county. GAP grants are now available.

CHEERS to Belmont County Health Department for holding a drive-through vaccine clinic for those 80 and older on Thursday.

Preparing for four long years of media coverage of politics

By BEN SHAPIRO
Creators Syndicate

On Sunday, Jan. 17, now-Vice President Kamala Harris sat down with Jane Pauley of CBS News "Sunday Morning."

Pauley treated Harris to a full-on journalistic massage. At no point was Harris asked a tough question; at no point was Harris treated as anything other than an idol worthy of worship.

Perhaps the most awkward manifestation of this sycophancy came when Harris spouted a canned speech about relentlessness. "I was raised to not hear no — let me be clear about it. I eat no for breakfast!"

This prompted a spasm of ecstasy from Pauley, who immediately reflected Harris' bizarrely inappropriate laughter with an enormous grin of her own.

It will be four long years.

For four years, the media complained that Donald Trump treated them as an enemy.

They self-servingly claimed that they were *actually* the protectors of democracy and individual rights.

It took all of one month after Trump's inauguration for that to change.

Trump, for his part, attacked the media whether they deserved it or not:

Every disparaging headline, true or not, became "fake news."

That was unjustified and wrong, obviously.

But the media's lack of credibility wasn't solely attributable to Trump.

It resulted from their own journalistic malfeasance for years on end during former President Barack Obama's administration followed by their aggressive repetition of even the most thinly sourced scandal regarding Trump.

And now we'll return to the gaslighting of the Obama era, when members of the Obama team could openly *admit* to lying to the media, only to receive obsequious praise in return.

Already, media outlets are praising the newfound veracity of Biden's press team — despite the fact that Jen Psaki, Biden's choice for White House press secretary, was accused of openly and explicitly lying to the media in 2016. Media members are even admitting that the vacation has begun: CNN's Jim Acosta admitted that he'd be covering Biden differently, explaining, "If being at the White House is not an experience that might merit hazard pay ... then perhaps it is going to be approached differently."

Of course, Acosta never needed hazard pay.

He was too busy declaring himself a hero.

And so, the controversies of the day will turn to the trite.

The big question won't be governmental oversight but media self-policing.

Major controversies to come will include just how cute Joe Biden's dog is and whether the racial diversity of his Cabinet is merely important or *super* important.

Meanwhile, the same media outlets that act as stenographers for the Democratic Party will insist that other outlets meet with social media censorship. After all, American needs unity!

People will continue to seek information from alternative sources, of course.

But that will only provoke the media to seek new methods of repressing those alternatives. As it turns out, the commitment of many in our media isn't to truth or facts.

Republicans must confess their complicity in election mess

By MONA CHAREN
Creators Syndicate

If you missed the retraction from the right-wing online magazine The American Thinker, it's one for the ages.

Noting that they had received a warning from lawyers for Dominion Voting Systems, the editors admitted that they had published pieces that "relied on discredited sources who have peddled debunked theories ... These statements are completely false and have no basis in fact. ... We apologize to Dominion for all of the harm this caused them and their employees.

"We also apologize to our readers for abandoning 9 journalistic principles and misrepresenting Dominion's track record and its limited role in tabulating votes for the November 2020 election. We regret this grave error."

Fox News has issued similar retractions.

This is the beginning, not the end, of the story.

Dominion has sent letters to 20 other entities and individuals, including One American News Network, Newsmax, Lin Wood, White House Counsel Pat Cipollone and Rudy Giuliani.

Sidney Powell got more than a warning. She was slapped with a $1.3 billion defamation lawsuit for her outrageous and outlandish claims.

Powell has yet to grovel as The American Thinker did, but she would be wise to start.

Dominion is not backing down. CEO John Poulos told The Washington Post that he would prefer to take these cases to court rather than settle with the defendants, because "We feel that it's important for the entire electoral process."

It seems that the only means we still possess as a society for holding people to account for vicious and democracy-endangering lies is the tort law system.

The only acknowledgment of wrongdoing in the most destabilizing crisis of the past 160 years was that extracted from an obscure website by a private company whose reputation and income took a severe hit.

I wish Dominion every success against the other defendants, but what of the rest of the country that has taken a severe hit?

Can Dominion also sue Ted Cruz, Josh Hawley, Mark Levin, Rush Limbaugh, Laura Ingraham, The Federalist, the 17 state attorneys general who joined the ludicrous Ken Paxton lawsuit challenging the election results in four states, Kevin McCarthy, the 121 House Republicans and six Senate Republicans who voted to reject the Electoral College ballots of Arizona?

Because until we hear confessions and corrections, we will continue to inhabit a dark cave as a country.

Unless the propagandists of these lies confess and correct the record, the fury they've incited among a huge swath of Americans will continue to endanger the lives of public officials and crack the foundations of this republic.

The lie they propagated is what propelled those deluded people to storm the Capitol.

Of course, the perpetrators of the violence are fully responsible for their decisions.

But there were also thousands of otherwise normal people who were deceived into believing that their democracy had been fatally compromised, and millions who now harbor doubts about our system's legitimacy.

Nearly 75% of Republicans believe that Trump was the legitimate victor of the election.

They couldn't have gotten this idea entirely from Facebook posts or YouTube videos.

No, without the imprimatur of prestige conservative media like Fox and Limbaugh, and the support from official Republican Party organs, and the complicity of actual Republican office holders, it's doubtful that Trump's big lie could have led where it did. The guilt is corporate.

The goons who defiled the Capitol and smashed poles into the heads of police thought what they were doing was righteous.

Is there no point at which those that helped to encourage this behavior question their complicity?

Is there no point at which they say to themselves, "For the good of the country, I need to correct this"?

Dominion Voting Systems may get its reputation restored through the courts.

The damage to the nation must be repaired by a chastened Republican Party.

Intercepted Letter

Residents
Shadyside

Dear Neighbors,

Your local food pantry is back. If you need a little help, take the opportunity to visit on the third Thursday of the month.

Yours,

Old Man River

Quote of the Day

"There are those who give with joy, and that joy is their reward."

Khalil Gibran
Lebanese poet
(1883 - 1931)

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JUDITH MUDRAK

Judith Mudrak, 85, of St. Clairsville, OH went to be with her beloved husband on Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at Cumberland Pointe Nursing Home, St. Clairsville. She was born October 13, 1935 in Bridgeport, OH, a daughter of the late Clark Moreland and Marie Franz Gary.

Judith was retired from Internmed of West Virginia and worked for Consol Coal Company, and a member of Thoburn United Methodist Church.

Judith loved the Pittsburgh Steelers, OSU Buckeyes and St. Clairsville Red Devils. She enjoyed bowling with Mike at St. Clair Lanes, playing cards, cooking, baking, polka music and word puzzles.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Mike Mudrak in 1997; a son, Regis Mudrak; a sister, Eileen Lodge; a nephew, David Lodge.

Surviving are three sons, Peter Mudrak of Ashtabula, OH., Gary (Phyllis) Mudrak of Bethesda, OH., Gregg (Debbie Riffe) Mudrak of Columbus, OH; a sister, Patricia (Robert) Bruhn of St. Clairsville; a daughter-in-law, Rita Klayko Mudrak of Morristown, OH; grandchildren, Amber, Matt, Louie (Misty), Trevor Mudrak, Christi (Kelly) Kunkler, Tony (Amanda), Donald (Mary) Whittaker; nine great-grandchildren; special nieces, Pam Bruhn, Lynn Barker and Becky Lodge.

Due to COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing and masks are required.

Friends will be received on Sunday from 3-6 pm at Toothman Funeral Home, St. Clairsville with funeral services on Monday at 11 am with Rev. Tom Jones officiating. Burial in Union Cemetery, St. Clairsville.

ROGER HIGGINS

Roger Lee Higgins, 78, of Tiltonsville, OH, died, Wednesday, January 20, 2021, at Trinity West Hospital, in Steubenville, OH. Arrangements pending with Borkoski Funeral Home, Tiltonsville, OH.

HOWARD JOHNSON

Howard Johnson 77, of Steubenville, OH died Jan. 19, 2021. Arrangements by Bauknecht-Altmeyer Funeral Homes & Crematory 441, Bellaire,

Lottery Results for Jan 21, 2021

Ohio:
Day:
Pick 3: 4-7-3
Pick 4: 1-1-2-8
Pick 5: 4-8-4-0-3

Night:
Pick 3: 2-4-3
Pick 4: 1-0-6-2
Pick 5: 2-6-6-0-8
Rolling Cash 5: 1-11-16-18-33
Lucky for Life: 11-15-26-34-47

West Virginia:
Daily 3: 3-4-0
Daily 4: 2-3-9-2
Cash 25: 1-6-10-15-16-25

Pennyslvania:
Day:
Pick 2:9-6
Pick 3: 5-0-4
Pick 4: 4-6-9-7
Pick 5: 1-0-0-8-1
(Wild Ball: 5)
Treasure Hunt: 10-12-15-17-23

Night:
Pick 2: 4-6
Pick 3: 4-3-5
Pick 4: 2-2-3-4
Pick 5: 3-4-6-0-9
(Wild Ball: 9)
Cash 5: 18-19-26-29-37
Match 6 Lotto: 5-15-17-19-36-39

Barnesville officials hear 'Year in Review'

By LENNY WITTENBROOK
For The Times Leader

BARNESVILLE – Village officials recently heard Mayor Dale Bunting's "Year in Review" for 2020 while welcoming back Tim McKelvey, who reclaimed a seat on village council after nearly three years.

McKelvey was sworn in by Village Solicitor Adam Meyser, having been selected by council from among four applicants to fill the seat vacated when Steve Hill resigned his position in November.

McKelvey, who has served the village in numerous capacities over the years, expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to do so again, saying, "I appreciate you guys taking me back, I really do. Thank you."

Bunting, in his annual "Year in Review," acknowledged the difficulties resulting from the coronovirus outbreak and thanked Police Chief Rocky Sirianni, Fire Chief Tim Hall and all the village employees while speaking of the support within the community that kept Barnesville open and moving forward despite the challenges.

"I would like to thank our community and our employees for all the hard work and staying strong throughout this year. Thank you again, all of you, for doing what you do."

Village Administrator Roger Deal informed council that the village had not been selected to receive federal Emergency Management Agency funding to help pay for slip repairs needed on the dam at the lake in Barnesville Memorial Park. The agency said while it was unfortunate the village would not get the funding, it indicated that there were dams in worse shape that FEMA felt needed to be prioritized.

Deal also asked council if it would be OK if he had some survey work done around the park as a preliminary step toward eventual annexation of park land that is owned by the village but currently lies outside the corporation limit. No objection was raised.

Deal also informed council that the Cole Street force main had experienced two additional breaks in recent weeks and that the waterline had experienced a number of problems in the last two years. He said that in order to get a "budget number," he planned to have an engineer who was coming to look at issues on North Lincoln Avenue take a look at that line as well.

Deal also announced that the recently completed paving project funded in part by an Ohio Public Works Commission grant had come in significantly under budget.

Council approved Hall's request to apply for the 2021 Ohio State Fire Marshal Grant in the amount of $15,000, which Hall said requires no matching funds from the village.

Sirianni acknowledged the cooperation between village officials and the various village departments that was on display during the past year, saying, "Thank all of you: Mayor, Council, everyone in here. Thank all the departments for working well together, and I thank the community for their continued support."

Council President Scott Gallagher recognized Strauss Films for making Barnesville sporting events accessible to the community during the pandemic, saying, "Whether it be football, wrestling, or other activities, having a little business like that allowing those of us who are stuck in our homes to enjoy the youth and what they do is appreciated."

Harrison receives bids for renovation project

By CARRI GRAHAM
Times Leader Staff Writer

CADIZ – An upcoming renovation project in the former engineer's office inside the Harrison County Courthouse received bids from multiple contractors last week.

Commissioners Paul Coffland, Don Bethel and Dale Norris opened five bids for the impending project during their weekly meeting. The project will relocate the adult probation offices to the former engineer's office, Coffland said.

"We're going to be developing a new probation department office in the courthouse in the former engineer's office. ... The space is existing in the courthouse but will be renovated and turned into individual offices and some training classroom area for probationary and a separate waiting room," he said.

The county is hoping to move the engineer's office to the highway garage facility, where the Harrison County Highway staff currently is based. A project is in the initial stages to expand the garage facility to hold offices as well as equipment and will allow the entire engineering department to work out of one location as opposed to two separate locations.

The low bid received for the courthouse renovation project was $197,000 from Grae-Con Construction of Steubenville, while the high bid was $300,000 from Best Commercial Energy Services of Akron, Ohio.

Coffland said commissioners will review all five bids prior to making a decision.

"We are now going to review and hopefully make an award next week. We'll have the architect review them with us and make a decision," he said.

Coffland said there is not yet an estimated cost for the county-funded project.

In other news, commissioners' signed a contract agreement with Roetzel and Andress LPA to provide legal services and counsel on behalf of the board pertaining to the Harrison County Community Improvement Corp.

"We are seeking some expert legal advice regarding some matters between the county and its relationship with the CIC and its economic development," Coffland said.

Coffland said because it may be a potential legal matter, few details can be released at this time. However, the county is acting in the best interest of the taxpayers by ensuring economic development funds are properly handled, he said.

"One of the main duties of the board of commissioners is the finances of the county and that's why we are retaining counsel. We're acting in the best interest of the Harrison County tax payers and residents when it comes to the county's money, the county's property and how that is handled through economic development," he said.

Coffland said once the county has had a chance to communicate with the attorney and receive their opinion on the matter, they will then decide how to best move forward.

According to the agreement, the hourly billing rate for attorneys with the company ranges from $180-$715 per hour.

Health departments optimistic about online registry

By ALAN OLSON
For The Times Leader

WHEELING – Gov. Jim Justice's daily coronavirus press conference revealed that next week will see the unveiling of a statewide online registry for COVID-19 vaccinations, which was met with optimism from local health departments.

Mark Ackermann, threat preparedness director for the Marshall County Health Department, said the response from various state health departments was positive across the board, when it was discussed last night.

"When this was discussed with us yesterday, I don't think there was any health department that was even remotely upset about it," Ackermann said. "If this system is going to work, it's a godsend to us. If they're able to take that call volume off us and make it more of an automated system, not only can they do that online, but they can call in and get registered, that's an excellent step."

Ohio County Health Administrator Howard Gamble likened the new system to their current online registration system, VAMS, which is used to arrange vaccines for specific groups, such as health care workers and groups of people involved with higher education. In essence, Gamble said, the new system would be VAMS for the general public.

"They're using the VAMS system where they dump their info in it," he said. "They receive an email, they're scheduled an appointment, and we have the vaccine available, so the appointment matches usually with the person. It's a great registry system. It has flaws, but it's the system we have. But it works for the most part."

The other system the county has had in place, where a clinic is announced and people call to schedule their own appointments, was described as "rudimentary," but effective. The new system, he said, will pose its own set of problems

"It can be frustrating. Now, with this announcement, it serves as the community's VAMS. You're able to call into a number, just like you would with VAMS, you register by dumping your information into it, … and then you wait for the vaccine to match you," he said. "... It can be a big benefit to all counties, even those that have hundreds of thousands on waiting lists.

"It will be a challenge, though, taking those waiting lists from counties and putting them into the new system -- but I think it'll work," he added. "That registry is very simple, it registers you, but it doesn't get you a vaccination. It puts them onto the state's waiting list, and as vaccine arrives, you'll be told 'Here it is.'"

Gamble said the online registry's biggest saving grace was the ability to more efficiently allocate doses of vaccine from the central state hubs.

"It will have its limitations, but I think in the long run, this is a very good system for the entire 55 counties," Gamble said. "What it's going to do is allow us to track vaccine as it arrives, and maybe the state can see where's the need. That's really important because you may see a large need in a metropolitan or rural area, and the vaccine needs to be moved to that area. Other counties may not have a need because someone hasn't decided yet, vaccine hesitancy, or we vaccinated a lot of people there already.

"It allows the state to see where to push distribution," he added, "but it's going to be many weeks of this."

Gamble had previously expressed his support for the phone bank system, where people call in to register their place at a daily vaccination clinic. While public opinion regarding the call center method has largely derided the difficulty in getting through to make the appointment, Gamble said their slots fill up in record time.

"They complain that they couldn't get through, but alternatively, 150 or 400 did. We did get people vaccinated," he said Thursday, after Justice's announcement. "It is frustrating when you can't get through to anything, whether it's vaccination or another service."

In Ohio County, Gamble said the new system would not end up saving many man-hours, as clinic staff would answer phones to schedule appointments until they were full, before returning to their normal duties, which didn't take much time due to the rapid pace of scheduling.

In Marshall County, Ackermann said that shifting the call pressure off the health department's staff would be fantastic.

"It's going to free up more people to work on contact tracing," Ackermann said. "We're hoping to pair up with WVU Medicine Reynolds Memorial Hospital, to do larger-scale clinics, between the two of us together. If we had vaccine to do it eight hours a day, seven days a week, we would be doing it. It's just, we don't have it. We'll get it out as soon as we possibly can. We think it's a good plan we're discussing, they're talking about providing some more of the clinical staff, with some of ours. … We have the contacts to make these things happen."

Ackermann said they were waiting for the state to roll back vaccine clinics into a county-by-county system, rather than regional, before taking further action on that front.

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He faces steep obstacles, with the virus actively spreading in most states, vaccine shortages, slow progress on distribution and political uncertainty over whether congressional Republicans will help him pass a $1.9 trillion economic relief and COVID response package.

Adding to the challenges are virus mutations, particularly one that has emerged in South Africa, that may make vaccines somewhat less effective.

Dr. Anthony Fauci told reporters at the White House briefing that "we are paying very close attention to it." Biden's plan includes an expansion of research capabilities to map out the genetic structure of new variants.

On Thursday a group influential with Republican office holders lent its support to the president's strategy.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce said, "We support the new administration's focus on removing roadblocks to vaccinations and reopening schools, both of which are important steps to accelerating a broad-based economic recovery for all Americans."

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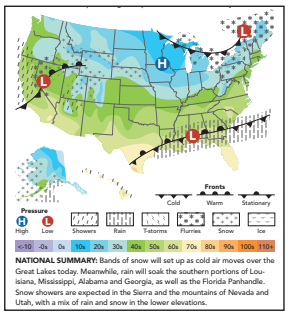

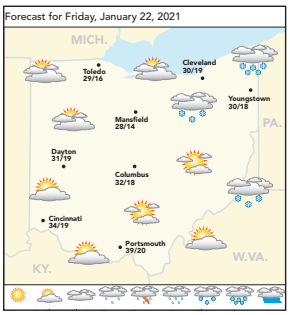

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Jan. 22, the 22nd day of 2021. There are 343 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1901, Britain's Queen Victoria died at age 81 after a reign of 63 years; she was succeeded by her eldest son, Edward VII.

In 1907, the Richard Strauss opera "Salome" made its American debut at the Metropolitan Opera in New York; its racy content sparked outrage and forced cancellation of additional performances.

In 1970, the first regularly scheduled commercial flight of the Boeing 747 began in New York and ended in London some 6 1/2 hours later.

BY THE NUMBERS

Yesterday's high	35	Low today	23	River Reading	13.3 feet
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AN AMAZON logo appears on an Amazon delivery van in Boston. Amazon won't be forced to restore web service to Parler after a federal judge ruled against a plea to reinstate the fast-growing social media app favored by followers of former President Donald Trump.

Judge says Amazon won't have to restore Parler web service

By MATT O'BRIEN
AP Technology Writer

Amazon won't be forced to immediately restore web service to Parler after a federal judge ruled Thursday against a plea to reinstate the fast-growing social media app, which is favored by followers of former President Donald Trump.

U.S. District Judge Barbara Rothstein in Seattle said she wasn't dismissing Parler's "substantive underlying claims" against Amazon, but said it had fallen short in demonstrating the need for an injunction forcing it back online.

Amazon kicked Parler off its web-hosting service on Jan. 11. In court filings, it said the suspension was a "last resort" to block Parler from harboring violent plans to disrupt the presidential transition.

The Seattle tech giant said Parler had shown an "unwillingness and inability" to remove a slew of dangerous posts that called for the rape, torture and assassination of politicians, tech executives and many others.

The social media app, a magnet for the far right, sued to get back online, arguing that Amazon had breached its contract and abused its market power. It said Trump was likely on the brink of joining the platform, following a wave of his followers who flocked to the app after Twitter and Facebook expelled Trump after the Jan. 6 assault on the U.S. Capitol.

Rothstein said she rejected "any suggestion that the public interest favors requiring AWS to host the incendiary speech that the record shows some of Parler's users have engaged in." She also faulted Parler for providing "only faint and factually inaccurate speculation" about Amazon and Twitter colluding with one another to shut Parler down.

Parler said Thursday it was disappointed by the ruling but remains confident it will "ultimately prevail in the main case," which it says will have "broad implications for our pluralistic society."

Parler CEO John Matze had asserted in a court filing that Parler's abrupt shutdown was motivated at least partly by "a desire to deny President Trump a platform on any large social-media service." Matze said Trump had contemplated joining the network as early as October under a pseudonym. The Trump administration last week declined to comment on whether he had planned to join.

Amazon denied its move to pull the plug on Parler had anything to do with political animus. It claimed that Parler had breached its business agreement "by hosting content advocating violence and failing to timely take that content down."

Parler was formed in May 2018, according to Nevada business records, with what co-founder Rebekah Mercer, a prominent Trump backer and conservative donor, later described as the goal of creating "a neutral platform for free speech" away from "the tyranny and hubris of our tech overlords."

Amazon said the company signed up for its cloud computing services about a month later, thereby agreeing to its rules against dangerous content.

Matze told the court that Parler has "no tolerance for inciting violence or lawbreaking" and has relied on volunteer "jurors" to flag problem posts and vote on whether they should be removed. More recently, he said the company informed Amazon it would soon begin using artificial intelligence to automatically pre-screen posts for inappropriate content, as bigger social media companies do.

Amazon last week revealed a trove of incendiary and violent posts that it had reported to Parler over the past several weeks. They included explicit calls to harm high-profile political and business leaders and broader groups of people, such as schoolteachers and Black Lives Matter activists.

Google and Apple were the first tech giants to take action against Parler in the days after the deadly Capitol riot. Both companies temporarily banned the smartphone app from their app stores. But people who had already downloaded the Parler app were still able to use it until Amazon Web Services pulled the plug on the website.

Parler has kept its website online by maintaining its internet registration through Epik, a U.S. company owned by libertarian businessman Rob Monster. Epik has previously hosted 8chan, an online message board known for trafficking in hate speech. Parler is currently hosted by DDoS-Guard, a company whose owners are based in Russia, public records show.

DDoS-Guard did not respond to emails seeking comment on its business with Parler or on published reports that its customers have included Russian government agencies.

Parler said Thursday it is still working to revive its platform. Although its website is back, it hasn't restored its app or social network. Matze has said it will be difficult to restore service because the site had been so dependent on Amazon engineering, and Amazon's action has turned off other potential vendors.

The case has offered a rare window into Amazon's influence over the workings of the internet. Parler argued in its lawsuit that Amazon violated antitrust laws by colluding with Twitter, which also uses some Amazon cloud services, to quash the upstart social media app.

CSX profit slips in 4Q but railroad hauls 4% more freight

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) – CSX railroad reported relatively flat fourth-quarter earnings even though it hauled 4% more freight as the economy continued to rebound from last year's widespread virus-related shutdowns.

The Jacksonville, Florida-based railroad said Thursday it earned $760 million, or 99 cents per share, during the quarter. That was down slightly from $771 million, or 99 cents per share, a year earlier, but this quarter's results were hurt by a $48 million charge related to the early retirement of debt. Without that, CSX would have reported earnings per share of $1.04.

The results topped Wall Street expectations. The average estimate of seven analysts surveyed by Zacks Investment Research was for earnings of $1 per share.

The freight railroad posted revenue of $2.83 billion in the period, also beating Street forecasts. Four analysts surveyed by Zacks expected $2.75 billion.

Strong demand for deliveries of shipping containers – known as intermodal shipments – which were up 11%, helped offset weakness in nearly every other category of freight in the quarter.

Volume was positive overall for the first time since before the pandemic began. In last year's second quarter, volume fell 20% when many businesses were shut down as officials sought to limit the spread of COVID-19.

The railroad said it cut its expenses 7% to $1.61 billion as fuel and labor costs both decreased.

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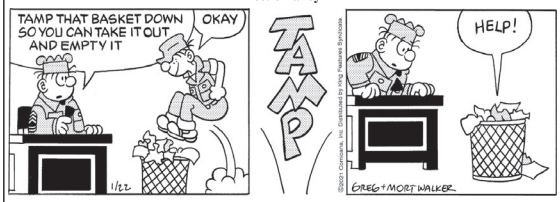

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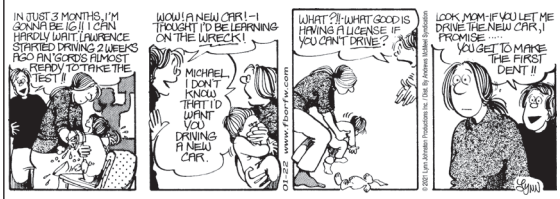

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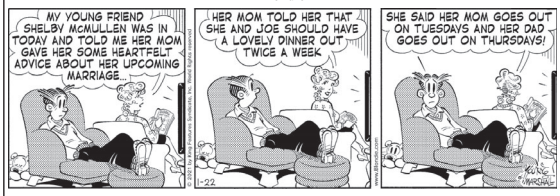

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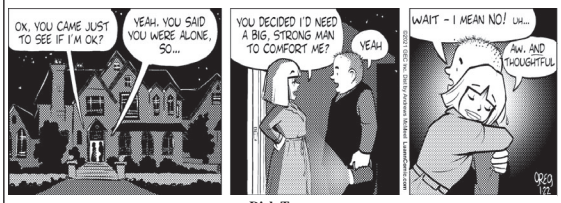

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53	Big Bang Theory	Two and Half Men	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (Live)				Channel 11 News on FOX 53 at 10 (N)		Seinfeld [CC]	Seinfeld [CC]
AMC	Unstoppable (6) (PG-13, '10) *** Denzel Washington.		Star Trek (PG-13, '09) *** Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto, Leonard Nimoy. Chronicles the early days of the starship Enterprise and her crew.						The Matrix (R, '99) *** Keanu Reeves.	
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ATTSP	NHL Hockey New York Rangers at Pittsburgh Penguins. (N) (Live)				Penguins Post		Penguins Hockey	Alpha 8		NHL Hockey
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PARMT	2 Guns (R, '13) ** Denzel Washington, Mark Wahlberg, Paula Patton.				The A-Team (9:15) (PG-13) ** Liam Neeson, Bradley Cooper. Former Special Forces soldiers form a rogue unit.					
PLEX	The Grudge 2 (6:16) (PG-13) *		Drunken Master (PG-13) *** Jackie Chan, Siu Tien Yuen. (Subtitled)				Major League: Back to the Minors (9:53) (PG-13) **		Rent (11:34)	
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TBS	Bob's Burgers [CC]	Bob's Burgers [CC]	Rampage (PG-13, '18) ** Dwayne Johnson. Three giant, mutated beasts embark on a path of destruction. (DVS)				Money Talks (R, '97) ** Chris Tucker, Charlie Sheen. A fugitive con artist asks a TV newsman for protection.			
TDC	Gold Rush: Pay Dirt (N) [HD]		Gold Rush "Got Your Six" Tony cleans up big. (N) [HD]				Mystery at Blind Frog Ranch (10:15)		Gold Rush: Parker's Trail (11:15) [HD]	
TLC	Unpolished [HD]		90 Day Fiancé Brandon and Julia get into trouble. (N) [HD]				90 Day Fiancé First look. Stephanie tests Ryan. (N) [HD]		90 Day Fiancé [HD]	
TNT	Bones A public defender is murdered. [CC]		Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back (PG, '80) **** Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, Luke Skywalker, Han Solo and Princess Leia face Darth Vader's wrath. (DVS)						Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith (10:47) (PG-13, '05) ***	
USA	Chicago P.D. "Prison Ball" [HD] (DVS)		Chicago P.D. Investigating a pedophilia ring. [HD] (DVS)		Chicago P.D. Asher is killed on Antonio's watch. [HD]		Chicago P.D. Suspects hold Olinsky's wife hostage. [HD]		The Rev (11:01) [HD]	Modern Family (11:31) [CC]

PREMIUM CHANNELS

DISN	Bunk'd [CC]	Bunk'd (N) [CC]	Secrets-Sulphur Springs	Jessie (8:25) [CC]	Jessie (8:50) [CC]	Bunk'd (9:40) [CC]	Bunk'd (10:05) [CC]	Bunk'd [CC]	Secrets-Sulphur Springs	Gabby Duran
HBO	Tiger (6:15) (Part 2 of 2)		Replicas (8:05) (PG-13, '18) • Keanu Reeves. A neuroscientist tries to clone his dead wife and children.				Real Time With Bill Maher (N) (Live) [HD]		Painting With John [HD]	Real Time, Bill Maher
SHOW	Best in Show (6:30) (PG-13) *** Michael Hitchcock.		Eighth Grade (R) *** Elsie Fisher. A teen endures her last week of middle school.			Twilight (9:35) (PG-13, '08) ** Kristen Stewart. A teen is caught up in an unorthodox romance with a vampire.				Twilight: New Moon
STARZ	Lara Croft: Tomb Raider (6:16) (PG-13) **		In The Long Run [HD]	In The Long Run (8:27) [HD]	In The Long Run (8:53) [HD]	American Gods (9:19) [HD]	Bridget Jones's Diary (10:14) (R, '01) *** Renée Zellweger, Colin Firth, Hugh Grant.			
TMC	Liberal Arts (6:20) (PG-13) ** Josh Radnor.		Our Idiot Brother (R, '11) *** Paul Rudd, Elizabeth Banks.			Sword of Trust (R, '19) Marc Maron, Jon Bass, Michaela Watkins.			Margot at the Wedding (R, '07) *** Nicole Kidman.	

Holiday Mathis
Horoscopes
by Holiday

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 22). You'll manage others like a boss, and you'll delegate like a psychic. The most impressive part is that you do this outside of a work context. Maybe it's a weird thing to celebrate, but you cannot argue this impressive fact of your talent -- people love being ordered around by you. The windfall comes in August. Pisces and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 5, 12, 28 and 17

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's not that some are worthy of your attention and others aren't, but you can only give your attention to one at a time. Now, there is the matter of fitting the right offering to the one who can extract value from it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You would like to hear that you are the best at something, and you don't even care if it's true or not. Maybe it will become true in time, but right now the chiming sound of those melodious words is gift enough.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Great work in its early stages looks a lot like a mess, a blunder or a confusing pile of disparate elements. There are no failures, and no successes either -- only prototypes of varying effectiveness in serving the original purpose.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It's as though you have a committee inside of you, and you will do what the majority vote tells you to do. If there are conflicting ideas, expect inaction. You're hard to convince, even when you're the one doing the convincing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your instincts are dead-on. When you trust someone, you're open to their surprises. And when you don't trust someone, there is no reason to be involved at all.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's no need to wonder about whether what you're giving today is good enough. You sense what others are missing and fill in the blanks for them. What could be more elegant than this?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The current cosmic alignment activates your play mode. You might even find yourself performing for your phone -- harmless enough, as long as you realize that there's something irreversible about hitting "send."

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The fortuitous arrangement has not been forthcoming. What gives? You don't like their offer. They don't respond to yours. It's all a signal to broaden the search terms.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). This weird bit is true: "Failing" at a new task is far more satisfying than succeeding at a task you've already mastered. The quotations are used because it's very possible that "failure" is just an early version of success.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Others may be happy when you take the known road, but you're not in charge of the happiness of others, you're in charge of your own happiness, which is more likely to unfold when you take the other one.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Sometimes, you need space, and other times you need closeness. You appreciate the one who understands the limits of intense engagements and follows up intensity with sweetness and distance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your empathy is a talent for sure, but it can also be overwhelming to feel so much for others when you cannot do anything about those feelings. Whatever you can do to be communicative and persuasive will help.

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DR. MARION Moses is shown with Cesar Chavez at his headquarters in Delano, Calif., in 1969. "Marion has never said 'No' to an assignment," Chavez once said. (Bob Fitch/Stanford University Libraries)

Lesser Known Legends Of Wheeling Examines Marion Theresa Moses

LINDA COMINS

WHEELING – The next Lunch With Books livestream program at noon on Tuesday, Jan. 26, presented by the Ohio County Public Library will offer "Archiving Wheeling Presents: Lesser Known Legends of Wheeling, Part 2: Marion Theresa Moses."

Linda Comins will share her research on Wheeling-born Dr. Moses (Jan. 24, 1936), trusted confidant to farm workers' union leader Cesar Chavez, who helped organize the national grape boycott of the 1960s. From 1977 to 1980, Moses was a medical resident at Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York, where her work led her to befriend Catholic activist and philosopher Dorothy Day, feminist Gloria Steinem, and an array of social activists and celebrities.

To view the weekly Lunch With Books programs livestreamed online, visit the Ohio County Public Library's official website or social media pages.

'Fundamentals of Chemistry' Is Next Class at Peoples' U.

DR. ERIN DUFFY

WHEELING – The third class in the Ohio County Public Library's new People's University series "Physical Science, The Joy of Discovery" will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 28.

Participants in the Week 3 class – "Fundamentals of Chemistry" – will learn about the physical and chemical properties of matter and the states of matter, including atoms, the building blocks of matter, how atoms combine into molecules, and how molecules interact and react. The instructor will be Dr. Erin Duffy.

With more than 17 years of drug-discovery and problem-solving experinece in the antibiotic arena, Duffy helped to build and sustain a team of researchers at Rib-X Pharmaceuticals (Melinta Therapeutics) that translated the company's scientific platform into next-generation and novel antibiotics that target the ribosome. Prior to Rib-X, Duffy was the associate director of Innovative Discovery Technologies at Achillion Pharmaceuticals. She began her industrial career at Pfizer Central Research, in Groton, Conn. She earned a bachelor of science degree at Wheeling Jesuit College and her doctorate at Yale University. She is now chief of Research and Development at Carb-X, Boston University.

Duffy has added books to the library's giveaway at the end of her program.

"These are great for the non-scientist," she said.

The Ohio County Public Library in partnership with the Wheeling Academy of Law & Science (WALS) Foundation is offering the 31st entry in its People's University series in this six-class online, livestream presentation.

"Physical Science, The Joy of Discovery" takes attendees on a journey through the philosophical and intellectual development of science as a method of accurately weighing evidence, eliminating bias, finding facts, and acquiring knowledge.

Classes in the series explore, in part, themes such science is not political; science is not magical; science is not faith or belief; science is not based on feelings; it's not a conspiracy and has no hidden agenda. Science is the earnest pursuit of what is true in terms of the best available, logically generated evidence. Science recognizes that it's OK to be wrong and to learn from it.

Later classes in the series will explore the history and fundamental building blocks of the pillars of physical science: chemistry and physics. Attendees will learn about what matter and energy are and what laws they obey. Additional cleaasse will explore specific applications of chemistry, namely laser technology as well as combating multi-drug resistant bacteria through drug discovery.

Attendees who "like," comment, or ask a question will be elibigle to win a door prize at each session. All classes meet on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

THIS IMAGE released by Netflix shows Rajkummar Rao, Priyanka Chopra and Adarsh Gourav, from left, in a scene from "The White Tiger."

AP Photo

In 'The White Tiger,' an Epic For Modern-Day India Is Told

By JAKE COYLE
AP Film Writer

Movie Review

THE WHITE TIGER

★★★

Rated R for language, violence and sexual material. **125 minutes.**

Ramin Bahrani, the Iranian-American filmmaker, started out small, with the simple story of a pushcart vendor, a Pakistani immigrant selling coffee and doughnuts in New York, in 2005's "Man Push Cart." In the years since, his films have steadily grown in scale and melodrama, but they've stayed resolutely within the gap separating rich and poor.

Bahrani's last film, 2014's "99 Homes" – a movie dedicated to Roger Ebert, who championed Bahrani's early work – plunged into the heart of the Great Recession in a damning economic parable of foreclosure in Florida, with a titanic performance by Michael Shannon as a predatory real-estate broker. Bahrani's latest, the India-set "The White Tiger," is a step higher, still, in scope and vigor.

"The White Tiger," which debuts Friday on Netflix, is the kind of widescreen epic of class struggle about an ambitious, cunning climber that has long been a rich domain of movies. Bahrani may have begun as a neorealist but "The White Tiger" finds him reaching for the operatic heights of "Goodfellas."

He doesn't get there. But "The White Tiger," about a loyal chauffer to a corrupt landlord in India, is an engrossing tale of servant and master that makes a dynamic portrait of the world's largest democracy, and the caste system that divides it.

The film faithfully and affectionately adapts Aravind Adiga's 2008 Booker Prize-winning novel, a book that – since Bahrani and Adiga are longtime friends – was dedicated to Bahrani. We first meet Balram Halwai (Adarsh Gourav), as he sits in regal costume, in the back of a car speeding through Delhi in 2007 on a joyride cut short when a child walks into the road. It's a misleading opening; Balram is the driver, and we'll later learn it's his boss, Ashok (Rajkummar Rao), behind the wheel and Ashok's wife, Pinky (Priyanka Chopra Jonas) in the front seat.

Bahrani will return to this moment but not before a lengthy flashback that runs at least half of the film. Balram comes from the poor village of Laxmangarh, where his prospects are dim. With an ingratiating smile and some pandering, he convinces a wealthy landlord known as the Stork (Mahesh Manjrekar) to take him on as a driver. Balram narrates along the way, sharing his strategy for advancement while selling his story as reflecting a much-needed rebellion for India's millions of poor. They are psychologically locked in a rooster coop, he says, too timid to rebel despite knowing their fate.

"Don't believe for a second there's a million-rupee game show you can win to get out of it," says Balram.

It's a pointed jab at the best picture-winning "Slumdog Millionaire," a movie that – like "The White Tiger" – cast a bright spotlight on India's underclass, but one that offered a more fantastical vision of escape. "The White Tiger," it could be argued, isn't so different as an against-the-odds success story. If "Slumdog" gave us the musical version of uprising in India, "The White Tiger" instead filters modern India through a crime drama like "Scarface."

But "The White Tiger" more rigorously examines and subverts Hollywood (and Bollywood) stereotypes of Indian life. Balram, a self-made hero, capable of ruthlessness and selfishness, is a more complicated protagonist, worthy of empathy and scorn. In "The White Tiger," he represents India's future.

"The Indian entrepreneur has to be straight and crooked, mocking and believing, sly and sincere, all at the same time," he says.

Watching Gourav pull off such a balancing act is the best reason to see "The White Tiger." An actor and singer, Gourav's charisma animates a film that otherwise can sag with heavy-handedness. Bahrani isn't a director with a light touch, but, then again, he's drawn to subjects that deserve bluntness.

Bahrani, with Paolo Carnera's vivid cinematography, builds a dense, incisive film that nevertheless feels uneven in structure.

The movie is so invested in the mentality of the slave-master relationship between Balram and Ashok, the landlord's hipster son, that it overwhelms. Almost as soon as Balram, through bloodshed and Machiavellian guile, achieves independence, "The White Tiger" is wrapping up.

Maybe it's too American a thing to say, but it skips over the best part.

Justin Moses Release Eclectic New Album 'Fall Like Rain' Today

JUSTIN MOSES

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – For the last three-quarters of a century, in the world of bluegrass music, one thing has always been certain – the cream rises to the top.

And it didn't take long for International Bluegrass Music Association Award-winner Justin Moses to rise to his now prestigious status as one of the finest multi-instrumentalists in acoustic music.

Moses's pickin' prowess and songwriting skills is on full display today with his release of "Fall Like Rain," a new self-produced full-length album on Mountain Fever Records. Featuring Moses on vocals and a slew of stringed instruments – from flat-top six-string and Weissenborn guitar to mandolin and banjo – "Fall Like Rain" not only sheds light on his many talents, but on the skill and perseverance it takes to piece them all together to create the final product.

Prior to the album's release, critics doted over a number of early singles, and they've all performed well on Bluegrass Today and Roots Music radio charts with the album's title track reaching No. 1. The Bluegrass Situation called "Taxland," – which features Moses's wife of three years and acoustic superstar in her own right, Sierra Hull – "a melody that is all at once careening wildly towards its end and impossibly, impeccably clean."

Bluegrass Today premiered "Between The Lightning and The Thunder," a track featuring Moses's former bandleader during his time in the Dan Tyminski Band, Dan Tyminksi. The level of talent filling out these songs' arrangements speaks highly of the respect Moses carries in the acoustic music community. Del McCoury, Shawn Lane, Stuart Duncan, Bryan Sutton, Cody Kilby, Barry Bales, Michael Cleveland, Jason Carter, Jerry Douglas and more can be heard between the album-opening Eric Clapton cover, "Fall Like Rain," and its 10th and final track, "Locust Hill."

Moses began his musical journey at the age of 6 after becoming interested in the mandolin. He first started to hone his skills playing in his family's band as a child. Since then, he's toured with bands such as Blue Moon Rising, The Dan Tyminski Band, Ricky Skaggs and Kentucky Thunder, Blue Highway and The Gibson Brothers. In his two-year stint with Tyminski, he realized an early dream of playing the Grand Ole Opry for the first time and recorded the 2009 IBMA Album of the Year and Grammy-nominated album, "Wheels." In 2018 and 2020, Moses was the recipient of the IBMA's Resophonic Guitar Player of the Year award. Moses has appeared on stage or in studio with a diverse swath of artists including Alison Krauss, Del McCoury, Garth Brooks, Emmylou Harris, Brad Paisley, Joe Diffie, Jerry Douglas, Vince Gill, Bruce Hornsby, Peter Frampton, Rosanne Cash, Dwight Yoakam and Barry Gibb.

Moses has performed on prominent national shows such as "The Late Show," "Conan," "The Today Show" and "Grand Ole Opry Live." He performed alongside Hall of Famer Ricky Skaggs on the CMA Awards in 2018 and appeared with an all-star cast of artists on the PBS special Country Music: Live at the Ryman in conjunction with Ken Burns' Country Music documentary in 2019. That same year, the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum honored Justin by featuring him as a part of the American Currents exhibit.

For more information, visit www.justinmoses.com.

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No. 17 Ohio State women hand No. 11 Michigan first loss

COLUMBUS (AP) – Jacy Sheldon scored 20 points, including a 3-pointer and two free throws in the final 48 seconds, and No. 17 Ohio State beat No. 11 Michigan 81-77 on Thursday, spoiling Naz Hillmon's 50-point, 16-rebound performance.

Hillmon broke Michigan's program scoring record – for men's or women's – by making 20 of 30 field goals and 10 of 14 free throws to reach the half-century mark. It was the highest scoring output this season in Division 1, and the first 50-point game in the Big Ten since Rachel Banham's 52 for Minnesota on Feb. 21, 2016.

But it wasn't enough to overcome Michigan's 16-point, third-quarter deficit.

Michigan started the fourth on a 17-3 run to take a 71-69 lead as the Buckeyes missed their first eight shots from the field. Tanaya Beacham's layup with 1:58 left was Ohio State's first make of the fourth, tying it at 73.

Hillmon converted a three-point play with 11.7 seconds left to pull Michigan within 78-77, and Ohio State's Braxtin Miller made 1 of 2 free throws at the other end to give the Wolverines another chance. But Michigan turned it over on an inbounds pass and Sheldon sealed it at the free-throw line with two makes.

Hillmon, whose previous best scoring game was 35 points, broke the Michigan women's scoring record that has stood since Diane Dietz had 45 against Illinois on Feb. 27, 1982. Hillmon also broke Dietz's field goal record of 17 set in the same game. Michigan's scoring record on the men's side is 48 points set by Rudy Tomjanovich and Cazzie Russell – both in the 1960s.

Ohio State (8-1, 4-1 Big Ten) had five starters finish with double-figure scoring. Madison Greene added 15 points, Dorka Juhasz had 14 points and seven rebounds, and Beacham and Miller each scored 10. Aaliyah Patty, averaging 11.9 points and 6.8 rebounds, did not play due to a shoulder injury.

Akienreh Johnson added 14 points, six rebounds and five assists for Michigan (10-1, 5-1), which is scheduled to play Purdue on Sunday.

Ferry girls rout Edison

• Clark, Lude, Jones all score 17

By JOE CATULLO
For The Times Leader

RICHMOND – The Edison girls basketball team has been making noise over the last three weeks or so, winning seven times in its last nine games after starting the season 0-7.

Thursday night was a bump in the road, and credit is due to a Martins Ferry squad that has had its struggles of late.

"Coach (Dave) Reasbeck is a fantastic coach. The moves I made on defense, it was like chess. I made a move, then he made a better move on offense," Edison head coach Mark Smyth said. "They're tough to stop. There record does not show how good they are, and they've played some really tough teams."

The Purple Riders seemingly ran away with the contest in the second quarter and never looked back for a 66-37 Buckeye 8 victory. They did everything right, while the Wildcats (7-10) struggled getting the ball in the net.

"I don't think I ever won here in seven or eight tries," Reasbeck said. "Last week we hit rock bottom and just weren't competing. Ever since then, we're getting better. This week, we're rounding out and playing much better.

"If you would have seen us last week, it was bad. We couldn't get out of the 20s. But, we had a little heart to heart, maybe loud at times. We have freshmen competing and juniors playing their roles. I like the path that we're on."

The Purple Riders (7-8) forced eight turnovers in the opening frame and led, 12-9, heading into the second. That was when they took full advantage, collecting seven more turnovers and outscoring Edison, 23-8, for a 35-17 halftime advantage.

Alysea Fiedorczyk produced 12 of her team-high 16 points in the opening half. The other Wildcats combined for just five, as well as finishing 13 of 30 overall from the charity stripe. Ferry was 11 of 19.

Edison also was unable to stop Ferry's inside game, specifically Allarah Jones. She finished with 17 points and nine rebounds.

"For a lack of a better word, (Jones) is a stud," Smyth said.

"When she gets the ball in her hand five or 10-feet away, it's going in the basket. She is a good, good player."

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Photo/JOE CATULLO

MARTINS FERRY'S Ella McFarland is surrounded Edison players Savanna Ankrom, left, and Gracie Fox during Thursday night's game in Richmond. The Purple Riders prevailed.

Steelers sign QB Haskins

PITTSBURGH (AP) – Dwayne Haskins will attempt to kick-start his career with the Pittsburgh Steelers.

The Steelers signed the former Washington quarterback to a futures contract on Thursday, giving the 23-year-old a second chance after he flamed out in the nation's capital in less than two seasons.

Haskins celebrated the signing by tweeting a photoshopped picture of him wearing a No. 3 Steelers jersey along with the comment "3 in the Bible stands for restoration and eternal life. Let's work."

Work is something Haskins struggled with after Washington selected him with the 15th overall pick in the 2019 draft. What was supposed to be a homecoming for someone who grew up in the city's suburbs quickly turned into a forgettable chapter for both Haskins and a franchise in a seeming relentless search for stability under center.

Haskins put together an uneven rookie season in 2019 after taking over the starting job around the midway point. He moved to the top of the depth chart in 2020 under new head coach Ron Rivera, but kept it only four games before being benched in favor of Kyle Allen. Injuries to both Allen and Alex Smith thrust

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BRIDGEPORT'S BROOKE Stewart, left, defends against Buckeye Local's Demetria Christian Thursday night.

Photo/KRISTIN MAZGAJ

Buckeye Local girls roll by Bridgeport

By TRACY WATSON
For The Times Leader

BRIDGEPORT - Buckeye Local head basketball Coach Jeff Stone has been waiting all season for his Lady Panthers to put together a complete game and after Thursday night's effort against home-standing Bridgeport that wait is now over.

Junior Demetria Christian and seniors Landyn Walker and Megan Valuska combined for 33 points and 21 rebounds and Buckeye Local scored 14 of the game's initial 15 points before rolling to a convincing 58-9 victory over the young and inexperienced Bulldogs inside John J. Havlicek Gymnasium.

With the Panthers (3-7) leading just 3-1 at the 4:28 mark of the opening stanza Christian and Valuska keyed an 11-0 burst to end the chapter, keyed by 13 Bridgeport (0-7) turnovers, to explode to a 14-1 advantage. A quick basket by junior Riley Bell at 7:20 of the second gave the hosts their first field goal of the contest and stopped the run.

However, the Panthers would score the next eight points, and 15 of the final 18 of the quarter to head to the locker room with a commanding 29-6 upperhand at the break.

Things didn't get any better in the third period after the Bulldogs scored their only points of the frame Buckeye closed on a 15-0 run, before adding the first four points of the fourth quarter as well.

"The was our first complete game of the season," Stone admitted. "Bridgeport is a rebuilding team and I understand that, but it was nice to see our girls come out and play a good, aggressive man-defense, shoot the ball and rebound well all in the same game. They honestly did everything on the court (Thursday) that we have been practicing the last couple of days.

"Hopefully we can come out and have that same kind of success Monday night when we play at Steubenville Catholic Central. I was just very proud of how the girls handled everything and how they played with a total team effort (Thursday)."

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Point pushes Lighting past Blue Jackets

COLUMBUS (AP) – Brayden Point scored 1:56 into overtime, and the Tampa Bay Lightning beat the Columbus Blue Jackets 3-2 on Thursday night for their third straight win to begin the season.

Tampa Bay's Andrei Vasilevskiy and Joonas Korpisalo traded great saves in extra time before Point tapped in a pass from Victor Hedman.

"(Hedman) wheels around and puts it on my tape and I'm able to get enough of it," Point said. "I didn't get all of it, but I was lucky enough (that) it kind of bounced the right way and goes in. What a great feed by Heddy."

Blake Coleman and Mathieu Joseph also scored for the Stanley Cup champions, and Vasilevskiy had 23 saves. Tampa Bay became the first defending champion to start the season 3-0 since Dallas in the 1999-00 season.

"Every single game the bounces are not going to go your way all the time," Lightning coach Jon Cooper said. "But if you trust what you're doing and trust the structure and you don't ever have to question the guys' effort, good things will happen. And that's what been happening for us."

Nick Foligno tied the game for Columbus 47 seconds into the third period. Oliver Bjorkstrand also scored, and Korpisalo stopped 34 shots as the Blue Jackets slipped to 1-2-2 in their first five.

It started out well for the Blue Jackets, who were celebrating their 20th home opener, albeit in front an empty house in Nationwide Arena.

Bjorkstrand scored the fastest goal in the history of the franchise, beating Vasilevskiy on the glove side just 21 seconds into the game. He got help from Max Domi, who stripped Hedman in the neutral zone and set up Bjorkstrand's goal from the right circle.

Coleman responded 16:33 into the second period, getting an easy tip-in goal off a slot pass from Ryan McDonagh. Joseph beat Korpisalo from the slot 83 seconds later to give the Lightning their first lead of the night.

Foligno tied it again seven seconds into a power play when he redirected a Bjorkstrand shot.

Columbus coach John Tortorella has been dissatisfied with the energy his team has showed early this season. He liked the effort against the Lightning a little more.

"We weren't sharp all the time," he said. "We had some good minutes, they surged on us. There's a number of things we have to clean up, but we find a way to get a point."

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AP Photo

COLUMBUS BLUE Jackets' Liam Foudy, left, and Tampa Bay Lightning's Ryan McDonagh chase the puck during the third period of a game Thursday, in Columbus.

AP Photo

IN THIS Sept. 20, 2020, file photo, Washington Football Team quarterback Dwayne Haskins (7) throws during the first half of a game against the Arizona Cardinals in Glendale, Ariz. The Pittsburgh Steelers signed the former Washington quarterback to a futures contract on Thursday, giving the 23-year-old a second chance after the flamed out in the nation's capital in less than two seasons.

• Steelers

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Haskins back into the lineup, but he played poorly in his final three appearances and was benched in the middle of a loss to Carolina on Dec. 27 after turning it over three times.

His problems, however, were not limited to what transpired on the field. He was fined $40,000 and lost his captaincy for breaking COVID-19 rules by partying with several people without a mask following a loss to Seattle on Dec. 20. Just over a week later, he found himself looking for work after Washington released him in favor of journeyman Taylor Heinicke.

Haskins met with Carolina earlier this month then visited the Steelers on Thursday and left the building with a contract. What exactly it means over both the short term and the long term is uncertain.

Pittsburgh went 12-4 this season but wilted following an 11-0 start, dropping five of its final six games, a slide that started with a loss to Washington on Dec. 7 in which Haskins did not play. The swoon ended with a 48-37 rout at home by Cleveland in the first round of the playoffs, a slide that cost offensive coordinator Randy Fichtner and offensive line coach Shaun Sarrett their jobs.

The biggest question heading into 2021 is whether two-time Super Bowl-winning quarterback Ben Roethlisberger returns for an 18th season. Coach Mike Tomlin said last week there's a chance Roethlisberger — who has a contract that carries a salary cap hit of more than $41 million next year — could return. If he does, it means Haskins will likely end up starting as the third-stringer behind Roethlisberger and backup Mason Rudolph.

The Steelers have occasionally taken flyers on players before. They re-signed veteran wide receiver Plaxico Burress near the end of his career in 2012 and brought in quarterback Michael Vick as a backup to Roethlisberger in 2015.

Haskins is at a different point in his career than either of those players, and will join a quarterback room in the midst of a change. Quarterbacks coach Matt Canada is likely to be promoted to replace Fichtner after just one season in Pittsburgh. Backup Josh Dobbs is a free agent and Devlin "Duck" Hodges — a fan favorite after he went from rookie free agent signee to improbable starter in 2019 — saw his contract expire earlier this week.

Rudolph played well while Roethlisberger sat in the regular-season finale against the Browns and figures to get the first chance at replacing Roethlisberger if Roethlisberger does not return.

Still, Haskins moves from a franchise where instability is a constant to one that's among the most stable in all of professional sports. He will be given every opportunity to try and rediscover some of the form that he displayed during his final year at Ohio State in 2018, when he threw for 4,831 yards and 50 touchdowns against just eight interceptions.

The going was far tougher in Washington. Haskins went 3-10 as a starter across two seasons, completed just 60% of his passes and had 12 touchdowns against 14 interceptions.

That, however, came with the pressure of trying to be a franchise quarterback. The stakes are far lower with the Steelers, where Haskins will simply try to prove he belongs in the league and that his maturity problems are behind him.

Bruins rally past Flyers; Jets, Islanders triumph

BOSTON (AP) — Jake DeBrusk scored the lone goal in a shootout and the Boston Bruins won their home opener with a 5-4 victory over the Philadelphia Flyers on Thursday night.

In a wild game, the Flyers (3-1-1) led 2-0 and 3-2 but the Bruins (2-1-1) scored four times in the third period on goals by rookie Jack Studnicka, Charlie Coyle, Nick Ritchie and Brandon Carlo.

James van Riemsdyk scored twice for the Flyers, who also got goals from Claude Giroux and Travis Sanheim. Jakub Voracek had three assists, Kevin Hayes added two and Carter Hart made 39 saves.

DeBrusk flipped a shot over Hart just under the crossbar for the game-winner.

Tuukka Rask made a glove stop on Giroux to end the shootout. Rask turned aside 22 shots in regulation and overtime.

"He was lights out in the overtime and shootout," Boston coach Bruce Cassidy said. "Last year we couldn't win a shootout to save our lives and this year we've won two of them. Go figure."

Carlo scored Boston's fourth goal of the third, beating Hart from the left point with 4:42 left to give the Bruins their first lead. But the Flyers tied it on van Riemsdyk's second goal of the game 1:10 later, a wrister from the right circle on the power play.

Rask made the highlight save of overtime, sliding across to rob Hayes with his right pad.

"I actually said (on the bench), 'I wouldn't want to go up against Tuuks in a shootout,'" said Studnicka, who scored his first NHL goal.

"He's so calm in there."

Voracek's shot from the slot deflected off Sanheim's right skate and in just over five minutes after the Bruins rallied with two goals 70 seconds apart early in the third period to tie it 2-all.

Ritchie's power-play goal tied it again with 6:38 left in the third.

"We gave the puck away too much in the third. We kind of let them back in the game instead of keep playing our game," Voracek said. "We should have put the game away in overtime. We had three or four Grade-A chances, but unfortunately Rask stopped them."

Jets 4, Senators 1

OTTAWA, Ontario (AP) — Connor Hellebuyck made 28 saves and Nikolaj Ehlers, Mark Scheifele, Adam Lowry and Blake Wheeler scored to help the Winnipeg Jets beat the Ottawa Senators 4-1 on Thursday night.

"Everyone was connected and we moved as a unit," Hellebuyck said. "There was no one slacking. Everyone wanted to play and everyone was in it early."

Winnipeg opened the three-game series Tuesday night with a 4-3 overtime victory in Ottawa. They will meet again Saturday night in Winnipeg.

Hellebuyck allowed only Chris Tierney's goal with 2:57 left.

"He's quite the luxury to have back there," Wheeler said. "We certainly feel he's the top goaltender in the league."

The Jets improved to 3-1-0. The Senators are 1-2-1.

Ehlers opened the scoring the scoring midway through the first period, beating goalie Matt Murray between the legs with a wrist shot from the high slot.

Islanders 4, Devils 1

UNIONDALE, N.Y. (AP) — Jordan Eberle scored twice, Mathew Barzal had a goal and two assists and Semyon Varlamov made 30 saves as the New York Islanders beat the New Jersey Devils 4-1 on Thursday night.

The Islanders improved to 3-1-0, while the Devils lost for the first time in regulation, falling to 2-1-1.

Varlamov has all three Islanders' wins, allowing only one goal. That came early in the second period by forward Nathan Bastian, who ended Varlamov's season-opening shutout streak at 142 minutes and 10 seconds, the eighth-longest in NHL history to begin a season.

• Point

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DUBOIS IN THE DOGHOUSE

Pierre-Luc Dubois apparently has gotten on the wrong side of Tortorella again. The top-line center played five shifts in the first period before being benched with 4:36 left, and he stayed there for the rest of the game. The 22-year-old Dubois, who signed a two-year contract before the season but let it be known he wanted to be traded, has clashed with Tortorella in the past. Tortorella didn't want to talk much about it afterward, and Dubois wasn't made available to the media.

"I've coached (Dubois) like this for a couple of years, as far as trying to get him to get some growth in his game and growth as a pro," Tortorella told reporters.

"So, nothing changes. There's more spotlight on it, I get that and I get you guys have to ask me the questions, but you're asking the wrong guy."

FAMILIAR FOES

The Lightning and Blue Jackets met in the Eastern Conference quarterfinals the last two seasons. The first game of last season's series went into five overtimes, which was the fourth-longest game in NHL history. Tampa Bay won the series and eventually the Stanley Cup.

In 2019, Columbus stunned the Lightning with a first-round sweep, marking the first time in franchise history the Blue Jackets won a playoff series.

UP NEXT

The same teams play again Saturday afternoon in Columbus. The Jackets play seven of their next nine at Nationwide Arena. The Lightning are in the midst of a four-game trip after having a pair of games against Dallas postponed because of a COVID-19 outbreak with the Stars.

• Buckeye

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Christian finished with 13 points and seven rebounds while Valuska added 10 points and eight rebounds and Walker 10 points and six boards. Overall, Buckeye Local grabbed a huge 42-19 advantage off the glass and turned the ball over 12 times to 29 for their hosts.

Alexis Clemens came off the bench to hit a triple for Bridgeport and lead the hosts with three markers while Bell had a team-high six caroms.

"They just played harder than us, and that is what I am most upset about," Bridgeport Coach Greg Harkness commented. "We try to tell the girls to look in the mirror and hold themselves accountable, but sometimes there is just a deer in the headlights kind of look. They have to find a way to get more comfortable with the ball in their hands.

"But we will be back at practice (Friday) and hopefully we will get to the point where we can go out and play better."

• Ferry

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It also did not help the Wildcats that their best post player, Olivia Huff, recorded three fouls by halftime and picked up her fourth early in the third. She finished with three points and six boards. Her replacement, Emma Scott, also finished with four fouls.

"That's a testament to Martins Ferry. I tell our girls all the time that if you want calls in the paint, you have to take the play to the defender. It's either a charge or a block. There's no gray area," Smyth said. "It has to be physical to the defender going up strong. (Ferry's) girls, when they got the ball in the paint, they were physical attacking our girls."

Jones' 17 points tied for the team lead for Ferry, along with Danielle Lude and Maria Clark. Lude also collected six rebounds, while Clark had seven and two assists. Jones also dished out a pair of assists.

"We go as Lude goes. Clark and Jones are going to score, but if Lude plays good, we're going to be pretty good," Reasbeck said. "If she doesn't play good, then we won't be this good."

Also for Ferry, Hunter Pollack contributed 10 points, two rebounds and a game-high six dimes.

For the Wildcats, Fiedorczyk collected six rebounds to go along with her 16-point effort. Savanna Ankrom had seven points, six rebounds and three assists. Gracie Fox added six points and four boards.

"They're unbelievably improved. During warm-ups, I told the coach that it's night and day with what he's doing from last year, "Reasbeck said. "Both Smiths are doing an outstanding job. We just played an outstanding game. I have nothing but nice things to say about them."

Martins Ferry plays East Liverpool at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Buckeye 8 tournament at St. Clairsville.

LEGAL NOTICE

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has scheduled a public hearing in Case Nos. 20-585-EL-AIR, 20-586-EL-ATA, and 20-587-EL-AAM, In the Matter of Ohio Power Company for an Increase in Electric Distribution Rates, for Tariff Approval, and for Approval to Change Accounting Methods. AEP Ohio seeks a rate increase, including miscellaneous charges, that would generate approximately $36.2 million of additional revenue, or an increase of 2.96 percent over current total base distribution revenue. For a residential customer using 1,000 kilowatts per month, AEP Ohio seeks an increase of 1.80 percent on the total bill for the Ohio Power Company rate zone and an increase of 1.81 percent on the total bill for the Columbus Southern Power Company rate zone. After its review of AEP Ohio's records and application, the staff of the Commission recommends a decrease of 2.92 percent on the total bill for a 20-585-EL-AIR, et al. -5- residential customer using 1,000 kilowatts per month for the Ohio Power Company and the Columbus Southern Power Company rate zones.

A public hearing is scheduled for the purpose of providing an opportunity for interested members of the public to testify in these proceedings. The public hearing will be held on Monday, February 8, 2021, commencing at 6:00 p.m. via Webex.

Interested persons who are not a party to these cases and wish to provide testimony must pre-register with the Commission before 12:00 p.m., on February 5, 2021, at https://puco.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/puco/events/case-no-20-585-EL-AIR-etal-lph or by calling the Commission at 1-800-686-7826. If individuals wish to supplement their testimony with an exhibit for the Commission's consideration, a copy of the document, along with a reference to Case Nos. 20-585-EL-AIR, 20-586- EL-ATA, and 20-587-EL-AAM, must be provided to the Commission by February 5, 2021, if possible, but no later than February 16, 2021, by electronic mail to contactThePUCO@puco.ohio.gov or by mail to Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

Interested individuals who merely wish to attend the hearing remotely and not offer testimony can do so by calling 1-408-418-9388 and entering the access code 179 414 7650. The public hearing will also be live streamed for viewing at www.youtube.com/user/PUCOhio. Additional information is available by contacting the Commission's Consumer Call Center at 1-800-686-7826.

An evidentiary hearing, where counsel for the parties to the cases may present evidence and cross examine witnesses, will commence on March 4, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., by Webex. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, viewing the Commission's web page at http://www.puco.ohio.gov, or contacting the Commission's hotline at 1-800-686-7826. 20-585-EL-AIR, et al.

Public comments can be provided in writing on the Commission's website at https://puco.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/puco/help-center/file-a-complaint, by electronic mail to contactThePUCO@puco.ohio.gov, or by mail to Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Written comments should reference the case numbers for this matter.

Monroe Central nips Shenandoah

WOODSFIELD – Kalista Friday scored 22 points, grabbed five rebounds and handed out a trio of assists in leading Monroe Central to a 52-39 girls basketball victory Thursday night.

Haylynn Hiles added 10 points and four assists for the Seminoles (10-3).

Kynzi Bishop pulled down 10 rebounds and charted three steals.

Late Wednesday
Beallsville 40, Toronto 35

TORONTO – Makenna Phillips scored 17 points, nine coming on three-pointers, to lead the Blue Devils past the host Red Knights. Hallie Bommer added 11.

AP: Cavaliers trading Porter to Rockets for draft pick

CLEVELAND (AP) – The Cleveland Cavaliers are finalizing a trade to send troubled forward Kevin Porter Jr. to the Houston Rockets for a future draft pick, a person familiar with the deal told the Associated Press on Thursday night.

The Cavs are sending Porter, a first-round pick two years ago who hasn't played this season, to the Rockets for a protected second-round pick. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the trade has to be approved by the NBA.

Porter's days with the Cavs came to an end late last week when he had an outburst in the team's locker room after learning his space had been given to newly acquired forward Taurean Prince. Porter had only just returned to the team after being away to attend to personal problems.

He was the No. 30 overall pick in the 2019 draft, and while the Cavs were enamored with his talent, the 20-year-old had been mostly a distraction for Cleveland.

Porter was arrested in November following a single-car crash, but gun and marijuana charges were later dropped.

Amid cancellation talk, Tokyo Olympics 'focused on hosting'

TOKYO (AP) – IOC President Thomas Bach and local organizers are pushing back against reports that the postponed Tokyo Olympics will be canceled.

Now set to open July 23, the Tokyo Games were postponed 10 months ago at the outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic, and now the event appears threatened again.

The Times of London, citing unidentified government sources, reported that the games will have to be canceled. It quoted an unidentified senior member of the ruling government coalition.

"No one wants to be the first to say so but the consensus is that it's too difficult," the source said. "Personally, I don't think it's going to happen."

In a statement Friday, the local organizing committee did not address directly The Times story, but said the Olympics were going forward and had the support of Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga.

"All our delivery partners including the national government, the Tokyo Metropolitan Government, Tokyo 2020 Organizing Committee, the IOC and the IPC (International Paralympic Committee) are fully focused on hosting the games this summer," the statement said.

"We hope that daily life can return to normal as soon as possible, and we will continue to make every effort to prepare for a safe and secure games."

Managu Sakai, the deputy chief cabinet secretary and an ally of the prime minister, also shot down the story.

"There is no such fact and we clearly deny (the report),"he said.

The Times of London said Japan hoped to land the 2032 Olympics. The IOC has already awarded the 2024 Olympics to Paris and the 2028 version to Los Angeles.

The idea of Tokyo waiting a decade seems unlikely, given the cost of maintaining venues, negotiating new leases, and so forth. Tokyo has already spent about $25 billion to organize these Olympics, most of which is public money.

Several reports of a cancellation began to surface this month when the Japanese government put Tokyo and other prefectures under a state of emergency order to counter a surge of rising COVID-19 cases.

"We have at this moment, no reason whatsoever to believe that the Olympic Games in Tokyo will not open on the 23rd of July in the Olympic stadium in Tokyo," Bach told the Japanese news agency Kyodo on Thursday. He also said there is "no Plan B."

Senior International Olympic Committee member Richard Pound said earlier in the week that the Olympics may be held largely without fans, making it a mostly television event.

The Switzerland-based IOC gets 73% of its income from selling broadcast rights and has seen its main revenue source stalled by the Olympic postponement. A largely TV-only event would suit the IOC better than a cancellation.

Unlike other sports businesses that offer hundreds of games, the IOC has only two main events to sell – the Summer and Winter Olympics.

Bach hinted that radical changes may be needed to pull off the Tokyo Olympics, which involve 11,000 athletes and tens of thousands of coaches, officials, judges, VIPS, media and broadcasters.

About 4,400 athletes will attend the Paralympics, which are set to open Aug. 24.

"You may not like it but sacrifices will be needed, " Bach said. "This is why I'm saying, safety first, and no taboo in the discussion to ensure safety."

Japan has reported fewer than 5,000 deaths from the coronavirus and has handled the virus better than most countries. But the surge is not tapering off in Tokyo, a sprawling metropolitan area of 35 million.

Public opinion in Japan has also turned against the games with 80% in several polls saying they should be postponed again or canceled.

Bach said organizers were in a better position to hold the Olympics now than they were 10 months ago when the games were postponed.

"First of all, let me be clear that you cannot compare March 2021 with March 2020 because there is such great progress in science, medicine, vaccination and (virus) tests," Bach told Kyodo. "All this was not available in March last year. Nobody knew yet how really to deal with the pandemic, and now we know much more."

Japan is experiencing a slow roll out of vaccines. However, the IOC has said its measures against the virus will focus on testing, quarantines, social distancing and keeping athletes largely isolated.

It has encouraged athletes to be vaccinated but will not require it.

Former Packers GM dies at 68

GREEN BAY (AP) -- Ted Thompson, whose 13-year run as Green Bay Packers general manager included their 2010 Super Bowl championship season, has died. He was 68.

The Packers announced Thursday that Thompson died the previous night at his home in Atlanta, Texas. The team said it was contacted by a direct family member.

Thompson announced in May 2019 he had been diagnosed with an autonomic nerve disorder.

THE SCORE

Prep Schedule

Tonight
BOYS BASKETBALL
Bridgeport at Beallsville
Union Local at Harrison Central
St. Clairsville at Bellaire
Shadyside at River
Martins Ferry at Buckeye Local
Monroe Central at Frontier
BOWLING
Harrison Central vs. Bridgeport at St. Clair Lanes
Saturday, Jan. 23
BOYS BASKETBALL
St. Clairsville at East Liverpool
Bridgeport at Toronto
Union Local at Shadyside
Monroe Central at Bellaire
River at Harrison Central
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Caldwell at Monroe Central
Buckeye 8
(at St. Clairsville)
St. Clairsville vs. Edison, 10 a.m.
Bellaire vs. Beaver Local, noon
Martins Ferry vs. East Liverpool, 2 p.m.
Union Local vs. Indian Creek, 4 p.m.
WRESTLING
Barnesville at Heath Duals
Union Local at Maysville Duals

Sports on TV

Today
COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)
7 p.m.
CBSSN — Ball State at Ohio
ESPNU — St. Peter's At Siena
FS1 — Michigan At Purdue
9 p.m.
CBSSN — Fresno State at Boise State
ESPN2 — Wisconsin (Milwaukee) At Cleveland State
FS1 — Seton Hall At Butler
11 p.m.
FS1 — San Diego State At Air Force
COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)
6 p.m.
PAC-12N — Utah at Arizona
8 p.m.
PAC-12N — Washington State at Oregon
10 p.m.
PAC-12N — UCLA at Stanford
COLLEGE HOCKEY (MEN'S)
6:30 p.m.
NBCSN — Michigan at Notre Dame
COLLEGE GYMNASTICS (WOMEN'S)
5:30 p.m.
ESPNU — Minnesota At Michigan
7 p.m.
SECN — Kentucky at Missouri
8:30 p.m.
SECN — Auburn at Alabama
COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL (WOMEN'S)
4 p.m.
PAC-12N — Oregon at Washington State
6:30 p.m.
BTN — Purdue at Wisconsin
COLLEGE WRESTLING
6 p.m.
ACCN — Pittsburgh at North Carolina State
9 p.m.
BTN — Iowa at Minnesota
GOLF
12 p.m.
GOLF — LPGA Tour: The Diamond Resorts Tournament of Champions, Second Round, Tranquilo Golf Course, Lake Buena Vista, Fla.
3 p.m.
GOLF — PGA Tour: The Desert Classic, Second Round, PGA WEST Private Clubhouse & Golf Courses, La Quinta, Calif.
7 p.m.
GOLF — PGA Tour Champions: The Mitsubishi Electric Championship, Second Round, Hualalai Golf Course, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii
3 a.m. (Saturday)
GOLF — EPGA Tour: The Abu Dhabi HSBC Championship, Third Round, Abu Dhabi Golf Club, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
HORSE RACING
1 p.m.
FS2 — America's Day at the Races
NBA BASKETBALL
7:45 p.m.
ESPN — Boston at Philadelphia
10:05 p.m.
ESPN — Denver at Phoenix
NHL HOCKEY
7 p.m.
NHLN — NY Rangers at Pittsburgh
SAILING
9 p.m.
NBCSN — America's Cup: Prada Challenger Series
SOCCER (MEN'S)
5 p.m.
FS2 — CONCACAF League: Arcahaie FC at Deportivo Saprissa, Semifinal
SOCCER (WOMEN'S)
7 p.m.
ESPN2 — International Friendly: U.S. vs. Colombia, Orlando, Fla.

Prep Boxscores

GIRLS
Buckeye Local 58, Bridgeport 9
BUCKEYE LOCAL (58) — Christian 6 0-0 13; Walker 4 2-4 10; M.Valuska 4 1-2 10; E.Valuska 1 0-0 2; Pelkey 0 0-2 0; Crain 3 0-0 6; George 1 0-0 3; Blazeski 3 0-0 7; McKeever 0 0-0 0; Long 3 1-2 7. Totals: 25 4-10. BRIDGEPORT (9) — Stewart 0 0-0 0; Dyson 0 1-2 1; Aubrey 0 1-2 1; Lewis 0 0-0 0; Bell 1 0-2 2; McCormick 1 0-0 2; Clemens 1 0-0 3. Totals: 3 2-6.
3-point goals: Buckeye Local 4 (Christian, M.Valuska, George, Blazeski); Bridgeport 1 (Clemens).
Monroe Central 52, Shenandoah 49
SHENANDOAH (49) — Leach 6 2-2 15; Noll 2 1-2 6; Lynch 0 0-0 0; Wheeler 6 1-3 14; Brown 0 0-0 0; Wickham 4 1-4 10; May 2 0-0 4; Totals: 20 5-11. MONROE CENTRAL (52) — Friday 8 4-6 22; Hiles 4 1-1 10; Hamilton 2 0-0 5; Bishop 2 0-0 4; Kendall 2 2-2 7; Leonard 0 0-0 0; Bettinger 2 0-0 4; Totals: 20 7-9
3-point goals: Shenandoah 4 (Leach, Noll, Wheeler, Wickham); Monroe Central 5 (Friday 2, Hiles, Hamilton, Kendall)
Martins Ferry 66, Edison 37
MARTINS FERRY (66) — Lude 7 0-0 17; Pollock 2 4-6 10; Jones 7 3-9 17; Clark 6 4-4 17; E. McFarland 1 0-0 3; Agnew 0 0-0 0; L. McFarland 0 0-0 0; Marchbank 0 0-0 0; Gillespie 0 0-0 0; Shreve 0 0-0 0; Regis 0 0-0 0; Hughes 0 0-0 0. Totals: 24, 11-19. EDISON (37 -- Ankrom 3 1-4 7; Fiedorczyk 5 6-12 16; A. Meadows 0 0-2 0; Fox 1 4-6 6; Huff 1 1-3 3; Freeman 0 0-0 0; Scott 1 1-1 3; P. Meadows 0 0-2 0; Brown 1 0-0 2; Nicholson 0 0-0 0; Cooley 0 0-0 0; Furbee 0 0-0 0; Reed 0 0-0 0. Totals: 12, 13-30: 37.
3-point goals: Martins Ferry 7 (Lude 3, Pollock 2, Clark, E. McFarland); Edison none.
(Late Wednesday)
Beallsville 40, Toronto 35
BEALLSVILLE (40) — Hughes 2 0-0 4; Otto 0 0-0 0; Nalley 0 0-2 0; Bommer 4 1-4 11; M. Phillips 7 0-2 17; H. Phillips 2 0-2 5; Trigg 0 0-0 0; Huffman 0 0-0 0; Riley 0 3-4 3; Totals: 15 4-14. TORONTO (37) — Cotrell 1 2-2 4; Liodick 0 1-4 1; Kinsey 2 2-4 6; Ma. Anderson 4 4-9 12; Thomas 3 0-0 6; Reeves 2 0-0 4; M. Anderson 1 0-2 2; Totals: 13 9-21
3-point goals: Beallsville 6 (M. Phillips 3, Bommer 2, H. Phillips). Toronto none

Area Briefs

Bridgeport H.S. Looking for Hall/Wall Noms
The Bridgeport High School Hall/Wall of Fame Committee is looking for nominations for possible induction for 2021. Worthy candidates need to be graduated five years and earned all-state honors in their respective sport(s). Teams need to be state tournament participants. Please send all nominations to tom.daley@bridgeportschools.net

Caldwell Seeking Boys Hoop Games
Caldwell is looking for two varsity boys basketball games the week of Feb. 8-13. Please contact head coach Clint Crane (740) 221-9008 or via email ccrane@caldwell.k12.oh.us

Indian Creek Seeks Girls Game
Indian Creek Girls basketball is looking for a girls basketball game on Feb. 11. Please contact Steve Eft at (740) 632-3316 or our athletic director Joe Dunlevy.

MLS Super Draft

First Round
1. Austin, Daniel Pereira, m, Virginia Tech
2. Cincinnati, Calvin Harris, f, Wake Forest
3. Colorado Rapids (from Houston), Philip Mayaka, m, Clemson
4. D.C. United, Kimarni Smith, f, Clemson
5. D.C. United (from Atlanta), Michael DeShields, d, Wake Forest
6. Houston (from Colorado thru Chicago), Ethan Bartlow, d, Washington
7. Salt Lake, Bret Halsey, d, Virginia
8. Orlando City (from Portland thru LA Galaxy), Derek Dodson, f, Georgetown
9. Vancouver, David Egbo, f, Akron
10. Miami, Josh Penn, f, Indiana
11. Austin (from Montreal), Freddy Kleemann, d, Washington
12. San Jose, Thomas Williamson, f, California

NHL Glance

East Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	5	3	1	1	7	19	16
N.Y. Islanders	4	3	1	0	6	9	6
Washington	4	2	0	2	6	15	14
New Jersey	4	2	1	1	5	9	11
Boston	4	2	1	1	5	9	9
Pittsburgh	4	2	2	0	4	14	18
N.Y. Rangers	3	1	2	0	2	8	8
Buffalo	4	1	3	0	2	11	12

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	3	3	0	0	6	13	5
Florida	2	2	0	0	4	10	6
Nashville	3	2	1	0	4	10	7
Carolina	3	2	1	0	4	9	6
Detroit	4	2	2	0	4	9	10
Columbus	5	1	2	2	4	10	16
Chicago	4	0	3	1	1	9	20
Dallas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

West Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vegas	4	4	0	0	8	16	7
Minnesota	4	3	1	0	6	11	9
St. Louis	4	2	1	1	5	10	15
Colorado	3	2	1	0	4	12	6
San Jose	4	2	2	0	4	13	14
Anaheim	4	1	2	1	3	6	10
Arizona	4	1	2	1	3	12	16
Los Angeles	3	0	1	2	2	8	11

North Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Montreal	4	2	0	2	6	17	13
Winnipeg	4	3	1	0	6	13	10
Toronto	5	3	2	0	6	15	15
Calgary	3	2	0	1	5	11	6
Edmonton	5	2	3	0	4	13	16
Vancouver	5	2	3	0	4	15	21
Ottawa	4	1	2	1	3	11	14

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. The top four teams in each division will qualify for playoffs under this season's temporary realignment.

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

ECHL Glance

South Division

	GP	W	L	OL	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
South Carolina	11	7	1	3	0	17	36	28
Florida	13	8	5	0	0	16	54	36
Orlando	11	7	4	0	0	14	36	38
Greenville	12	4	3	3	2	13	37	45
Jacksonville	12	4	6	1	1	10	28	39

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OL	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Indy	9	8	1	0	0	16	34	27
Wheeling	10	2	5	3	0	7	28	38

Mountain Division

	GP	W	L	OL	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Allen	11	8	3	0	0	16	41	28
Wichita	9	6	2	1	0	13	33	22
Tulsa	13	6	6	0	1	13	29	36
Utah	11	5	3	2	1	13	34	34
Kansas City	12	4	6	1	1	10	33	42
Rapid City	13	4	9	0	0	8	34	45

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a win, one point for an overtime or shootout loss. Top four teams in each division advance to playoffs.

Thursday's Game
Kansas City at Wichita, late
Tonight's Games
Florida at Jacksonville, 7 p.m.
Greenville at Orlando, 7 p.m.
South Carolina at Wheeling, ppd.
Indy at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.
Utah at Rapid City, 9:05 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Florida at Jacksonville, 7 p.m.
Greenville at Orlando, 7 p.m.
South Carolina at Wheeling, ppd.
Allen at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.
Indy at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.
Utah at Rapid City, 9:05 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Florida at Jacksonville, 3 p.m.
South Carolina at Wheeling, ppd..
Allen at Tulsa, 5:05 p.m.
Indy at Wichita, 5:05 p.m.

NBA Glance

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	10	5	.667	–
Boston	8	5	.615	1
Brooklyn	9	7	.563	1½
New York	7	8	.467	3
Toronto	5	9	.357	4½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	7	7	.500	–
Orlando	7	8	.467	½
Miami	6	7	.462	½
Charlotte	6	8	.429	1
Washington	3	8	.273	2½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	9	5	.643	–
Indiana	8	6	.571	1
Cleveland	7	7	.500	2
Chicago	6	8	.429	3
Detroit	3	11	.214	6

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Memphis	7	6	.538	–
San Antonio	8	7	.533	–
Dallas	7	7	.500	½
New Orleans	5	8	.385	2
Houston	4	9	.308	3

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	10	4	.714	–
Portland	8	6	.571	2
Denver	7	7	.500	3
Oklahoma City	6	7	.462	3½
Minnesota	3	10	.231	6½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	12	4	.750	–
L.A. Clippers	11	4	.733	½
Phoenix	8	5	.615	2½
Golden State	8	6	.571	3
Sacramento	5	10	.333	6½

Thursday's Games
L.A. Lakers 113, Milwaukee 106
New Orleans at Utah, late
New York at Golden State, late
Tonight's Games
Chicago at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Houston at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Boston at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Brooklyn at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Washington at Milwaukee, ppd
Dallas at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Memphis at Portland, ppd
New York at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, 10 p.m.

OSU Women

No. 17 Ohio St. 81,
No. 11 Michigan 77
MICHIGAN (10-1)
Brown 2-10 1-2 5, Hillmon 20-30 10-14 50, Dilk 2-6 2-2 8, Johnson 6-13 2-3 14, Nolan 0-5 0-0 0, Kiser 0-0 0-0 0, Rauch 0-2 0-0 0, Sidor 0-3 0-0 0, Stuck 0-1 0-0 0, Team 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 30-70 15-21 77
OHIO ST. (8-1)
Beacham 4-9 2-2 10, Juhasz 5-9 3-3 14, Greene 4-10 6-7 15, Miller 2-9 5-6 10, Sheldon 7-11 3-3 20, Mikulasikova 3-9 2-2 9, Harris 0-0 0-0 0, Hutcherson 0-0 0-0 0, Poole 1-3 1-2 3, Team 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 26-60 22-25 81
3-Point Goals—Michigan 2-20 (Brown 0-4, Dilk 2-4, Johnson 0-2, Nolan 0-4, Rauch 0-2, Sidor 0-3, Stuck 0-1), Ohio St. 7-22 (Beacham 0-2, Juhasz 1-4, Greene 1-3, Miller 1-2, Sheldon 3-4, Mikulasikova 1-5, Poole 0-2). Assists—Michigan 13 (Johnson 5), Ohio St. 11 (Miller 5). Fouled Out—Michigan Dilk, Johnson, Ohio St. Mikulasikova. Rebounds—Michigan 44 (Team 3-3), Ohio St. 37 (Team 3-5). Total Fouls—Michigan 21, Ohio St. 23. Technical Fouls—Ohio St. Team 1. A—0.

Pro Golf

PGA Tour Schedule
Jan. 21-24 — The American Express, La Quinta, Calif.
Jan. 28-31 — Farmers Insurance Open, La Jolla, Calif.
Feb. 4-7 — Waste Management Phoenix Open, Scottsdale, Ariz.
Feb. 11-14 — AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Pebble Beach, Calif.
Feb. 18-21 — The Genesis Invitational, Pacific Palisades, Calif.
Feb. 25-28 — World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship, Bradenton, Fla.
Feb. 25-28 — Puerto Rico Open, Rio Grande, Puerto Rico
March 4-7 — Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, Orlando, Fla.
March 11-14 — THE PLAYERS Championship, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.
March 18-21 — The Honda Classic, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.
March 24-28 — World Golf Championships-Dell Technologies Match Play, Austin, Texas
March 25-28 — Corales Puntacana Resort & Club Championship, Punta Cana, Dominican Republic
April 1-4 — Valero Texas Open, San Antonio
April 8-11 — Masters Tournament, Augusta, Ga.
April 15-18 — RBC Heritage, Hilton Head, S.C.
April 22-25 — Zurich Classic of New Orleans, New Orleans
April 29-May 2 — Valspar Championship, Palm Harbor, Fla.
May 6-9 — Wells Fargo Championship, Charlotte, N.C.
May 13-16 — AT&T Byron Nelson, McKinney, Texas
May 20-23 — PGA Championship, Kiawah Island, S.C.
May 27-30 — Charles Schwab Challenge, Fort Worth, Texas
June 3-6 — the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide, Dublin, Ohio
June 10-13 — RBC Canadian Open, Toronto
June 17-20 — U.S. Open , La Jolla, Calif.
June 24-27 — Travelers Championship, Cromwell, Conn.
July 1-4 — Rocket Mortgage Classic, Detroit
July 8-11 — John Deere Classic, Silvis, Ill.
July 15-18 — The Open Championship, Sandwich, United Kingdom
July 15-18 — Barbasol Championship, Nicholasville, Ky.
July 22-25 — 3M Open, Blaine, Minn.
Aug. 5-8 — World Golf Championships-FedEx St. Jude Invitational, Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 5-8 — Barracuda Championship, Truckee, Calif.
Aug. 12-15 — Wyndham Championship, Greensboro, N.C.
Aug. 19-22 — THE NORTHERN TRUST, Jersey City, N.J.
Aug. 26-29 — BMW Championship, Owings Mills, Md.
Sept. 2-5 — TOUR Championship, Atlanta

LPGA Diamond Resorts Tournament of Champions
Thursday
At Four Season Golf and Sports Club
Lake Buena Vista, Fla.
Purse: $1.2 million
Yardage: 6,645; Par: 71
First Round

Danielle Kang	31-33—64
Gaby Lopez	31-34—64
Jessica Korda	35-30—65
Nelly Korda	32-33—66
Brittany Lincicome	33-33—66
Stacy Lewis	32-34—66
Lexi Thompson	33-34—66
Brooke M. Henderson	32-35—67
Angela Stanford	32-35—67
In Gee Chun	34-34—67
Sophia Popov	31-37—67
Austin Ernst	35-34—67
Celine Boutier	33-36—67
Cheyenne Knight	33-36—67
Annie Park	34-35—67
Georgia Hall	34-36—68
Mel Reid	35-35—68
Pernilla Lindberg	35-35—68
Ally Ewing	33-37—68
Hee Young Park	32-39—68
Mi Jung Hur	35-36—68
Jasmine Suwannapura	35-37—68
Madelene Sagstrom	33-40—68
Bronte Law	32-41—68
Cydney Clanton	35-40—68

Ohio Basketball

BOYS
Beverly Ft. Frye 56, Shenandoah 41
Bucyrus Wynford 55, New Washington Buckeye Cent. 42
Carey 60, Attica Seneca E. 58
E. Can. 46, Bowerston Conotton Valley 32
Erie First Christian Academy, Pa. 66, Conneaut 46
Heath 62, Johnstown 60
Marion Harding 51, Galion 31
Morral Ridgedale 43, Bucyrus 32
N. Robinson Col. Crawford 59, Upper Sandusky 42
Pioneer N. Central 57, Pettisville 48
Scott, Ky. 86, Cin. N. College Hill 50
Tree of Life 56, Shekinah Christian 33
Whitehall-Yearling 57, Cols. Grandview Hts. 48
GIRLS
Akr. Firestone 38, Akr. North 32
Anna 46, Houston 38
Apple Creek Waynedale 44, Creston Norwayne 33
Arcadia, Va. 44, Mt. Blanchard Riverdale 35
Arcanum 72, Pitsburg Franklin-Monroe 38
Archbold 41, Liberty Center 36
Bascom Hopewell-Loudon 57, Lakeside Danbury 33
Batavia Clermont NE 40, Bethel-Tate 29
Bellbrook 68, Eaton 39
Bellevue 64, Vermilion 32
Berlin Center Western Reserve 66, New Middletown Spring. 28
Bishop Watterson 48, Bishop Hartley 37
Bradford 39, Troy Christian 36
Brookfield 71, Youngs. Liberty 66
Brooklyn 55, Fairview 46
Bryan 51, Delta 31
Camden Preble Shawnee 59, Milton-Union 39
Canfield S. Range 50, Niles McKinley 21
Carlisle 54, Day. Northridge 11
Casstown Miami E. 66, Ansonia 41
Chillicothe Unioto 62, Williamsport Westfall 51
Cin. Purcell Marian 43, Bishop Fenwick 37
Circleville 42, Circleville Logan Elm 26
Clarksville Clinton-Massie 41, New Richmond 37
Coal Grove Dawson-Bryant 64, Chesapeake 47
Cols. DeSales 46, Bishop Ready 25
Convoy Crestview 77, Ada 34
Crown City S. Gallia 68, Racine Southern 30
Dalton 51, Smithville 10
Defiance Ayersville 53, Antwerp 42
Defiance Tinora 42, Hicksville 38
Delphos Jefferson 47, Paulding 45
Doylestown Chippewa 99, Rittman 18
E. Liverpool 49, Lisbon Beaver 34
Edon 40, Stryker 39
Fairport Harbor Harding 57, Mathews, Va. 51
Findlay Liberty-Benton 54, N. Baltimore 27
Frankfort Adena 43, Bainbridge Paint Valley 25
Ft. Loramie 66, Botkins 20
Ft. Recovery 52, St. Henry 26
Greenwich S. Cent. 40, Plymouth 35
Hamler Patrick Henry 46, Metamora Evergreen 44
Haviland Wayne Trace 54, Edgerton 20
Hubbard 43, Cortland Lakeview 42
Ironton Rock Hill 56, Portsmouth 39
Kent Roosevelt 40, Twinsburg 37
Lancaster Fairfield Union 58, Ashville Teays Valley 29
Leesburg Fairfield 80, Mowrystown Whiteoak 20
Legacy Christian 53, Bishop Fenwick 50, 2OT
Leipsic 51, Cory-Rawson 44
Lima Bath 73, Defiance 36
Macedonia Nordonia 45, Wadsworth 39, OT
Mansfield Christian 59, Christian Community School 34
Martins Ferry 67, Richmond Edison 36
Mayfield 66, Richmond Hts. 22
McArthur Vinton County 69, Nelsonville-York 35
McConnelsville Morgan 53, Zanesville Maysville 48
McDonald 79, Atwater Waterloo 42
Minster 64, Maria Stein Marion Local 27
Monroeville 43, Ashland Mapleton 34
Mt. Orab Western Brown 71, Wilmington 58
Mt. Victory Ridgemont 45, Lima Perry 41
N. Bend (Cleves) Taylor 46, Batavia 36
N. Jackson Jackson-Milton 67, Mineral Ridge 45
New Bremen 47, Rockford Parkway 33
New Carlisle Tecumseh 103, Spring. Shawnee 5
New Madison Tri-Village 72, New Paris National Trail 17
New Riegel 58, Sandusky St. Mary 26
North East, Pa. 48, Conneaut 24
Norton 80, Akr. Springfield 20
Notre Dame Academy 90, Lima Sr. 25
Oberlin Firelands 33, Wellington 24
Old Fort 44, Fremont St. Joseph 25
Ottawa-Glandorf 56, Celina 17
Peebles 75, Manchester 26
Poland Seminary 53, Jefferson Area 19
Portsmouth Notre Dame 72, Portsmouth Sciotoville 20
Proctorville Fairland 79, Gallipolis Gallia 35
Rayland Buckeye 58, Bridgeport 9
S. Point 40, Ironton 22
Seaman N. Adams 49, Fayetteville-Perry 32
Sidney Lehman 47, Dola Hardin Northern 36
Spencerville 50, Bluffton 39
St. Marys Memorial 56, Kenton 38
Sugar Grove Berne Union 62, Amanda-Clearcreek 24
Swanton 40, Wauseon 37
Tiffin Columbian 48, Sandusky Perkins 36
Tipp City Bethel 45, Covington 41
Tol. Ottawa Hills 41, Tol. Emmanuel Baptist 16
Ursuline Academy 67, Cle. Benedictine 54
Van Buren 48, Arlington 24
Van Wert Lincolnview 52, Harrod Allen E. 47
W. Liberty-Salem 50, Milford Center Fairbanks 25
Wapakoneta 40, Elida 36
Warren Champion 46, Columbiana Crestview 34
Warren Harding 36, Newton Falls 34
Waterford 52, Reedsville Eastern 41
Waverly 48, Oak Hill 47
Wheelersburg 52, McDermott Scioto NW 37
Williamsburg 64, Felicity-Franklin 45
Woodsfield Monroe Cent. 52, Sarahsville Shenandoah 49
Youngs. East 50, E. Cle. Shaw 23
POSTPONEMENTS AND CANCELLATIONS=
Akr. Kenmore-Garfield vs. Akr. Buchtel, ppd.

Prep Statistics

BOYS
(Thru Jan. 20 games)
SCORING

Mitchell, HC	30.6
Baker, Bealls	18.5
McCort, StC	18.3
Brown, BL	16.9
Cash, Bell	16.0
Zwack, Bell	16.0
Merritt, UL	16.0
Long, River	15.4
Beckett, Shady	15.4
Balgo, StC	14.7
Mayle, BL	14.6
Miles, MF	14.5
O'Kernik, Bpt	13.9
Gregoric, Bpt	13.8
Brock, Shady	13.7
Rose-Burton, MC	13.6
Hines, Bar	13.6

Free-Throw Percentage
(Minimum 25 attempts)

Zwack, Bell	82.5
McCort, StC	82.0
Vannest, Shady	80.1
Gregorcic, Bpt	78.4
Sefsick, StC	78.1
Hines, Barn	77.4
Merritt, UL	76.9
Mitchell, HC	75.8
Sommer, Bpt	70.6

3-point goals

Balgo, StC	30
Burkhart, MC	30
Gregorcic, Bpt	28
Ward, Bell	25
Mitchell, HC	25
Zwack, Bell	24
Powell, Bar	22
Flesch, MF	21
Beckett, Shady	21
O'Kernik, Bpt	19
Hudson, Bar	19
Cassidy, HC	17
Bateman, UL	17
Mayle, BL	17

TEAM
Points Score/Game

Monroe Central	69.6
St. Clairsville	67.3
Bellaire	63.2
Harrison	63.0
Shadyside	62.2
Bridgeport	59.6
Union Local	58.3
Barnesville	56.9
Buckeye Local	56.5
River	55.1
Martins Ferry	52.7
Beallsville	39.2

Points Allowed/Game

River	45.9
Union Local	52.3
Buckeye Local	56.9
Monroe Central	57.6
Martins Ferry	58.3
Beallsville	59.5
Harrison	60.9
Shadyside	60.9
Barnesville	63.1
Bellaire	63.7
Bridgeport	64.3
St. Clairsville	64.9

Free-Throw Percentage

Barnesville	93-130	71.5
Bridgeport	143-207	69.1
Harrison Central	127-192	66.2
St. Clairsville	125-186	67.2
Bellaire	84-130	64.6
Shadyside	82-127	64.6
Union Local	69-112	61.6
Beallsville	45-75	60.0
Martins Ferry	54-90	60.0
Monroe Central	57-97	58.8
River	84-143	58.7
Buckeye Local	83-142	58.5

3-point Goals

Barnesville	77
Bridgeport	76
Bellaire	73
Shadyside	62
St. Clairsville	61
Harrison	52
River	50
Buckeye Local	49
Monroe Central	48
Martins Ferry	42
Union Local	41
Beallsville	16

GIRLS
(Thru Jan. 20 games)
SCORING

Vinskovich, UL	23.5
Friday, MC	21.0
T. Kildow, UL	18.7
M. Dunkle, HC	16.4
B. Wach, Shady	15.9
K. Harlan, Riv	13.9
T. Hendershot, Sh	13.8
M. Clark, MF	13.3
A. Jones, MF	13.1
Brookover, StC	12.0
Raper, Riv	12.0

Free-Throw Percentage
(Minimum 25 attempts)

Brookover, StC	85.3
Friday, MC	83.0
T. Kildow, UL	75.0
T. Hendershot, Sh	71.4
Jones, MF	70.3
Clark, MF	68.0
Vinskovich, UL	65.8
Markovich, Barnes	62.1
Bommer, Bealls	62.1

Individual 3-point goals

Wach, Shady	33
Ault, Bell	26
Positano, HC	24
Hiles, MC	23
M. Clark, MF	22
Bonar, Bell	22
Friday, MC	22
Lude, MF	19
Stephens, Barnes	19
Merritt, UL	18
Leigh, Bell	18

TEAM
Points Scored/Game

Union Local	74.1
Monroe Central	57.4
Shadyside	57.1
River	49.7
Martins Ferry	48.4
St. Clairsville	45.1
Beallsville	44.3
Harrison	44.2
Bellaire	41.9
Barnesville	41.2
Buckeye	32.3
Bridgeport	19.2

Points Allowed/Game

Union Local	38.6
Monroe Central	43.8
River	44.1
Beallsville	44.8
Harrison	45.9
Shadyside	46.5
Buckeye	49.8
Bellaire	51.8
Barnesville	51.9
Martins Ferry	54.2
St. Clairsville	54.4
Bridgeport	65.2

FREE THROWS

Union Local	102-152	67.1
Monroe Central	120-189	63.5
River	70-119	58.8
Martins Ferry	106-182	58.2
St. Clairsville	81-142	57.0
Bridgeport	19-35	54.3
Beallsville	62-115	53.9
Shadyside	107-199	53.8
Bellaire	85-161	52.8
Barnesville	125-244	51.2
Buckeye Local	80-159	50.3
Harrison Central	71-154	46.1

3-POINT MAKES

Bellaire	89
Shadyside	70
Martins Ferry	63
Monroe Central	62
Union Local	56
Barnesville	50
St. Clairsville	41
River	36
Harrison Central	33
Beallsville	32
Buckeye Local	24
Bridgeport	18

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NFL Playoffs

Wild-card Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 9
Buffalo 27, Indianapolis 24
Los Angeles Rams 30, Seattle 20
Tampa Bay 31, Washington 23
Sunday, Jan. 10
Baltimore 20, Tennessee 13
New Orleans 21, Chicago 9
Cleveland 48 Pittsburgh 37
Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 16
Green Bay 32, Los Angeles Rams 18
Buffalo 17, Baltimore 3
Sunday, Jan. 17
Kansas City 22, Cleveland 17
Tampa Bay 30, New Orleans 20
Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 24
AFC
Buffalo at Kansas City, 6:30 p.m.
NFC
Tampa Bay at Green Bay, 3 p.m.
Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 7
At Tampa, Fla.
TBD, 6:30 p.m.

Lions introduce Campbell; Eagles name Sirianni

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AP Photo

THE DETROIT Lions named Dan Campbell as their new head coach Thursday.

AP Photo

THE PHILADELPHIA Eagles named Nick Sirianni as their new head coach Thursday.

Dan Campbell is empathic about the hard times people have had in Detroit, in their lives and as fans of the Lions.

And, the new coach of the long-suffering franchise is fired up for an opportunity to help the NFL team and people in the Motor City.

"We need to bring some hope back into this place," Campbell said Thursday, a day after he signed a six-year contract with the Lions and general manger Brad Holmes was formally introduced.

Despair, though, is a commonly shared emotion for followers of a franchise with 13 double-digit loss seasons since 2001 and only one playoff victory since winning the NFL title in 1957.

The 44-year-old Campbell is the latest coach to try to change the conversation about the lowly Lions.

The former New Orleans Saints tight ends and assistant head coach has 11 years of experience in the NFL as a coach and 11 as a player with the New York Giants, Dallas, Detroit and New Orleans. In 2015, he was 5-7 as interim coach of the Miami Dolphins after taking over a 1-3 team.

Campbell knows the Lions' woeful history all too well because he played for the team for three seasons, including in 2008 when he had an injury early in the league's first 0-16 season.

He's the first former player to lead the franchise since Hall of Famer and two-time NFL champion Joe Schmidt was Detroit's coach from 1967-72.

"I wanted this job — bad — because I felt like I know this community, I played here," Campbell said in a emotionally charged opening statement that lasted about 19 minutes at his virtual news conference. "This place has been kicked, it's been battered, it's been bruised.

"I could give you coach-speak all day long. I could give you, 'Hey, we're going to win this many games.' None of that matters and you guys don't want to hear it anyway. You've had enough of that."

Campbell went on to say some sensational things as he described how the team will take on Detroit's identity.

"This city's been down and it found a way to get up and it has found a way to overcome adversity," he said. "This team is going to be built on, we're going to kick you in the teeth. When you punch us back, we're going to smile at you. And when you knock us down, we're going to get up and on the way up, we're going to bite a kneecap off."

The Lions hired Campbell after interviewing Arthur Smith, Robert Saleh, Marvin Lewis, Eric Bieniemy and Darrell Bevell, who closed the season as interim coach. Smith was hired by the Atlanta Falcons while the New York Jets signed Saleh.

"During our general manager interviews, we were asking each candidate to name head coaches that they would consider part of their list if they were to make a choice, " team president Rod Wood said. "Dan showed up on numerous lists."

Nearly three months ago, the Lions began searching for a general manger and coach after team owner Sheila Ford Hamp fired Bob Quinn and Matt Patricia. Patricia was 13-29-1 in two-plus seasons as a first-time NFL head coach.

Even though it appeared to be clear that Campbell was the choice well before Holmes was hired, Wood insisted the new general manager was on board with the decision.

"It may have been an odd process, but I think it resulted in an outstanding result," Wood said.

Detroit did make Holmes one of just four Black general managers in the NFL, but the franchise followed a league-wide trend of hiring white head coaches.

Rod Graves, executive director of the Fritz Pollard Alliance, which champions diversity in the NFL, called the disparity in opportunities "mind-boggling," when there are many successful Black coordinators in the NFL.

"You're looking for the best candidates or the best fit for your organization and I think everyone goes in colorblind — honestly," Hamp said. "I do think the league, and I think everyone's aware, can do a better job of creating a pipeline and teaching, developing and working with diverse candidates."

Eagles to hire Colts OC Nick Sirianni

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Nick Sirianni's success working with various quarterbacks with different styles comes in handy in his new job.

The Philadelphia Eagles are nearing a deal to hire Sirianni to be their head coach, according to two people familiar with the decision. Both people spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity Thursday because the team hasn't officially announced the hiring.

Sirianni was the offensive coordinator for the Indianapolis Colts the past three seasons. He worked under coach Frank Reich, who was offensive coordinator in Philadelphia when the Eagles won the Super Bowl three years ago.

The 39-year-old Sirianni previously served as an assistant coach with the Chiefs and Chargers.

The Eagles fired Doug Pederson following a 4-11-1 season, less than three years after he led the team to the franchise's only Super Bowl title.

Sirianni worked with Andrew Luck, Jacoby Brissett and Philip Rivers in Indianapolis and coached Rivers in San Diego and Matt Cassel in Kansas City. Now he's tasked with figuring out how to get Carson Wentz back to his 2017 form. Wentz finished third in NFL MVP voting that season and helped the Eagles earn the No. 1 seed in the NFC. He tore two knee ligaments in Week 14 and watched Nick Foles lead the team to victory over New England and earn Super Bowl MVP honors.

Wentz is coming off the worst season of his five-year career and was benched for rookie Jalen Hurts for the final four games in 2020. Wentz's $128 million, four-year contract kicks in this year, making it difficult for the Eagles to trade him. Sirianni's top priority has be to solving the quarterback dilemma.

Sirianni began his NFL coaching career as offensive quality control coach in Kansas City in 2009. He also served as an assistant quarterbacks coach and wide receivers coach during four seasons with the Chiefs.

Sirianni held the same positions during five seasons with the Chargers from 2013-17. He joined the Colts when Reich left Philadelphia to take over as head coach in 2018. The Colts finished top 10 in points and yards in two of Sirianni's three seasons as offensive coordinator. They were top 10 in rushing offense the other season.

The Eagles were one of seven teams looking for a head coach during this hiring cycle and so far only the New York Jets did not pick a white man. The Jets hired Robert Saleh, the son of Lebanese parents.

Houston still has an opening for a head coach. The NFL has just four minority coaches: Pittsburgh's Mike Tomlin, Washington's Ron Rivera, Miami's Brian Flores and Saleh, who is the first Muslim American coach in the league.

"Biggest thing is there's only 32 jobs and they're going to hire personal preference," said Buccaneers defensive coordinator Todd Bowles, who interviewed with Philadelphia. "It's really an offensive league right now the way things are going. ... There's a lot of qualified guys that deserve chances to be head coaches that are African American."

Seven West Liberty wrestlers ranked nationally in D-II

WEST LIBERTY — With nationally-ranked wrestlers in seven of the 10 weight classes, the West Liberty wrestling team moved into a tie for No. 7 this week when TheOpenMat.com website released its second regular season set of NCAA Division II team and individual rankings.

Only two other squads — No. 1-ranked St. Cloud State and No. 3 Central Oklahoma — have more nationally-ranked wrestlers than Coach Danny Irwin's Hilltoppers.

Four of the Black-and-Gold's nationally-ranked wrestlers were once again listed in the Top 10 of their weight classes with a new face making his national ranking debut.

Junior Chase Morgan, an MEC runner-up last season, hits the 165-pound board at No. 16 this week after knocking off nationally-ranked Cole Houser of Glenville State on Saturday in a sudden-victory thriller.

Remaining in the national rankings this week are:

- Junior Cole Laya: a 2-time All-American ranked No. 7 at 125 pounds;
- Senior Ty Warner: a 3-time All-American and former national champion ranked No. 4 at 133 pounds;
- Senior Connor Craig: a 2-time All-American and former national champion ranked No. 2 at 184 pounds;
- Senior Logan Kemp: a 2-time NCAA D2 national qualifier ranked No. 7 at 197 pounds;
- Sophomore Francesco Borsellino: ranked No. 13 at 285 pounds;
- Redshirt freshman Alec Cook: ranked No. 14 at 149 pounds.

Once again there was some minor shuffling in the team rankings but nine of the top 10 teams from a week ago remained in the top 10. Gannon dropped from No. 7 to No. 12 with Adams State (Colo.) moving up from No. 13 to No. 10.

West Liberty is just one of three Mountain East Conference teams making a Top 25 appearance this week. Perennial NCAA Division II power Notre Dame (Ohio) stayed put at No. 13 with defending MEC champion UNC-Pembroke making its ranking debut at No. 25.

That sets the stage for what amounts to an MEC Tournament preview on Saturday when the top four teams in the MEC preseason poll - West Liberty, Notre Dame, UNC-Pembroke and Davis & Elkins - get together in Elkins for the Davis & Elkins Duals. First match is set for noon at the McDonnell Center.

The Hilltoppers are scheduled to host the 2020-21 MEC Tournament on Feb. 6 at the ASRC.

AP Photo

IOWA FORWARD Keegan Murray (15) drives to the basket over Indiana guard Al Durham (1) during the second half of a game, Thursday, in Iowa City, Iowa. Indiana won, 81-69.

Indiana upsets No. 4 Iowa

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — Trayce Jackson-Davis scored 23 points despite second-half foul trouble and Indiana's defense shut down No. 4 Iowa in an 81-69 comeback victory Thursday night.

It was a season low in points for the Hawkeyes (12-3, 6-2 Big Ten), who came in second in the nation in scoring at 92.2 points per game.

Iowa had its five-game winning streak snapped and fell out of a tie for first place in the conference.

Rob Phinisee added 18 points for the Hoosiers. Aljami Durham scored 14, and Armaan Franklin had 11.

Luka Garza, the nation's leading scorer at 26.9 points per game, led Iowa with 28 points and 12 rebounds, his seventh double-double of the season. Joe Wieskamp had 16 points, all but one in the first half, and added 12 rebounds.

NO. 24 UCLA 61, CALIFORNIA 57

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — Cody Riley scored 13 points, Jules Bernard made a clutch 3-pointer with 2 minutes remaining and UCLA beat California.

Twins ink LHP Happ

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The Minnesota Twins and veteran starting pitcher J.A. Happ agreed Wednesday to an $8 million, one-year contract, according to a person with knowledge of the deal.

The person confirmed the agreement to The Associated Press, speaking on condition of anonymity because the team had not announced it.

The 38-year-old Happ spent the past 2 1/3 seasons with the New York Yankees. Acquired from Toronto at the 2018 trade deadline, the left-hander went 7-0 with a 2.69 ERA in 11 starts down the stretch to finish 17-6. The Yankees then rewarded him with a $34 million, two-year contract.

Happ will be just the second offseason addition by the Twins, who also added relief pitcher Hansel Robles to the team that has won the AL Central division in each of the last two years. Jake Odorizzi and Rich Hill became free agents, creating openings in the rotation behind Jose Berrios, Kenta Maeda and Michael Pineda. Minnesota was third in the AL in 2020 with a team ERA of 3.58.

AP source: Astros agree to $7M, 2-year deal with Castro

HOUSTON (AP) — Catcher Jason Castro has agreed to a $7 million, two-year contract with the Houston Astros, a person familiar with the deal told The Associated Press.

The person spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity Thursday because the deal had not been announced.

The agreement is pending completion of a successful physical.

This will be Castro's second stint with the team after he was selected in the first round of the 2008 amateur draft by the Astros and spent his first six MLB seasons with the team.

The 33-year-old gives Houston another veteran catcher to play behind starter Martin Maldonado.

Spanish tennis player says she tested positive for COVID-19

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — A Spanish tennis player ranked in the top 70 who was forced to quarantine in her hotel room after potentially being exposed to the coronavirus on an Australian Open charter flight says she tested positive for COVID-19.

Paula Badosa, a 23-year-old who reached the fourth round at last year's French Open, wrote Thursday on Twitter that she received her test result for the illness caused by the coronavirus on the seventh day of her hard quarantine.

"I have some bad news," Badosa said in a post written in Spanish and English. "Today I received a positive COVID-19 test result. I'm feeling unwell and have some symptoms, but I'll try to recover as soon as possible listening to the doctors. I've been taken to a health hotel to self isolate and be monitored."

Badosa was among the 72 tennis players who have been placed under a stricter lockdown — unable to leave their hotel rooms at all for two weeks — after being on a flight with someone who tested positive upon arrival in Melbourne.

On Friday, Victorian state Chief Health Officer Brett Sutton said Badosa would now have to isolate for extra time ahead of the Feb. 8 Australian Open start date.

"That's an unfortunate consequence for anyone who becomes a confirmed case — the isolation period starts from when that case is confirmed," Sutton said. "For ordinary coronavirus that period is at least 10 days, so you have to be free of symptoms for three days and complete that 10 days."

On Twitter, Badosa had been a critic of the isolation program, saying it was "unfair" to have to go into hard lockdown because others on the plane had tested positive. Those tweets have since been deleted.

Tennis Australia has refused to identify those dozens of players, but several have posted on social media about being in the hard quarantine.

There were 17 tournament charter flights that arrived in Australia over three days last week. Players and their entourages then needed to go through a mandatory 14-day quarantine ahead of the tournament.

The tournament was delayed by three weeks because of the coronavirus pandemic.

James, Lakers open long trip by beating Bucks

MILWAUKEE (AP) — LeBron James says the results of last season's NBA awards voting didn't provide extra motivation as his Los Angeles Lakers prepared to face Giannis Antetokounmpo and the Milwaukee Bucks.

He had more important things on his mind.

James scored a season-high 34 points in the opener of a seven-game road trip, helping the Lakers beat the Bucks 113-106 on Thursday.

He finished second to Antetokounmpo in last year's MVP balloting.

"It's never been about individual (honors)," said James, a four-time MVP. "It's all about the team success. That's all that matters. ... I just want to play well and help our team versus any opponent. That's what it's all about."

Los Angeles (12-4) bounced back after blowing a double-digit lead in the fourth quarter of a 115-113 loss to Golden State on Monday night. The Bucks (9-6) dropped their second straight.

This game pitted the reigning NBA champion Lakers against a Bucks team that posted the league's best regular-season record each of the last two years.

It was the first time the Lakers had faced the Bucks since the 2019-20 awards voting, which also had Antetokounmpo finishing just ahead of Los Angeles' Anthony Davis in the voting for defensive player of the year.

"That was last season, obviously," said Davis, who had 18 points, nine rebounds and six assists.

"No one brought that up or talked about it. Our motivation was not losing two in a row tonight. We were able to get that accomplished."

The Lakers shot 19 of 37 from 3-point range, with James going 6 of 10 and Kentavious Caldwell-Pope making 7 of 10. Caldwell-Pope had 23 points.

Antetokounmpo had 25 points and 12 rebounds for Milwaukee, but he also committed nine turnovers. Jrue Holiday scored 22 points for the Bucks, and Khris Middleton finished with 20.

The Lakers were ahead 63-57 after a first half that featured seven ties and nine lead changes. The Lakers outscored Milwaukee 20-8 over the last 5 ½ minutes of the second quarter, including Caldwell-Pope's 35-footer at the buzzer.

"There were stretches where we were really good on both ends of the court," Bucks coach Mike Budenholzer said. "We had a bad stretch, I felt like the last four or five minutes of the second quarter, on both ends of the court we were not good.

"We were not sharp like you need to be for 48 minutes."

Los Angeles stayed ahead throughout the second half.

After trailing 98-87 with less than 7 ½ minutes left, the Bucks cut the deficit to 102-100 when Middleton drove the baseline and scored with 3:05 remaining. Caldwell-Pope answered by sinking a corner 3-pointer with 2:42 left.

The Lakers' lead didn't drop below four points the rest of the way.

TIP-INS

Lakers: This game marked a return to Milwaukee for Lakers guard Wesley Matthews, who played for the Bucks last season. Matthews' Wisconsin ties go beyond that; he went to high school in Madison and played college basketball at Marquette. Matthews scored six points.

Bucks: This game was supposed to be the first of a back-to-back for the Bucks. That changed when the NBA postponed the Bucks' Friday night home game with Washington to an undetermined date. NBA officials said the game was moved "due to the number of unavailable players for the Wizards, contact tracing for other players on their roster, and the length of time preceding the game during which the team was unable to practice."

UP NEXT

The Lakers visit Chicago on Friday. The Lakers beat the Bulls 117-115 at home on Jan. 8.

The Bucks host the Atlanta Hawks on Sunday before going on a three-game road swing.

Late entry Brandon Hagy opens with 64 at American Express

LA QUINTA, Calif. (AP) — Brandon Hagy didn't find out he was in the field at The American Express until three days before it started. The Californian then left no doubt he belonged.

Hagy took the first-round lead Thursday with an 8-under 64 on the Nicklaus course, staying one shot ahead of South Korea's Byeong Hun An in the opening tournament of the PGA Tour's West Coast swing.

Hagy racked up 10 birdies, including three streaks of three in a row. He capped the round with a calm birdie putt on the 18th.

"I felt like I saw the greens really well, and the last couple of days, I felt like I was putting really well," Hagy said.

"Once I started to read them well, I knew if I could just keep doing what I was doing, I'd have a good shot to do something."

Hagy grew up in Westlake Village before his All-America collegiate career in Berkeley.

He was added to the AmEx field Monday when second-ranked Jon Rahm abruptly dropped out without giving a reason to tour officials. Rahm later said he incurred a minor injury in the gym, but the Spaniard plans to play at Torrey Pines next week.

Hagy might have made it into the field anyway after additional dropouts, but he was still grateful to Rahm, his friend and a collegiate opponent when Rahm played at Arizona State: "I'll have to send him a gift or something."

An made seven birdies without a bogey in his 65. Max Homa, Martin Laird and Si Woo Kim shot 66.

This famed Palm Springs-area tournament long hosted by Bob Hope has undergone significant changes this season due to the coronavirus pandemic, but the idyllic sunshine was familiar to the players who made the trip to the venerable desert event.

The long-standing pro-am format has been dropped for a year, although the likes of Landon Donovan and country singer Jake Owen participated in a charity tournament Wednesday. With fewer golfers on course, the pros are also playing on only two courses instead of the usual three.

But the tournament kept its tradition of providing every opportunity for low scores: the once-feared Stadium Course and the Nicklaus Tournament Course at PGA West are among the most generous in the sport, with birdie opportunities abounding.

Hagy started with a bogey on the first hole of the Nicklaus course, but then the birdies came in bunches. He birdied six of the seven holes before the turn, and he added three more on the back nine after his second bogey.

The 29-year-old's game is coming into focus after a rough few years for a promising talent. After turning pro in 2017 and recording his first top-10 finish in 2017, Hagy missed the entire 2018 season with a persistent wrist injury, and he played only 13 events in 2019 while struggling with a back injury.

After making eight cuts last year, Hagy is back at full health after a solid offseason of preparation.

"I'm happy with what I've been doing," Hagy said. "I'm getting to a point now where I know exactly what I need to work on, and to just keep getting the reps."

AP Photo

BRANDON HAGY hits from the bunker to the 17th green during the first round of The American Express golf tournament on the Nicklaus Tournament Course at PGA West, Thursday,, in La Quinta, Calif.

Kang tops Korda sisters, takes lead in LPGA Tour opener

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — Danielle Kang managed to steal some of the spotlight from the Korda sisters on Thursday as the LPGA Tour opened its 71st season with a winners-only field at the Diamond Resorts Tournament of Champions.

Kang opened the year with a bogey-free, 7-under 64 for a one-shot lead over Jessica Korda and Nelly Korda, along with defending champion Gaby Lopez, at Four Seasons Golf and Sports Club Orlando.

Kang is coming off a two-win season last year that was shortened by the COVID-19 pandemic, winning back-to-back in Ohio when the LPGA resumed after a five-month shutdown.

The highlight for Kang, who birdied three of the four par-3 holes — including a 30-foot chip-in at the ninth — came at the 530-yard 13th. Facing a downhill lie with 241 yards to the front edge for her second shot, and needing to hit a hard draw, Kang took a gamble with a 5-wood and pulled it off, setting up a two-putt birdie from 20 feet.

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UConn tops Tennessee

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Evina Westbrook, who transferred from Tennessee to UConn two years ago, connected on back-to-back fourth-quarter 3-pointers to spark the No. 3 Huskies to a 67-61 victory over the No. 25 Lady Volunteers Thursday night.

UConn freshman Paige Bueckers added nine points, eight rebounds and seven assists for the Huskies (9-0). After rolling her right ankle with just over 3 minutes left, Bueckers left the court for a minute to get her ankle taped up.

No. 4 S. CAR. 62, No. 22 GEORGIA 50

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Aliyah Boston had her second career triple-double with 16 points, 11 rebounds and 10 blocks to lead South Carolina to its 25th straight win over Southeastern Conference competition with a victory over Georgia.

Zia Cooke, South Carolina's leading scorer, broke out of a scoring slump with 16 points as the Gamecocks (11-1, 6-0 SEC) won their 13th straight over the Lady Bulldogs (12-2, 4-2)

No. 18 DEPAUL 80, BUTLER 66

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Lexi Held scored 17 points, Deja Church had a double-double and DePaul used strong finishes each quarter to roll to a win over Butler.

Sonya Morris scored 17 points for the Blue Demons (9-3, 6-1 Big East Conference) and Church added 13 points, reaching the 1,000 club, with 12 rebounds.

No. 21 N'WESTERN 73, ILLINOIS 54

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) — Lindsey Pulliam scored 19 of her season-high 28 points in the third quarter and grabbed six rebounds to help Northwestern beat Illinois.

Pulliam scored eight points during a 10-0 run for the Wildcats (8-2, 6-2 Big Ten) late in the third quarter that made it 49-30 and pushed their lead into double digits for good. Pulliam was 8 of 12 from the field in the period and finished the game 12 of 23.

Mother doesn't like daughter driving boyfriend around

Annie Lane

Dear Annie

Dear Annie: My daughter, Emily, has been dating Ben for almost two years. Ben is a great guy, aside from one issue that's been bugging me: He refuses to drive anywhere and instead has my daughter drive him. He says it's because a few years ago he was in a car accident and has been scared to drive since. (He was not hurt in the accident.) He has Emily drive him to and from work every day.

Emily never complains about it, but it drives me insane because Emily and her kids were also in a car accident a few years back and suffer PTSD from that accident. Ben is aware of this, but doesn't seem to get it.

He thinks it's no big deal for Emily to get over her fear while avoiding getting over his fear. I want to say something to him so badly, but I haven't. And every time I say something to my daughter, she gets upset with me. How can I approach the situation without making it worse? **– Miffed Mom**

Dear Miffed: Your intentions are good, and your irritation is understandable. But Emily is the one behind the wheel, figuratively and literally. When she's tired of driving him, she can stop. Meanwhile, you can earn interest by keeping your two cents in the bank: If you avoid offering advice when your daughter hasn't asked, she'll be more likely to ask you for advice.

Dear Annie: I agree with What Did You Say that mood music in TV shows often makes it hard to hear the dialogue. I would add that background noises meant to create realism also frequently drown out what the actors are saying.

Isn't the dialogue important enough to make it audible? Because the problem is in the show itself, it doesn't help much to turn up the volume.

If I turn it up enough to make out the dialogue, then the music and ambient noise are so loud that it is annoying.

My wife and I always watch shows with the closed captions on. We find that we even enjoy movies more at home than at the movie theater because we can have the captions on at home. It also helps a lot with BBC shows where the accents and British slang can make it hard to catch what is said. But it would be even better if the shows' directors and editors highlighted the dialogue and turned down the sound effects. **– Not Ready for the Ear Horn in Lafayette, Indiana**

Dear Not Ready for the Ear Horn: You're not alone. A 2017 survey found that 98% of people use closed captioning at least some of the time. While closed captions can certainly be helpful, some have pointed out that they're far from perfect and, during some live broadcasts, the captions lag behind the visuals.

The following letter writer offers another tip to try.

Dear Annie: With regard to the letter about TV dialogue: Very often the problem is that people have their TV set for surround sound audio as if they have multiple speakers when they only have the TV speakers. This causes the background track to be louder because the voice track is expected to be broadcast from its own speaker. **– Kate H.**

Dear Kate: This is another possible contributing factor to the problem. The exact troubleshooting instructions will depend on the TV manufacturer. For anyone unable to easily find these audio options in their TV settings menu, it's worth reaching out to the manufacturer's customer service line.

BACKWARD GLANCES

A LOADED coal train travels through Maynard on March 14, 1982, heading to Brewster, Ohio, on the Norfolk & Western Adena Branch. The B&O Railroad's CL&W Subdivision tracks are seen to the right, according to a post on the Memories of Maynard Facebook page.

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Raynaud's features an aggressive response to cold extremities

Dr. Keith Roach

To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. ROACH: Sixty years ago, I was diagnosed with Raynaud's syndrome by my doctor. I started taking nifedipine during winter months, but not during the summer. After moving to Colorado, I took the medication year-round because the weather here was often cool in the mountains even in summer. Then I was told to take two tablets a day rather than just one. I had been wearing support hose for three years due to leg swelling. One day I reviewed the medication paper that comes with the prescription and saw that nifedipine could be causing leg swelling. So, I discontinued taking the prescription last summer, but I am really struggling with symptoms in my hands and feet. Is there any other medication available to improve my circulation? Even wearing socks and gloves all day is not helping this winter. **– M.W.**

ANSWER: Raynaud's phenomenon is an overexuberant body response to cold, causing color changes in the extremities, such as fingers, toes, and earlobes. Severe cases can cause tissue damage, even leading to gangrene. In addition to avoiding cold places wherever possible and wearing protective clothing, medication treatment can be very effective. Nifedipine, a calcium channel blocker approved for use in the United States in 1981, is one effective treatment, but the swelling of the legs can sometimes make it intolerable.

There are several other options, some of which may be surprising. Sildenafil (Viagra) has been a very effective option for some people. Nitroglycerine cream is reasonable for people who have limited exposure, but isn't a good choice for someone with symptoms year-round. Fluoxetine (Prozac) is helpful for some, as is the blood pressure medicine losartan (Cozaar). In general, I wouldn't recommend stopping a medicine without talking to your doctor about an alternative plan.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I keep hearing, inconsistently, that N95 masks should be used only once or twice and then discarded. I've been wearing the same one, uncleaned, since COVID-19 began. Doesn't smell bad, is a little dirty, but seems like the filtering qualities look unchanged. What is your opinion and recommendation? Second, are those light-blue flimsy masks that come in the 100 pack any good at all? So much space around sides of the face. **– T.A.**

ANSWER: Many of my colleagues are reusing their N95 respirators due to limited supply. Current guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention states that the N95 masks may be used for an extended period as long as they continue to have a tight fit and have not become contaminated. We use a surgical mask (the light-blue flimsy ones) on top of the N95 to extend its lifespan. N95 masks should be discarded after high-risk procedures, such as performing an intubation on a patient with severe COVID-19.

Surgical masks do provide some protection: They protect you to some extent, but they protect others around you, and that probably has more public health benefit. The current thinking is that people are most infectious in the day or two before they develop symptoms. Wearing your mask, even if you have no symptoms, protects the people around you, if you should have an asymptomatic case of COVID-19 or you haven't developed symptoms yet.

I recommend a well-fitting, multilayered cloth mask, since they provide better protection than surgical masks.

Heloise

Hints from Heloise

Hairdryer hints

Dear Heloise: Whenever you have trouble opening a tight jar lid, set a hairdryer on high and, in a circular motion, move it over the lid. The heat will release the seal. Works every time. **– J.R., Toronto, Ohio**

TOOTHBRUSH HOLDER HINT

Dear Heloise: Some toothbrushes are too large for many toothbrush holders. I keep mine in a small vase filled with glass marbles. The marbles and container are easy to clean. **– Ann E., York, N.Y.**

Ann, now, that is a really clever idea, and I'll bet it looks lovely on your bathroom vanity. **– Heloise**

SAFETY FIRST

Dear Heloise: For cleaning, especially the bathroom, I cover my eyes with safety glasses. They also fit with my regular glasses. They keep my eyes safe from harsh chemical cleaners and sprays. I keep them with my cleaning supplies and wear them until I'm done cleaning. **– Elizabeth S., Lebanon, Ohio**

ANOTHER VINGAR HINT

Dear Heloise: I've found an easy way to clean my microwave. I have a spray bottle that is filled with a 3-to-1 ratio of white vinegar and water.

I spray my microwave oven thoroughly to clean. Then let the spray sit for a few moments before wiping down with a wet dish cloth. I also use the spray on my laminate floors followed by a wet sponge mopping. **– Mike in Mascoutah, Ill.**

THANK YOU

Dear Heloise: Always at this time of year the subject of thank-you notes seems to arise. At our house we solved this easily. My children learned very early how important receiving the notes meant to the senders.

After the gifts were opened, they were labeled and placed on a high shelf. Pens and paper were set out, and only after the notes were written did the toys come down from the shelf.

The children could then play with them with no nagging from Mom.

Today my children are in their 50s and they still write thank-you notes for gifts. **– Anita P., Laguna Woods, Calif.**

CRYPTOQUOTE

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: MY LITTLE OLD DOG; A HEART-BEAT AT MY FEET. — EDITH WHARTON

BECKER BRIDGE

Test your play

You are declarer with the West hand at Six Spades, and North leads the jack of clubs, which you ruff. How would you play the hand?

West	East
♠ A Q J 10 8	♠ K 5 3
♥ A K 9 8 5	♥ 6 4 2
♦ A Q J	♦ K 9 7
♣ —	♣ Q 6 4 3

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First, you should conclude that the slam cannot be made if the trumps are divided 4-1. This is because if either defender had four trumps and you drew them, you'd have no more trumps and would automatically go down two. You therefore start by assuming a 3-2 trump division.

You next consider how the missing five hearts might be divided. Again you make an assumption before proceeding. Oddly enough, this time you assume that the hearts are not divided 3-2 because, if they are, you are sure to succeed with any reasonable line of play.

It's not that you don't want the hearts to be divided 3-2 — you'd be delighted if they were — but that you would like to arrange your play so as to guard against a 4-1 division, if possible (you have no chance against a 5-0 break).

Once you assume the 4-1 heart division, you have to decide how to handle the case where North has four hearts, and then the case where South has them. One approach to dealing with the problem is to imagine that North has a hand such as ♠ 62 ♥ QJ73 ♦ 842 ♣ J1085 and proceed from there.

At trick two, you cash the ace of hearts, on which South plays the ten. Next you cross to dummy with a diamond and lead another heart. If South ruffs, you later play two rounds of trump, cash the king of hearts, ruff a heart in dummy and so make the slam. If South does not ruff, you win the heart with the king, concede a heart to North and later ruff a heart high in dummy to produce 12 tricks.

If North has the singleton ten, jack or queen of hearts, the play is even simpler. After cashing the heart ace and seeing the ten, jack or queen appear on your left, you draw three rounds of trump ending in dummy and then lead a heart. If South follows low, you finesse the nine; if South produces one of the two missing honors, you win with the king and return the nine to establish your two remaining hearts.

Finally, if both defenders follow low on the ace of hearts at trick two, your best chance is to cross dummy with a diamond and return a heart toward your K-9-8-5, playing the king if South follows suit.

Tomorrow: You, too, can be a magician.

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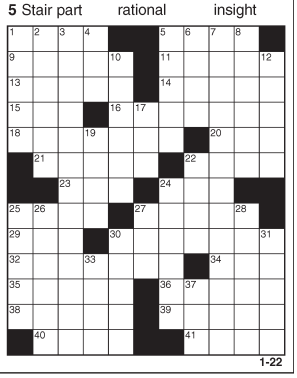

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Public Notices

NOTICE OF PRIVATE SELLING OFFICER SALE UNDER JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE OF LIENS FOR DELINQUENT LAND TAXES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 5721.39 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE

In the Common Pleas Court of Belmont County, Ohio.

Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, interest, and costs as follows:
The Common Pleas Court Case No.; the case caption; the street address (for guidance only); the permanent parcel number; minimum acceptable bid; auction end date and second auction end date for each parcel, as defined by the Statutes of Ohio are set forth below as follows:
20 CV 0010; TAX EASE OHIO II, LLC V. UNKNOWN ADMINISTRATOR, EXECUTOR, OR FIDUVIARY, UNKNOWN HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, UNKNOWN SPOUSES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND BENEFICIARIES OF ESTATE OF VALERIE J. RIVERA, DECEASED, ET AL; 13 MAPLE ST., BRIDGEPORT, OH 43912; 23-00154.000; MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID $20,530.27 (PLUS 10% BUYER'S PREMIUM); AUCTION END DATE: February 16, 2021; SECOND AUCTION END DATE: March 16, 2021
NOTE: All parcels will be auctioned online at
www.Ohio Foreclosures.com.
All auctions will begin at least seven (7) days prior to the auction end date. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms, on the same website, with the second auction beginning at least seven (7) days prior to the end date of the second auction. A ten percent (10%) Buyer's Premium will be added to the high bid to determine the sale price. Full legal description of parcels, and other sale details, are available at
www.Ohio Foreclosures.com.
TERMS OF SALE: Purchaser shall be required to pay a buyer's premium, in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the high bid price, which shall be added to the high bid and included in the full purchase price. Deposit of 10%, with a minimum deposit of $1,000.00, shall be wire transferred to Standard Title Co. no later than 2:00 pm EST the day following auction end. Balance of the FULL purchase price shall be wire transferred to Standard Title Co. no later than thirty (30) days following the confirmation of sale. Failure to pay deposit, buyer premium or balance of purchase price timely will result in private selling officer moving the court for a contempt citation against purchaser. The purchaser shall be responsible for those costs, allowances, and taxes that the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PARCELS TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION MAY BE SUBJECT TO A FEDERAL TAX LIEN THAT MAY NOT BE EXTINGUISHED BY THE SALE.

NOTE: Prospective bidders are responsible for knowing what they are bidding on prior to the time of sale by first having reviewed the records of the City wherein the parcel is located, and the records of the County, and further, by personally viewing the parcel at its location.
NOTE: Per Section 5721.38 of the Ohio Revised Code, an owner of a parcel may redeem his property by payment in full of all taxes and costs until the sale of such parcel is confirmed by the Court.
This advertisement is prepared and published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5721.37 and 5721.39 of the Ohio Revised Code.
T.L. Jan. 22, 29. Feb. 5, 2021

NOTICE
SECTION 00100 - ADVERTISEMENT

OHIO HILLS HEALTH SERVICES ELECTRICAL SERVICE UPGRADE
101 East Main Street
Barnesville, Ohio 43713

Sealed bids shall be hand delivered to Ohio Hills Health Services at 101 East Main Street, Barnesville, Ohio 43713, until 10:00 AM. Wednesday, February 10, 2021, to provide labor and materials for "OHIO HILLS HEALTH SERVICES ELECTRICAL SERVICE UPGRADE". Bidders who choose to email their bids are to send the complete bid to
mcarpenter@ohiohillshealthservices.com
and
cavec@wdc-group.com

Bidders are responsible to make sure that bids are received by the bid time.

Bids will be taken for the following Contracts, as described and shown in the Contract Documents:

16A – Electrical

Bids will be publicly (via teleconference) opened and tabulated.

A Pre-Bid Telephone Conference for all interested contractors will be held on Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at 10:00 AM in conjunction with the bid process. Email
cavec@wdc-group.com
to request the call-in number and access code for this meeting.

Each bid shall contain the full name of each person and company interested therein and shall be accompanied by 1) a bid guaranty and contract bond in the full amount of the bid tendered or 2) a certified check, or cashier's check in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid tendered. Either of these shall serve as a guarantee that, if the award is made to the bidder, he will enter into a proper contract. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory performance bond for one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price upon execution of the contract. All such bonds, certified checks and cashier's checks shall be made payable to the Owner, OHIO HILLS HEALTH SERVICES.

No bid shall be considered unless made on the forms available at the office of the project Architect and in accordance with the Contract Documents which consist of all advertisements, instructions to bidders, specifications and drawings, bid form of contract agreement, bid and performance bond, schedule of wage rates, and all addenda thereto, all of which are available upon request.

Should any bid be rejected, the Bid Bond will be returned forthwith to the bidder, and, should any bid be accepted, the Bid Bond will be returned upon proper execution of a contract agreement.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days minimum after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of the bids.

Bids are to be clearly marked on the outside of the envelope in the lower left hand corner as follows: "OHIO HILLS HEALTH SERVICES ELECTRICAL SERVICE UPGRADE".

The OWNER intends to accept the lowest and most responsible bids (bidders) for the project, and reserves the right to reject any and all or parts of any and all bids. The Owner will consider combination bids as part of determining the lowest most responsible bids.

Electronic Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS will be available via Dropbox the morning of the Pre-Bid Telephone Conference to contractors that request access and provide requested contact information via email
(cavec@wdc-group.com)

Contract Documents may be viewed after January 20, 2021 at WDC Group, Ohio Hills Health Center, and Builder's Exchange (Central Ohio, Pennsylvania, Cleveland). After January 20, 2021, Contract Documents may be purchased at the office of WDC Group LLC, located at 23 South Center Street, Springfield, Ohio 45502 upon payment of $100.00 (two checks of $50.00 each made out to Ohio Hills Health Services) for each set plus shipping (call 937.325.9991 to schedule purchase). Any BIDDER, upon returning the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS promptly and in good condition following the contract award by the Owner, will be refunded $50.00.

Contract Documents may be viewed at the following locations:

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Springfield, Ohio 45502
call ahead - 937-325-9991

McGraw Hill Dodge - Dayton
3077 South Kettering Blvd., Suite 104
Dayton, OH 45439
(937) 298-7378

Ohio Hills Health Services
101 East Main Street
Barnesville, Ohio 43713
call ahead – 740.309.1056

The Builders Exchange, Inc. - Cleveland
9555 Rockside Road, Suite 3
Valley View, Ohio 44125
(216) 393-6300
T.L. Jan. 15, 22, 29, 2021

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Mail:
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Martins Ferry, OH 43935

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10 Announcements

1004 - Notices

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1032 - Misc. Services

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15 Employment

1500 - Miscellaneous

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1526 - Full Time Wanted

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Wheeling, WV 26003

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FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 22 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5001

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Building	Honours	Student
Campus	Jurisdiction	Sydney
Career	Leisure	Task
Cram	Library	Tutorial
Credit	Lunch	Unit
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Find the Words solution 5001
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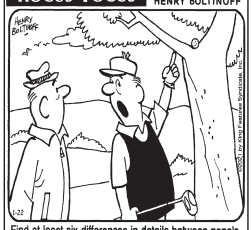

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Golf club is longer. 2. Arm is longer. 3. Glove is missing. 4. Ball is moved. 5. Mountain in distance is different. 6. Jacket is unzipped.

20 Financial

2000 - Business Opportunities

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30 Rental Real Estate

3000 - Notice

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35 Sale Real Estate

3500 - Realtors

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Carol Goff & Associates
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Lori Frank, Broker
740-695-5559-Office
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3512 - Houses

Powhatan Point
3 bedroom, $8,000 firm. Needs work.
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Reservoir Road, St. Clairsville, Ohio
For Sale by Owner, Beautiful large 4 bedroom, 3-1/2 bath, brick and vinyl with oversized 2 car garage, flat 1/3 acre yard, 2 large furnished porches, large finished basement, gas fireplace, hardwood floors, huge storage throughout, high efficiency gas furnace, many extras including several items included with sale. Move in ready. Asking $285,000
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40 Auctions

4000- Auctions

DAVID Jones Auction
Flushing, Ohio
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55 Pets & Supplies

5500 - Dogs

BELMONT COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER
PRISON OBEDIENCE PROGRAM DOGS: Rufus, male boxer mix, 9 months; Neci, female foxhound, 3 yrs; Daisey, lab mix, 4 yrs; Sunshine, female lab/shep, 9yrs; Crystal, female husky/dalmation; Daisey female boxer mix 8 yrs; Zeus male lab mix 2-3 yrs; Harley male shepherd mix 1 yr.; Franny female coonhound 7-9 yrs.
Waylon, male walker coonhound 8-10 yrs., Tank, male 1 yr. pitbull; Spike, male pitbull mix 8 yrs.; Rosezay "Z" pitbull, female mix 4 yrs.; Romo, male pitbull 3 yrs., Riley, male shepherd mix 1yr.; Pixley, female pitbull 1 yr., Poe, male blacktan coonhound 3 yrs.; Mia, female pitbull 1 yr.; Max, male boxer/dane 2yrs.
DOGS THAT HAVE BEEN AT SHELTER A YEAR OR MORE: Spot, male pitbull 4 yrs.; Precious, female lab mix 3 yrs.; Shelly, female lab/husky 3 yrs.; June Bug, female pug/beagle 7 yrs.
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Dog Biscuits and can cat and dog food, litter, toys, dry cat and dog food & bleach.

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740-695-4708

60 Merchandise

6000 - Miscellaneous

Aquarium, complete 55 gallon set up, includes stand and all accessories, excellent condition, currently in use, $250
740-671-8991

6' bar and matching wall cabinet, $250; hanging pool table light, $150; lounge abdominal exerciser $175
740-676-4196

Brass fireplace andirons $25; Fireplace tool set $35; 35mm film camera $40; PSE compound bow $35.
304-242-0700

BUDGET STRETCHER COUPON GUIDELINES
1. **18 Word Limit on ALL ads.**
2. **Each item MUST be priced. Items not priced will not be published, entire coupon not to exceed $1,500.**
3. **No ads of commercial nature are permitted, coupons limited to private parties only.**
4. **Ad must be submitted on ORIGINAL coupon from The Times Leader.**

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Excalibur crossbow, scope, arrows, good condition, $500
740-260-4626

Fireplace log set, natural gas vented, 24" ceramic logs $45; electric warm air blower $20
740-695-9748

Fireplace woodburner insert, $400/obo; gas logs $100; ladies small mink coat, $100; Wheeling Downs leather coat $100.
740-579-1766

Four fifteen gallon demijohns, new $65, sell for $40 ea or all four for $125
304-559-5683

Go Wise air fryer, 5.8 qt, new, $70; Dell Inspiron 531 computer with keyboard, excellent shape $75
740-391-5410

Handicap electric scooter, four wheel, 1 year old $750
304-455-3048

Old oak wash stand with towel bar, marble top, 2 doors at bottom, $135.
304-455-3803

6000 - Miscellaneous

Heavy duty bench grinder, $25; antique kerosene heater, works good, $55; 3 tier bookshelf in good shape, 25"x12" x28", $15
740-359-5013

Karaoke machine and amplifier, flat screen monitor, 2 giant speakers, stands, 3 mics, 27 additional items included, call for details $750.
304-907-3355

15lb empty propane tank, $6; silkie rooster $5; vintage Keebler cookie jar $10, men's XL Michael Kors jacket, $25
740-635-1242

16" Sears scroll saw, Craftsmand $150; 1970 Chevrolet truck bed $250; two chain hoists, 1/2 ton, $80/ea. Leave message
740-425-2103

Storage cart, 10 drawers on wheels, great for craft room, 39"h x 16" w, $25
304-242-8773

Table saw, older all metal, used very little, on casters $100 ; golf balls, used $3/dozen
740-859-2551

Wheeling Landmark Stratford Springs Hotel, large framed photo 23x27 inches circa 1907 woodsdale destroyed by fire 1918, $100.
304-233-4837

6008 - Sporting Goods

High price fishing reel, Daiwa Tournament model T-Z1500IA spinning reel, new in box, have original receipt, paid $526.86, sell only $300
724-366-9524

Pro Form Exercise hybrid trainer exercise bike and elliptical, digital readout, new paid $650, will sell for $400
304-281-2243

6020 - Office Equipment

Beautiful carved wood "Polish Eagle", $25; Dec. 1966 dedication plaque of Wheeling Hill Tunnels, made from original tile, $20/obo.
740-633-0813

6022 - Watches & Jewelry

Apple watch, new never worn, needs iPhone, still in box, has charger, pd. $200, asking $150.
304-810-0418

6034 - Furniture

Beautiful entertainment center, excellent condition, $150, very nice sofa bed, $50, several nice end tables, $25/each.
304-845-6306

6034 - Furniture

Four kitchen chairs from the Homestead in excellent condition, cherry finish, $75/ea.
304-281-0820

Nice 42" round oak table with 2 matching oak chairs, med. oak stain, $125. 740-325-1007

Wooden baby bed and good day bed with mattress $35 both.
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65 Agriculture

6512 - Firewood

Firewood, well seasoned hardwoods, short bed, $60, long bed $75, cherry and locust, $100, no deliveries, you haul.
740-458-1654

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740-312-5803

70 Transportation

7000 - Autos

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7002 - Trucks

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7004 - SUV's

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7018 - RV's for Sale

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7022 - Parts & Accessories

Custom truck cap by Century from 2005 Silverado, 6' bed, fits most model years $500, leave message
304-843-5202

Four Bridgestone tires, 195/65/R15, like new, mounted on alloy spoiled rims $200; 1 new Michelin tire, P275/70/R16, $50.
740-859-2592

Four 20" tires, new; 2 245-45x20, 2 275-40x20 fit Camaros and Challengers, $425.
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I-70 closures will have drivers looking for detours

By SCOTT MCCLOSKEY
For The Times Leader

WHEELING — Motorists from Ohio traveling east on Interstate 70 will have a tougher time getting through Wheeling — and to places like Wheeling Hospital — starting Monday.

Swank Construction crews return Monday from a month-long break to continue the $215 million project. That means I-70 eastbound will be closed from Exit 1B — the U.S. 250/W.Va. Rt. 2-16th Street exit — to Exit 2A — the Oglebay Park exit. The U.S. 250 on-ramp to I-70 east also will be closed.

Those closures are scheduled to last about nine months, according to the West Virginia Division of Highways.

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Finding your way

If you're traveling east trying to get into or through Wheeling, here are the best detours to take:

■ Going east to get through Wheeling — Use Interstate 470 to completely bypass the construction.

■ Going into Wheeling from Ohio — Exit onto Main Street in downtown, turn left onto 10th Street, continue east on Market Street over top of the Wheeling Tunnel, on National Road over Wheeling Hill and through Fulton to Mount de Chantal Road.

BEGINNING MONDAY, I-70 eastbound will be closed from U.S. 250/W.Va. 2 south — 16th Street exit (Exit 1B) to the Oglebay Park exit (Exit 2A) in order for Swank Construction to begin phase two of the Fulton Bridge Replacement as part of the I-70 Bridges Project.

Photo by SCOTT MCCLOSKEY

Belmont County seniors received first COVID-19 shot on Thursday

By ROBERT A. DEFRANK
Times Leader Staff Writer

ST. CLAIRSVILLE — Hundreds of Belmont County residents age 75 and older received the first dose of COVID-19 vaccine Thursday.

Meanwhile, the statewide curfew now has a later start time — it was moved from 10 p.m. to 11 p.m. and is in effect until 5 a.m. daily. The state's schools are also expected to be informed today about when their staff members will be able to receive their vaccinations.

The Belmont County Senior Services Department hosted the shot clinic.

"It was a real efficient operation," Senior Services Director Dwayne Pielech said. "I don't think anybody ever waited more from start to finish, about a half hour."

Belmont County Deputy Health Commissioner Robert Sproul said 400 doses were available to Belmont County seniors who participated in a drive-through clinic similar to one held last week, when only Ohioans 80 and older were eligible.

Next week, Ohioans 70 and older will be able to be vaccinated. Belmont County seniors are asked to register at belmontcountyhealth.com. There will be 300 doses available next week.

Those who receive a shot must have a second in about 29 days.

Also Thursday, Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine announced the curfew change, since fewer than 3,500 Ohioans have been hospitalized with the virus for seven consecutive days. If the trend continues, DeWine looks forward to moving the curfew to midnight until 5 a.m. If the number of hospitalized drops below 2,500, he said the curfew will be lifted. DeWine said the strain on hospitals and health care workers has been his primary focus when considering curfews, lockdowns and restrictions.

School personnel also will be able to receive vaccinations beginning next week. The first group of counties eligible includes Allen, Athens, Butler, Columbiana, Delaware, Franklin, Hamilton, Mahoning, Medina, Montgomery and Summit counties.

In most of those counties, several public school districts are included, along with dozens of private academies and parochial schools. Specific information can be found at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

The overall goal is to have at least the first shots available and administered to all school staff in February and to have Ohio's students back in class five days a week by March 1.

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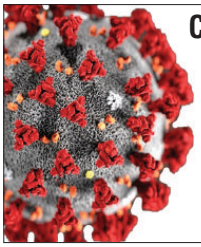
RICHARD CRUCIOTTI of Shadyside receives a COVID-19 vaccination from Linda Mehl, director of nursing with the Belmont County Health Department. A total of 400 Belmont County residents ages 75 and older received vaccinations Thursday.



COVID-19 by the numbers

COUNTY	CASES	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
BELMONT	4,884	3,939	855	90
HARRISON	918	828	74	16
JEFFERSON	4,298	3,684	537	77
MONROE	1,052	863	155	34

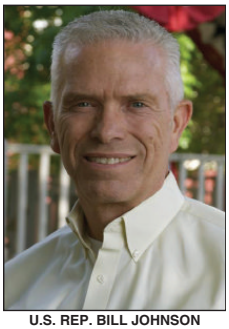
OHIO*
Positive cases 771,743
Deaths.....9,803

Source: Ohio Department of Health and county health departments.

DeWine noted that statewide, 46 percent of students have resumed in-person classes full time. Locally, several Belmont County school districts have been able to do likewise.

"I know everyone wants to start next Monday, next week, we simply do not have the supplies to do that. We have to spread this out," DeWine said of vaccinating school staff.

According to Belmont County Deputy Health Commissioner Robert Sproul, there have been 4,884 cases of COVID-19 in Belmont County since the onset of the virus, and there are 807 people isolated at home with active cases and 48 hospitalized. There have been 3,939 recoveries, and 90 county residents have died after contracting the virus.



U.S. REP. BILL JOHNSON

Lawmakers oppose Biden's moves

By SHELLEY HANSON
Times Leader Staff Writer

MARTINS FERRY — Congressman Bill Johnson is concerned President Joe Biden's order halting new oil and gas leases on federal land will negatively impact Eastern Ohio.

"I'm disappointed, but not surprised, that Joe Biden is coming after our domestic energy supply and the jobs that come with it. He told us during his campaign that this is what he planned to do," Johnson, R-Ohio, said in a statement provided to The Times Leader. "This, despite the national media 'fact-checkers' who rushed to Biden's defense when he said he would ban hydraulic fracking before he said he wouldn't. And, Vice President Kamala Harris said she would do the same. So, this is no surprise."

Biden signed executive orders Wednesday making the climate crisis a focus of foreign policy and national security, creating a White House Office of Domestic Climate Policy and task force, protecting 30 percent of federal land and water by the end of the decade. One of these orders halts all new oil and natural gas leases on federal property and offshore and launches a review of all current permits and leases.

Biden said his executive orders and focus on climate have the potential to create millions of good-paying jobs in manufacturing, agriculture, infrastructure, transportation. Biden also said his plans will not come at the expense of workers in extraction industries, such as coal and natural gas.

"It's not time for small measures; we need to be bold, so, let me be clear: That includes helping revitalize the economies of coal, oil, and gas, and power plant communities," Biden said.

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Monroe now registering for future vaccination clinics

By CARRI GRAHAM
Times Leader Staff Writer

WOODSFIELD — Monroe County residents now have the option to register for future COVID-19 vaccine clinics through the health department's newly implemented system.

In order to provide a more efficient vaccination clinic for residents, the Monroe County Health Department is now taking registrations from those in the community who would like to receive the vaccine during future clinics.

Linda Masters, administrator of the Monroe County Health Department, said the department will use the information collected to contact residents to schedule appointments for upcoming clinics.

"We will contact those who fit the criteria that were allowed to vaccine for; we will call them at that time and let them know when their appointment time is," she said.

Masters said the department is hoping the appointment-based clinics will provide relief for residents. The appointment-only clinics will help reduce wait time and uncertainty among residents, she said.

"We're hoping that it makes people feel better. They won't have to come and wait, and they'll know that they are getting a vaccination when we call and tell them when to come," she said. "We're going to try this and hope that it works out much better than the open clinics."

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Mingo Junction chief praises council action for fire department

• Montgomery credits CARES Act purchases for saving lives in fire last week

By ANDREW GRIMM
For The Times Leader

MINGO JUNCTION — As many municipalities did, the village of Mingo Junction focused a portion of its Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act dollars on its fire department.

The impact of that new equipment has gone far beyond COVID, too, as Fire Chief Brandon Montgomery told council Tuesday night that equipment purchased for the department with the funds helped save the lives of two firefighters during a structure fire on Clifton Avenue last week when a room they were in exploded.

"The room flashed over," he said. "Maydays were activated, it knocked my personnel to the ground, they got disoriented and we had to send crews in to get them out."

Montgomery displayed several items to council, including new radios that were purchased to allow for each firefighter to have their own so that radios did not have to be shared during the pandemic.

The radios, he said, helped the two firefighters to be rescued following the harrowing situation fighting the blaze.

"Using this, I knew they were upstairs, I knew where they were at," he said.

"One of things we got through the CARES Act money that I put a request for was for everybody to have a radio.

That was one thing we did not have. Everybody that was in that fire had a radio so they could call for help.

"These things are life saving. Those two people could have been killed very easily the other day. This is definitely worth the money that we spent."

Another item he displayed for council was a tool the firefighters had with them when the blast knocked them down. He noted how the blaze had burned off a handle and damaged the tool.

"This was a brand new tool, there was 2-inch padding all the way across," he said. "One of them had this inside.

"I want to thank (council) for allowing us to use CARES Act money for a lot of things. The radios were a lifesaver. Without that we could be sitting at a funeral. It got really bad."

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Cemetery changes contract after Black deputy denied burial

By JANET MCCONNAUGHEY
Associated Press

The board of a small Louisiana cemetery that denied burial to a Black sheriff's deputy held an emergency meeting Thursday and removed a whites-only provision from its sales contracts.

"When that meeting was over it was like a weight lifted off of me," H. Creig Vizena, board president for Oaklin Springs Cemetery in southwest Louisiana, said Thursday night.

He said he was stunned and ashamed to learn two days earlier that the family of Allen Parish Sheriff's Deputy Darrell Semien, who died Sunday, had been told that he could not be buried at the cemetery near Oberlin because he was African American.

"It's horrible," Vizena told The Associated Press on Thursday morning. He said the board members removed the word "white" from a contract stipulation conveying "the right of burial of the remains of white human beings."

"It took more time to keep up with the Roberts Rules of Order" than it did to make the change, he said.

Karla Semien of Oberlin wrote Tuesday on Facebook that a woman at the cemetery had told her that her husband could not be buried there because it was for whites only.

"She stood in front of me and all my kids wow what a slap in the face. I just can't believe in 2021 in oberlin Louisiana this is happening," Semien wrote.

"To be told this is like we were nothing. He was nothing? He put his life on the line for them," Semien told KPLC-TV on Wednesday. She did not immediately respond to a Facebook message from the AP requesting comment.

Vizena said when he told other members about the language, each one said it had to be fixed.

The offensive wording wasn't in the cemetery association's bylaws but only in sales contracts used since the cemetery was created in the late 1950s, Vizena said.

People tend to sign such things without reading, he said.

He said a relative of his was the woman who told the family, and she was "relieved of her duties."

Vizena said he was on his way home from work Tuesday when a deputy who had known Semien called to tell him about the rejection. Vizena said he apologized to the family and offered one of his own plots in the small cemetery, which he estimated covers less than two acres (0.8 hectares). But, he said, the offer was turned down: The family said Semien, who was 55, couldn't rest easily there.

"My dad wasn't any man, he was a phenomenal man," daughter Shayla Semien told KATC-TV. "He was a police officer in this same community for 15 years. He was denied a place to lay because of the color of his skin."

• Detours

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Motorists heading east on I-70 will need to find alternate routes to get to key places in Wheeling and Elm Grove, including Wheeling Hospital. Those motorists will need to use one of several detours to get to their destinations, depending on where they're coming from.

The DOH recommends that all through traffic heading to points east of Wheeling should use I-470. Local traffic is encouraged to use U.S. 40 east. Detour signs will be in place to help drivers navigate the changes.

Those heading east near the Fulton Bridges will take Exit 1A into downtown Wheeling to use the local detour. Once the summer hits, those directions will change.

West Virginia Department of Highways Area Engineer Mike Witherow said that starting in June or July, Exit 1A will close for renovations as part of the overall project. The local detour will still take drivers through Fulton, but the way to get there will change.

Starting Monday, motorists will use Exit 1A onto Main Street, turn left onto 10th Street, go east on Market Street over the top of Wheeling Tunnel, onto National Road, over Wheeling Hill, through Fulton and onto Mount de Chantal Road, where they can get back on the highway.

That stays the same until the summer. At that point, drivers will go through Wheeling Tunnel, take Exit 1B and continue to 16th Street, turn right onto Market Street, follow the detour over the top of Wheeling Hill and along National Road through Fulton.

Witherow said Exit 1A will close in the summer for, at most, 120 days.

A map for the Exit 1A closure on the i70forward.com website had a date of "Jan. 2021" posted on the top corner, but Witherow said it will be months before the exit actually closes.

The latest phase of the Fulton Bridges project will last nine months and lead to some major changes in traffic patterns.

Motorists will still be able to access U.S. 250/W.Va. 2 South traveling east on I-70 through the Wheeling Tunnel, but the section of I-70 beyond that point at the Fulton Bridges will be completely closed for approximately nine months, according to the DOH.

The overall project is scheduled to continue at various "phase construction" locations into the fall of 2022.

"The focal point of this project has been the closure of the Fulton Bridges … so you get the sense it is a two-year project, when it's actually three," Witherow added.

Any questions or concerns regarding the I-70 Bridges Project can be directed to the DOH hotline at 304-810-3214. For additional information regarding the project, visit i70forward.com.

• Moves

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Wednesday. "We're never going to forget the men and women who dug the coal and built the nation. We're going to do right by them and make sure they have opportunities to keep building the nation and their own communities and getting paid well for it."

Johnson said there already have been job losses from the revocation of the Keystone XL Pipeline permit. It was being built in the center of the United States, running from Texas north to Canada. He also believes Biden's plans to move the country away from fossil fuels to green energy will lead to "more job losses, higher energy prices and decreases in America's energy leadership role in the global economy."

"The bottom line is that this is just the start of a war against domestic energy that will target not only jobs, but also the cost of living for those who use electricity and drive a car. These policies are bad for America and will impact everyone. They will especially hurt the Mahoning Valley and rural Appalachia," Johnson said.

He noted that emissions have already decreased in recent years because of the natural gas drilling boom.

"But the 'Left' has once again moved the goalposts, and the national media is happy to market and communicate this destructive, job killing policy. Americans deserve better," Johnson said.

Locally, the only federal lands situated in the Ohio Valley are in Wayne National Forest. Dysart Woods in Belmont County is part of that forest, as are portions of Monroe County.

When the natural gas fracking boom began several years ago in the Ohio Valley, many officials in the industry and government believed it would be a boon for the area. The influx of cash for some in the form of gas and oil leases on private and public properties likely has helped the economy. But many of the oil and gas jobs initially were filled by workers in the industry from outside of the region who follow such jobs wherever they may be in the country.

Still, spinoff jobs and resulting business have thrived in the form of more people shopping in local stores, eating in local restaurants and spending money in the area that would not have been here otherwise.

But there is a cost associated with the industry that some continue to complain and worry about — the impact of the industry on the environment and people's health. From noise and dust generated by truck traffic running on communities' narrow roads, to explosions at drilling sites that have resulted in deaths, injuries and property damage, numerous examples of that impact have been cited.

And for years, people have been waiting to hear the final word on whether a cracker plant will be constructed in Dilles Bottom in Belmont County by a foreign company. The decision to move forward was put on hold indefinitely last November by PTT Global Chemical America, along with the estimated thousands of jobs that officials say building of the plant will create, and the feared pollution that environmentalists say it will spew.

Johnson is not alone among legislators who decried Biden's plans. U.S. Sen. Shelley Moore Capito, R-W.Va., took to the floor of the U.S. Senate on Thursday, criticizing Biden's executive orders.

"This is an economic energy and national security disaster," Capito said. "In my view, this order moves America from energy independence back to relying on foreign sources of fuel. And a lot of times these are the countries that have much laxer environmental policies than we have right here in the United States."

Speaking Thursday, Capito said she had heard these claims before during the Obama administration and during former secretary of state Hillary Clinton's failed campaign for president in 2016. Capito said failed climate policies of the past helped decimate West Virginia's economy and push some into opioid addiction to cope.

"I've seen this playbook before, so we're back to the future," Capito said. "I remember the same people saying the same things. And I remember the utterly unachievable regulatory requirements that Gina McCarthy created in her position as head of the EPA that decimated my state. I remember the thousands of jobs lost and still lost and the hopelessness, and the succeeding opioid epidemic that followed."

Joselyn King contributed to this report.

• Monroe

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The health department plans to hold weekly clinics as long as the supply continues.

Those wishing to receive the vaccine through the health department can email their name, address, date of birth and phone number to covid@monroecountyohio.com. Those who lack access to email may register by calling 740-472-4299.

Masters said there is no need to call if you have already registered by email. A confirmation email will be sent out once the department receives the information.

Masters urges residents to remain patient when waiting to receive a call from the department.

"It's not going to be immediate, it's going to be whenever they qualify for one of our clinics," she said. "Please be patient, we're doing the best we can do."

An open drive-through clinic is slated for 1 p.m. today at the Monroe County Fairgrounds in Woodsfield for individuals in Phase 1A and some in Phase 1B — health care workers and personnel who are routinely involved in the care of COVID-19 patients, EMS responders and residents aged 75 and older.

Residents are asked to remain in their vehicle, don a mask and wear loose-fitting clothing. Masters said no one is permitted to line up prior to 11 a.m.

The health department is hoping to administer around 200 vaccinations during today's open clinic.

"I think we'll have a good turnout. I hope we don't have to turn too many people away," she said. "We will provide them with the registration information if we do have to turn anyone away, but I'm hoping we're able to service everyone who comes."

The clinic tents will be placed further into the fairgrounds than in the past to reduce traffic along Ohio 26 and allow more vehicles to enter the designated area, Masters said.

Following today's clinic, the remainder of the county's clinics will be by appointment only.

• Chief

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He told council he has "repaired" the department's relationship with several surrounding departments, many of which assisted at the Clifton Avenue fire, since taking over as chief last year.

He also told council that the firefighters "want to work." He said 17 firefighters from his department responded to the blaze, which is a number not seen in a long time, stating that another fire this past year only had three respond.

"This fire on Clifton Avenue, I had 17 Mingo firemen on scene, and I am glad I did," he said, noting it's sometimes hard to get the needed help from neighboring volunteer departments. "(Having) 17 people (on scene) hasn't happened since (current councilman) Jack Brettell was the chief."

He also noted that an accountability tag system he put in place also helped at the scene.

He told council that, though early still, 2021 is on pace to be a record year for calls. He said the department has had more than 80 so far in January. The department, he said, responded to more than 1,000 calls in 2020.

"If we continue the way we are right now with our call volume, this will be the busiest year we've probably ever had," he said. "The calls are not stopping, they are continuous."

Another topic of discussion between Montgomery and council was cracking down on people keeping junk on their property.

Montgomery said the department, which by law has jurisdiction over things like junk cars on private property, will be cracking down on junk items beginning Monday.

During the report from village Administrator Bob Smith while he was updating council on road salt usage and supply remaining for the rest of the winter, council President Michael Herrick praised Smith and the village's service department for its work clearing the roadways in recent snow storms.

"I would like to say on behalf of me and the council that this year, the times that it snowed, they did a fantastic job," Herrick said. "Any time of the day, the roads were good."

Smith, in turn, praised the village staff.

"I always tell people they are second to none," he said.

Smith also told council the village water department will be cracking down on unpaid bills and shutoffs in the near future.

Smith and council continued to discuss a COVID policy for the village with the absence of any new federal funding leaving the village's employees in limbo.

Council members held an executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss their options further.

During his report, acting Police Chief Willie McKenzie told council that so far in January his department has made three physical arrests - all felonies, during two of which firearms were seized - and five citation traffic arrests.

Council will hold a finance meeting at 6 p.m. Monday. Council meets again on Feb. 9.

MARKET REPORT

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Change: -633.87

S&P 500

Last: 3750.77
Change: -98.85

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Last: 13270.60
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Allstate Corp	110.51	+ .99
Amer Elec Power	80.44	- 1.38
Arcelor Mittal	21.01	- .98
Big Lots	65.05	+10.78
Cardinal Health	55.29	- .19
Colgate-Palmolive	78.03	- .72
DuPont de Nemours	77.90	- 1.93
FirstEnergy Corp	30.86	- 1.07
Genasys Inc	7.89	- .12
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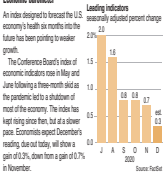
Kroger Co	38.75	+1.68
Lowes Cos	167.71	- 5.99
Marriott Intl A	117.47	- 2.97
McDonalds Corp	207.00	- 8.38
PPG Inds	139.95	- 1.06
Rite Aid Corp	28.15	+4.51
Tractor Supply	153.72	+1.83
Truist Financial Cp	48.39	- 1.85
Utd Bncp OH	13.86	+ .06
Utd Bcsh OH	24.04	- .16
Verizon Comm	55.13	- 1.44
WalMart Strs	143.84	- 3.67
Wendys Co	20.66	- .41
Wesbanco	29.19	- 1.81
Wstn Digital	53.19	+1.13

Economic barometer

An index designed to forecast the U.S. economy's health six months into the future has been pointing to weaker growth.

The Conference Board's index of economic indicators rose in May and June following a three-month skid as the pandemic led to a shutdown of most of the economy. The index has kept rising since then, but at a slower pace. Economists expect December's reading, due out today, will show a gain of 0.3%, down from a gain of 0.7% in November.



Not-so-happy meal?

Wall Street expects that McDonald's latest quarterly report card will show mixed results.

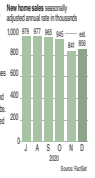
Analysts predict the burger chain's fourth-quarter earnings declined from a year earlier, even as revenue edged higher. That would follow solid gains in the third quarter, when McDonald's boosted strong sales fueled by customers placing orders online or hitting the chain's drive-thrus.

McDonald's serves up its latest quarterly results today.

Eye on housing

The Commerce Department serves up its December tally of new U.S. home sales today.

After stumbling last spring as the coronavirus outbreak led to broad business lockdowns, sales of new homes bounced back strongly last summer, fueled by record low mortgage rates and a pandemic-induced push to the suburbs. Economists project the pace accelerated last month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 856,000 homes. That would be up from 841,000 and the first increase since July.



MUTUAL FUNDS

105 BIGGEST MUTUAL FUNDS BY ASSET RANK

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American Century			
Grthv	46.94	-1.31	+34.4
SmCpValInv	9.11	-.17	+18.2
ValInv	8.29	-.19	+5.6
American Funds			
AMCpA m	38.80	-1.23	+19.8
AmncnBalA m	30.09	-.50	+10.2
CptWldGrInvA m	59.82	-1.42	+17.2
CptlInvcBldrA m	63.22	-.97	+4.5
FdmtlInvsA m	68.51	-2.01	+14.4
GrAmrcA m	67.92	-2.18	+37.0
IncAmrcA m	23.68	-.36	+6.3
IntlGrInvA m	38.80	-.78	+11.6
InvCAmrcA m	44.22	-1.14	+14.4
NwPrspctvA m	61.12	-1.75	+34.4
SmCpWldA m	80.70	-1.91	+39.5
WAMtInvsA m	49.78	-1.26	+7.4
BlackRock			
EqDivInstl	20.21	-.55	+5.2
LatinAmerInvA m	42.50	-1.10	-18.3
Boston Trust			
Eq	32.45	-.74	+13.5
CGM			
Foc	34.67	-.84	+11.7
Mut	29.97	-.73	+13.9
Rlty	24.11	-.60	-5.4
Dodge & Cox			
Inc	14.61	...	+7.9
IntlStk	43.94	-1.18	+6.2
Stk	193.70	-4.79	+10.1
DoubleLine			
TtlRetBdI	10.74	...	+3.1
Dreyfus			
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Fairholme Funds			
Fund d	29.12	+.25	+43.8
Fidelity			
500IdxInsPrm	130.09	-3.43	+17.7
BCGrowth	166.19	-5.72	+60.1
Contrafund	16.66	-.52	+28.9
GnCo	33.54	-1.06	+65.6
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LatinAmerica	21.83	-.44	-23.3
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USBdIdxInsPrm	12.36	...	+5.4
Forester			
ValN b	5.58	+.09	+4.1
Franklin Templeton			
IncA1 m	2.29	-.03	+4.0
SmMidCpGrA m	46.75	-1.48	+51.0
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Janus Henderson			
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Matthews			
ChinaInv	30.03	-.80	+64.6
IndiaInv	25.88	-.62	+14.4
Metropolitan West			
TtlRetBdI	11.13	...	+7.0
Oakmark			
EqAncIncInv	30.75	-.71	+10.8
PGIM Investments			
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PIMCO			
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TtlRetIns	10.55	...	+7.0
Permanent			
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Schwab			
SP500Idx	57.38	-1.51	+17.7
T. Rowe Price			
BCGr	163.75	-5.59	+30.4
CptlAprc	34.09	...	+15.1
GrStk	97.34	-2.67	+34.4
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ChinaRegionInv	b11.11	-.39	+30.4
GlbRes b	6.14	-.32	+47.5
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WldPrecMnral b	4.92	-.21	+63.5
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EqIncAdmrl	79.03	-2.00	+3.6
GlbEqInv	38.11	-1.15	+24.2
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WlngtnInv	44.88	...	+10.2
WlslyIncAdmrl	68.67	...	+6.9
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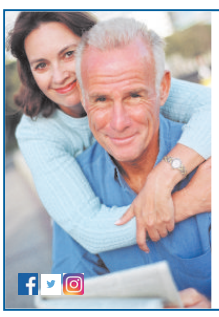

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• Tri-State Briefs

Delay in charging man accused in Capitol breach

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A federal magistrate on Thursday delayed the timeline for filing formal charges in the case of an Ohio man arrested on federal charges of making interstate threats and threatening a witness after posting videos from the U.S. Capitol riots.

Defendant Justin Stoll is accused of declaring in one video, "D.C.'s a war zone!...You ain't got enough cops, baby! We are at war at the Capitol…. We have taken the Capitol. This is our country."

When one YouTube viewer said they'd saved his video, Stoll warned that if the viewer took action to "ever jeopardize me, from being with my family," then the person would meet his or her maker, and that he would be the one to "arrange the meeting," according to a federal complaint.

Stoll's federal public defender and federal prosecutors both asked Thursday for a delay in the case because of limitations on how frequently federal grand juries can meet now because of the pandemic. Federal magistrate Judge Stephanie Bowman granted the delay and gave the government until March 16 to file an indictment.

After his arrest, Stoll was released under restrictions including that he remain in southern Ohio with electronic monitoring, stay off social media, stay away from firearms, obtain mental counseling and not contact potential witnesses or victims.

New truck maker to finish prototypes

LORDSTOWN, Ohio (AP) — A fledgling electric vehicle maker in Ohio expects to complete the prototypes of its new pickup truck in March and remains on target to start full production in the fall, the company said Thursday.

Lordstown Motors Corp. said it already has begun metal stamping and welding for the Endurance All-Electric Pickup Truck prototypes, which will be used for testing.

Full production of the Endurance pickups is slated to begin in September at the former General Motors assembly plant near Youngstown, which Lordstown Motors bought in 2019.

The company took over the plant after GM ended its more than 50 years of car manufacturing at the plant. The automaker employed 4,500 workers there just a few years ago.

Lordstown Motors acquired the plant with the help of a $40 million loan from GM. The startup said it will hire hundreds of people to build to the first line of Endurance trucks, but its long-term plan is to add thousands of jobs.

It currently has nearly 350 workers, mainly at its Ohio headquarters and its research center in suburban Detroit. The company said it expects to have around 1,000 employees by year's end.

It also said on Thursday that is working on plans that will be released later this year for a new electric van that initially will be used as a recreational vehicle in a partnership with Camping World.

The company announced earlier this month that it already has more than 100,000 orders for the light duty truck, which is mainly being sold to commercial customers such as utility companies and municipal governments.

American Airlines affiliate grounds planes

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — An American Airlines subsidiary grounded most of its planes Thursday to conduct overdue inspections of bolts that secure doors on the nose gear.

The grounding affected two models of Bombardier regional jets operated by PSA Airlines, which operates flights under the American Eagle name. PSA has 130 of the planes, and all but a few were grounded, according to American.

American said it is working with PSA and the Federal Aviation Administration to fix the issue. It said a few of the planes have returned to service but gave no precise numbers and did not offer a timetable for finishing inspections on the remaining planes.

Tracking site FlightAware.com said 200 PSA flights were canceled by midafternoon Eastern time. American said it was trying to arrange new flights for displaced customers.

PSA is based in Dayton, Ohio, and operates many American Eagle flights in the eastern United States including at American's hub airport in Charlotte, North Carolina. American is based in Fort Worth, Texas.

Prosecutors appeal ruling in Floyd's death

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Prosecutors in Minnesota on Thursday appealed a judge's ruling that split the trials of four Minneapolis police officers charged in George Floyd's death and kept the first trial scheduled to start in March.

Hennepin County Judge Peter Cahill ruled earlier in January that Derek Chauvin, the officer who kneeled on Floyd's neck last May even as he said he couldn't breathe, would go on trial March 8.

Cahill also ruled that the other three officers on the scene would be tried later, citing courtroom space limitations that would make social distancing difficult during the coronavirus pandemic.

Attorney General Keith Ellison is prosecuting the officers, who all were fired soon after Floyd's death. Cahill denied prosecutors' request to reconsider his ruling and to try all four officers at once this summer, when the COVID-19 pandemic may have faded.

Prosecutors' arguments for a single trial also included that multiple trials would traumatize witnesses and the community. They also said the evidence against all four officers is similar. On Thursday, they asked the state's Court of Appeals to schedule oral arguments.

Floyd, a Black man, died May 25 after Chauvin, who is white, pressed his knee against Floyd's neck while he was handcuffed chest-down on the street. Chauvin is charged with second-degree murder and second-degree manslaughter, while the other three former officers are charged with aiding and abetting.

The other officers' trial is set to start Aug. 23.

NY may strip Trump's name from parkland

PUTNAM VALLEY, N.Y. (AP) — New York state's parks commissioner is trying to figure out if the state is obligated to keep former President Donald Trump's name on a 436-acre state park on land he donated in the New York City suburbs 14 years ago, after local opposition sunk his plans for a golf course.

Commissioner Erik Kulleseid told lawmakers at a budget hearing Wednesday that he has received frequent emails about rebranding Donald J. Trump State Park in Putnam Valley. A 2006 agreement says the park must bear Trump's name in exchange for the donation, but Kulleseid said the condition is not in the deed and it's unclear if it's binding.

Trump donated the land to the state, receiving a significant tax write-off, after he was unable to get approval for a private golf course there. It was never completed as a fully functional state park and isn't listed on the website of the state office of parks, recreation and historic preservation.

A Change.org petition asks to rename the park for Sojourner Truth, an icon of the abolitionist and women's rights movements. There's also a bill under consideration to rename the park for Heather Heyer, who died when a car struck counterprotesters at the "Unite the Right" white nationalist rally in Charlottesville in 2017.

When a name change was proposed in 2015, Trump threatened to take back the land if his name was stripped. A message was sent to the Trump Organization on Thursday seeking comment.

Ohio police chief forced out in wake of Andre Hill killing

AP Photo

THOMAS QUINLAN, chief of the Columbus Division of Police, speaks with the media at the Columbus Community Safety Advisory Commission in Columbus, Ohio. Quinlan was forced out Thursday, Jan. 28, 2021, after the mayor who hired him said he'd lost confidence in Quinlan's ability to make needed changes to the department, weeks after the police killing of Andre Hill.

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The police chief of Ohio's capital and largest city was forced out Thursday after the mayor who hired him said he'd lost confidence in the chief's ability to make needed changes to the department, weeks after the police killing of Andre Hill.

The removal of Police Chief Thomas Quinlan by Columbus Mayor Andrew Ginther comes amid a larger community debate over the shootings of several Black children and men by police and heavy-handed police tactics during last year's protests over police brutality and racial injustice.

"It became clear to me that Chief Quinlan could not successfully implement the reform and change I expect and that the community demands," Ginther said in a statement. "Columbus residents have lost faith in him and in Division's ability to change on its own."

Quinlan, who is white, is a 30-year department veteran who was selected for the top job by Ginther in December 2019. He was chosen over Perry Tarrant, a former assistant police chief in Seattle, who is Black. At the time, Ginther said Quinlan must address racism within the department's ranks, including further diversifying the department.

Ginther, a Democrat, said a new national search will be conducted for the next chief.

Quinlan said Thursday he had hoped to stay in the position but respected the decision. He said he accomplished a lot as chief.

"We implemented dozens of reforms geared toward accountability, transparency, and strengthening public trust," Quinlan said. "Someone else will now carry those priorities forward, and I will help and support them in any way I can."

In late December, Columbus officer Adam Coy was fired after shooting Hill three days before Christmas as Hill walked out of a garage holding a cellphone. Anger over the killing grew as bodycam video showed that multiple responding officers failed to help Hill as he lay moaning on a garage floor.

Quinlan has said the 47-year-old Hill would be alive if not for officers' inactions, and promised an investigation of all involved.

"We can't effectively police if we don't have the trust and the partnerships that we need to move forward, so we cannot tolerate any type of individual officer bringing discredit upon the division, or policing as a profession," Quinlan said in an interview with The Associated Press earlier this month.

Scott Woods, a local community activist who had previously called for Quinlan's resignation, was happy to hear the news but remained concerned the decision was strictly performative

"This is a step in the right direction. An enormous step. But its only a step in a process that is a mile long," Woods told the AP on Thursday afternoon. "I think it sends a message but whether that message is received by the right people is up for question."

The disconnect between police and residents in Columbus was on full display in late May when Columbus Democrat U.S. Rep. Joyce Beatty, along with a county commissioner and the president of Columbus City Council, were pepper-sprayed at a protest over the police killing of George Floyd. All three of them are Black.

In response, the city banned the use of chemical spray on peaceful protesters. Ginther set up a hotline for people to report complaints about police brutality during protests. The city later hired a law firm to investigate violations of city policy and an investigator for criminal violations. Council President Shannon Hardin, a Democrat, said Thursday he supported the removal of Quinlan.

The mayor has frequently called out police over shootings and aggressive actions and championed the city's first-ever civilian police review board.

"The people of Columbus elected and reelected me to provide civilian oversight and to change and reform the division of police," he told the AP earlier this month. "And so that's exactly what I'm going to do."

One of Ginther's first steps was to create a commission to study changes to the police department. Among its 80 recommendations was the review board, approved by voters in November.

Ginther said Thursday he'll appoint members to that board soon and continue seeking change in the agency.

The Columbus Division of Police — like many big-city agencies — is juggling calls for internal change even as it battles unprecedented street violence. Columbus saw a record 174 homicides last year and so far is averaging just short of one a day this year.

GOP's Rep. Jim Jordan won't seek Portman's U.S. Senate seat

CINCINNATI (AP) — Republican U.S. Rep. Jim Jordan, a fiery Donald Trump supporter, won't run to succeed Ohio Sen. Rob Portman, who announced this week he isn't going to seek a third term in 2022.

"Mr. Jordan believes at this time he is better suited to represent Ohioans in the House of Representatives, where as the top Republican on the Judiciary Committee, he can advance an America first agenda, promote conservative values, and hold big government accountable," said Russell Dye, speaking for Jordan's congressional campaign.

The eighth-term congressman's name surfaced soon after Portman's announcement as a potential strong contender in what's expected to be a crowded GOP field.

The former star college wrestler's style doesn't reflect that of Portman, a career establishment Republican with a reputation for bipartisanship. Portman on Monday cited a political climate that has made it "harder to break through the partisan gridlock and make progress."

Trump rewarded Jordan, 56, for his steady support by giving him the Presidential Medal of Freedom before leaving office this month. Jordan has opposed both of Trump's impeachments.

Six-term Rep. Bill Johnson, from heavily pro-Trump southeast Ohio, former Rep. Jim Renacci from central Ohio and former state Treasurer Josh Mandel are viewed as potential GOP candidates along with state Attorney General Dave Yost and Secretary of State Frank LaRose.

Renacci lost a bid to unseat Democratic Sen. Sherrod Brown in 2018.

Republicans have 20 seats up for reelection in 2022, compared to 14 for Democrats. Those GOP seats include presidential battlegrounds Wisconsin, where Trump narrowly lost in November, and Florida, where he won by more than 3 percentage points.

Ohio, a perennial battleground for decades, has become more reliably Republican, carried by Trump by more than 8 percentage points in 2016 and 2020. Portman twice won election to the Senate by wide margins.

Tim Ryan, a 10-term Democratic representative from blue-collar eastern Ohio who ran unsuccessfully for the 2020 presidential nomination, said Monday that he is weighing a Senate campaign.

Dayton Mayor Nan Whaley, a rising star who lost a 2018 primary for governor, is among others considering it.

Lawmakers call for race on vaccine access

Here's what's happening Thursday with the coronavirus pandemic in the U.S.:

THREE THINGS TO KNOW TODAY:

— Democratic lawmakers are urging federal health officials to address racial disparity in vaccine access nationwide in a letter sent to the acting Health and Human Services secretary, Norris Cochran IV. Data from some states has shown hard-hit nonwhite Americans who are eligible to get the vaccine are not receiving it in proportion to their share of the population. In the letter, Rep. Ayanna Pressley and Sens. Elizabeth Warren and Edward Markey, all of Massachusetts, say the agency must work with states, municipalities and private labs to collect and publish demographic data about vaccine recipients. Without that information, policymakers and health workers cannot efficiently identify vaccine disparities in the hardest-hit communities, the lawmakers say.

— New York may have undercounted COVID-19 deaths of nursing home residents by as much as 50%, the state's attorney general said in a report. Attorney General Letitia James has been examining discrepancies for months between the number of deaths being reported by the state's Department of Health, and the number of deaths reported by the homes themselves. Her investigators looked at a sample of 62 of the state's roughly 600 nursing homes. They reported 1,914 deaths of residents from COVID-19, while the state Department of Health logged only 1,229 deaths at those same facilities If that same pattern exists statewide, James' report said, it would mean the state is underreporting deaths by nearly 56%.

— State lawmakers around the U.S. are moving to curb the authority of governors and top health officials to impose emergency restrictions such as mask rules and business shutdowns. Many legislators are resentful of the way governors have issued sweeping executive orders. They are pushing back in states such as Arizona, Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and Pennsylvania. Some governors say they need authority to act quickly and decisively against the fast-changing threat.

THE NUMBERS: According to data through Jan. 27 from Johns Hopkins University, the seven-day rolling average for daily new cases in the U.S. did not increase over the past two weeks, going from 244,872.7 on Jan. 13 to 162,067.1 on Jan. 27. The seven-day rolling average for daily new deaths in the U.S. did not increase over the past two weeks, going from 3,356.9 on Jan. 13 to 3,287.3 on Jan. 27.

QUOTABLE: "We think, 'Well, OK, it's like men's shirts, right? I'll just have another place to make it.' It's just not that easy." Dr. Paul Offit of Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, a vaccine adviser to the U.S. government, on the slow and steady process of scaling up vaccine production.

ICYMI: A new coronavirus variant identified in South Africa has been found in the United States for the first time. South Carolina officials say two such cases have been diagnosed in the state. Viruses mutate constantly, and many variants of the coronavirus are circulating around the globe, but scientists are primarily concerned with three that appear to spread more easily. Other variants first reported in the United Kingdom and Brazil were already confirmed in the U.S. Researchers predicted it was only a matter of time before the variant identified in South Africa reached the United States as well.

ON THE HORIZON: In North Carolina's largest city, Magena Morris, Tyler Bone and Nic White are on a mission to help homeless people, a population that has grown during the pandemic and economic downturn. Once a month, they bring racks loaded with clothes into Charlotte's largest homeless encampment and invite residents to shop their free store. The idea behind the racks is to give residents of "tent city" the feeling of browsing a normal store and spare them having to dig through piles of secondhand apparel. Through donations collected in drop-boxes and online, they're providing not just clothes but much-needed goods from batteries to books.

Can United States coexist with China?

By PATRICK BUCHANAN
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"The United States acknowledges that all Chinese on either side of the Taiwan Strait maintain there is but one China and that Taiwan is a part of China. The United States... does not challenge that position."

Thus did President Nixon, in the Shanghai Communique of 1972, accept China's territorial claim to Taiwan.

In 1979, Jimmy Carter severed relations with Taiwan, recognized Beijing as the legitimate government and dissolved the U.S. mutual security treaty with the Republic of China on Taiwan.

We ceased to be obligated to go to war to defend Taiwan.

Fast-forward four decades to the first weekend of President Joe Biden's administration.

Saturday, China sent eight nuclear-capable bombers and four fighter planes into the air defense identification zone of Taiwan.

Sunday, Beijing sent 16 military aircraft into the same region.

Observing U.S. arms sales to Taiwan and visits by U.S. officials, China is issuing us a reminder: "You Americans are encouraging those on the island who seek independence. Not going to happen."

Beijing is said to be seeking a face-to-face meeting with Biden.

Why?

Perhaps because incoming Secretary of State Antony Blinken in his confirmation hearings said that President Donald Trump "was right" to take a "tougher approach to China."

Blinken also agreed with outgoing Secretary Mike Pompeo, who had called China's treatment of its Uighur minority "genocide," and added that our commitment to Taiwan is "something that we hold to very strongly."

Under Xi Jinping, said Blinken, China seeks to "become the leading country in the world — the country that sets the norms, that sets the standards."

In short, China's geostrategic goal is to replace the U.S.-created world order with a new world order of its own.

Before we proceed further down this road to collision, questions need to be answered.

To whom does Taiwan belong? If the answer is what it has been since 1972 — "Taiwan is a part of China" — then is not encouraging the 25 million Taiwanese to seek independence an "incitement to insurrection" from Beijing's standpoint?

When Chinese Communists in 1950 conquered Tibet and began its ethnic and cultural cleansing of the region, what did we do?

Basically, nothing.

When China occupied and fortified rocks and reefs across the South China Sea what did we do?

Basically, nothing.

When China crushed the Hong Kong democracy protests we encouraged, and imposed a new national security law on the island's 7 million people, what did we do?

Basically, nothing.

Now, Xi Jinping has bluntly told America that how China treats Tibetans, Uighurs, Christians and Falun Gong, all citizens of China, is no more the business of the United States than was our treatment of the indigenous peoples of North America the business of Imperial China.

China's model of political and economic development has enjoyed success in this century as an alternative to the Western model of liberal democracy.

Beijing does not believe in untrammeled freedom of religion, or of speech, or of the press. She does not believe in choosing leaders by the ballot box.

China certainly is not an egalitarian society.

She does not believe in the equality of all races, religions and ethnic groups.

She does not celebrate diversity but fears it.

She does not believe in racial quotas for advancement, but in a meritocracy that rewards loyalty and performance.

And Chinese student test scores are among the highest in the world.

While China steals intellectual property from U.S. factories in China, who moved the factories there to take advantage of cheap labor where a worker could be hired for $2 an hour?

Beijing says any attempt to impose our "universal values" on China would amount to interference in her internal affairs.

Moreover, as none of the disputed rocks and reefs in the South and East China Seas involves any territory claimed by the U.S., and we have conceded for 50 years that Taiwan is "part of China," why are we sending carrier battle groups into these seas and through the Taiwan Strait?

What are we threatening?

On Sunday, a U.S. aircraft carrier battle group sailed into the South China Sea on a "freedom of navigation" exercise, the first such operation under President Biden.

This was the same day that those Chinese bombers and fighters flew into Taiwan's air identification zone.

We need to talk.

Old Man River's
Cheers & Jeers

CHEERS to the Belmont County Salvation Army for restarting its regular food giveaways to help Ohio and West Virginia residents who may be in need.

JEERS to the fact that local educators were not included in the first round of vaccines for school employees, which begins next week. Local school employees are working hard to keep kids in school, and they deserve protection.

CHEERS to U.S. Sen. Sherrod Brown, D-Ohio, for working to increase emergency funding to cities, villages townships and all sorts of communities.

JEERS to the fact that the COVID-19 vaccine supplies remain limited, so that not everyone who wants a shot can get one yet. But CHEERS to those working to get the vaccines out as soon as possible.

CHEERS to firefighters who spent two cold nights battling a blaze in Bridgeport this week. The fire in a duplex injured one person,, and it rekindled the following evening.

CHEERS to Brookside's new mayor, Rich Kurner, for hitting the ground running upon taking office. He announced plans to make the community safer and more convenient for all.

CHEERS to the Clark Gable Museum for finding a way to celebrate the Hollywood Star's 120th birthday online on Monday. Log on and enjoy!

Is President Joe Biden really as 'normal' as he is being portrayed?

By BEN SHAPIRO
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For four years, we were informed that President Donald Trump's behavior was "not normal."

Now, the media inform us, we have been graced by the most normal normal person to have ever normalled:

President Joe Biden.

Biden, they proclaim, is utterly boring, nondescript, barely worthy of coverage.

His administration, too, is paradigmatically normal.

Yascha Mounk of The Atlantic tweets, "It is so nice to have a boring President."

For his part, Biden obviously revels in this sort of coverage. This week, his favorite ice cream flavor (chocolate chip) was tweeted out as well as a retweet of first lady Jill Biden's announcement that Champ and Major, the new first pets, had entered the White House.

On a personal level, Biden is clearly more "normal" than Trump — although treating Biden, a career politician worth nearly $10 million, as the height of normality is rather stunning.

The dirty little secret of the Trump administration is that despite Trump's personal abnormality, his agenda was well in line with past precedent, and with mainstream American opinion.

Trump did not radically shift American policy.

Biden will.

Within the first five days of his presidency, he issued 30 executive orders, compared with four for Trump, five for Barack Obama and zero for George W. Bush. Those executive orders included endorsement of radical reinterpretation of American history; killing the Keystone XL pipeline; forcing the military to allow troops to undergo gender reassignment surgery; and forcing federally funded institutions to allow biological men who identify as transgender to compete alongside biological women, among others.

He is reportedly pursuing an immigration plan directed toward reopening America's borders. He has staffed his Cabinet by intersectional box-checking.

Biden's policy is indeed radical. But because Biden is presented as a normal person, we're supposed to ignore all of that.

We're supposed to simply be grateful for the "return to normalcy" — complete with caving to the teachers unions that seek to keep schools closed indeterminately, reentering a long-dead deal with the Iranian theocracy, firing government staffers with whom he disagrees and lying openly about the vaccine distribution plan he inherited.

Joe Biden may be a relatively normal guy. But none of this is normal.

Is defending the First Amendment really all about free speech?

By RICH LOWRY
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Long a stalwart defender of the First Amendment, the American media is now having second thoughts.

For decades, it was a commonplace sentiment among journalists that freedom of the press was one of the glories of our system.

Media organizations were at the forefront of the fight to vindicate First Amendment rights, with The New York Times involved in two landmark Supreme Court decisions (New York Times Co. v. Sullivan and the Pentagon Papers case), and tended to rise as one against any perceived threat to their prerogatives and freedoms.

This advocacy has been sincere, although, if nothing else, all journalists should be First Amendment purists simply out of a sense of self-interest.

In a 2018 essay in The Atlantic representing the bygone conventional wisdom, titled "Why a Free Press Matters," the longtime newscaster Dan Rather noted, "As a working journalist, I know I have a stake in this concept."

One would think so.

Yet, now journalists have lurched from finding a threat to freedom to the press in every criticism of reporters and news outlets by former President Donald Trump to themselves calling for unwelcome media organizations to be shut down.

They've become the thing they profess to hate — closed-minded censors who want to stifle free expression, First Amendment be damned. Perversely, the TV program and email newsletter of the top media analyst at CNN, Brian Stelter, has been a clearinghouse for such advocacy, whether it is demands to get right-wingers removed from social media or to keep conservative cable networks off the airwaves.

Stelter's colleague, media reporter Oliver Darcy, tweeted about his effort to get cable companies to answer why they carry pro-Trump channels like Newsmax and One America News Network.

"Do they have any second thoughts about distributing these channels given their election denialism content?" he asked on Twitter. "They won't say."

In the same vein, Washington Post columnist Max Boot drew a direct line between how we deal with foreign terror groups and how we should treat right-wing media organizations.

"We need," he wrote, "to shut down the influencers who radicalize people and set them on the path toward violence and sedition."

Boot noted, approvingly, that the U.K. doesn't have the equivalent of Fox News because regulators won't allow it. The U.K. also doesn't have a First Amendment, a small detail that might be worth considering if the point is to protect our freedoms rather than destroy them in a fit of ideological vengeance.

A writer at the progressive publication Mother Jones argued for an advertiser boycott instead of regulatory action in a post called, charmingly, "It's Time to Crush Fox News."A boycott wouldn't violate the First Amendment like a direct crackdown. Still, it would be private action undertaken in the service of a profoundly illiberal goal, running counter to the country's culture of free speech.

All of this would be bad enough if it weren't people who write and comment on TV for a living advocating it. But journalists have been moving in this direction for a while now, as Armin Rosen catalogues in a disturbing report for Tablet magazine.

The author, Steve Coll, who is no less than the dean of the Graduate School of Journalism at Columbia University, said last December, "Those of us in journalism have to come to terms with the fact that free speech ... is being weaponized against the principles of journalism." The former managing editor of Time magazine, Richard Stengel, has written: "All speech is not equal. And where truth cannot drive out lies, we must add new guardrails."

And so its erstwhile champions are ready to retreat from strict adherence to the First Amendment to a new rule of "free speech for me, but not for thee."

Intercepted Letter

Motorists
Eastern Ohio

Dear Drivers,

We have seen an uptick in accidents lately. Don't get distracted behind the wheel.

Yours,
Old Man River

Quote of the Day

"Peace is its own reward."

Mahatma Gandhi
Indian leader
(1869 - 1948)

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THOMAS ALESSI

Thomas Anthony Alessi, 81, of Rayland, OH, passed away, Wednesday, January 27, 2021.

He was born on December 22, 1939, in Martins Ferry, OH, to the late Ralph and Marie (Kuban) Alessi.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Ken Alessi and Ralph Alessi Jr.

Tom is survived by his wife of 53 years, Ilona (Hughes) Alessi; two sons, Shane (Sasha) Alessi, of Bridgeport, OH and Justin (Allison) Alessi, of Columbus, OH and his two beloved grandchildren, Addison and Brantley Alessi.

Private services will be held at the convenience of the family with Borkoski Funeral Home, Tiltonsville, OH.

Condolences may be sent to the home. www.borkoskifuneralhomes.com

DOROTHY HERMAN

Dorothy Herman, 93, of Yorkville, OH, died, Thursday, January 28, 2021, at her home. Arrangements pending with Borkoski Funeral Home, Tiltonsville, OH.

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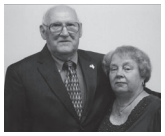

WANDA THOMPSON

Wanda Cordner Brown Thompson, 88, of Cadiz died Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at UPMC Passavant Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She was born August 1, 1932 in Flushing, Ohio daughter of the late Charles Edward and Fidelia Ann Wagner Cordner.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Wanda retired from GTE (Verizon) in 1987 with almost 30 years of service. She regularly attended New Athens United Methodist Church.

In addition to her parents; she was preceded in death by her first husband, Delmas Dean Brown; her second husband, Myron Lemoyne Thompson; her daughter, Cathy Wells; stepson-in-law, Louis Paul Jones; brothers: Clyde (Emma Jean) and Harry (Nellie) Cordner; sisters: Wilma (Ed) Cunningham, Betty (Bryan) Fulton, Maxine (Joe) Nucci and special sister and brother-in-law, Marie and John Sproul who raised her from grade school and were like parents to her and two special nephews: John Jr. and Bill Sproul.

Surviving are her son, Gary (Joyce) Brown of Cadiz; 2 step-daughters: Cathy (Lynn) Murral of Rice's Landing, PA and Sondra Jones of Cadiz; Grandchildren: Chelsea (Gary Bethel) Currence of Cadiz, Cari Murral of Morgantown, Clayton (Mary) Murral of Pittsburgh, Andy (Jessica) Bates and Tanile (Mark) Dulkoski all of Cadiz; 8 Great Grandchildren; sister, Shirley Martin of Florida and several nieces and nephews.

A private service will be held due to the Covid-19 Pandemic at Clark- Kirkland-Barr Funeral Home, Cadiz with Pastor Jon Little officiating. Burial will take place at Cadiz Union Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family is asking for memorial contributions to: New Athens United Methodist Church, c/o Mary Lou Hartley, 74245 Fairpoint-New Athens Road, St. Clairsville , Ohio 43950.

ELMA SGALLA

Elma Sgalla, 90, of Tiltonsville, OH, died, Sunday, January 24, 2021, at her home, with her family by her side.

She was born on November 30, 1930, to the late Joseph Hendershot and Mary (Fitch) Fenstamaker.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Reno John Sgalla.

Elma is survived by two sons, Carl (Dottie) Sgalla, of Tiltonsville, OH, Michael (Mary Kay) Sgalla, of Seminole, FL; three daughters, Linda (D. David) Stiles of Wheeling, WV, Janet Scott (Mike Conroy) of Bellaire, OH and Carol (Dino) Colaianni, of Adena, OH; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and two great - great grandchildren

Private services will be conducted at the convenience of the family at the Borkoski Funeral Home, Tiltonsville, OH, with Father William Cross officiating.

Burial will follow at Holly Memorial Gardens, Colerain, OH.

Online condolences may be offered at www.borkoskifuneralhomes.com

Correction Policy

The Times Leader strives to publish balanced, accurate, responsible and fair information. If a factual error occurs, however, a correction or clarification will be published in this space. Errors should be brought to the attention of Managing Editor Jennifer Compston-Strough, ext. 731.

OWEN HOFFMAN

Owen Hoffman, 83, died January 25, 2021 in Beckley, WV while moving to Columbus, Ohio. He was born in Laingsville, Ohio, March 15, 1937 to the late Merium (Radcliffe) and Lauren Hoffman.

Owen graduated from Rutland High School in 1955, briefly attended The Ohio State University and met his wife, Delores (Marley) in Columbus, Ohio. They were wed for 64 loving years.

He was preceded in death by an infant son, Michael Lee.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two children, Roger (Sheryl) of Wilmington, Ohio,

Laureen (Michael) Smith of Columbus, Ohio, four grandchildren, Leigh (Reuben) Crane of Moraine, Ohio, Ben (Naomi) Hoffman of Naples, FL, Brittany (Tyler) Schuch of Worthington, Ohio, and Geoffrey (Becky) Smith of Columbus, Ohio. Two great grandchildren, Ruby Crane and Aurora Schuch also survive.

Owen loved many things, but most of all his family, friends and union brothers.

He lived in Powhatan Point, Ohio for nearly 50 years. Although Owen was not born in Powhatan, he loved the village and worked to make it a better place for the people there who were friends. He served on the Village Council for 18 years and was Mayor for a year. He also served as a volunteer firefighter for the Powhatan Squad in his younger years. He worked at Ohio Ferro Alloys and retired from Bayer Corporation. He served as his local International Chemical Workers Union President and was a 62-year member of the Masonic Lodge.

In 2008, he and Delores moved to The Villages of Florida to live a new life. In Owen's unique way, he made many friends over golf, the Cleveland Browns, and his love of all things Ohio State. Although he was raised on a farm in Meigs County, Ohio, he lived life to the fullest traveling the world, with Delores and laughing at all the little things. So many will miss his storytelling and colorful commentary.

Due to the COVID- 19 pandemic, wearing of masks and social distancing is required, the family has requested public visitation Saturday January 30 at the Bauknecht-Altmeyer Funeral Home 186 Main Street Powhatan Point, Ohio 43942 from 1-4 pm where the family will not be present. A public memorial to celebrate his life will take place at a later time in Powhatan when all are welcome to join the family.

Share your thoughts and memories with Owen's family at www.bauknechtaltmeyer.com

GENA ZUBEL

Gena P. Zubel, 89, resident of Wheeling, WV, died Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at Wheeling Hospital. She was born on June 18, 1931 in Wheeling, daughter of the late Giovanni and Esterina Ciancone Ferrante. Gena was a retired operator with the former C & P Telephone Company and a member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Zubel; three sisters, Nancy Sabatino, Della Sabatino and Marina Ferrante; one niece, Gloria Denham. Surviving are her three nephews, John Sabatino, Frank T. Sabatino (Arleen) and Frank Sabatino (Carol); four nieces, Donna Krempasky (Brad), Esther Winland (Bill), Natalie Zinni (Dave) and Theresa Jancura (Ron); several great-nieces and great-nephews; special friend, Joe Belancic. Visitation and services will be held at the convenience of the family. Interment will be held at Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Bellaire, OH. Arrangements by Kepner Funeral Home, Burke Chapel, 2101 Warwood Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003 (304-277-2722).

Kepner FUNERAL HOMES & Crematory

JAMES ROBSON

James Richard "Robo" Robson, 74, of Bethesda, passed away, January 28, 2021. Arrangements are pending with Patron Funeral Homes and Crematory Kelly Kemp Braido.

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BELMONT COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

At 12:37 p.m. Monday, a complainant from Center Street, Barton, called to report an incident of fraud/theft.

At 11:53 a.m. Monday, a deputy transported a prisoner from the Belmont County Courthouse, West Main Street, St. Clairsville, to the Belmont County Jail, Hammond Road, St. Clairsville.

At 10:31 a.m. Monday, a deputy transported two prisoners from the Belmont County Courthouse, West Main Street, St. Clairsville, to the Belmont County Jail, Hammond Road, St. Clairsville.

At 10:27 a.m. Monday, a deputy was at Wegee Road, Shadyside, at the location of an illegal dumping complaint.

At 9:22 a.m. Tuesday, officers were at a location on Mt. Victory Road in Powhatan Point on a follow-up investigation attempting to locate a male from a previous incident.

At 12:17 a.m. Tuesday, units responded to a domestic complaint at an address on Barton Road, Colerain. According to the report, a caller reported the incident to central dispatch, and her mother could be heard yelling "call 911" in the background. After arriving, officers advised it was all under control. Partiers were separated, and a male was being taken to another location to stay with a relative.

At 9:50 p.m. Monday, a deputy was out on a traffic stop at the Interstate 70 westbound rest area in Richland Township with an out-of-state motorist. A warning was issued for having no tail lights on a trailer. The problem was fixed on the scene, and the motorist continued on his way, according to the report.

At 1:18 a.m. Tuesday, an officer responded to Cats Run Road, Powhatan Point, for a report of a suspicious car. A brown Chevy S-10 with two males was spotted in several different locations near this address, according to the report.

At 12:17 a.m. Tuesday, officers responded to an address on Burwood Drive, St. Clairsville, for a report of a suspicious person. According to a caller, a male wearing a mask was knocking on the door and looking into the window.

At 9:21 p.m. Tuesday, units responded to an address on East Lawn, St. Clairsville, to investigate a report from a male alleging someone was trying to break into his house. Upon arrival, the complainant requested extra patrols in the area and stated there was a suspicious vehicle.

At 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, a caller reported a hit-skip incident in which someone struck her car on Maple Avenue, Lansing, and left the scene.

Lottery Results for Jan. 28, 2021

Ohio:
DAY DRAWINGS
Pick 3: 0-5-3
Pick 4: 8-3-5-4
Pick 5: 9-4-2-9-0
NIGHT DRAWINGS
Pick 3: 8-3-6
Pick 4: 1-6-4-6
Pick 5: 7-3-8-3-1
Rolling Cash 5: 3-8-22-28-34
Lucky For Life: 2-19-24-26-31
Lucky Ball: 1

West Virginia:
Daily 3: 8-8-4
Daily 4: 8-1-4-9
Cash 25: 4-5-14-18-19-20

Pennyslvania:
DAY DRAWINGS
Pick 2: 2-4
Pick 3: 1-2-1
Pick 4: 6-3-6-4
Pick 5: 8-0-2-9-7
(Wild Ball: 1)
Treasure Hunt: 2-13-15-18-21
NIGHT DRAWINGS
Pick 2: 2-8
Pick 3: 1-6-1
Pick 4: 0-4-3-0
Pick 5: 7-5-6-2-2
(Wild Ball: 3)
Cash 5: 18-24-39-41-43
Match 6 Lotto: 4-13-23-27-33-40
Cash4Life: 3-31-39-57-59
Cash Ball: 3

Jones announces capital projects funding

COLUMBUS - State Representative Don Jones, R-Freeport, announced state lawmakers have unveiled Ohio's proposed two-year state construction budget. It includes funding for a variety of initiatives across the state and aids local projects across the 95th House District.

"In the works for over a year, the capital bill is essential to building and sustaining a strong community," Jones said. "I was proud to work with my colleagues to secure the necessary funds to various projects in the 95th District and the rest of the state."

Belmont County will receive a total of $1.2 million in appropriations, Carroll County $180,000, Harrison County $265,000, Noble County $400,000 and Washington County $725,000. Local projects for the 95th House District funded in the bill include the following:

- Sally Buffalo Park Outdoor Stage: $140,000
- Scio Branch of the Puskarich Public Library, Handicap Parking and Parking Improvement for Barr Community Building: $125,000
- Carnes Center: $500,000
- Barnesville Family Dental Center: $50,000
- Carroll Agricultural Society Show Barn: $150,000
- Perry Township Community Rec. Center: $30,000
- Noble County Fairgrounds New Swine/Hog Barn: $200,000
- Caldwell Ice Rink - Build an Ice Skating Rink for Community Use: $100,000
- Noble County Justice Center: $100,000
- Peoples Bank Theatre: $200,000
- Washington County Recreation and Support Center: $200,000

The capital bill is included in Senate Bill 310. The measure was passed by both the House and Senate last week and received the governor's signature.

Statewide, the bill includes more than $2 billion in new capital appropriations for a wide variety of infrastructure across Ohio. This is in addition to more than $500 million previously approved by lawmakers for schools and local infrastructure projects.

Statewide highlights include the following:

- $452 million for the Department of Higher Education, which includes funding for traditional and regional campuses and community colleges.
- $300 million for K-12 school building construction and improvements.
- $280 million for the Ohio Public Works Commission, which supports a variety of infrastructure initiatives, including local water, sewer and road projects.
- $62.5 million for the Clean Ohio Program.
- $50 million for county jail projects. Funding will be allocated through a competitive, needs-based process.
- $10 million for safety grants for K-12 schools and Ohio's colleges and universities.

OHHS now offering evening hours four days a week

BARNESVILLE – Ohio Hills Health Services welcomes Miles Jefferis, a board-certified family nurse practitioner, to the Barnesville Family Health Center.

The addition to the OHHS team will allow the Barnesville Family Health Center to offer evening hours until 7 p.m. four days a week – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

"We are thrilled to have Miles join our staff and he will allow OHHS to expand our evening hours and to be able to accept walk-in patients," said Jeff Britton, CEO, OHHS. "Miles is knowledgeable, enthusiastic and a team player. He understands OHHS's mission is to make health care accessible and affordable for all area residents, and he will assist us to accomplish that goal."

Jefferis has a strong background in nursing and knows the region's health care providers and networks. He grew up in Barnesville and continues to reside in Barnesville with his wife, Shelby, who is also a nurse. Prior to coming to OHHS, he worked at Barnesville Hospital, Wheeling Hospital and Doctor's Urgent Care in St. Clairsville.

Jefferis obtained a bachelor of science in nursing and a master of science in nursing from Ohio University, Athens.

"It is exciting to see OHHS planning to offer evening hours as this will make it easier for those who are employed or who have children in school to obtain medical care," Jefferis said. "I am eager to return to Barnesville and to take an active role in our area's health care community. Barnesville is home, and it will be my privilege to care for my neighbors and all community members."

A nurse practitioner is an advanced practice registered nurse that has additional education and experience. A nurse practitioner is able to prescribe medications, perform in-office procedures, communicate diagnoses, and order and interpret diagnostic tests. Nurse practitioners are integral members of the health care team in many hospitals and clinical practices.

Office hours for Jefferis will be Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Barnesville Family Health Center and he will also be available to see walk-in patients up to 7 p.m. OHHS will continue to offer early morning appointments on Wednesdays at 7 a.m. To schedule an appointment with Jefferis at the Barnesville Family Health Center, call 740-239-6447.

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CLOUDY
HIGH: 35
LOW: 27

SUNDAY
SNOW POSSIBLE
HIGH: 36
LOW: 30

MONDAY
SNOW POSSIBLE
HIGH: 34
LOW: 25

TUESDAY
SNOW POSSIBLE
HIGH: 30
LOW: 21

WEDNESDAY
CLOUDY
HIGH: 34
LOW: 25

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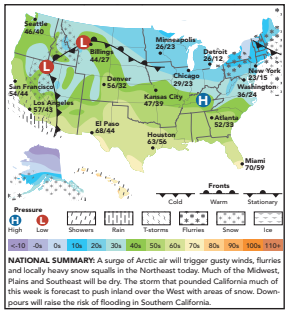
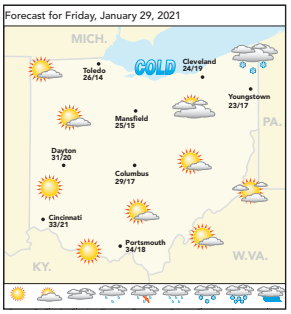
COLUMBUS: Cloudy. High of 28. Low of 16.



NATIONAL SUMMARY: A surge of Arctic air will trigger gusty winds, flurries and locally heavy snow squalls in the Northeast today. Much of the Midwest, Plains and Southeast will be dry. The storm that pounded California much of this week is forecast to push inland over the West with areas of snow. Downpours will raise the risk of flooding in Southern California.



BY THE NUMBERS

Yesterday's high	38	Low today	46	River Reading	12.9 feet
Yesterday's low	34	High tomorrow	35		stationary
Predicted temperatures from the National Weather Service:		Low tomorrow	22	Sunset today	5:35 p.m.
		Precipitation as of 7 p.m. at		Sunrise tomorrow	7:35 a.m.
High today	46	Pike Island	0.01 inches	Length of day	10 hrs.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Jan. 29, the 29th day of 2021. There are 336 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1820, King George III died at Windsor Castle at age 81; he was succeeded by his son, who became King George IV.

In 1845, Edgar Allan Poe's famous narrative poem "The Raven" ("Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary…") was first published in the New York Evening Mirror.

In 1919, the ratification of the 18th Amendment to the Constitution, which launched Prohibition, was certified by Acting Secretary of State Frank L. Polk.

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Democrats to 'act big' on $1.9T aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats in Congress and the White House rejected a Republican pitch to split President Joe Biden's $1.9 trillion COVID-19 rescue plan into smaller chunks on Thursday, with lawmakers appearing primed to muscle the sweeping economic and virus aid forward without GOP help.

Despite Biden's calls for unity, Democrats said the stubbornly high unemployment numbers and battered U.S. economy leave them unwilling to waste time courting Republican support that might not materialize.

They also don't want to curb the size and scope of a package that they say will provide desperately needed money to distribute the vaccine, reopen schools and send cash to American households and businesses.

Biden has been appealing directly to Republican and Democratic lawmakers while signaling his priority to press ahead.

"We've got a lot to do, and the first thing we've got to do is get this COVID package passed," Biden said Thursday in the Oval Office.

The standoff over Biden's first legislative priority is turning the new rescue plan into a political test — of his new administration, of Democratic control of Congress and of the role of Republicans in a post-Trump political landscape.

Success would give Biden a signature accomplishment in his first 100 days in office, unleashing $400 billion to expand vaccinations and to reopen schools, $1,400 direct payments to households, and other priorities, including a gradual increase in the federal minimum wage to $15 an hour.

Failure would be a high-profile setback early in his presidency.

Democrats in the House and Senate are operating as though they know they are borrowed time. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi are laying the groundwork to start the go-it-alone approach as soon as next week.

AP Photo

PRESIDENT JOE Biden speaks in the State Dining Room of the White House in Washington.

They are drafting a budget reconciliation bill that would start the process to pass the relief package with a simple 51-vote Senate majority — rather than the 60-vote threshold typically needed in the Senate to advance legislation. The goal would be passage by March, when jobless benefits, housing assistance and other aid is set to expire.

Schumer said he drew from Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen's advice to "act big" to weather the COVID-19 economic crisis.

"Everywhere you look, alarm bells are ringing," Schumer said from the Senate floor.

Senate Republicans in a bipartisan group warned their colleagues in a "frank" conversation late Wednesday that Biden and Democrats are making a mistake by loading up the aid bill with other priorities and jamming it through Congress without their support, according to a person familiar with the matter who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss the private session.

Sen. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, a former White House budget director under George W. Bush, wants a deeper accounting of what funds remain from the $900 billion coronavirus aid package from December.

"Literally, the money has not gone out the door," he said. "I'm not sure I understand why there's a grave emergency right now."

Biden spoke directly with Republican Sen. Susan Collins of Maine, who is leading the bipartisan effort with Sen. Joe Manchin, D-W.Va., that is racing to strike a compromise.

Collins said she and the president had a "good conversation."

"We both expressed our shared belief that it is possible for the Senate to work in a bipartisan way to get things done for the people of this country," she said.

The emerging debate is highly reminiscent of the partisan divide over the 2009 financial rescue in the early months of the Obama administration, when Biden was vice president, echoing those battles over the appropriate level of government intervention.

White House press secretary Jen Psaki said that although Biden wants a bipartisan package, the administration is opposed to breaking it up to win Republican support.

"We're open for business and open to hear from members of Congress on that," she said, noting that lawmakers are not "wallflowers."

But, she said, "we're not going to do this in a piecemeal way or break apart a big package that's meant to address the crisis we're facing."

On Thursday, more than 120 economists and policymakers signed a letter in support of Biden's package, saying the $900 billion that Congress approved in December before he took office was "too little and too late to address the enormity of the deteriorating situation."

Employers shed workers in December, retail sales have slumped and COVID-19 deaths kept rising. More than 430,000 people in the U.S. have died from the coronavirus as of Thursday.

At the same time, the number of Americans applying for unemployment benefits remained at a historically high 847,000 last week, and a new report said the U.S. economy shrunk by an alarming 3.5% last year.

"The risks of going too small dramatically outweigh the risks of going too big," said Gene Sperling, a former director of the White House National Economic Council, who signed the letter.

The government reported Thursday that the economy showed dangerous signs of stalling in the final three months of last year, ultimately shrinking in size by 3.5% for the whole of 2020 — the sharpest downturn since the demobilization that followed the end of World War II.

The decline was not as severe as initially feared, largely because the government has steered roughly $4 trillion in aid, an unprecedented emergency expenditure, to keep millions of Americans housed, fed, employed and able to pay down debt and build savings amid the crisis.

Republican allies touted the 4% annualized growth during the last quarter, with economic analyst Stephen Moore calling the gains "amazing."

Republicans have also raised concerns about adding to the deficit, which skyrocketed in the Trump administration.

Republican Sen. John Barrasso of Wyoming, the third-ranking party leader, said Biden should stick to the call for unity he outlined in his inaugural address, particularly with the evenly split Senate. "If there's ever been a mandate to move to the middle, it's this," he said. "It's not let's just go off the cliff."

But Democrats argue that low interest rates make the debt manageable and that the possibility of returning to work will do more to improve people's well-being.

The days and weeks ahead, against the backdrop of Trump's impeachment trial on a charge of inciting an insurrection with the U.S. Capitol siege, will set the tone, tenor and parameters of what will be possible in Washington.

Judge OKs extradition of 2 wanted in ex-Nissan boss' escape

BOSTON (AP) — A U.S. judge on Thursday cleared the way for the extradition of an American father and son wanted by Japan for smuggling former Nissan Motor Co. Chairman Carlos Ghosn out of the country while he was awaiting trial.

U.S. District Judge Indira Talwani rejected a request to block the U.S. from handing Michael Taylor and his son, Peter Taylor, over to Japan. Her ruling comes three months after the U.S. State Department said it had approved their extradition.

Talwani had put their extradition on hold in October after their lawyers filed an emergency petition. The judge said in her ruling on Thursday that U.S. authorities have "sufficiently established" that that the actions the Taylors are accused of making "amount to an extraditable offense."

The men's lawyers, which included former Trump White House attorney Ty Cobb, had been lobbying officials within the State Department and White House to block the extradition.

Another one of their lawyers, Paul Kelly, declined to comment on Thursday. The Taylors' legal team said in court papers that they plan to appeal to the Boston-based 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

"This distinguished former member of the U.S. Army Special Forces and his son did not commit any crime and are being pursued by Japan in an effort to save face after the departure of Carlos Ghosn from their country," Cobb and attorney Paul Kelly said in an emailed statement after the State Department's October decision.

The Taylors are wanted by Japan so they can be tried on charges that they helped the former Nissan chairman flee the country last year with Ghosn tucked away in a box on a private jet. Ghosn had been out on bail and awaiting trial on allegations that he under-reported his future income and committed a breach of trust by diverting Nissan money for his personal gain.

Ghosn, who led Japanese automaker Nissan for two decades, rescuing it from near-bankruptcy, denies any wrongdoing. He said he fled because he could not expect a fair trial, was subjected to unfair conditions in detention and was barred from meeting his wife under his bail conditions.

Ghosn is now in Lebanon, where he has citizenship but which has no extradition treaty with Japan.

The Taylors have not denied helping Ghosn flee but insist they can't be extradited because they say what they are accused of isn't a crime under Japan law. They have been behind bars in Massachusetts since their arrest in May.

Prosecutors have described it as one of the most "brazen and well-orchestrated escape acts in recent history, involving a dizzying array of luxury hotel meetups, fake personas, bullet train travel and the chartering of a private jet."

Michael Taylor flew into Osaka on a chartered jet from Dubai with another man, George-Antoine Zayek, carrying two large black boxes and told airport employees they were musicians carrying audio equipment on Dec. 29, 2019, authorities said. Meanwhile, Ghosn headed to the Grand Hyatt in Tokyo and met up with Peter Taylor, who was already in Japan.

The elder Taylor and Zayek joined after a brief stop to rent a separate room near the airport. Soon after their arrival, the group left the Grand Hyatt and split up. Peter Taylor hopped on a flight to China, authorities say. The others got on a bullet train and went back to a hotel where Taylor and Zayek had booked a room. They all went in; only two were seen walking out.

Authorities say Ghosn was inside one of the big black boxes, lugged by the two men to Japan's Kansai International Airport, authorities said.

The boxes passed through a security checkpoint without being checked and were loaded onto a private jet headed for Turkey, officials said in court documents.

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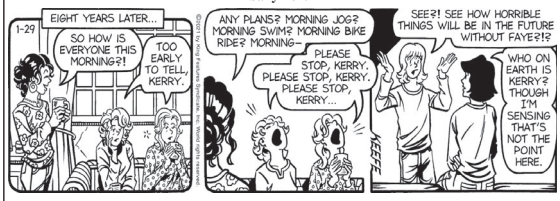

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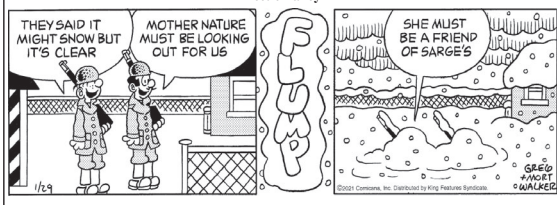

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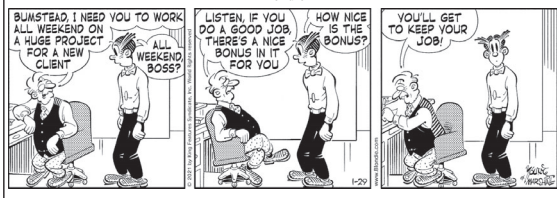

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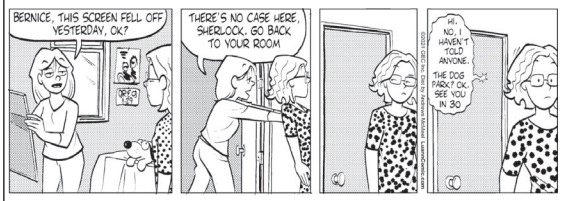

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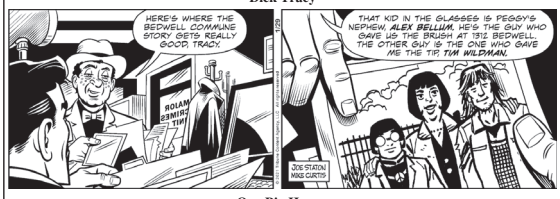

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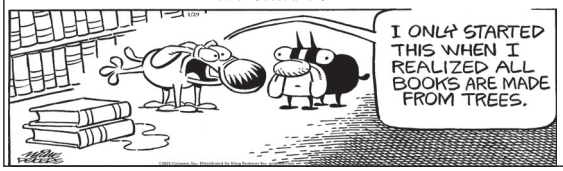

FRIDAY PRIME TIME

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2	Evening News	KDKA-TV News	MacGyver [CC]		Magnum P.I. [HD]		Blue Bloods "The Price You Pay" [HD]		News at Eleven	Late-Colbert
4	Inside Edition [CC]	Ent. Tonight	Shark Tank [CC] (DVS)		20/20 (9:01) "While He Was Sleeping..." A man discusses the killing of his wife.				Action News 4	Jimmy Kimmel
7	Ent. Tonight	Inside Edition [CC]	MacGyver [CC]		Magnum P.I. [HD]		Blue Bloods "The Price You Pay" [HD]		7News at 11pm (N)	Late-Colbert
9	Jeopardy! [CC]	Wheel of Fortune [CC]	The Blacklist "Elizabeth Keen" (N) [HD]		Dateline NBC (N)				News 9 Tonight	Tonight Show
11	Jeopardy! [CC]	Wheel of Fortune [CC]	The Blacklist "Elizabeth Keen" (N) [HD]		Dateline NBC (N)				Channel 11	Tonight Show
13	World News	GZERO World	Washington Week	Firing-Hoover	In Concert at the Hollywood Bowl [CC]		In Concert at the Hollywood Bowl [CC]		Amanpour and Company (N)	
22	black-ish [HD]	Modern Family [CC]	Law & Order: Criminal Intent [HD]		Law & Order: Criminal Intent [HD]		Goldbergs	Schitt's Creek [HD]	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers
24	PBS NewsHour (N)		Washington Week	Firing-Hoover	In Concert at the Hollywood Bowl [CC]		In Concert at the Hollywood Bowl [CC]		Amanpour and Company (N)	
27	Wheel of Fortune [CC]	Jeopardy! [CC]	MacGyver [CC]		Magnum P.I. [HD]		Blue Bloods "The Price You Pay" [HD]		First News	Late-Colbert
33	News Channel	Ent. Tonight	Shark Tank [CC] (DVS)		20/20 (9:01) "While He Was Sleeping..." A man discusses the killing of his wife.				News Chan.	Jimmy Kimmel
44	PBS NewsHour (N)		Washington Week	Firing-Hoover	In Concert at the Hollywood Bowl [CC]		In Concert at the Hollywood Bowl [CC]		Amanpour and Company (N)	
53	Big Bang Theory	Two and Half Men	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (Live)				Channel 11 News on FOX 53 at 10 (N)		Seinfeld [CC]	Seinfeld [CC]
AMC	Lethal Weapon 2 (5:30) (NR) *** Mel Gibson.		O Brother, Where Art Thou? (PG-13, '00) *** George Clooney, John Turturro. Three escaped convicts embark on an unusual odyssey.					Caddyshack (R, '80) ** Chevy Chase, Rodney Dangerfield, Bill Murray.		
A&E	The First 48 A mother of five is killed. [CC]		The First 48 "1,000 Cuts; Draw" [HD]		The First 48: My First Homicide (N) [HD]		Rescue Cam (10:01) [HD]	Rescue Cam (10:32) [HD]	Live Rescue: Rewind (11:04) [HD]	
ATTSP	The Ten		Tennis Classics 2015 Montreal Masters Final.						Football Weekly	Sports Stars
ESPN	NBA		NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at New Orleans Pelicans. (N) (Live)				NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Utah Jazz. (N) (Live)			
FREE	Family Guy [HD]	Family Guy [HD]	Family Guy [HD]	Family Guy [HD]	Family Guy [HD]	Family Guy [HD]	Family Guy [HD]	Family Guy [HD]	The 700 Club Abortion policy and law.	
LIFE	Little Women: Atlanta [HD]		Little Women: Atlanta (N) [HD]		Little Women: Atlanta Monie makes her return to Atlanta. [HD]			Little Women	Little Women: Atlanta (11:03) [HD]	
MTV	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness	Ridiculousness
NICK	The Loud House [CC]	The Casagrandes [CC]	Danger Force [CC]	Side Hustle [CC]	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Friends [CC]	Friends [CC]	Friends [CC]	Friends [CC]
PARMT	The Wolf of Wall Street (R, '13) *** Leonardo DiCaprio, Jonah Hill, Margot Robbie. Premiere. A stockbroker develops habits of excess and corruption.								Casino (R) *** Robert De Niro.	
PLEX	Sparkle (6:02) (PG-13) **		Fools Rush In (PG-13, '97) ** Matthew Perry, Salma Hayek, Jon Tenney.				First Knight (9:51) (PG-13, '95) ** Sean Connery, Richard Gere.			
STZENC	Good Will Hunting (6:50) (R, '97) *** Matt Damon, Robin Williams.				Robin Hood (PG-13) ** Russell Crowe. Robin and his men battle the Sheriff of Nottingham.				Glory (11:24)	
TBS	Family Guy [HD]	Suicide Squad (PG-13, '16) ** Will Smith, Jared Leto, Margot Robbie. Armed supervillains unite to battle a powerful entity. (DVS)					Wild Wild West (PG-13, '99) * Will Smith, Kevin Kline. Secret agents fight to stop a presidential assassination.			
TDC	Gold Rush: Pay Dirt "Got Your Six" [HD]		Gold Rush (8:05) "Freddy to the Rescue" Parker's mines out the Airstrip Cut. (N) [HD]				Mystery at Blind Frog Ranch (N) [CC]		Gold Rush: Parker's Trail (11:15) [HD]	
TLC	Unexpected [HD]		90 Day Fiancé (8:05) In Belize, Stephanie tests Ryan. (N) [HD]				90 Day Fiancé Brandon stands up to his parents. (N) [HD]		90 Day Fiancé [HD]	
TNT	Bones The team searches for Brennan. [HD]		Beauty and the Beast (PG, '17) *** Emma Watson, Dan Stevens. A young woman discovers the kind heart and soul of a beast. (DVS)					Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (PG) *** Johnny Depp, Freddie Highmore.		
USA	Chicago P.D. A cop targets women leaving a casino. [HD]		Chicago P.D. An escaped killer heads to Chicago. [HD]		John Wick: Chapter 2 (R, '17) *** Keanu Reeves, Common. Legendary hit man John Wick takes on deadly killers in Rome. (DVS)				Modern Family (11:32) [HD]	

PREMIUM CHANNELS

DISN	Zombies (5:45) (NR) [CC]	Bunk'd (N) [CC]	Secrets-Sulphur Springs	Gabby Duran	Gabby Duran	Big City Greens (9:40) [CC]	Bunk'd (10:05) [CC]	Bunk'd [CC]	Secrets-Sulphur Springs	Gabby Duran
HBO	Battleship (5:05)		REAL Sports With Bryant Gumbel (7:20)		Walk of Shame (8:20) (R, '14) • Elizabeth Banks, James Marsden.		Real Time With Bill Maher (N) (Live) [HD]		Painting With John [HD]	Real Time, Bill Maher
SHOW	The Woman in Black		The Turning (7:25) (PG-13, '20) • Mackenzie Davis, Finn Wolfhard.		Hereditary (R, '18) *** Toni Collette, Gabriel Byrne. A family tries to outrun the sinister fate they inherited.				Tommy Boy (11:10) (PG-13) ** Chris Farley.	
STARZ	Premium Rush (6:25) (PG-13, '12) ***		Bloodshot (PG-13, '20) ** Vin Diesel, Guy Pearce. A reanimated soldier tries to recover his true memories.				American Gods (9:53) "Ashes and Demons" [HD]		Looper (10:47) (R, '12) *** Bruce Willis.	
TMC	The Fisher King (5:30) (R, '91) *** Robin Williams.		The Big Lebowski (R, '98) *** Jeff Bridges. An L.A. slacker gets caught up in a wacky kidnapping plot.				The Jesus Rolls (R, '19) John Turturro, Bobby Cannavale, Audrey Tautou.			Barton Fink (R) ***

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Horoscopes
by Holiday

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan.29). You'll give up three things to gain one crucial ingredient to your success. The year is still young when you succeed at your purpose with loving eyes on you -- what could be better. Even as you cross the finish line on your own, you know you the truth -- that you sail on the invisible wings of your team. Libra and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 10, 5, 33 and 48.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). To learn fast, first forget what you know. Clean the slate and begin anew. You'll absorb your environment better once you lose all preexisting ideas about the place.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You've made efforts to fit in with people and now those are starting to pay off. They feel like they know, like and trust you. For these reasons, you'll have influence.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Time has one job -- to march forward. When done well, this tends to keep everything from happening at once. Today, it's like time got distracted, stood still, and now there's a cluster of events vying for the same slot.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're often inspired to contribute, and sometimes you feel driven to contribute even when uninspired. But when the situation stirs neither inspiration nor drive, that's a message, too. Maybe it's just not a match.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The lunar position has you quite literally mooning, heart full of love, body swept into the swoon and your mind a bright projection into the fog of possible next moves and an array of potential futures.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's so much within your control that it would be a terrible waste to worry about anything that is not. Dive in and play hard with the multitude of resources you have.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It will enliven you to connect with your environment. Where you are doesn't have to be particularly appealing either, but it helps if it's new or if for some reason you are now noticing new things about it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Life is a buffet, and you're a pro. You know better than to start loading up your plate at the start of the display. Give it a walk through first. You won't be able to eat it all. What's the delicious priority?

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The same pursuit that should, theoretically, be avoided at all costs is also too seductive to resist. Consider how you might be able to use this very human response to the forbidden.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). What keeps you from mixing it up right now? Do you think eventually this imperfection will get fixed and all will be different? What if this is it? You may as well tussle and play in this imperfect moment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Challenging scenarios and novel victories have their place, but that is a strategy for a different time. Right now, focus on the battle you know you can win.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The seasoned sailor tests the water, not out of fear but intelligence. The information-gathering makes for better decisions and smoother sailing. It's also a sign of respect to the sea.

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Bordas & Bordas donates to Oglebay foundation

Money Will Go to Access to the Parks Scholarships

By DEREK REDD
For The Times Leader

If there's a sport that can weather the problems of COVID-19, it's golf. With wide ranges of green and tons of fresh air, it has social distancing baked into it.

That fact helped the Bordas & Bordas law firm provide a huge helping hand to the Oglebay Foundation to give children in need the opportunity to experience everything Oglebay and Wheeling Park can offer.

Bordas & Bordas partner Scott Blass and Oglebay Foundation President and CEO Eriks Janelsins met Thursday afternoon at Wheeling Park's JB Chambers Memorial Ice Rink, so Blass could present a $10,000 check to the Oglebay Foundation. That donation will support the foundation's Access to the Parks scholarships.

With those scholarships, children from low-income families from Ohio County, along with an accompanying adult, receive free year-round admission to all the activities at Oglebay and Wheeling Park.

"Every year, welcome 20,000 children to the parks at no cost to those children," Janelsins said. "I think the amazing thing about the park system, and Wheeling as a community, is that the (Oglebay) Men's Golf Club and Bordas & Bordas sponsored this great golf tournament and, because of that, today kids can skate at Wheeling Park at no cost to them."

The 2020 Bordas & Bordas Amateur Golf Classic had to move from its normal June date this year to September due to the pandemic.

Yet Blass said 160 players competed, which was the most entered in the three years the firm has sponsored the tournament. Those players, he added, were able to enjoy a fun — and safe — time on the links.

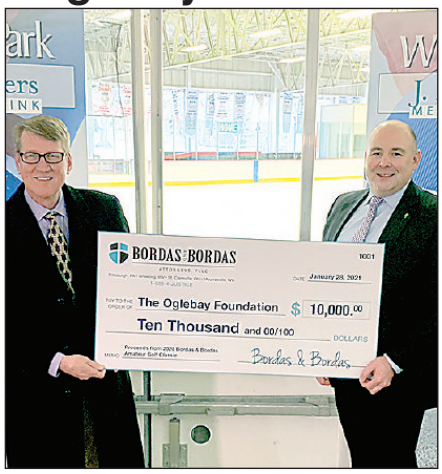
"The park was doing a great job with making it as safe as possible for people to enjoy golf here at Oglebay," Blass said. "And I'm happy to report we didn't have a single incident of any COVID-related infections during our two-day event."

Blass said the firm plans to return the event to its normal June date, but if the pandemic forces another change, he is sure Oglebay will be more than happy to help accommodate that. Bordas & Bordas loves the opportunity to help the Oglebay Foundation in its mission, especially with its Access to the Parks scholarship program.

"It's one of our favorites at the firm," Blass said. "Kids here in the valley, who wouldn't be able to come to this beautiful new ice rink and skate and enjoy, can come free of charge. It's not just the ice rink. It's the zoo. It's everything Oglebay has to offer."

Janelsins knows there has been so much stress on families throughout Ohio County due to the pandemic. Those scholarships make sure some of the most in need have opportunities to escape some of that stress. And they can do so as safely as possible.

"Especially during this COVID year, what we found is that people just needed to get out of the house," Janelsins said. "And parks provide safe places where you can be outside and be active. We need it both for our physical health and mental health. And the parks are committed to allowing every child … to enjoy the pools, the zoo and everything at both Oglebay and Wheeling Park."



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BORDAS & Bordas partner Scott Blass, right, presents a $10,000 check to Oglebay Foundation President and CEO Eriks Janelsins to support Access to the Parks scholarships, which provides Ohio County children and an accompanying adult free year-round admission to Oglebay and Wheeling parks.

Two suspects sought in VooDoo Lounge shooting

From STAFF REPORTS

WHEELING — One person was injured in an early Thursday morning shooting at LaLa's VooDoo Lounge on Wheeling Island, and police seek two suspects.

Police were called to the VooDoo Lounge on South Penn Street around 12:50 a.m. Thursday in response to the shooting.

At the scene, one person was shot and two suspects were said to have fled on foot.

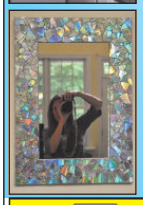
The shooting victim was taken to the hospital for treatment.

Witnesses told police both suspects were light skinned black males, possibly in their 20s or 30s. The first suspect is described as tall and skinny, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and a black weave cap at the time of the incident.

The second was described as shorter, with medium build, and with a uniquely long, pointed beard.

Anyone with information is asked to call 304-234-3664, submit a crime tip at wheelingwv.gov/crimetip or call the new Crime Stoppers Upper Ohio Valley tip line at 877-TIPS4US.

DIY Home Decorating Ideas



Below are some interesting ideas to perk up any home. Use one or all to create a new look in your rooms. The best part of a DIY project is you get what you want; plus the satisfaction of being able to say, "I did that myself" when the compliments come rolling in.

Check out these ideas and make them your creations in making your house, a home!

Ideas are courtesy of diycozyhome.com

1. **Chalkboard Wall paint**
Put a chalkboard anywhere you can paint. Works great for kitchens and kids rooms. These paints are also magnetic, giving you more opportunities to be creative.

2. **Wine Cork Necklace Rack**
Turn a few spare wine corks into a stylish way to display your jewelry. Finally. put all of those wine corks lying around to good use!

3. **Floating Bookshelf**
Create a floating bookshelf out of books themselves. Creates an eye catching illusion that will appeal to your friends and family.

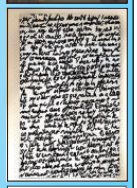
4. **Gold Flower Pots**
Give your home a luxury look by spray painting ordinary flower pots a metallic gold. Can bring an exquisite design to any home or apartment.

5. **Personalized Handwritten Canvas**
Make boring walls more personal by writing out your favorite quotes, expressions, and song lyrics on a blank canvas and hanging it up. Give your home some of your personal expression.

6. **Simple Custom Shelves**
All you need are some brackets and a piece of wood. The best thing about this project is that you can choose any style of wood you want. You can also paint it any color.

7. **Mosaic CD Mirror**
Take a mirror and place broken CD's around the frame. You can use different types of CD's to get the appearance of different colors. Looks incredible!

8. **Reading Nook**
Turn a curved curtain rod and some cheap curtains into a stylish and comfortable reading nook!



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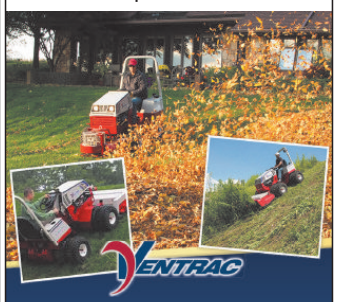

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St. C. girls fight off Buckeye

By TRACY WATSON
For The Times Leader

ST. CLAIRSVILLE - Head Coach Stacey Agnew wants his St. Clairsville girls' basketball team to "get better every day".

Having won seven of their last 10 starts following an 0-3 beginning, and with senior Macy Malin getting healthier and playing more every game, that is exactly what his Lady Red Devils appear to be doing.

Thursday night St. Clairsville played aggressive defense, helping to force 27 Buckeye Local turnovers, which led to a pair of scoring bursts that was more than enough to push Agnew's club over the .500 mark to 7-6 on the campaign.

Sophomore Megan Malin scored a game-high 15 points, while junior Shae Brookover (12) and Macy Malin (11) were also both in double-figures, and the Red Devils used runs of 11-0 in the second quarter and 15-0 in the third to cruise to a 55-28 victory over the Panthers on John Jenkins Court inside St. Clairsville High School.

While Coach Jeff Stone's 4-11 record Buckeye Local squad committed 11 miscues in the first quarter, an 11-5 rebounding edge allowed the Panthers to stay close at 13-9 after the initial eight minutes of play.

"We have been working on boxing out and it finally started to show in the second quarter," Agnew admitted. "Our intensity just wasn't as good as it should have been at the start."

But after a Landyn Walker hoop closed the deficit to four to end the first St. Clairsville, with help from back-to-back three-point bombs from junior Sydney Miller, scored 11 consecutive points to push the lead to 24-9 with 4:56 to play in the half. The margin extended to 16 points at the

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ST. CLAIRSVILLE'S Macy Malin works the ball into the frontcourt as Buckeye Local's Emily Valuska defends during Thursday's game on John Jenkins Court at St. Clairsville High School. The Red Devils rolled to a 55-28 victory.

Surprising Cavs quickly climbing back into NBA contention

CLEVELAND (AP) – LeBron James could be considered something of a history buff on the Cavaliers. After all, he's responsible for making – and altering – the franchise for more than a decade.

So after scorching his former team on Monday night with a 46-point, tour-de-force performance he said was fueled by seeing a member of Cleveland's front office overreact to one of his few missed shots, the Lakers superstar admitted keeping an eye on the Cavs.

He's impressed.

"You can tell that team is improving," James said.

No doubt, the Cavs, who were left in shambles when James bolted as a free agent three seasons ago, are ahead of schedule.

Led by All-Star-in-the-making guard Collin Sexton, center Andre Drummond, and boasting unexpected depth and defense under coach J.B. Bickerstaff, the Cavs are 9-9 and currently holding a playoff spot in the Eastern Conference as they prepare to visit the New York Knicks on Friday.

And while Cleveland's record is surprising, it's notable the Cavs have made the jump despite myriad injuries, including one to All-Star forward Kevin Love, who has played 46 minutes all season.

Bickerstaff has the Cavs playing a loose, aggressive and relentless style of ball that allows them to stay with more talented teams and helped them beat comparable ones.

"Just a scrappy team, like to get after it," said guard Darius Garland, who turned 21 on Tuesday. "And we base ourselves this year on that. Just being active on both ends of the floor. Starting defensively, just have to get into guys, be physical, on and off the ball. So that's our identity this year."

Last week, the Cavs opened eyes around the league with back-to-back wins over the Brooklyn Nets. Granted, Brooklyn is still blending its' Big 3, and Kevin Durant missed the second game

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AP PHOTO

PITTSBURGH STEELERS quarterback Ben Roethlisberger (7) looks to pass during the first half of an NFL wild-card playoff football game against the Cleveland Browns in Pittsburgh earlier this month.

Steelers want Roethlisberger back ... if the money works

PITTSBURGH (AP) – The Pittsburgh Steelers want Ben Roethlisberger to return in 2021.

It's the money, however, that makes it tricky.

Team president Art Rooney II admitted on Thursday there is work to be done to lower Roethlisberger's scheduled $41.2 million salary cap hit before Roethlisberger can begin work on his 18th season in Pittsburgh.

The club has already broached the subject with Roethlisberger but with specifics on the 2021 cap still scarce, Rooney acknowledged it's too early to get into details.

"I think we'd like to see Ben back for another year if that can work, but as we said there's a lot of work to be done if that can happen," Rooney said. "There may need to be decisions on both ends for that to happen."

The cap was $198.2 million in 2020 but could drop to $180 million or possibly even lower in 2021, a byproduct of the COVID-19 pandemic that kept most stadiums – including Heinz Field – empty for all or most of the season.

The Steelers could conceivably save $19 million against the cap if they cut Roethlisberger but Rooney dismissed that notion, pointing to a season in which the 38-year-old was "almost unstoppable" at times while leading Pittsburgh to a 12-4 mark and the AFC North title a year removed from right elbow surgery.

Rooney pointed to a running game that finished last in the NFL in both yards and yards per attempt as one of the main culprits behind a late slide in which the Steelers dropped five of their final six following an 11-0 start, including a 4 8-37 whipping at the hands of Cleveland in the first round of the playoffs.

Pittsburgh took steps toward addressing the problem by letting offensive coordinator Randy Fichtner and offensive line coach Shaun Sarrett go earlier this month. Matt Canada, brought in as quarterbacks coach a year ago, was promoted to replace Fichtner and Alfredo Roberts was hired as tight ends coach following James Daniels' retirement.

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Penguins warily carry on after GM's abrupt exit

PITTSBURGH (AP) – Sidney Crosby is used to change. More than 15 years in the NHL has taught the Pittsburgh Penguins longtime captain that it's simply part of the business.

Not all change, however, is created equal. Having a teammate traded, sign with another club or incur a long-term injury is one thing. Having the architect who put together a roster that led the Penguins to consecutive Stanley Cups resign without warning is another.

So, yes, it was weird for Crosby and the rest of the Penguins to learn after practice Wednesday that general manager Jim Rutherford decided to step down. Rutherford cited personal reasons and declined to get into specifics with anyone, including Crosby.

"I think everyone was surprised," Crosby said Thursday.

Still, Crosby believes the contribution Rutherford made to one of the NHL's premier franchises and the state he left it in leaves the Penguins in decent shape, at least after the initial shock wears off.

"I think there's some great people here that will continue to do good work," Crosby said.

Patrik Allvin gets the first crack at picking up where Rutherford left off.

AP PHOTO

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS general manager Jim Rutherford watches NHL hockey practice at UPMC Lemieux Sports Complex in Cranberry Pa. Rutherford, a Hockey Hall of Famer who helped lead the team to a pair of Stanley Cup titles, resigned abruptly on Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2021. The 71-year-old cited "personal reasons" in making the decision.

A longtime member of the scouting department before becoming assistant general manager in the fall, the 46-year-old becomes the first Swedish-born NHL general manager. Not that he's had time to let the significance sink in.

"It's definitely been a roller-coaster here for sure," Allvin said. "A lot of emotions. A lot of mixed feelings."

Allvin takes over a team that's survived a series of injuries – particularly on defense – to work its way into the middle of the pack of what will be a crowded and competitive East Division. The Penguins are 4-2-1 heading into Thursday night's game against Boston despite losing defensemen Marcus Pettersson, Brian Dumoulin and Juuso Riikola for an extended period in a truncated 56-game season.

While team president David Morehouse is plunging head-first into find-

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Bruins skate past Penguins, 4-1

BOSTON (AP) – Anders Bjork's pass deflected off a defender's rear end and Sean Kuraly's leg to break a second-period tie and help the Boston Bruins win their fourth straight game, 4-1 over the Pittsburgh Penguins on Thursday night.

Patrice Bergeron had two goals and Chris Wagner also scored for Boston. Jaroslav Halak stopped 16 shots for the Bruins' second victory over Pittsburgh in three days. It was Bergeron's fourth and fifth goals of the season and the first for Kuraly and Wagner.

Cody Ceci scored his first and Tristan Jarry had 16 saves for the Penguins, who arrived in Boston with a four-game winning streak but have now lost two in a row.

Wagner gave the Bruins the lead early in the first, but Ceci tied it for the Penguins with five minutes left in the period. With about a minute to go in the first, Bjork made a nice move to get past a stickless defender at the point, then flipped the puck toward the net.

It bounced off of Teddy Blueger's bottom, through another defender's legs before deflecting Kuraly's leg into the net.

Bergeron made it 3-1 in the second, getting the rebound after his first attempt hit a skate and sliding the puck over to his backhand then past Jarry. The Bruins captain added another in the power play early in the third.

SHAKEUP

It was the first game for the Penguins since general manager Jim Rutherford abruptly stepped down on Wednesday. Rutherford, who built the teams that won the Stanley Cup in 2016 and '17, cited personal reasons and declined to get into specifics with anyone, including star Sidney Crosby.

"I think everyone was surprised," Crosby said Thursday.

WHAT'S NEXT

Penguins: Visit the Rangers for back-to-back games on Saturday and Sunday.

Bruins: Travel to Washington for their first two games against former captain Zdeno Chara, Saturday and Sunday.

Texier's shootout goal lifts Blue Jackets over Panthers

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) – Alexandre Texier slickly beat Chris Driedger five-hole in the fourth round of a shootout to lift the Columbus Blue Jackets over the Florida Panthers 3-2 on Thursday night.

Texier skated slowly in on Chris Driedger and poked the puck between his pads with the back of his stick. Columbus' Elvis Merzlikins sealed it by denying Patric Hornqvist, who scored the winning goal in a shootout between the teams Tuesday night.

Florida's Eetu Luostarinen tied it in the third period, and Carter Verhaeghe also had a goal for the Panthers. Driedger finished with 29 saves.

Mikko Koivu and Max Domi scored and Merzlikins had 33 saves as Columbus dealt the Panthers their first loss in four games this season. Columbus rebounded after giving up a tying goal with 3 seconds left in regulation Tuesday night and then losing the shootout.

Koivu got his first goal as a Blue Jacket late in the first period. Eric Robinson got to the loose puck behind the net, brought it around and set up Koivu with a pass across the crease.

Verhaeghe took advantage of Columbus' turnover in Florida's zone late in the second to tie it with a poke from the doorstep past the glove of a falling Merzlikins.

Domi got his first goal of the season – also his first as a Blue Jacket – when he beat Driedger on a power play at 6:19 of the third period. The Panthers tied it again at 12:56 when Luostarinen tapped in a rebound that had trickled into the blue paint.

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Panthers: F Brett Connolly played in his 500th NHL game. ... Verhaeghe has four goals in the last three games and has points in all four of Florida's games. ... Longtime Blue Jacket Markus Nutivaara had the secondary assist on Luostarinen's goal.

Blue Jackets: Jack Roslovic, who grew up in Columbus rooting for the Blue Jackets, made his debut with the team after coming in the trade with Winnipeg for Pierre-Luc Dubois. ... Koivu, who is playing his first season in Columbus after 15 in Minnesota, has points in the last two games.

UP NEXT

Panthers: Move on to Detroit for a two-game set on Saturday and Sunday before heading home for a string of six.

Blue Jackets: Play at Chicago on Friday and Sunday.

Players who opted out look to shake off rust at Senior Bowl

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) – Former Wake Forest quarterback Jamie Newman hasn't played in a game in about 400 days since first switching schools and then opting out of the 2020 season.

Newman is hardly alone among the players trying to shake off the rust after long layoffs leading up to Saturday's Senior Bowl for senior NFL prospects.

A number of the Senior Bowl players had shortened seasons or none at all because of the coronavirus pandemic. Some chose to opt out of the season and start preparing for the draft – including Newman, Michigan wide receiver Nico Collins and Washington defensive tackle Levi Onwuzurike.

Others had their seasons postponed to spring or their teams played few games, if any.

The lack of 2020 game film makes this week, and Saturday's game, more important than usual.

"If there ever was a year when playing in the game was important, it would be this year to see how you play with the bullets flying," said Carolina Panthers and American team head coach Matt Rhule. "What do you do?"

It will be Newman's first live game action since the Pinstripe Bowl against Michigan State on Dec. 27, 2019. He passed for 2,868 yards and 26 touchdowns against 11 interceptions that season.

Then Newman captured considerable headlines by transferring to Southeastern Conference power Georgia, where he was expected to start before choosing to opt out of the season.

"There was definitely some rust," Newman said.

He said his family's input was the biggest factor in his decision to opt out despite some criticism from Georiga fans on social media.

"No regrets of not playing this season," Newman said. "Still love DawgNation regardless of all the stuff that I get via Instagram. Still got love to that family. Still got love for the fans."

One American team teammate praised Newman's practice week,

"I think he's shown that he can play with some of the best people in the country," said Texas A&M quarterback Kellen Mond. "I feel like he's been super efficient both in the run and the pass game.

"Being able to handle both the run and the pass game, I think that was definitely something that a lot of people were coming out here to see with so much time off. But I think he's done a really good job."

There are number of players at the Senior Bowl returning after a long absences from the field.

Sage Surratt, a former Wake Forest teammate of Newman, also opted out of the season after racking up 1,001 receiving yards in nine games in 2019.

Collins also sat out after having 37 catches for 729 yards and seven touchdowns in 2019. Collins faced questions about his rationale from some NFL teams.

"I came back for my senior year and they ended up canceling the season (opener) against Purdue and nobody could tell me or knew the next time we would play, and I felt like I was in No Man's Land," Collins explained. "So I sat down with my family and had to make a business decision."

Florida State safety Hamsah Nasirildeen only played in two games after attempting to return from a knee injury sustained in November 2019.

A number of small-school prospects had their seasons moved to the spring, not optimal for players preparing for the draft.

That group at the Senior Bowl includes offensive linemen Dillon Radunz (North Dakota State), David Moore (Grambling State), Quinn Meinerz (Wisconsin-Whitewater) and Spencer Brown (Northern Iowa), along with Northern Iowa defensive lineman Elerson Smith.

Arizona State wide receiver Frank Darby was expecting to finally be the go-to receiver but only recorded stats (six catches) in two games, missing one game with an injury and the finale because of a family issue. The Sun Devils have had receivers – N'Keal Harry and Brandon Aiyuk – drafted in each of the past two first rounds.

Darby trained in Las Vegas for the Senior Bowl and the now-canceled combine.

"A lot of things are clicking back," said Darby, who averaged 19.9 yards per reception with eight touchdown catches in 2019. "It's kind of like riding a bicycle. You haven't ridden in a long time but once you get on it, you might fall a little bit to start off, but after you get going you get going."

Rhule believes it was a smart decision for these players to participate in the Senior Bowl, no matter how rusty they might have been. He still wants to hear the reasons behind any decisions to opt out.

"I think opting out is just like transferring to me," Rhule said. "It's just like any other personal decision. I just always want to understand why. COVID has affected everyone so differently that I'm not here to judge anyone on their reaction to it. But it's always big decisions."

No. 14 Ohio State women beat No. 16 Indiana

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) – Braxtin Miller made 3 of 5 from 3-point range with a season-high 25 points, and No. 14 Ohio State overcame an early 11-point deficit to beat No. 16 Indiana 78-70 on Thursday night.

It was Miller's second straight game setting a season high after scoring 18 points against Maryland on Monday. Dorka Juhasz added 19 points and 12 rebounds for the Buckeyes (10-1, 6-1 Big Ten), the 27th double-double of her career. Aaliyah Patty scored 13 points.

Grace Berger matched a season high with 26 points and Mackenzie Holmes scored 17 for the Hoosiers (9-4, 7-2), who scored the first 11 points of the game.

Ohio State erased the deficit late in the second quarter but trailed 39-38 at the break and 54-53 after the third quarter. The Buckeyes opened the fourth with 11 straight points and pulled away for good with a 7-0 run that made it 71-60 with 2:02 left.

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break with the hosts holding a 29-13 edge.

Things got no better in the third chapter, even though a Walker basket started the frame just 20 minutes in before six straight Brookover points highlighted a 15-0 burst that made it an insurmountable 44-15 score at 2:23 of the third. The Devils, who had just six turnovers through three quarters, held a 46-17 lead after three with the starters sitting for the majority of the final chapter.

"We want to get better every day, and we have been doing a good job of doing that," Agnew added. "Macy (Malin) continues to get more playing time and is seeing the floor better and things are picking up for us. She is our only senior and some of the other kids are still learning, but everyone is playing hard and good things are starting to happen for us."

Miller and sophomore Lacy Tuttle each chipped in six points for the winners, who turned the ball over 12 times on the night and managed to fight their way back to a 29-29 deadlock on the boards. Junior Demetria Christian scored seven points and pulled down nine rebounds for the Panthers while Megan Valuska had a team-high eight points and Walker contributed six.

"We knew they were going to press us, and we have been working on breaking it in practice, but making diagonal passes have been killing us," Stone commented. "We don't really look we just throw the ball sometimes. St. Clairsville is a good team, and we had a couple of cold patches, which is pretty much our season in a nutshell.

"Our program has been shut down off and on and we have just not been able to get into any kind of a shooting groove all season long. But the turnovers were the big difference and we definitely need to get better at handling the basketball the rest of this year and heading into next season."

AP PHOTO

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS' Collin Sexton, right, drives past Detroit Pistons' Josh Jackson in the first half of a game, Wednesday in Cleveland.

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game as part of his post-surgery maintenance. But the Cavs showed off their resiliency and toughness in taking down one of the East's elites.

"Our main goal is to beat up teams as much as possible, to wear them down," Drummond said after Cleveland's 122-107 win on Wednesday over Detroit. "Cavalier basketball."

After winning just 19 games and being excluded from the NBA's Orlando bubble last season, the Cavs are climbing.

In Sexton, the Cavs have a future star.

A first-round draft pick in 2018, Sexton is a blur with the ball in his hands. And while his speed can sometimes get him into trouble, the 22-year-old is more than a handful for any team to stop as he's become defensive objective No. 1 for any opponent.

Sexton's averaging 25.2 points per game and he single-handedly took down the Nets last week, scoring 42 points – 20 in overtime – in a double-OT win. After poor shooting nights (combined 9 of 27) in consecutive losses to Boston and Los Angeles, Sexton bounced back against the Pistons with 29 points, five rebounds and five assists.

Bickerstaff was impressed with how Sexton adjusted to different looks the Pistons showed him.

"I thought he read the game the right way," said Bickerstaff, who took over last season after John Beilein stepped down. "I thought he recognized how they we're playing them in the pick and roll and where he could get his shot from. And I also thought he played with great patience. In the pick and roll, you don't always have to go 100 miles an hour."

The Cavs have been speeding along as well.

This was supposed to be another year of growth and change in Cleveland. But general manager Koby Altman, who was charged with a massive rebuild when James left, has strengthened the roster through smart drafting (rookie Isaac Okoro is a defensive stopper) and trades, including one that brought Jarrett Allen and Taurean Prince, two talented frontcourt players from Brooklyn, earlier this month in the James Harden deal.

Other moves – and challenges – lie ahead. After winning three straight, the Cavs got thumped by the Celtics, a loss Bickerstaff feared was coming.

"It was a lesson that we needed to learn," he said. "We were reading our press clippings and smelling ourselves because we had a couple good games."

There are roster issues. Drummond is in his final year under contract, and the Cavs are probably priced out of keeping him, which is why the 22-year-old Allen's arrival was huge. Love's deal ($90 million over the next three years) makes him difficult to move.

But after falling so far, so fast, Cleveland's future finally looks bright.

James would know.

"J.B. has done a hell of a job and they've been drafting well and made a couple trades," he said. "They got some young guards that are very dynamic in Collin and Darius and the rest of them they can build around. They got some young pieces they can put their futures behind. We'll see what happens."

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The team is still looking for Sarrett's replacement and there is likely considerable turnover coming at both offensive line and running back. Leading rusher James Conner is a free agent as is left tackle Alejandro Villanueva and left guard Matt Feiler among others.

Regardless of who is in the fold in 2021, finding a way to take some of the pressure off Roethlisberger is a priority.

"Everybody in the building agrees you can't finish 32nd in the league in running and feel like you're going to have a successful season," Rooney said.

Despite Roethlisberger entering the final stages of what is likely a Hall of Fame career, Rooney isn't ready to turn the page.

While acknowledging backup Mason Rudolph is capable of becoming an NFL starter and the franchise is facing perhaps its most turbulent offseason in terms of roster turnover because of the cap, Rooney isn't ready to blow it up.

"We're not going to sit here and say 'We're three years away,'" Rooney said. "We're just not going to look at it that way."

Rooney pointed to a defense that finished third in the league in yards and points allowed as good enough to keep the Steelers in the thick of a hyper-competitive AFC.

That unit figures to stay largely intact in 2021 and if Roethlisberger gets some help, Rooney is confident Pittsburgh doesn't need to start over, be it on the field or the sideline.

While coach Mike Tomlin is entering the final year of his contract, Rooney stressed Tomlin will remain on the job indefinitely.

"I'll just say I feel comfortable in saying he'll be our coach into the future," Rooney said, adding he didn't blame Tomlin for the loss to the Browns.

"In terms of the job he did, we didn't finish the way we'd like. The playoff game, it's hard to analyze ... just turning the ball over, you're not going to win many games. I don't see how you attribute that to coaching preparation."

Longtime general manager Kevin Colbert's deal expires after the 2021 draft. Colbert has mulled retirement in the past and though Rooney and Colbert have spoken about Colbert's status, things remain fluid. The intent of the franchise, however, remains the same as it has been for the past five decades: Super Bowl or bust.

"Every year you learn things you want to fix," Rooney said. "Our mindset is that we're going to do the things we need to do to try and get better next year. ... Our mindset hasn't changed."

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finding Rutherford's full-time successor, there's no telling how long that might take. There are still more than 10 weeks until the trade deadline, but Rutherford developed a reputation for not waiting when he saw a need to be addressed. Even in the hours before he left, Rutherford signed veteran defenseman Yannick Weber to give Pittsburgh a boost at the blue line.

Allvin believes the tone set by coach Mike Sullivan and the fact he can bounce ideas off of co-owner and Hall of Famer Mario Lemieux means Rutherford's departure should not signal a shift in approach.

"I think the work that Sully has done over the last five years, the culture we have and the mindset and the identity of our team, I think it's set up for success," Allvin said.

"We're getting tested here and we've always had the next man up mentality and that's where we're going to test the depth of our organization and the character of our players."

Sullivan, hired by Rutherford in December 2015 to provide an underachieving club a jolt, stressed that his job remains the same even with Rutherford no longer part of day-to-day operations. That doesn't mean it's particularly easy moving on, not after the two oversaw an overhaul that led the Penguins to Stanley Cups in 2016 and 2017.

"We're all human and we build relationships over time. ... Jim and I have developed a great friendship through our working experiences here with the Penguins and I can't say enough about how much respect I have for him as a professional," Sullivan said. "But he's a good friend. It's just, it's hard."

Though Crosby and Allvin began working in the organization around the same time. Crosby arrived with the top pick in the 2005 draft, and Allvin joined the Penguins as a scout in 2006. Yet their interactions have been limited at best.

"I've met him at different points," Crosby said. "Haven't spent a lot of time with him over the years, but definitely familiar with him, but that's about the extent of it though."

That relationship figures to evolve now with Allvin overseeing a roster that still has two of the NHL's biggest stars in Crosby and Evgeni Malkin. Morehouse said Allvin is a candidate to land the job full time. The next few weeks could go a long way toward determining how serious a candidate he becomes.

"I don't anticipate anything other than me being in Pittsburgh and being prepared," Allvin said. "That's my message to the staff."

UL boys, girls win

STEUBENVILLE – It took until the second half, but the Jets eventually pulled away from the homesteading Steubenville Catholic Central Crusaders for a 61-44 victory.

The Jets were up just one at halftime, but outscored SCC, 20-10 in the third quarter and 15-9 in the fourth.

Union Local was led by senior Zac Bateman, who drilled five bonus goals and finished with 17 points. Senior Liam Vinskovich added 13, while classmate Nathan Meyer went for 12. Andrew Martin chipped in with 10.

Steubenville Catholic was paced by Charles Miller's 15.

Girls
Union Local 74, Warren 45

VINCENT – Union Local grabbed a 23-11 in the first quarter and cruised to their 12th win in 14 tries Thursday evening against Warren.

The Jets received balanced scoring once again. Sophomore Reagan Vinskovich led the way with 20. She was complemented by junior Hannah Merritt's 18.

The Sisters Kildow – Casey and Torre – went for 16 and 14, respectively.

Abbie Smith led Warren with 18.

Barnesville 58, Caldwell 53

BARNESVILLE – The Shamrocks owned a 14-point lead at halftime, but found themselves in a dog fight down the stretch against the invading Redskins.

Barnesville was led in the scoring column by Halle Markovich's 19. Rylee Stephen added 15 and Blayne Carpenter netted 10.

The Redskins were led by All-Ohioan Cayton Sechrest's 17. Klaudia Rayner added 14.

Harrison Central 50, Edison 39

CADIZ – Harrison Central picked up its seventh straight win and 12th of the season Thursday, toppling Edison.

The Huskies were led by junior McKayla Dunkle, who netted 15 points and Maddy Butler's 10. Britton Positano added nine.

Edison was led by Savanna Ankrom's 15.

Frontier 69, Bridgeport 18

BRIDGEPORT – Frontier raced out to a 26-2 lead after one and never looked back, cruising to victory against the winless Bulldogs.

Frontier was led by Tacey Kirkpatrick's 15 and Morgan Haught's 14.

Bridgeport received six points from both Hailee Aubrey and Bailey Dyson.

Reed, Noren share lead

SAN DIEGO (AP) – Patrick Reed birdied his first three holes and finished with a bogey-free 8-under 64 on Thursday for a share of the lead with Alex Noren after the first round of the Farmers Insurance Open.

Reed, Noren and Scottie Scheffler – who was one stroke back – all played Torrey Pines' easier North Course and will play the South Course on what could be a wet Friday. Heavy rain was forecast for overnight and into the second round at the municipal course overlooking the Pacific Ocean.

Peter Malnati and Ryan Palmer each shot 66 for the lowest scores on the South Course and were in a group of 12 at 6 under. Malnati capped his round with an eagle on the par-5 18th. After a 321-yard tee shot, he hit his approach to 16 feet and made the putt.

Reed took advantage of nice weather and accurate tee shots to get off to the hot start.

Starting on No. 10, he birdied the first three holes before making his first par. He closed with a flourish as well, with birdies on his 15th, 16th and 17th holes.

"I was hitting the ball off the tee. You have to play from the fairway, shoot a low number and attack the course. Especially with what's coming tomorrow."

THE SCORE

Prep Schedule

Today
BOYS BASKETBALL
Barnesville at Bridgeport
Bellaire at Monroe Central
Shadyside at Frontier
Steubenville at Martins Ferry
St. Clairsville at Marietta
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Buckeye Local at Indian Creek
Saturday, Jan. 30
BOYS BASKETBALL
Frontier at River
Barnesville at Harrison Central
St. Clairsville at Union Local
Bellaire at Buckeye Trail
GIRLS BASKETBALL
East Liverpool at Barnesville, noon
Monroe Central at St. Clairsville, noon
Shadyside at River, 2 p.m.
Bealls ville at Racine Southern
WRESTLING
Buckeye Local Panther Classic
St. Clairsville at Jimmy Wood Invite at New Lexington

Sports on TV

Friday, January 29
6:30 p.m.
ESPN2 – St. Louis at Richmond
FS1 – Xavier at Butler
7 p.m.
ESPNU – Ohio at Buffalo
8:30 p.m.
ESPN2 – Coastal Carolina at Georgia Southern
9 p.m.
ESPNU – Robert Morris at Wright State
FS1 – Iowa at Illinois
11 p.m.
ESPNU – California State (Fullerton) at California State (Bakersfield)
FS1 – Boise State at Colorado State
COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)
5 p.m.
PAC-12N – Oregon at Utah
9 p.m.
PAC-12N – Arizona State at UCLA
COLLEGE GYMNASTICS (WOMEN'S)
5 p.m.
ESPN2 – Louisiana State at Auburn
7 p.m.
SECN – Missouri at Florida
8:30 p.m.
SECN – Arkansas at Georgia
COLLEGE HOCKEY (MEN'S)
6 p.m.
BTN – Minnesota at Ohio State
8 p.m.
CBSSN – North Dakota at Nebraska (Omaha)
COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL (WOMEN'S)
1 p.m.
SECN – South Carolina at Alabama
8:30 p.m.
BTN – Minnesota at Maryland
COLLEGE WRESTLING
6 p.m.
ACCN – North Carolina State at North Carolina
GOLF
3 p.m.
GOLF – PGA Tour: The Farmers Insurance Open, Second Round, Torrey Pines South Course, San Diego
3:30 a.m. (Saturday)
GOLF – EPGA Tour: The Omega Dubai Desert Classic, Third Round, Majlis Course, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
NBA BASKETBALL
7:45 p.m.
ESPN – Milwaukee at New Orleans
10:05 p.m.
ESPN – Dallas at Utah
NHL HOCKEY
8 p.m.
NHLN – Columbus at Chicago

Prep Boxscores

Union Local 61, Steubenville Catholic 44

UNION LOCAL (61) – Vinskovich 4, 5-6 13; Martin 4, 2-3 10; Butts 0, 0-0 0; Meyer 5, 2-4 12; Merritt 2, 4-5 9; Bateman 5, 2-2 17; Totals: 20, 15-23 61. STEUBENVILLE CC (44) – Venotti 1, 0-0 3; Miller 6, 2-2 15; Hough 3, 0-0 8; Dorsey 0, 0-0 0; Harris 0, 0-0 0; Carapellotti 4, 1-2 9; Gorman 2, 0-0 5; Lesnefsky 1, 2-2 4; Totals: 17, 5-6 44.

3-point goals: UL – Bateman (5), Merritt. SCC – Venotti, Hough (2), Miller, Gorman.

Girls
Union Local 74, Warren 45

UNION LOCAL (74) – C. Kildow 7, 0-0 16; Goodson 0, 0-0. 0; Miller 0, 2-2 2; T. Kildow 4, 4-4 14; Kellaway 0, 0-0 0; Cheatham 0, 0-0 0; Merritt 7, 2-3 18; Gregor 1, 2-3 4; Vinskovich 6, 8-10 20; Totals: 25, 18-22 74.WARREN (45) – Smith 9, 0-1 18; Alloway 1, 0-0 2; Lynn 1, 0-0 2; Cochran 2, 0-0 4; Jackson 1, 0-0 2; Way 2, 0-0 4; Banks 1, 0-0 3; Frazee 1, 2-2 5; Ryan 2, 1-2 5; Totals: 20, 3-5 45.

3-point goals: UL – C. Kildow (2), T. Kildow (2), Merritt (2). W – Frazee, Banks.

Frontier 69, Bridgeport 18

FRONTIER (69) – Lamm 1, 2-2 4; Ramsey 3, 0-0 6; Knowlton 3, 2-2 8; Shapley 2, 0-0 4; Schmidt 2, 0-0 6; Cisler 1, 1-2 3; M. Haught 5, 4-6 14; Kirkpatrick 6, 0-0 15; L. Haught 2, 3-4 9; Offenberger 1, 0-0 2; Totals: 25, 12-16 69. BRIDGEPORT (18) – McCormick 1, 0-0 3; Clemens 0, 0-0 0; Stewart 1, 0-1 3; Dyson 2, 0-0 6; Allen 0, 0-0 0; Aubrey 1, 3-4 5; Conaway 0, 0-0 0; Marling 0, 0-0 0; Lewis 0, 0-0 0; Bell 0, 0-0 0; Totals: 5, 3-5 18.

3-point goals: F – Schmidt (2), Kirkpatrick (3), L. Haught (2), B – Dyson (2), Stewart, McCormick.

Barnesville 58, Caldwell 53

CALDWELL (53) – Sechrest 6, 5-10 17; Rainer 6, 2-3 14; Hood 1, 0-0 2; Mumaw 4, 1-3 10; Egon 2, 1-2 5; Shockling 0, 0-2 0; Archer 2, 1-2 5; Totals: 21, 10-22 53. BARNESVILLE (58) – Carpiner 3, 3-6 10; Markovich 6, 5-7 19; Lucas 0, 2-2 2; Ford 0, 0-0 0; Thompson 1, 0-0 3; Stephen 4, 4-5 15; Kaplet 2, 1-2 5; Yiter 2, 0-1 4; Totals: 18, 15-23 58.

3-point goals: C – Mumaw. B – Carpenter, Markovich (2), Stephen (3), Thompson.

Harrison Central 50, Edison 39

EDISON (39) – Fiedorczyk 1, 4-6 6; Ankrom 6, 1-2 15; Meadows 1, 3-7 5; Reed 0, 0-0 0; Fox 0, 1-2 1; Scott 0, 0-0 0; Huff 5, 2-4 12; Freeman 0, 0-0 0; 13, 11-17 39. HARRISON CENTRAL (50) – Positano 3, 0-0 9; Corder 4, 0-0 8; Beadling 0, 1-2 1; Dunkle 7, 1-6 15; Fischer 0, 0-0 0; Butler 3, 3-5 10; Ferri 0, 0-0 0; Harold 2, 3-4 8; Totals: 19, 8-17 51.

3-point goals: E – Ankrom (2). HC – Positano (3), Butler, Harbold.

St. Clairsville 55, Buckeye Local 28

BUCKEYE LOCAL (28) – Christian 3 0-0 7; Walker 3 0-0 6; M.Valuska 3 1-2 8; E.Valuska 1 1-2 3; Crain 0 0-0 0; Dockery 0 0-0 0; George 1 0-0 2; Pelkey 0 0-2 0; Blazeski 0 2-2 2; Glover 0 0-0 0. Totals: 11 4-8 28. ST. CLAIRSVILLE (55) – Thoburn 1 1-4 3; Brookover 4 2-2 12; Ma.Malin 5 0-0 11; Me.Malin 5 3-4 15; Sadler 0 0-0 0; Miller 2 0-0 6; Gray 0 0-0 0; Tuttle 3 0-0 6; Nardo 1 0-0 2; Fordyce 0 0-0 0; Bricancarelli 0 0-0 0; Florence 0 0-2 0. Totals: 21 6-10 55.

3-Pt Goals: Christian, M.Valuska; Brookover 2, Me.Malin 2, Miller 2, Ma.Malin.

Pens Sum

Boston 4, Pittsburgh 1

Pittsburgh	1	0	0	–	1
Boston	2	1	1	–	4

First Period—1, Boston, Wagner 1, 6:10. 2, Pittsburgh, Caci 1 (Bluegar, Rust), 15:03. 3, Boston, Kuraly 1 (Bjork), 18:53. Penalties—Pittsburgh bench, served by Zucker (Tripping), 0:52; Coyle, BOS (Holding), 7:02.
Second Period—4, Boston, Bergeron 4 (Grzelcyk, Coyle), 8:13. Penalties—Lauzon, BOS (Interference), 13:40; Grzelcyk, BOS (Holding), 18:35.
Third Period—5, Boston, Bergeron 5 (McAvoy, Marchand), 1:40 (pp). Penalties—Marino, PIT (Interference), 0:55.
Shots on Goal—Pittsburgh 6-5-6—17. Boston 9-7-4—20.
Power-play opportunities—Pittsburgh 0 of 3; Boston 1 of 2.
Goalies—Pittsburgh, Jarry 2-3-1 (20 shots-18 saves). Boston, Halak 2-0-1 (17-16).
A—0 (17,565). T—2:15.
Referees—Chislain Hebert, Tim Peel.

Prep Scores

BOYS

Carey 68, New Riegel 54
Chardon 68, Painesville Harvey 55
Circleville Logan Elm 46, Amanda-Clearcreek 19
Clyde 57, Milan Edison 30
Huron 62, Castalia Margaretta 48
Millersport 78, Sugar Grove Berne Union 74
STVM 96, Cle. Benedictine 49
Sandusky Perkins 57, Sandusky 55
Tiffin Calvert 57, Fremont St. Joseph 40
Tiffin Columbian 65, Bellevue 57
Tol. Ottawa Hills 68, Pioneer N. Central 20

GIRLS

Akr. Hoban 68, Olmsted Falls 52
Albany Alexander 57, Marietta 51
Apple Creek Waynedale 70, West Salem Northwestern 22
Arcadia 34, Pandora-Gilboa 23
Athens 39, Bidwell River Valley 34
Atwater Waterloo 47, Lowellville 34
Barberton 52, Alliance 26
Belpre 58, Racine Southern 40
Berlin Center Western Reserve 54, N. Jackson Jackson-Milton 33
Bishop Hartley 77, Cols. DeSales 51
Brookfield 60, Heartland Christian 34
Bryan 52, Hamler Patrick Henry 17
Cadiz Harrison Cent. 50, Richmond Edison 39
Canfield S. Range 48, Cortland Lakeview 40
Carlisle 46, Franklin 31
Centerville 66, Huber Hts. Wayne 64
Chardon 68, Painesville Harvey 55
Circleville Logan Elm 38, Amanda-Clearcreek 34
Cle. St. Martin De Porres 56, Hearts for Jesus Christ High School 34
Columbus Grove 41, Bluffton 16
Cory-Rawson 54, Vanlue 17
Creston Norwayne 67, Doylestown Chippewa 40
Defiance 40, Celina 39
Defiance Ayersville 64, Edgerton 24
Delaware Christian 55, Shekinah Christian 11
Delta 50, Archbold 45
Eaton 53, Camden Preble Shawnee 47
Elmore Woodmore 45, Genoa Area 22
Fairport Harbor Harding 57, Orange 38
Fredericktown 59, Delaware Christian 24
Girard 45, Jefferson Area 42
Grove City 50, Cols. Upper Arlington 36
Hanoverton United 34, Youngs. Valley Christian 31
Legacy Christian 36, Troy Christian 20
Lima Bath 41, Wapakoneta 24
Lodi Cloverleaf 49, Akr. Springfield 26
Louisville 56, Mansfield St. 44
Malvern 44, Bowerston Conotton Valley 32
Maria Stein Marion Local 62, Delphos St. John's 49, OT
McArthur Vinton County 68, Wellston 41
Mt. Blanchard Riverdale 35, Arlington 31
Mt. Notre Dame 64, Seton 31
Mt. Vernon 39, Mansfield Madison 38
New Knoxville 46, Rockford Parkway 27, OT
New Matamoras Frontier 69, Bridgeport 18
New Paris National Trail 55, Ansonia 29
Paulding 57, Ada 45
Sherwood Fairview 50, Haviland Wayne Trace 42
Sidney Lehman 50, Lima Perry 37
Spencerville 55, Harrod Allen E. 30
Swanton 34, Liberty Center 27
Sylvania Northview 62, Whitehouse Anthony Wayne 30
Tipp City Bethel 44, Casstown Miami E. 35
Tol. Ottawa Hills 68, Oregon Stritch 31
Tol. St. Ursula 37, Cin. Mercy-McAuley 28
Trenton Edgewood 58, Germantown Valley View 46
W. Liberty-Salem 47, N. Lewisburg Triad 44
Wauseon 65, Metamora Evergreen 45
Waynesfield-Goshen 48, Dola Hardin Northern 34
Wheelersburg 68, Waverly 30
Wooster 67, Ashland 58
Youngs. Ursuline 61, Youngs. Mooney 44
POSTPONEMENTS AND CANCELLATIONS=
Attica Seneca E. vs. Morral Ridgedale, ppd.
Beechwood, Ky. vs. Batavia Clermont NE, ccd.

NHL Glance

East Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	8	5	0	3	13	31	26
Boston	7	5	1	1	11	22	13
Philadelphia	8	5	2	1	11	28	26
Pittsburgh	8	4	3	1	9	24	30
Buffalo	8	3	3	2	8	33	24
New Jersey	7	3	3	1	7	15	19
N.Y. Islanders	7	3	4	0	6	14	17
N.Y. Rangers	7	2	4	1	5	18	20

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Columbus	8	3	2	3	9	21	24
Nashville	7	4	3	0	8	17	20
Florida	4	3	0	1	7	16	12
Tampa Bay	5	3	1	1	7	15	11
Chicago	8	2	3	3	7	22	28
Dallas	3	3	0	0	6	12	3
Carolina	4	3	1	0	6	10	6
Detroit	7	2	4	1	5	13	22

West Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vegas	7	5	1	1	11	23	17
St. Louis	7	4	2	1	9	22	27
Colorado	7	4	3	0	8	25	18
Los Angeles	7	3	2	2	8	22	21
Anaheim	7	3	2	2	8	12	14
Minnesota	7	4	3	0	8	19	17
San Jose	7	3	4	0	6	22	28
Arizona	7	2	4	1	5	17	20

North Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Montreal	7	5	0	2	12	33	20
Toronto	8	6	2	0	12	26	22
Winnipeg	7	5	2	0	10	28	21
Vancouver	9	4	5	0	8	32	35
Edmonton	8	3	5	0	6	23	29
Calgary	6	2	3	1	5	18	17
Ottawa	7	1	5	1	3	16	32

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. The top four teams in each division will qualify for playoffs under this season's temporary realignment.
Thursday's Games
Boston 4, Pittsburgh 1
Philadelphia 3, New Jersey 1
Carolina 1, Tampa Bay 0, OT
Washington 6, N.Y. Islanders 3
N.Y. Rangers 3, Buffalo 2, OT
Columbus 3, Florida 2, SO

NBA Glance

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	13	6	.684	–
Brooklyn	12	8	.600	1½
Boston	10	7	.588	2
New York	8	11	.421	5
Toronto	7	11	.389	5½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	9	9	.500	–
Orlando	8	11	.421	1½
Charlotte	7	11	.389	2
Miami	6	11	.353	2½
Washington	3	11	.214	4

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	11	6	.647	–
Indiana	11	7	.611	½
Cleveland	9	9	.500	2½
Chicago	7	10	.412	4
Detroit	4	14	.222	7½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	10	8	.556	–
Memphis	7	6	.538	½
Houston	8	9	.471	1½
Dallas	8	10	.444	2
New Orleans	6	10	.375	3

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	14	4	.778	–
Denver	11	7	.611	3
Portland	9	8	.529	4½
Oklahoma City	8	9	.471	5½
Minnesota	4	13	.235	9½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	14	5	.737	–
L.A. Clippers	13	5	.722	½
Golden State	10	8	.556	3½
Phoenix	8	8	.500	4½
Sacramento	7	10	.412	6

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Ohio Prep Polls

DIVISION I

1, Cin. Mt. Notre Dame (15)	16-0	177
2, Mason	12-0	131
3, Tol. Notre Dame	7-1	125
4, Newark (2)	16-1	114
5, Huber Hts. Wayne	12-1	89
6, Bellbrook (1)	14-2	88
7, Centerville	13-2	59
(tie) Sylvania Northview	11-1	59
9, Pataskala Watkins Memorial	12-0	54
10, Reynoldsburg	8-3	49

DIVISION II

1, Thornville Sheridan (9)	12-1	169
2, Napoleon (3)	10-1	151
3, Granville (3)	16-1	129
4, McArthur Vinton County	15-1	108
5, Tipp City Tippecanoe (2)	13-0	101
6, Lima Bath	16-2	72
7, Alliance Marlington	13-2	60
8, Poland Seminary	14-1	56
9, Shaker Hts. Laurel (1)	12-3	48
10, Circleville	11-2	34

DIVISION III

1, Berlin Hiland (18)	15-0	188
2, Cardington-Lincoln (1)	13-0	150
3, W. Liberty-Salem	15-0	129
4, Willard	13-1	105
5, Beverly Ft. Frye	12-1	95
6, Ottawa-Glandorf	15-2	72
7, Sardinia Eastern	17-2	66
8, Cin. Purcell Marian	10-1	45
9, Albany Alexander	14-2	44
10, Coal Grove Dawson-Bryant	16-1	28

DIVISION IV

1, Ft. Loramie (9)	16-1	163
2, Minster (8)	11-1	160
3, Sugar Grove Berne Union	15-1	140
4, Portsmouth Notre Dame	14-1	116
5, Peebles	11-1	98
6, Xenia Christian Academy (1)	13-1	93
7, New Washington Buckeye	15-1	68
8, Cin. Country Day	10-0	49
9, New Madison Tri-Village (1)	13-2	47
10, Newark Cath.	8-1	35

Ohio High School Basketball Poll

DIVISION I

1, Cin. Elder (13)	14-1	188
2, Lakewood St. Edward (5)	9-1	148
3, Cin. Moeller (1)	9-3	142
4, Massillon Jackson	13-1	114
5, Hilliard Bradley	9-1	111
6, Huber Hts. Wayne	10-1	82
7, Gahanna Lincoln	9-1	67
8, Pickerington N.	7-2	49
9, Centerville (1)	9-2	44
10, Mentor	6-0	39

DIVISION II

1, Lima Shawnee (11)	14-0	188
2, Akr. SVSM (7)	10-2	186
3, Tipp City Tippecanoe (2)	13-0	121
4, Rossford	11-0	119
5, Plain City Jonathan Alder (1)	11-0	114
6, Warrensville Hts.	11-1	110
7, Vincent Warren	10-1	63
8, Hamilton Ross	14-2	46
9, Akr. Buchtel	8-2	42
10, Struthers	13-0	29

DIVISION III

1, Canal Winchester Harvest Prep (10)	9-0	177
2, Worthington Christian (3)	14-1	171
3, Cle. Hts. Lutheran E. (4)	7-0	141
4, Ottawa-Glandorf (2)	11-1	122
5, Fredericktown	14-0	105
6, N. Robinson Col. Crawford	14-0	95
7, Sardinia Eastern	15-1	78
8, Beverly Ft. Frye	12-1	62
9, Jamestown Greeneview (1)	12-2	38
(tie) Wheelersburg	14-0	38

DIVISION IV

1, New Boston Glenwood (9)	13-1	164
2, Columbus Grove (2)	9-1	156
3, Antwerp	11-1	143
4, Ottoville	13-2	124
5, New Madison Tri-Village (4)	16-0	119
6, Cin. College Prep	7-1	60
7, Tol. Christian	10-2	59
8, Richmond Hts. (3)	4-4	54
(tie) Botkins (2)	13-2	54
10, McDonald	12-0	41

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AP PHOTO

TAMPA BAY Buccaneers quarterback Tom Brady reacts after winning the NFC championship NFL football game against the Green Bay Packers in Green Bay, Wis., Sunday. The Buccaneers defeated the Packers 31-26 to advance to the Super Bowl.

Brady's parents survived COVID and will attend the Super Bowl

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) – Tom Brady says his parents are doing well after recovering from COVID-19 early this season and will be among family in the stands to root for him and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in next week's Super Bowl.

"They're doing great, so I think that's the best part about all of it is they came through it," Brady said Thursday after the NFC champions held their first full-scale practice in preparation for the NFL title game against the Kansas City Chiefs.

"There are a lot of things that happen in your life. Like all of us, as you get older there's more that you take on," added the 43-year-old quarterback who won six Super Bowls with the New England Patriots before signing with Tampa Bay as a free agent last winter.

"I still obviously love going out there and competing. But on the other side of that, there's a lot of family things that are very important to me. Certainly the health of my parents is very important. Although I was far away, I had three sisters who were doing everything they could to help at the time, too."

Brady's father, Tom, Sr., recently revealed that he and his wife, Galynn, battled COVID-19 in September.

"I'll be very excited to know my parents will be in the stands for the game on (Super Bowl) Sunday. They only made it to one game this year. It wasn't a very good outcome, the Saints game at home, which was pretty rough for all of us," Brady said, referring to a 38-3 loss to New Orleans on Nov. 8. "But I'll have a full contingent all coming in, I think on (next) Saturday afternoon, ready to watch the game and cheer us on."

Brady appeared in nine Super Bowls, winning six, during a historic two-decade run with the Patriots. He signed a two-year, $50 million contract with the Bucs last March and has helped transform them from a team that missed the playoffs 12 consecutive seasons into conference champions.

"As it played out, this really has been a magical year for me. As a player to switch teams, that takes a lot, and to move my family and go to a different conference and to keep building the way we did and develop a rapport with the guys ... the fact that we're still playing feels really good," Brady said.

"Hopefully we can go finish the job. That would be the best part about the season, winning the last game. ... It's always been a goal to win the last game of the year," he added. "We've got an opportunity to do it. It's certainly not going to be easy. It's going to take everything we got. We're going up against a great championship level team, and it's going to take our best."

The defending champion Chiefs are trying to become the first team to repeat as Super Bowl winners since Brady led the Patriots to consecutive titles in the 2003 and 2004 seasons.

Tampa Bay won its only NFL championship 18 years ago. Brady, Rob Gronkowski, Shaquil Barrett, Antonio Brown, Jason Pierre-Paul and Ndamukong Suh are the only players on the current roster with previous Super Bowl experience.

Brady said experience won't mean a thing once the game begins.

"Playing well matters. The team that wins is not going to be the most experienced team, it's going to be the team that plays the best," Brady said. "So we've got to prepare the best, we've got to execute the best, we've got to perform the best under pressure. If we do that, we'll be champions. And if we don't, we won't be."

LEGAL NOTICE

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has scheduled a public hearing in Case Nos. 20-585-EL-AIR, 20-586-EL-ATA, and 20-587-EL-AAM, In the Matter of Ohio Power Company for an Increase in Electric Distribution Rates, for Tariff Approval, and for Approval to Change Accounting Methods. AEP Ohio seeks a rate increase, including miscellaneous charges, that would generate approximately $36.2 million of additional revenue, or an increase of 2.96 percent over current total base distribution revenue. For a residential customer using 1,000 kilowatts per month, AEP Ohio seeks an increase of 1.80 percent on the total bill for the Ohio Power Company rate zone and an increase of 1.81 percent on the total bill for the Columbus Southern Power Company rate zone. After its review of AEP Ohio's records and application, the staff of the Commission recommends a decrease of 2.92 percent on the total bill for a 20-585-EL-AIR, et al. -5- residential customer using 1,000 kilowatts per month for the Ohio Power Company and the Columbus Southern Power Company rate zones.

A public hearing is scheduled for the purpose of providing an opportunity for interested members of the public to testify in these proceedings. The public hearing will be held on Monday, February 8, 2021, commencing at 6:00 p.m. via Webex.

Interested persons who are not a party to these cases and wish to provide testimony must pre-register with the Commission before 12:00 p.m., on February 5, 2021, at https://puco.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/puco/events/case-no-20-585-EL-AIR-etal-lph or by calling the Commission at 1-800-686-7826. If individuals wish to supplement their testimony with an exhibit for the Commission's consideration, a copy of the document, along with a reference to Case Nos. 20-585-EL-AIR, 20-586- EL-ATA, and 20-587-EL-AAM, must be provided to the Commission by February 5, 2021, if possible, but no later than February 16, 2021, by electronic mail to contactThePUCO@puco.ohio.gov or by mail to Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

Interested individuals who merely wish to attend the hearing remotely and not offer testimony can do so by calling 1-408-418-9388 and entering the access code 179 414 7650. The public hearing will also be live streamed for viewing at www.youtube.com/user/PUCOhio. Additional information is available by contacting the Commission's Consumer Call Center at 1-800-686-7826.

An evidentiary hearing, where counsel for the parties to the cases may present evidence and cross examine witnesses, will commence on March 4, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., by Webex. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, viewing the Commission's web page at http://www.puco.ohio.gov, or contacting the Commission's hotline at 1-800-686-7826. 20-585-EL-AIR, et al.

Public comments can be provided in writing on the Commission's website at https://puco.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/puco/help-center/file-a-complaint, by electronic mail to contactThePUCO@puco.ohio.gov, or by mail to Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Written comments should reference the case numbers for this matter.

Bieniemy passed over again

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) – Tyreek Hill was thrilled to hear that his first wide receivers coach, David Culley, was going to be an NFL head coach.

He was baffled by the fact his current offensive coordinator once again will not.

After interviewing for six openings, Chiefs offensive coordinator Eric Bieniemy ultimately was passed over during the annual coaching carousel. That became official when the Houston Texans hired Culley, the longtime Andy Reid assistant who had been the assistant head coach in Baltimore.

"I mean, I'm not a GM or anything but I will say, Coach Bieniemy has helped me a lot," Hill said Thursday, after the Chiefs finished their first real practice for the Super Bowl. "It's very shocking that he didn't get a job."

The Jets were interested but hired Robert Saleh from San Francisco – the coordinator that couldn't stop Bieniemy's offense in the fourth quarter of last year's Super Bowl. The Falcons zeroed in on Titans offensive coordinator Arthur Smith and the Chargers went with Brandon Staley from the Rams. The Lions took Dan Campbell from the Saints and the Eagles hired the Colts' Nick Sirianni, who broke into the NFL with Kansas City under then-coach Todd Haley.

Just about the only job that Bieniemy never seemed a possibility was Jacksonville, which had focused on Urban Meyer all along. Yet even the Jaguars brought Reid's right-hand man in for an interview early in the search process.

"I'm glad I have him but I'm not-so glad I have him," Reid said. "I was really hoping he would have an opportunity to take one of these jobs. You know what I think of him. I think he's great, and I think he would be great for any number of teams that opened up and help them win football game and also develop men into men. I think he's a great person that way."

Bieniemy has taken the high road when he's been asked about being a head coach, though an undercurrent of frustration seems to accompany his answers. He insists that his focus is only on helping the Chiefs prepare for the Buccaneers in the Super Bowl, and that he will get his opportunity to be a head coach eventually if he deserves it.

Watson wants out of Houston

HOUSTON (AP) – Star quarterback Deshaun Watson has requested a trade from the Houston Texans, a person familiar with the move told The Associated Press.

The person was not authorized to speak publicly about the request and spoke to the AP on the condition of anonymity Thursday.

Watson has a no-trade clause in his four-year, $156 million contract, so he could have some control over where he might be dealt.

A source told The Associated Press on Wednesday night that the Texans had hired David Culley as their new coach to replace Bill O'Brien, who was fired after an 0-4 start and replaced by interim head coach Romeo Crennel.

The same source who told The AP about the trade request said Watson made the ask before Culley's hire. He has been unhappy with the direction of the team for some time and Sports Illustrated reported weeks ago that Watson was upset the team didn't initially request to interview Kansas City offensive coordinator Eric Bieniemy for its coaching vacancy.

The Texans eventually interviewed Bieniemy, as well as Indianapolis defensive coordinator Matt Eberflus and Buffalo assistant head coach/defensive coordinator Leslie Frazier.

AP PHOTO

KANSAS CITY Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes celebrates after beating the Buffalo Bills in the NFL AFC championship football game, Sunday in Kansas City, Mo.

Chiefs, Bucs ride (mostly) COVID clear season to Super Bowl

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) – The Kansas City Chiefs had a pretty good idea what kind of COVID-19 protocols they would have to wade through in defense of their Super Bowl championship the moment they finally gathered for in-person training camp.

One of their own helped to devise them.

It was Chiefs vice president of sports medicine and performance Rick Burkholder who worked hand in hand with the NFL, physicians and other trainers in developing the testing, social distancing and tracing parameters that would ultimately allow the league to play its full 256-game regular-season schedule. And it was Burkholder who helped the Chiefs navigate the season with few positive tests and just one postponement – the fault of the other team – as they closed in on a Super Bowl repeat.

"I think in the spring and early summer, many of us had a lot of uncertainty about how this was going to unfold," Chiefs chairman Clark Hunt said. "I don't think we knew for sure you could play football safely, that the virus would not be passed on the football field. Those were things we just didn't know, and it was a process to figure out how to do this."

Ultimately, the Chiefs and Buccaneers are in the Super Bowl in part because they figured it out as well as anybody.

They adhered to strict mask mandates inside the facility. They avoided large gatherings once they left. They spread out to eat meals, held meetings in small groups and paid whatever it took for cutting-edge tracking systems.

They held the health of the guy next to them in the same regard as their own.

"We had to take care of each other. We couldn't go out there and do things we normally do," Chiefs wide receiver Mecole Hardman said. "We did a real good job of protecting each other, and it did bring us together. We all had to be locked in."

According to the NFL, there were 922,220 tests administered from Aug. 1 to the end of the regular season, resulting in 256 positive tests among players and 432 among other staff members. But many of those positive tests could be traced to a few teams and a handful of outbreaks, which all but crippled some of them for large parts of the season.

The Titans had an outbreak involving 24 players and personnel that caused two postponements and wiped out their bye week. The Ravens had issues heading into a Thanksgiving showdown with Pittsburgh that they ultimately played without quarterback Lamar Jackson in the following week. The Broncos had to play a game without any quarterback whatsoever, and general manager John Elway and CEO Joe Ellis also were affected by an outbreak that sent an assistant coach to the hospital.

Violations of the COVID-19 protocols were costly in more literal ways. The Raiders were fined $1.2 million and docked a sixth-round pick for violations, while the Saints lost a seventh-rounder and $500,000. The Titans were fined $650,000 for three separate violations, the Patriots $350,000 for their issues, and the Ravens $250,000 for their outbreak.

All of which make the problems of the Chiefs and Bucs seem downright trivial.

Kansas City had eight players on the active roster land on the COVID-19 list, including Hardman and starting linebacker Anthony Hitchens, both of whom missed games. They also had a couple of staff members test positive, including strength coach Rick Rubin and Burkholder, the very same man who worked with the NFL to develop testing protocols.

Tampa Bay had 11 players on the active roster land on the list, including running back Ronald Jones and linebacker Devin White, who missed the Buccaneers' regular-season finale and wild-card win over Washington.

But compared to other teams around the league, the Chiefs and Bucs had modest problems. Four of the Chiefs and four of the Bucs who landed on the COVID-19 list didn't miss a game, and both teams are – knock on wood – expected to be at full strength when they meet in the Super Bowl on Feb. 7 in Tampa, Florida.

"I think our guys have done a great, great job of being accountable to each other with COVID all year, and will continue to do that," Buccaneers coach Bruce Arians said. "We've talked about family and friends testing before they ever enter your home; making sure everybody's tested and being very, very smart about it."

Arians and his Chiefs counterpart, Andy Reid, point to a few reasons their teams have remained safe this season, one of the biggest being luck. The fact is even the biggest hypochondriac could catch the virus without even knowing it.

The other main reason is leadership. It's easy to follow the example of Tom Brady, with six Super Bowl rings behind him and the Hall of Fame in front of him, when he demands the Buccaneers mask up. The same with Patrick Mahomes, the reigning Super Bowl MVP, when he tells the Chiefs to skip the family gatherings around the holidays.

"Like, getting a haircut before the game – I had to get my barber tested, or go to the barber shop when no one is there," Mahomes said. "You can't risk getting COVID or anything like that."

Stepmother upset about getting third-hand information

Annie Lane

Dear Annie

Dear Annie: I have been in my stepson's life since he was 6 and married to his father for 20 years. He lived in our house full time for most of the years. So I view him not just as a stepson but as one of my sons. He and his live-in girlfriend got engaged last year. They planned a wedding for the fall. My husband felt that since he was out of the house and on his own, they should pay for the wedding on their own. I didn't agree and gave them both cash for the wedding, with my husband's knowledge. (We don't share money; it works for us.) They were both very grateful. I told them that I understood that I wasn't the mother of the groom; I just wanted to feel included in some of the planning and help in any other way I could.

Then they got pregnant and moved the wedding up. Then COVID-19 hit. The wedding date was changed a few times. Ultimately, they ended up getting married in a small ceremony at their home and planned to have the wedding and reception after the baby was born. I totally understood.

But recently, one of the other sons told me that they just canceled the wedding altogether and planned on having a 1st birthday party for the baby at the same venue, because they signed a contract and can't get the money they have put down back.

I have to say that I am so hurt that my contribution to the wedding (which was actually a lot of money for me) meant so little to them that they didn't feel the need to tell me in person that the wedding was off and explain the situation that they could not get the money back. I don't want my money back and totally understand the circumstances, but I feel I shouldn't have heard this through a third party. I am sure the other mothers were told in person.

So my question is this: Should I bring this up to them at some point or just let it go? Normally, I am the type to keep to myself, and if someone hurts my feelings I "just get over it" without saying anything. But this hurt is lasting much longer, and I feel resentment building inside of me. – **Unappreciated Stepmom**

Dear Unappreciated: Maybe sometimes we can just will ourselves to "get over it," but most times that's a recipe for resentment. This seems to be the latter. So there is no other option than to talk with your stepson.

Make it a conversation, not a confrontation. Using "I" statements, let him know that you didn't expect to be part of the wedding planning process, but that you felt a bit hurt when you learned about the change of plans from someone else.

Go into it with an open mind. It may turn out that there was some miscommunication or context that changes your understanding.

But you sound like a thoughtful, supportive stepmom, so I have no doubt you'll be able to handle this with care.

Dear Annie: Not long ago you printed a letter from "Nearing the End." They were reflecting on lost loved ones and bothered by the fact that it seemed like a lifetime of memories just disappeared when someone died.

Most lives leave ripples in the pond of life. The writer might try looking for those positive ripples of grandchildren, a circle of friends, a church, old co-workers, neighbors or anywhere else. – **Mike L.**

Dear Mike: I love this comment, and I'm reminded of the film "It's a Wonderful Life" and this quote from Clarence: "Strange, isn't it? Each man's life touches so many other lives.

BACKWARD GLANCES

THE IMPERIAL Glass Factory is shown in Bellaire sometime during the 1970s in this Memories of Bellaire Facebook page photo.

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Beta blockers, ACE inhibitors can elevate potassium levels

Dr. Keith Roach

To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. ROACH: My lab results showed my potassium level was 5.4 mmol/L. My primary care doctor does not seem concerned at all with this reading. After checking on the internet I have found that this reading can be life threating, especially with my heart. My previous readings have all been between 4.4 and 5. Can you tell me anything that can relieve my grave concerns? I'm age 77 and a male Caucasian. I take metoprolol and enalapril. – **K.C.**

ANSWER: Potassium is a critical mineral used for innumerable processes in the cell. The blood level is tightly regulated, normally between 3.5 and 5.2. Very high levels can indeed cause dangerous heart rhythms; however, these rarely happen in levels below 6, and usually occur at levels above 7. Severe high potassium, above 6.5 or in a person with symptoms, is considered a medical emergency.

Potassium levels in cells are very high, and they are kept that way actively by ion pumps in the cell membranes, which push sodium out and potassium in. These pumps are partially blocked by beta blockers like metoprolol, so that is one reason your potassium level may be a bit high.

Any drug with a generic name ending in "-pril" is an ACE inhibitor. Levels in the range of 5 to 5.5 are extremely common in people taking ACE inhibitors, like enalapril. ACE inhibitors block the hormone aldosterone. Since aldosterone normally enhances potassium excretion, ACE inhibitors raise potassium levels somewhat. Aldosterone blockers like spironolactone (a diuretic) and eplerenone (used mostly for heart failure) also increase potassium levels, as do angiotensin receptor blockers (drugs whose names end in "-sartan").

Since your reading is higher than it has been in the past, a recheck in the near future might be a good idea to be sure your level is not on the way up. I suspect your level will be back down to where you usually run.

While I agree with your doctor that the level of 5.4 is not likely to be concerning, it would have been more humane and much better care to explain that a mild increase in potassium is expected with the medications you are on, and that there is essentially no risk of potassium-related heart problems associated with a level of 5.4, in addition to planning a follow-up level to be sure.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I've been hearing about using a nebulizer with peroxide to treat or prevent COVID-19 infection. Is this effective? Is it safe? – **K.G.**

ANSWER: It is neither effective nor safe. Hydrogen peroxide is a powerful chemical that is toxic both to germs and to human cells. It should never be used undiluted on any part of the body, especially not on open wounds or on mucous membranes. Inhaling cleansing agents like peroxide or bleach is incredibly dangerous and can cause permanent lung damage.

You can clean a nebulizer with dilute cleansing chemicals, but never inhale anything other than the prescribed medication.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu or send mail to 628 Virginia Dr., Orlando, FL 32803.

Heloise

Hints from Heloise

How to clean your firescreen

Dear Heloise: In the past I had difficulty cleaning the inside of my glass fireplace screen. It gets coated with sooty residue from the burning of wood. Some of this is very hard to remove. I had tried many chemicals, even industrial grade cleaners. They did not work well. Then a friend suggested the following:

Wet the glass with a sponge soaked in water. Then put a soaked sponge in the ashes from the fireplace and apply them to the glass and scrub. Most of the soot and residue will come off immediately. Hard ashes need more applications. There may be an area around the edge of the glass that requires some scraping with a razor blade or putty knife, especially if the glass hasn't been cleaned in a while. – **Bruce R., Garden City, Kan.**

NEW SCAM, OLD SCAMMERS

Dear Heloise: There is a new scam going around. Someone calls or emails and tells you that your bank's routing and account number have been lost due to a malfunction of a computer. They want you to hand over that information or you won't receive you Social Security check (or stimulus check). They may say they are from some government agency, but they're NOT! This is merely another attempt to cheat you by using threats to get personal information. Do not give them any information at all; just hang up.

Connected to this type of scam is one where someone calls and says you were underpaid on your stimulus check. They'll ask you to send back the money you received so they can issue a larger amount, which they claim is due to you. It can be any amount from $1,000 to $2,000. Don't send them anything. They're trying to cheat you out of your stimulus money. Just hang up. – **Donald H., New York**

MASK REMINDER

Dear Heloise: Since we've had to wear masks, as a reminder to use mine, I have a mask hanging on the inside of my front door's doorknob. – **M.E.B., Houston, Texas**

M.E.B., I like to keep several in my glove compartment in the car and a couple clean ones in my purse. This way, if I forget to bring one along with me, I have them right at hand. – **Heloise**

CRYPTOQUOTE

A X Y D L B A A X R
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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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M P W J T Y L U X N P H J B J F U X T L C J H , M L ' Y A N X I M X H M Y B ; M P W J T Y L U X N P H J B B X F W , M L ' Y H U Y U X H G C . — S M N Y J F B M K F U H

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: CHILDREN HAVE NEVER BEEN VERY GOOD AT LISTENING TO THEIR ELDERS, BUT THEY HAVE NEVER FAILED TO IMITATE THEM. — JAMES BALDWIN

BECKER BRIDGE

Bidding quiz

You are declarer and bid One Club. Partner responds One Heart. What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

1. ♠ AJ ♥ AQ73 ♦ J8 ♣ AQJ62
2. ♠ A984 ♥ — ♦ AJ6 ♣ AK9754
3. ♠ AKJ2 ♥ 96 ♦ AQ ♣ AQ832
4. ♠ 10 ♥ K95 ♦ AQ83 ♣ AK876

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1. Four hearts. You should not risk losing a game by raising to only three hearts, an encouraging but nonforcing bid that shows about 16-18 points. You'd feel pretty silly if partner passed, since even if he has only six points he will probably make four hearts.

By jumping to four hearts, you indicate about 20 points, which in turn shows interest in slam. Note that this sequence, where the opener leaps to game in responder's suit, is altogether different from that where a player opens the bidding with one of a major and responder raises directly to four. In the latter case, responder's jump to game is pre-emptive rather than forward-going.

2. One spade. Partner's heart response adds nothing to the value of your hand. Had partner responded in diamonds or spades, the outlook would have been much more promising. The heart response warns of a possible misfit, and until a suit fit is discovered, you should tread very gingerly. A rebid of three clubs (16-18 points) over one heart might result in missing a game in spades, and two clubs would run the same risk while severely understating your values.

3. Two spades. Here you have adequate high-card strength for a leap to three notrump, showing at least 20 points. However, the hand might play better in spades at either a game or slam, so it is wiser to show your spades en route. Partner is required to respond to the jump-shift, even with minimum values for his first response.

4. Two diamonds. Bidding one club first and following up with two diamonds constitutes a "reverse." Reverses show hands that contain at least 17 points, including distributional features. They also guarantee holding greater length in the first suit mentioned.

Here, after bidding two diamonds, you plan to support hearts on the next round and in that way identify your 1-3-4-5 distribution. This projected series of bids is more desirable than any other sequence because your hand is too good for a simple raise to two hearts, and you lack the four-card trump support needed for a jump-raise to three hearts.

Tomorrow: Mission impossible?

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS
1 Ticket remnants
6 Kitchen come-on
11 Skater Harding
12 "Alice" star
13 Pick from the menu
14 Resided
15 Once known as
16 Penny prez
18 Brink
19 Drop the ball
20 Swindle
21 Pot fill
22 Corrupt
24 Have nothing to do with
25 Tribute VIP
27 Sign of trouble
29 "Love Yourself" singer
32 Soap unit
33 Mob leader
34 Bullring cry
35 In the style of
36 Inquire
37 Flock member
38 Angry with
40 Circle spokes
42 In the know
43 Hymn closers
44 Begets
45 Car quartet

DOWN
1 Pothead
2 Bullring star
3 Unnoticed
4 Tourney pass
5 Mideasterner during the Crusades
6 Mayflower name
7 Unrefined
8 In an adjacent nation
9 Setting
10 2015 Paul Rudd movie
17 Congo chimps
23 Great weight
24 Take in
26 Skating venue regular
27 First Family of 2010
28 Zambia neighbor
30 Galahad's mother
31 Negligent
33 Appointments
39 Is for two
41 French friend

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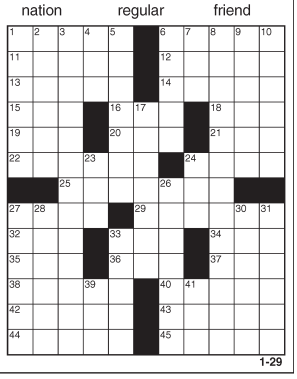
Yesterday's answer



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TICKET

Friday
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CAST MEMBERS Maria McKelvey as Griselda and Sarah Hamilton as Rumpelstiltskin appear in Towngate Theatre's production of "My Name is Rumpelstiltskin."

Towngate to Present Children's Classic 'Rumpelstiltskin'

WHEELING – Oglebay Institute's Towngate Theatre continues its children's theater season with a production of "My Name is Rumpelstiltskin," the popular fairy tale about greed, magic and the power of belief.

It will be staged for two weekends beginning tonight – Friday through Sunday, Jan. 29-31, and Feb. 5-6.

Adapted by Vera Morris from the classic Brothers Grimm tale, the play tells the story of a miller's daughter, a magical wizard, a 400-year-old witch, a handsome prince and the ability to spin straw into gold.

Packed with comedy, action and adventure, this imaginative children's show is fun for all ages.

Dave Henderson directs the production. Cast members include: Ava Mick, Taylor Andrews, Will Medovic, Sarah Hamilton, Maria McKelvey, Morgan Hamilton, Cameron McCord, Patrick Ingold, McKenna Halicky, Kara Jean Zanes, Evan Oslund, Clare Seibert, Jana Schodzinski and Lyla Litman.

Purchase tickets at www.oionline.com or by calling the Stifel Fine Arts Center at 304-242-7700. No seats will be sold at the door.

Towngate's box office opens one hour before all shows and can be reached at 304-233-4257. Masks are required and social distancing guidelines are in effect.

The show is part of Oglebay Institute's Children's Theatre Season, which is sponsored by the Helen J. Prince Foundation.

Part of the nonprofit Oglebay Institute, Towngate is located in Wheeling's historic Centre Market District. Towngate is a cornerstone of creative life in Wheeling and serves as an entertainment destination for residents of Wheeling, the Upper Ohio Valley and beyond. People of all ages and backgrounds gather here to create and experience art onstage.

Dozens of theatrical performances, ballets, concerts, films, exhibits, classes and more take place year-round.

Lesser Known African American Legends Of Wheeling Celebrated at Lunch With Books

WHEELING – The next Lunch With Books livestream program at noon on Tuesday, Feb. 2, presented by the Ohio County Public Library will kick off Black History Month with "Archiving Wheeling Presents – Part 3: Lesser Known African American Legends of Wheeling."

In this biographical presentation, we will explore the lives, times and accomplishments of nine leaders of Wheeling's African American community during the era of "Jim Crow" segregation, including: barber Boose Clemens, police officer William Alexander Turner, firefighter Ashby Jackson, attorney Harry H. Jones, medical doctors BH Stillyard, J. Katherine Pronty Davis, Robert Hamlin and Alga Wade Hamlin, and musician Will H. Dixon.

To view the weekly Lunch With Books programs livestreamed online, visit the Ohio County Public Library's website or the public library's official social media pages.

Works by Betsy Cox Featured at Artworks' Gallery

WHEELING – Nationally known and respected artist Betsy Cox will present a collection of work in Wheeling never previously exhibited. The Studio Gallery at Artworks Around Town will host a retrospective of her two-dimensional work for the months of February and March.

The student side of the North end will continue to exhibit works by Gallery members depicting beautiful winter scenes.

Cox is most recently known for her work in ceramics. She has earned many awards in area as well as at national shows. This retrospective exhibit reveals another aspect of her talent not usually seen. There will be almost 40 years worth of paintings starting with an acrylic still life done in 1972. There will be florals, still lifes and landscapes painted in various mediums including pastel, acrylic, oil and watercolor. She has worked with clay prints and encaustic in addition to more traditional forms of expression.

She grew up in a family that was immersed in artistic expression of one kind or another. Her mother and brother did leatherwork, her father liked to draw and work in mosaics and her sister painted. Her mother's Austrian side of the family boasted sculptors. Needless to say, Betsy has come from a long line of creative and innovative artists.

The retrospective promises to reveal many layers of skill Cox has honed over many years of practice and experience. Her love of nature and her keen eye for detail are evident in everything she does, whether in clay or paint. Cox's ceramic items are available for purchase in her permanent space at the Gallery. She sells note cards as well as her originals.

Visitors are encouraged to view both exhibits six days a week, Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

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WORKS BY Betsy Cox will be on display in The Studio Gallery at Artworks Around Town in Centre Market in February and March.

Artworks Around Town is located in Wheeling's Historic Centre Market. Artworks is a nonprofit charitable and educational organization that operates a Gallery and Art Center for the benefit of the artists and general public of the region.

Anyone interested in becoming a member, please go to the website at artworksaroundtown.com for information and an application.

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THESE HANDSOME beer chemistry pint glasses are among prizes awarded to lucky participants who engage in the livestream classes of the latest Peoples' University series "Physical Science, The Joy of Discovery" presented online each week by the Ohio County Public Library.

'Drug Discovery' Is The Focus of Next Peoples' U. Session

WHEELING – The fourth class in the Ohio County Public Library's new People's University series "Physical Science, The Joy of Discovery" will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 4.

Participants will explore "Chemistry 2 – Drug Discovery: Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria" in the Week 4 class.

The instructor again will be Dr. Erin Duffy of Carb-X.

Given the increase in antibiotic-resistant bacteria, alongside the alarmingly low rate of newly approved antibiotics for clinical usage, society is on the verge of not having effective treatments for many common infectious diseases. This also impacts procedures we have grown to take for granted, like childbirth, joint replacements and chemotherapy.

Historically, antibiotic discovery has been crucial in outpacing resistance, there has only been one new class of antibiotics introduced in the last 30 years. At CARB-X, they are investing in innovative science to provide diagnostics, preventatives and treatments for infections caused by antibiotic-resistant bacteria.

With more than 17 years of drug-discovery and problem-solving experience in the antibiotic arena, Duffy helped to build and sustain a team of researchers at Rib-X Pharmaceuticals (Melinta Therapeutics) that translated the company's scientific platform into next-generation and novel antibiotics that target the ribosome. Prior to Rib-X, Duffy was the associate director of Innovative Discovery Technologies at Achillion Pharmaceuticals. She began her industrial career at Pfizer Central Research, in Groton, Conn. She earned a bachelor of science degree at Wheeling Jesuit College and her doctorate at Yale University. She is now chief of Research and Development at Carb-X, Boston University.

Duffy has added books to the library's giveaway at the end of her program.

"These are great for the non-scientist!" she said.

The Ohio County Public Library in partnership with the Wheeling Academy of Law & Science (WALS) Foundation is offering the 31st entry in its People's University series in this six-class online, livestream presentation.

"Physical Science, The Joy of Discovery" takes attendees on a journey through the philosophical and intellectual development of science as a method of accurately weighing evidence, eliminating bias, finding facts, and acquiring knowledge.

Classes in the series explore, in part, themes such science is not political; science is not magical; science is not faith or belief; science is not based on feelings; it's not a conspiracy and has no hidden agenda. Science is the earnest pursuit of what is true in terms of the best available, logically generated evidence. Science recognizes that it's OK to be wrong and to learn from it.

Later classes in the series will explore the history and fundamental building blocks of the pillars of physical science: chemistry and physics. Attendees will learn about what matter and energy are and what laws they obey. Additional classes will explore specific applications of chemistry, namely laser technology as well as combating multi-drug resistant bacteria through drug discovery.

Attendees who "like," comment or ask a question during the live session will be eligible to win a door prize each time. This week, winner of the drawing at the end of the livestream claim a beer chemistry pint glass from Uncommon Goods.

All classes meet on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

The Muddle Set to Host Open Mic Night Saturday in Bellaire

BELLAIRE – The Muddle will play host to an open mic night from 7-9:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 30, at Flanagan's on Belmont Street in Bellaire.

Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE
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MARSHALL AND OHIO COUNTIES IN WEST VIRGINIA and BELMONT COUNTY IN OHIO HAVE BEEN AWARDED FEDERAL FUNDS UNDER THE EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER NATIONAL BOARD PROGRAM
The following counties have been chosen to receive funds to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county:

Phase 38
Marshall County WV: $16,755
Ohio County WV: $20,496
Belmont County OH: $36,503

The selection was made by a National Board that is chaired by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and consists of representatives from the Salvation Army, American Red Cross, United Jewish Communities, Catholic Charities, USA; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA; and United Way Worldwide. The Local Board was charged to distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country.
A Local Board made up of the local United Way, local government officials and local representatives from some of the above - mentioned organizations will determine how the funds awarded to Marshall Cty WV and Ohio Cty Wv as well as Belmont County in OH are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by local service agencies in the area. The Local Board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds available under this phase of the program.
Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local agencies chosen to receive funds must: 1) be private voluntary non-profits or units of government 2). Have an accounting system 3) practice nondiscrimination 4) have demonstrated the capacity to deliver emergency food and shelter programs 5) if they are a voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board. Qualifying agencies are urged to apply.
Agencies MUST have a Data Universal Number System (DUNS), maintain a checking account in the organizations name for EFSP deposits, pay vendors within 90 days for services provided and submit required reports.
Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds must contact Information Helpline at 304.233.6300 or by email at:

agoodson@informationhelpline.org

no later than February 04 by end of business day.
T.L. Jan. 29, 31. Feb. 1, 2, 3, 4, 2021

LEGAL NOTICE
The 2020 Annual Financial Report for Richland Township, Belmont County, is complete and available for public inspection. The report can be viewed by contacting the Fiscal Officer at (740) 296-1905.
T.L. Jan. 29, 2021

NOTICE
2020 Financial Report available for review at the office of the fiscal officer.
T.L. Jan. 29, 2021

NOTICE
NOTICE OF PRIVATE SELLING OFFICER SALE UNDER JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE LIENS FOR DELINQUENT LAND TAXES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 5721.39 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE
In the Common Pleas Court of Belmont County, Ohio.
Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, interest, and costs as follows:
The Common Pleas Court Case No.; the case caption; the street address (for guidance only); the permanent parcel number; minimum acceptable bid; auction end date and second auction end date for each parcel, as defined by the Statutes of Ohio are set forth below as follows:
19 CV 0191; TAX EASE OHIO, LLC V. MICHAEL JOSEPH BUTERBAUGH, ET AL.; 0 COUNTY ROAD 54 AKA VL COUNTY ROAD 54, JACOBSBURG, OH 43933, MEAD TWP., PROPERTY LOCATED INBETWEEN HOMOCO RD & GREIG RD.; 15-00559.000; MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID $20,097.70 (PLUS 10% BUYER'S PREMIUM); AUCTION END DATE: February 25, 2021; SECOND AUCTION END DATE: March 25, 2021
19 CV 0445; TAX EASE OHIO II, LLC V. CRAIG M. ROSEN, ET AL.; 217 4TH AVE., BELLAIRE, OH 43906; 29-02081.000; MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID $21,619.23 (PLUS 10% BUYER'S PREMIUM); AUCTION END DATE: February 25, 2021; SECOND AUCTION END DATE: March 25, 2021
19 CV 0451; TAX EASE OHIO II, LLC AKA TAX EASE OH II, LLC V. WILLIAM DEAN ALBERT, ET AL.; 1073 CENTRAL AVE., MARTINS FERRY, OH 43935; 24-02276.000; MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID $24,746.79 (PLUS 10% BUYER'S PREMIUM); AUCTION END DATE: February 25, 2021; SECOND AUCTION END DATE: March 25, 2021
18 CV 0085; TAX EASE OHIO, LLC V. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, EXECUTORS, AND/OR ADMINISTRATORS OF MARK W. TIBER, ET AL.; 125 W. MARKET ST., BELMONT, OH 43718; 10-00392.000; MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID $28,559.26 (PLUS 10% BUYER'S PREMIUM); AUCTION END DATE: February 25, 2021; SECOND AUCTION END DATE: March 25, 2021
NOTE: All parcels will be auctioned online at

www.OhioForeclosures.com.

All auctions will begin at least seven (7) days prior to the auction end date. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms, on the same website, with the second auction beginning at least seven (7) days prior to the end date of the second auction. A ten percent (10%) Buyer's Premium will be added to the high bid to determine the sale price. Full legal description of parcels, and other sale details, are available at

www.OhioForeclosures.com.

TERMS OF SALE: Purchaser shall be required to pay a buyer's premium, in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the high bid price, which shall be added to the high bid and included in the full purchase price. Deposit of 10%, with a minimum deposit of $1,000.00, shall be wire transferred to Standard Title Co. no later than 2:00 pm EST the day following auction end. Balance of the FULL purchase price shall be wire transferred to Standard Title Co. no later than thirty (30) days following the confirmation of sale. Failure to pay deposit, buyer premium or balance of purchase price timely will result in private selling officer moving the court for a contempt citation against purchaser. The purchaser shall be responsible for those costs, allowances, and taxes that the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PARCELS TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION MAY BE SUBJECT TO A FEDERAL TAX LIEN THAT MAY NOT BE EXTINGUISHED BY THE SALE.
NOTE: Prospective bidders are responsible for knowing what they are bidding on prior to the time of sale by first having reviewed the records of the City wherein the parcel is located, and the records of the County, and further, by personally viewing the parcel at its location.
NOTE: Per Section 5721.38 of the Ohio Revised Code, an owner of a parcel may redeem his property by payment in full of all taxes and costs until the sale of such parcel is confirmed by the Court.
This advertisement is prepared and published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5721.37 and 5721.39 of the Ohio Revised Code.
T.L. Jan. 29, Feb. 5, 12, 2021

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20 CV 0010; TAX EASE OHIO II, LLC V. UNKNOWN ADMINISTRATOR, EXECUTOR, OR FIDUVIARY, UNKNOWN HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, UNKNOWN SPOUSES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS, AND BENEFICIARIES OF ESTATE OF VALERIE J. RIVERA, DECEASED, ET AL; 13 MAPLE ST., BRIDGEPORT, OH 43912; 23-00154.000; MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID $20,530.27 (PLUS 10% BUYER'S PREMIUM); AUCTION END DATE: February 16, 2021; SECOND AUCTION END DATE: March 16, 2021
NOTE: All parcels will be auctioned online at

www.Ohio Foreclosures.com.

All auctions will begin at least seven (7) days prior to the auction end date. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms, on the same website, with the second auction beginning at least seven (7) days prior to the end date of the second auction. A ten percent (10%) Buyer's Premium will be added to the high bid to determine the sale price. Full legal description of parcels, and other sale details, are available at

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This advertisement is prepared and published pursuant to the provisions of Section 5721.37 and 5721.39 of the Ohio Revised Code.
T.L. Jan. 22, 29. Feb. 5, 2021

NOTICE
SECTION 00100 - ADVERTISEMENT

OHIO HILLS HEALTH SERVICES ELECTRICAL SERVICE UPGRADE
101 East Main Street
Barnesville, Ohio 43713

Sealed bids shall be hand delivered to Ohio Hills Health Services at 101 East Main Street, Barnesville, Ohio 43713, until 10:00 AM. Wednesday, February 10, 2021, to provide labor and materials for "OHIO HILLS HEALTH SERVICES ELECTRICAL SERVICE UPGRADE". Bidders who choose to email their bids are to send the complete bid to

mcarpenter@ohiohillshealthservices.com

and

cavec@wdc-group.com

Bidders are responsible to make sure that bids are received by the bid time.

Bids will be taken for the following Contracts, as described and shown in the Contract Documents:

16A – Electrical

Bids will be publicly (via teleconference) opened and tabulated.

A Pre-Bid Telephone Conference for all interested contractors will be held on Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at 10:00 AM in conjunction with the bid process. Email

cavec@wdc-group.com

to request the call-in number and access code for this meeting.

Each bid shall contain the full name of each person and company interested therein and shall be accompanied by 1) a bid guaranty and contract bond in the full amount of the bid tendered or 2) a certified check, or cashier's check in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid tendered. Either of these shall serve as a guarantee that, if the award is made to the bidder, he will enter into a proper contract. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory performance bond for one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price upon execution of the contract. All such bonds, certified checks and cashier's checks shall be made payable to the Owner, OHIO HILLS HEALTH SERVICES.

No bid shall be considered unless made on the forms available at the office of the project Architect and in accordance with the Contract Documents which consist of all advertisements, instructions to bidders, specifications and drawings, bid form of contract agreement, bid and performance bond, schedule of wage rates, and all addenda thereto, all of which are available upon request.

Should any bid be rejected, the Bid Bond will be returned forthwith to the bidder, and, should any bid be accepted, the Bid Bond will be returned upon proper execution of a contract agreement.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days minimum after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of the bids.

Bids are to be clearly marked on the outside of the envelope in the lower left hand corner as follows: "OHIO HILLS HEALTH SERVICES ELECTRICAL SERVICE UPGRADE".

The OWNER intends to accept the lowest and most responsible bids (bidders) for the project, and reserves the right to reject any and all or parts of any and all bids. The Owner will consider combination bids as part of determining the lowest most responsible bids.

Electronic Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS will be available via Dropbox the morning of the Pre-Bid Telephone Conference to contractors that request access and provide requested contact information via email (cavec@wdc-group.com)

Contract Documents may be viewed after January 20, 2021 at WDC Group, Ohio Hills Health Center, and Builder's Exchange (Central Ohio, Pennsylvania, Cleveland). After January 20, 2021, Contract Documents may be purchased at the office of WDC Group LLC, located at 23 South Center Street, Springfield, Ohio 45502 upon payment of $100.00 (two checks of $50.00 each made out to Ohio Hills Health Services) for each set plus shipping (call 937.325.9991 to schedule purchase). Any BIDDER, upon returning the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS promptly and in good condition following the contract award by the Owner, will be refunded $50.00.

Contract Documents may be viewed at the following locations:

WDC Group
23 South Center Street
Springfield, Ohio 45502
call ahead - 937-325-9991

McGraw Hill Dodge - Dayton
3077 South Kettering Blvd., Suite 104
Dayton, OH 45439
(937) 298-7378

Ohio Hills Health Services
101 East Main Street
Barnesville, Ohio 43713
call ahead – 740.309.1056

The Builders Exchange, Inc. - Cleveland
9555 Rockside Road, Suite 3
Valley View, Ohio 44125
(216) 393-6300
T.L. Jan. 15, 22, 29, 2021

NOTICE
The 2020 annual financial report for Pease Township is complete and available for review at the township office. Anyone interested in reviewing this report may call 740-391-5632 to set up an appointment.
T.L. Jan. 29, 2021

PUBLIC NOTICE GUIDELINES

Public Notices need to be submitted to the business office by 5:00 P.M. **3 business days** prior to publication.

Email:
legalads@timesleaderonline.com

Fax:740-633-1122

Mail:
The Times Leader
200 South 4th Street
Martins Ferry, OH 43935

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 109.34(F) of the Ohio Revised Code, that Barnesville Hospital Association, Inc. ("Barnesville Hospital" or "Hospital") and West Virginia United Health System, Inc. ("WVUHS") propose to enter into a transaction that is considered a "nonprofit combination" within the meaning of Section 109.34(G) of the Ohio Revised Code, whereby WVUHS will become the sole corporate member of Barnesville Hospital, having general oversight and control over the operations and affairs of the Hospital. Barnesville Hospital seeks to continue its mission of providing quality healthcare in Belmont County and the surrounding communities, and the parties believe the proposed transaction will enable the Hospital to do so more effectively and efficiently. This proposed transaction remains subject to the approval and execution by the parties of the definitive agreements for the transaction.
T.L. Jan. 29, 2021

Public Notices Available Online

To see Public Notices that have been published in this county and other counties in Ohio, visit:

www.PublicNotices Ohio.com

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Urchin is longer. 2. Pocket is moved. 3. Collar is missing. 4. Tube is missing around the front door. 5. Sleeve is longer. 6. Hair is different.

FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 20 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5008

In the mood

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Belligerent	Honest	Pain	Spite
Blunt	Hope	Panic	Sure
Bold	Intuitive	Perky	Sweet
Bored	Ire	Pleased	Tame
Dread	Isolated	Pragmatic	Vocal
Envy	Joy	Pride	Wary
Folksy	Kind	Reliable	Weird
Forlorn	Love	Resistant	Wise
Fury	Mad	Rude	Woeful
Gay	Malice	Sad	Wrath
Glee	Mean	Sick	Zeal

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Mail to:
The Times Leader, Classified Dept., PO Box 7005, Wheeling, WV 26003

Call and ask about our New Weekend Special for private party merchandise ads, 740-633-1131, ask for Classified

Budget Stretchers are available to private parties ONLY. Your ad will appear as soon as possible after receipt of coupon and as space permits. Publisher reserves the right to reject or edit any, or all copy. No FIREARMS ads will be accepted nor will real estate, mobile homes for sale, rentals, yard/garage sales or merchandise wanted ads. You may cancel at any time. No copy changes except in the event of typographical errors. Price of items(s) must appear in ad and AD MUST BE SUBMITTED ON ORIGINAL COUPON FROM THE TIMES LEADER. Budget Stretchers will not be accepted by phone.

10 Announcements

1004 - Notices

★ ATTENTION ★
Companies that do business by phone can't ask you to pay for credit BEFORE you get it.
A public service message from the Federal Trade Commission and The Times Leader.

NOW YOU CAN
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Private Party rates are for individuals advertising personally owned items; ie. autos, boats, etc. Ads are payable in advance. The General rate applies to registered animals, rentals, employment, services and qualified commercial business. Ads subject to credit approval. Check your copy for errors. We are responsible only for the first incorrect insertion - Minimum charge 5 lines, garage sales 5 lines. Employment ads contain white space at top and bottom of ad. Ads may be canceled prior to expiration and the charge will be computed at the rate for the actual number of days the ad has run. Minimum 3 day charge. Contract rates available for qualified commercial businesses. The Times Leader reserves the right to correctly classify and edit all copy or to reject or cancel any advertisement at any time.

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With one ad placement ONLY $295. Ohio's best community newspapers. Call The Times Leader, 740-633-1131.

1032 - Misc. Services

ATTENTION!! "FEE MAY BE REQUIRED" WHEN RESPONDING TO THE FOLLOWING ADS

15 Employment

1500 - Miscellaneous

Bellaire Board of Education
The Bellaire Board of Education currently has a vacancy due to a resignation. Anyone interested in serving on the Board of Education should email a letter to Darren Jenkins, Superintendent, outlining the reasons for your interest and qualifications by February 4, 2021. The email address is:
djenkins@bellairesd.org

This appointment is for an unexpired term ending December, 2021 only.

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Your perfect employee could be found in today's newspaper or online….

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1526 - Full Time Wanted

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http://hot-ads.com

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IT'S A CLASSIFIED SECRET
We'll never reveal the identity of a Times Leader box holder. However, if you want to answer a box number ad, but don't want your reply to go to certain industries or companies, just seal your reply in an envelope addressed to the box holder, attach a note telling us what companies you don't want the reply to reach. Then, put the reply & note in an envelope addressed to:

The Times Leader
Classified Department,
P.O. Box 7005,
Wheeling, WV 26003

If the box number you're answering is on your list, we'll discard your reply.

★★★★★

20 Financial

2000 - Business Opportunities

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2002 - Financial Services

★ ATTENTION ★
It's illegal for companies doing business by phone to promise you a loan and ask you to pay for it before they deliver.
A public service message from the Federal Trade Commission and The Times Leader.

2012 - Mortgages

UNION HOME MORTGAGE

CARRIE STINGLE
Mortgage Specialist
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*No Money Down USDA Loans
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30 Rental Real Estate

3000 - Notice

All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18.

This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination call HUD toll-free at 1-800-669-9777. The toll-free telephone number for the hearing impaired is 1-800-927-9275.

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

35 Sale Real Estate

3500 - Realtors

BONNIE WETMORE
MANAGER/AGENT
Carol Goff & Associates
St.Clairsville, OH
740-695-5559-Office
740-408-2896-Cell

Sulek & Dutton Realtors For Sale 699.9909

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Sulek & Dutton Real Estate

Heidi Riley, Agent
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Carol Goff & Associates
St.Clairsville, OH
Lori Frank, Broker
740-695-5559-Office
740-819-2301-Cell

Marge Kress, Realtor

Buying or Selling
Call Marge
304-281-1915

Sulek & Dutton Realtors For Sale 699.9909

Sulek & Dutton Real Estate
margekress@gmail.com

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740-359-5094
Harris Anderson Real Estate
Pamela Anderson, Broker

3508 - Farm/Land

PAYING top prices, 30 acres or more in Ohio, Pennsylvania & West Virginia. Call Bruner Land Company at (740)685-3064.

WANTED, 30 acres or more, cash paid. Call Bruner Land Company at (740)685-3064.

3512 - Houses

Powhatan Point
3 bedroom, $8,000 firm. Needs work.
740-839-9764

Todd Schau
740-359-9979
www.toddschau.com

HARVEY GOODMAN REALTOR • BUILDER

John Sambuco, Broker

40 Auctions

4000- Auctions

DAVID Jones Auction
Flushing, Ohio
740-968-3710

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Call 740-633-1131 and ask for your advertising representative

The Times Leader
www.timesleaderonline.com

55 Pets & Supplies

5500 - Dogs

BELMONT COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

PRISON OBEDIENCE PROGRAM DOGS: Rufus, male boxer mix, 9 months; Neci, female foxhound, 3 yrs; Daisey, lab mix, 4 yrs; Sunshine, female lab/shep, 9yrs; Crystal, female husky/dalmation; Daisey female boxer mix 8 yrs; Zeus male lab mix 2-3 yrs; Harley male shepherd mix 1 yr.; Franny female coonhound 7-9 yrs.

Waylon, male walker coonhound 8-10 yrs., Tank, male 1 yr. pitbull; Spike, male pitbull mix 8 yrs.; Rosezay "Z" pitbull, female mix 4 yrs.; Romo, male pitbull 3 yrs.., Riley, male shepherd mix 1yr.; Pixley, female pitbull 1 yr., Poe, male blacktan coonhound 3 yrs.; Mia, female pitbull 1 yr.; Max, male boxer/dane 2yrs.

DOGS THAT HAVE BEEN AT SHELTER A YEAR OR MORE: Spot, male pitbull 4 yrs.; Precious, female lab mix 3 yrs.; Shelly, female lab/husky 3 yrs.; June Bug, female pug/beagle 7 yrs.

DOGS THAT HAVE BEEN AT SHELTER 2 YEARS: Angel, female dobie mix, 5 years.

DOGS THAT HAVE BEEN AT SHELTER 3 YEARS: Bubba, male pitbull, 4yrs.; Peanut, male pitbull/mt curr 4 yrs; Betty, female pitbull mix 5 yrs.

WISH LIST
Dog Biscuits and can cat and dog food, litter, toys, dry cat and dog food & bleach.

Adoption Fee for all dogs, cats & kittens $125 includes cost of spay/neuter, UTD vaccinations, wormed, heartworm tested, or feluk fiv tested.

*Don't forget we have 1 bunny- $35 each.
Shelter Hours every day 10-4 except Sunday 12-3.
Closed Tuesday.
Closed all holidays.
Please come 1 hour prior to closing to see the dogs.

740-695-4708

5504 - Other Animals

Rabbitsm 7 weeks oldm whits American breed, makes great pets, $10/ea.
740-546-4401

60 Merchandise

6000 - Miscellaneous

Aged WVU medical books, excellent referral, six total $20; golf clubs, $45; leave voice mail and will call back
304-639-8442

Assorted Imperial glassware, $100/obo; 4 piece blue hobnail bedroom set, $25; indoor BBQ spit, used twice, $50
740-633-5932

Barrel stove, new, 55 gallon, $125/obo
304-780-6846

Beautiful carved wood "Polish Eagle", $25; Dec. 1966 dedication plaque of Wheeling Hill Tunnels, made from original tile, $20/obo.
740-633-0813

BUDGET STRETCHER COUPON GUIDELINES
1. **18 Word Limit on ALL ads.**
2. **Each item MUST be priced, items not priced will not be published, entire coupon not to exceed $1,500.**
3. **No ads of commercial nature are permitted, coupons limited to private parties only.**
4. **Ad must be submitted on ORIGINAL coupon from The Times Leader.**

Some other restrictions may apply. The Times Leader reserves the right to reject or edit any or all copy. Any questions regarding this, please call Classified at 740-633-1131.

Dining canopy, 12'x12', used once, $10; new trailer tire, 4.80x 12", $20; small cigarette ligher collections, make offer.
740-859-4395

Dyna-Glo 23,800 BTU indoor kerosene convection heater, extra new wick, used one season, WalMart price $133.55 + tax, sell for $65.
740-676-3344

Fireplace insert, $400/obo; natural gas logs $100/set; ladies small mink coat, $100; Wheeling Downs leather coat $100.
740-579-1766

Fireplace screen, black, $20; vintage boat oars, refinished, $100; vintage metal Coke tray from the 1940s, $50
304-845-7541

Five grinding wheels, 14"x1", 5" bore, 32A60-G12VBEP, brand new, $100/lot
304-277-4101

6000 - Miscellaneous

Guitar and case, $20; 8' fluorescent bulbs, most new, $60; large old stamp cpllection, 7 albums, make offer.
740-782-1045

Imperial glass gummed labels, new 1 1/2" long, blue with silver lettering and company logo, $1/ea
740-340-8509

Karaoke machine and amplifier, flat screen monitor, 2 giant speakers, stands, 3 mics, 27 additional items included, call for details $750.
304-907-3355

Men's trousers, 22 pairs 40-44 by 30, Dockers, Savane, Perry Ellis, Haggar, great for the professional, some new $5/ea
304-845-9890

Mirror, decorative black fram 28"x40", $25; white linen grommet top curtain panel, 84", 4 available, pole included, $25.
304-312-0672

3 new Comfy original, brand new, make great gift paid $60, sell for $25.
304-277-7915

Old corn sheller, all metal, $150; electric wood splitter, $150; Cratsman 10" band saw, $75. Please leave message.
740-425-2103

Stickley cherry Bachelors chest, excellent condition, $600; Jefferson revolving bookcase, Mahogany, $100; Christmas Ironstone China, $50.
304-650-1901

Very nice walnut hutch, $85, electronic keyboard, $65; set of dishes, $45
304-242-1410

Vintage cedar wardrobe, $75; men's XL Michael Kors jacket, $25; new Amish bench, reclaimed wood, $300, can text pictures
740-635-1242

Wheeling Landmark Stratford Spirings Hotel, large framed photo 23x27 inches circa 1907 woodscdale destroyed by fire 1918, $100.
304-233-4837

Womens full length mink coat, size medium, seldom worn, in very good condition, $700
740-282-1204

6020 - Office Equipment

Dell photo printer, 926, $125; HP printer, 882C, cables included, $75; Dell Inspiron computer, $200
304-242-5566

6032 - Appliances

Kenmore microwave oven, countertop carousel, large, 1100w hardly used, works great, 141/2dx131/2hx 201/2w, downsizing $55.
740-695-6338

Propane furnace out of mobile home, needs TLC, $50
740-859-6252

6034 - Furniture

Brand new lift chair with manual, bought in December 2020, do not need anymore, paid $600, asking $500.
304-914-7078

Convertible crib and mattress, never used, dark wood, paid over $300, price firm, sell for $25.
740-359-8744

Four kitchen chairs from the Homestead in excellent condition, cherry finish, $75/ea.
304-281-0820

Older cherry china cupboard, with table and chairs, $250.
740-859-2592

Roll top desk, $40; 4 bar stools, 2 with back $20/ea, 2 plain, $10/ea.
740-264-1492

Wooden baby bed and good day bed with mattress $35 both.
740-859-6252

65 Agriculture

6512 - Firewood

Firewood, well seasoned hardwoods, short bed, $60, long bed $75, cherry and locust, $100, no deliveries, you haul.
740-458-1654

Seasoned hardwoods $80 for 8' truck, call first to be sure I am there.
740-312-5803

70 Transportation

7000 - Autos

2002 Malibu. Fully equipped. Fix or parts. $750.00
740-968-1610

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7018 - RV's for Sale

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7022 - Parts & Accessories

Custom truck cap by Century from 2005 Silverado, 6' bed, fits most model years $500, leave message
304-843-5202

2 engine stands, 1 light duty $50; heavy duty $180; hi torque starter, Chevy, $80 firm; aluminum valve covers $100.
304-281-2243

New carburetor, still in box, 1986-88 300-6 cylinder Ford truck or car, $150 firm
304-686-3226

Toyota Tacoma mudflaps, fits all late model trucks except the base model, new in Toyota box, $40
740-633-0412

7024 - Miscellaneous

5'x8' trailer, wood floor, fold up ramp, used once, paid $725, sell for $500.
304-639-6860

10"x84" truck ramps for loading ATV or lawn tractor, new, still in box, $60, leave message
304-670-2635

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