

LOCAL



Cortland officer makes inroads

Jesse Abbott began his job as the city's community-oriented police officer in January. "He puts out a great face for the department," said Cortland Police Chief F. Michael Catalano.

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LIVING & LEISURE

Library offers 'tasteful' events

A recent gingerbread house decorating contest is among the activities geared toward teenagers at the Cortland Free Library.

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SPORTS



Falcons edge Bucs, 24-21

Atlanta remained in the thick of the NFC South divisional race with Monday's win over Tampa Bay.

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WEATHER



Mostly cloudy

Tomorrow's Weather: Snow showers likely. Total accumulation up to 3 inches possible. Highs in the upper 20s.

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Reading, writing and repurpose

With Cortland school closure possible, uses for any empty building mulled

By CATHERINE WILDE Senior Reporter cwilde@cortlandstandard.net

Landlord Joe Armideo may find it bothersome to do work on a converted school, like the Owego Street Apartments he owns.

"It's hard to work on them because they're full of concrete, they're built out of concrete," Armideo said. "If you have to change the walls, there's a whole block of concrete."

But an apartment building is one possible fate for any of the Cortland City School District elementary schools if the district decides to close one. The district is studying that possibility, as well as the creation of a middle school, as it studies its space needs with an eye toward consolidation. It has embarked on a \$34,000 facilities study to explore options, in particular delivering specialized education to the early adolescent, or middle school, ages.

Michelle Sherman, who lives in some of the same classrooms at what is now Pomeroy School Apartments that her kids sat in when it was Pomeroy Elementary, reaps the benefits of converting the school, whose halls once echoed with kindergartners through second-graders.

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Joe McIntyre/staff photographer Dale Nielsen leaves the Pomeroy School Apartment complex on Wednesday in Cortland. Nielsen has lived in the building for almost 10 years.

Train hit 50 mph over limit before crash

DUPONT, Wash. (AP) — Federal officials confirmed an Amtrak train was hurtling 50 mph over the speed limit when it careened off an overpass south of Seattle, spilling cars onto the highway below and killing at least three people.

Bella Dinh-Zarr, a National Transportation Safety Board member, said at a Monday night news conference that information from the event data recorder in the rear locomotive showed the train was traveling at 80 mph in a 30 mph zone when it derailed at 7:34 a.m. Mangled train cars ended up on top of each other — and one hung precariously over the freeway.

When the clanging of metal and screeching stopped at first it was quiet. Then came the screams.

After the crash, the injured called out as rescuers — including people who had been in cars on their morning freeway commute — rushed to help. One of the train passengers was Emma Shafer, who



Associated Press Cars from an Amtrak train lay spilled onto Interstate 5 alongside smashed vehicles as some train cars remain on the tracks above Monday in DuPont, Wash.

found herself at a 45-degree angle staring at the seats in front of her that had dislodged and swung around.

"It felt oddly silent after the actual crashing," Shafer said. "Then there was people screaming because their leg was messed up ... I don't know if I actually heard the sirens, but they were there. A guy was like, 'Hey, I'm

Robert. We'll get you out of here.'"

Dinh-Zarr said it's not yet known what caused the train to derail and that "it's too early to tell" why it was going so fast.

Positive train control — the technology that can slow or stop a speeding train — wasn't in use on this stretch of track, according to Amtrak

President Richard Anderson.

In 2015, an Amtrak train in Philadelphia was traveling at twice the 50 mph speed limit as it entered a sharp curve and derailed. Eight people were killed and more than 200 were injured when the locomotive and four of the train's seven passenger cars jumped the tracks. Several cars overturned and ripped apart.

A track chart prepared by the Washington State Department of Transportation shows the maximum speed drops from 79 mph to 30 mph for passenger trains just before the tracks curve to cross Interstate 5, which is where the train went off the tracks.

The chart, dated Feb. 7, was submitted to the Federal Railroad Administration in anticipation of the start of passenger service along a new bypass route that shaves off 10 minutes for the trip between Seattle and Portland, Oregon.

STATE

Firefighters make gains on Calif. blaze

LOS ANGELES — Firefighters took advantage of calm winds in Southern California to reach 50 percent containment of a massive wildfire, officials said.

Monday was the first of a two-day window of calm winds in Santa Barbara and Ventura counties where the so-called Thomas Fire has burned for two weeks.

The fire northwest of Los Angeles has now spread to about 423 square miles, making it the third biggest since accurate records were kept starting in 1932.

The largest, the 2003 Cedar Fire in San Diego County, burned about 427 square miles.

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WORLD

Ransomware attack blamed on N. Korea

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's administration is publicly blaming North Korea for a ransomware attack that infected hundreds of thousands of computers worldwide in May and crippled parts of Britain's National Health Service.

Homeland security adviser Tom Bossert wrote in a Wall Street Journal op-ed published Monday night that North Korea was "directly responsible" for the WannaCry ransomware attack and that Pyongyang will be held accountable for it.

Bossert said the finding of responsibility is based on evidence and confirmed by other governments and private companies.

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House, Senate to vote on \$1.5T tax bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Their long-sought political goal within grasp, Republicans in Congress are set to catapult sweeping \$1.5 trillion tax legislation through the House, rolling over a dozen GOP defectors from high-tax states.

The Republicans' final drive to deliver the tax package to an eager President Donald Trump begins today with a vote in the House. Quickly following, a vote later in the day or on Wednesday in the Senate is expected to seal the deal. Both tallies likely will cling along party lines.

The Senate result was in doubt in recent weeks. Only on Friday did Republican leaders cement the needed support for the legislation, securing endorsements from wavering GOP senators Marco Rubio of Florida and Bob Corker of Tennessee. More holdout GOP senators — moderate Susan Collins of Maine and Mike Lee of Utah — came into the fold on Monday.

Now the biggest reshaping of the U.S. tax code in three decades is on a clear path to passage and a presidential signing into law.

The complex legislation, hammered out in compromise, blends elements of separate House and Senate bills that were recently passed. It permanently slashes the tax rate for corporations from 35 percent to 21 percent and reduces levies on the wealthiest Americans, while making more modest tax reductions for most others. The tax cuts for individuals are temporary, expiring in 2026. It doubles the standard deduction used by about two-thirds of U.S. households, to \$24,000 for married couples, also ending in eight years.

The \$1,000-per-child tax credit doubles to \$2,000, with up to \$1,400 available in IRS refunds for families who owe little or no taxes. Parents would have to provide children's Social Security numbers to receive the child credit, a measure intended to deny the credit to people who are in the U.S. illegally.

Those who itemize lose some deductions.

The legislation also repeals an important part of President Barack Obama's health care law — the requirement that all Americans carry health insurance or face a penalty — as the GOP looks to unravel a law it failed to repeal and replace this past summer.

The package represents the first major legislative achievement for the Republicans after nearly a full year in control of Congress and the White House. It is expected to add to the nation's \$20 trillion debt. The tax cuts are projected to add \$1.46 trillion over a decade. GOP lawmakers say they'd expect a future Congress to continue the tax cuts so they won't expire.

OFF BEAT THE LIGHTER SIDE OF THE NEWS

Boy calls 911 to report Grinch

BYRAM, Miss. (AP) — A 5-year-old Mississippi boy called 911 to report that the Grinch was trying to steal Christmas.

The Clarion Ledger reports that it happened Saturday in the Jackson suburb of Byram. An officer went to TyLon Pittman's home to assure him that the green creature wouldn't take anyone's gifts.

TyLon had been watching videos when he became alarmed about the Grinch. He told his mom, Teresa Pittman, that he dialed 911, but she says she didn't quite believe him until an officer arrived.

TyLon says has a plan in case the Grinch does appear: he says he will wrestle him and hold him until the police show up.

Obituaries

Paul J. Yesawich Jr.

Paul J. Yesawich Jr., 94, a resident of New Smyrna Beach, Florida, passed away in peace on December 13, 2017.

He was born November 27, 1923, in Queens, NY, the only child of Paul and Mary Sidabra Yesawich.

He was predeceased by his wife, Betty, and is survived by three children: Paul (Susan) of Charlottesville, Virginia; Peter (Paris) of Boca Raton, Florida; and Christopher, of Brightwood, Oregon; four grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

He was an accomplished athlete, lawyer, judge and legal scholar.

A standout high school basketball player at Brooklyn Technical High School in Brooklyn, NY, he accepted a full athletic scholarship to play basketball at Niagara University where he was eventually elected to the Niagara University Hall of Fame.

His time at Niagara was interrupted by World War II, during which he served as an officer in the U.S. Navy. He was fond of telling his children and grandchildren that during the war he was a member of the All Navy basketball team — until his All Navy team lost to the All Coast Guard team; after which he was promptly redeployed to serve on the USS Cepheus, an attack cargo ship that participated in the assault on Okinawa in 1945. It was the largest amphibious assault of the war, and he was one of the men who brought supplies to the beach to aid in the initial attack. During the assault the Cepheus came under heavy fire by Japanese aircraft, and aided in downing three of them.

Although he rarely discussed it, during the war he was also a member of the Navy Scouts and Raiders, which became today's Navy Seals — yet he was always self effacing about his service and quick to point out that his training and activities were nothing like those of modern day Navy Seals.

He graduated from Niagara University with a BA in 1948, and an MA in 1950. He went on to play professional basketball for the Syracuse Nationals in the National Basketball Association before electing to attend Cornell Law School, from which he graduated in 1951, the same year he was admitted to the New York bar. Following law school, he joined the New York City law firm of Davis, Polk and Wardwell. He later served as Assistant Counsel to the subcommittee of the Ways and Means Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives investigating the administration of Internal Revenue laws.

In 1955 he and his family moved to Cortland, where he became a partner in the law firm of Folmer, Ryan, Fenstermacher & Yesawich. During this time, he also served as a Commissioner of the New York State Law Revision Commission. He was appointed to the New York State Supreme Court by Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller in 1971; that same year he was elected to serve a full 14-year term on that court. He was later designated to serve on the Appellate Division, First Department, in Manhattan, in 1974, remaining there for seven years, simultaneously serving as a trial judge in the Sixth Judicial Department.

During this time, he also served as a member of the Advisory Panel on the Proposed Code of Evidence for the State of New York. He was subsequently appointed to the Appellate Division, Third Department, where he served until his retirement in 1999. He also served temporarily as an Associate Justice of the Court of Appeals, the highest court in the State of New York, in 1992. He had a deep respect for the law, and for the many attorneys who appeared before him over the years. His exemplary personal and professional comportment made him a wonderful role model for his children and grandchildren, and a committed mentor to other lawyers.

Those who knew him will remember him as a rigorous thinker and gifted writer who possessed a profound sense of fairness.

His family wishes to thank Adrienne Tomaka and Norma Ward for their months of tireless, quiet, competent devotion to caring for "the Judge," and for the innumerable kindnesses they extended to him in his later years. They were, and are, truly angels.

Contributions in his memory can be made to the YMCA of Cortland or the Cortland Rural Cemetery.

A private memorial service will be held at the convenience of the family.

Janice R. Warner

Janice R. Warner, 75, of Fabius, passed away Sunday, Dec. 17 at her home. She was born in DeRuyter and was a dairy farmer with her late husband, Lewis, as well as a homemaker.

Surviving: her daughter, Mary Ann (Marty) Young, of Cuyler; sons Scott (Kathleen), Christopher (Roxanne), Todd (Debbie) and Nathan, all of Fabius; grandchildren Alex, Kristin and Adrian Warner; Rebekah, Hannah and Grace Warner; Dan, Phoebe, Ben, Abby and Lydia Young; great-grandchildren Anderson Ramirez and Luke Young.

She was predeceased by her husband, Lewis.

A memorial service will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Fabius Christian Church. Burial will be in Fabius Evergreen Cemetery. There are no calling hours.

Contributions may be made to the Sandra J. Schulze American Cancer Society Hope Lodge, 411 Second St., N.W., Rochester, MN 55901.

Smith Funeral Home, DeRuyter, has arrangements.

Lottery Winners

ALBANY (AP) — Here are the winning numbers selected Monday in the New York State Lottery:

Numbers: Midday: 8-2-7, Lucky Sum: 17, Evening: 0-9-2, Lucky Sum: 11; **WinFour:** Midday: 2-1-5-1, Lucky Sum: 9, Evening: 9-9-4-6, Lucky Sum: 28; **Pick 10:** 5-7-8-9-12-17-21-24-34-36-37-49-50-51-57-63-64-67-68-72; **Take Five:** 1-8-9-24-30; **Cash 4 Life:** 8-9-12-21-45, Cash Ball: 1

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Robert A. Haskins

Robert A. Haskins, 81, of Virgil, N.Y., passed away Sunday, Dec. 17, 2017, at Cortland Park for Nursing and Rehabilitation. Robert was born on April 29, 1936, in Cortland, to the late Howard and Violet Olsen Haskins. Robert is a lifelong resident of Virgil.

Robert and Elizabeth were married Oct. 15, 1955, until her passing in 1997. In those years, they raised their family of three girls.

He served his country by joining the Army. He worked for Overhead Door of Cortland, Brockway Truck, and then went on to work for Hook Up Transport of Buffalo.

Robert was past chief and lifelong member of the Virgil Volunteer Fire Department, and he was just presented an award for 50 years of service.

He is predeceased by his first wife, Elizabeth Lewis Haskins; and his brother, Richard Haskins.

Robert is survived by his wife, Linda Wanser Haskins of Cortland; his daughters, Kimberly (Wes) Snover of Ogdensburg, Kathi (Robert) Craig of Cortland, Karen (Corey) Brenchley of Cincinnati; his grandchildren, Julie, James, Jacob, Nathan, Samantha (Michael), Nicholas, Elizabeth and Kaylee; his great-grandchildren, Jameson and Lennox Craig; his step-children, Roberta (James) Smith of Florida, Susan King of Weedsport; his sister, Rowena (Charles) LeRoy of Pennsylvania; and his lifelong friend, Horace (Betty) Holcomb.

Contributions in Robert's name can be made to: Virgil Volunteer Fire Department, 1195 W. State Road, Cortland, NY 13045.

www.perkinsfuneralhome.com

Melvin L. Peck

Melvin L. Peck, 83, of Howell Road, Locke, N.Y., died Thursday, Dec. 14, 2017, at Cortland Park Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Cortland after a short illness.

Born June 30, 1934, in Cortland, he was a son of the late Arthur M. and Leona May Carrier Peck.

A lifelong area resident, he had graduated from Dryden Central School, where he was active in FFA. He later attended Morrisville College, receiving his AAS.

After college, he joined the U.S. Army and served from 1955 to 1958.

He and his late wife, Martha, bought a dairy farm on Howell Road in 1964 and resided there for more than 30 years. He also drove milk truck for Alnye in Moravia and worked as a custodian at the Groton Elementary School until his retirement in 1995.

He is survived by his children, Melvin L. Peck, Michele (Charles) Miller of Pottstown, Pa., Michael (Bonnie) Peck of Locke, Jim (Terri) Peck of Fort Mill, S.C., Jeffrey (Lori) Peck of Lusby, Md., and Martin (Kelly) Peck of Waxhaw, N.C. He leaves behind 18 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren; as well as his in-laws, Herbert (Mary) Jacobs of Groton, Julia (Alvin) Smith of Largo, Fla., Hazel Hanson of Trenton, MI, and Nancy (Bill Hunter) Jacobs of Groton. Numerous nieces and nephews survive as well.

In addition to parents and wife, he was predeceased by a sister, Judy Bennett.

Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Friday at the Groton Community Church with the Rev. Christopher Xenakis officiating. Spring interment will be in Groton Rural Cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 4 p.m. at the church prior to the services.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Groton Community Church. Condolences may be made to Melvin's guest book at www.zirbelfuneralhome.com

Zirbel Funeral Home, 115 Williams St., Groton., has care of arrangements.

Elynor Wilcox Depue

Elynor Wilcox Depue, 89, of East Homer-Baltimore Road, Homer, passed away Saturday, Dec. 16, 2017.

She began her earthly journey on August 30, 1928, in Montrose, Pa., as the daughter of George and Ethel Wilcox. She graduated from the Montrose High School in 1946, where she excelled academically, played clarinet in the marching band, and met a tall handsome farm boy named Paul Depue.

Elynor was an elementary music teacher in the Cortland School district; and served as choir director and piano/organ accompanist in local churches in Cortland, Liverpool, Tully, and Morrisville. She retired from public school teaching in 1986.

Over the years, Elynor and Paul have opened their hearts and home to numbers of folks, helping equip new generations with skills in godliness and music.

So many are left missing her wit and wisdom, and the constancy of her loving ways, including her husband of 66 years, Paul; their four children, James (Anne) of Newfield, Karna (Randy) Hoffman of Dillsburg, Pa., Timothy (Valarie) of Lafayette, Ind., and Gary (Linda) of Preble. Add to these her brother, William (Priscilla) Wilcox of Montrose, Pa.; 20 grandchildren, and 10 great grandchildren.

The family invites you to join them from 11 a.m. to noon Friday at the Cortland Bible Baptist Church, 15 West Road, Cortland, for a time of visiting.

Memorial services will immediately follow at noon.

Memorial gifts may be directed to Cortland Bible Baptist Church (bbc-cortland.org) or to the Montrose Bible Conference, 218 Locust St., Montrose, PA 18801.

Visit www.DonaldLBarberFuneralHome.com to offer online condolences to the family

Deaths

BURNS — Carol A. Burns, 67, of Locke, N.Y., died Dec. 17, 2017. Calling hours will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Zirbel Funeral Home, 115 Williams St., Groton. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the spring in Groton Rural Cemetery.

DEPUE — Elynor Wilcox Depue, 89, of East Homer-Baltimore Road, Homer, N.Y., died Dec. 16, 2017. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to noon Friday at the Cortland Bible Baptist Church, 15 West Road, Cortland. Memorial services will follow at noon.

HASKINS — Robert A. Haskins, 81, of Virgil, N.Y., died Dec. 17, 2017.

JOHNSON — Robert H. Johnson, of Cortland, N.Y., died Dec. 17, 2017. Arrangements under the direction of Riccardi Funeral Home will be announced when complete.

PECK — Melvin L. Peck, 83, of Howell Road, Locke, N.Y., died Dec. 14, 2017. Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Friday at the Groton Community Church. Spring interment will be in Groton Rural Cemetery. Calling hours will be from 2 to 4 p.m. at the church prior to the services.

THOMPSON — Christopher E. Thompson Sr., 46, of 1030 Alta Drive, Holly Hill, Fla., died Nov. 25, 2017. Information on burial will be announced at a later date.

WARNER — Janice R. Warner, 75, of Fabius, died Sunday, Dec. 17. There will be a memorial service at 1 p.m. Sunday at the Fabius Christian Church. Burial in Fabius Evergreen Cemetery. There are no calling hours.

EMPTY

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"It's very quiet, because it was a school it's very well insulated and you can't hear the people under you or around you," she said.

Apartments, office space possible

Real estate developers and consultants say housing and office space are among the common uses for converted schools.

And one needn't look far to find them in Cortland: Owego Street Apartments and the Pomeroy School Apartments on Pomeroy Street are both examples of city school buildings converted into housing. A senior apartments facility in Groton was once the high school.

Gary Thomas, executive director of the Cortland Housing Assistance Council which developed the Pomeroy School Apartments in the early 1990s, said there were environmental challenges like radon and asbestos that had to be addressed but the end result was a safe building.

"It's the safest building you could possibly have because it's all masonry walls. It's almost impossible to have a fire," Thomas said.

The Cortland County Office Building, once Cortland High School, is now an office building since its conversion in the 1970s.

Converting a school building to a useful purpose and putting it on the tax rolls would also help offset the loss of neighborhood homes' property values that the district consultants, Castallo & Silky LLC, say is tied to a school's closure.

The district has publicly explored closing either Virgil Elementary School or Parker Elementary School. District Superintendent Michael Hoose said at the next facilities meeting Jan. 3 at Virgil Elementary School, the consultant will explore the financial effect associated with closure of each of the five elementary schools, so as not to single out those two.

If the district decides to close a school, Hoose said, it first would have an appraisal done to determine the property's value. Then the property would be either listed with a broker or sold at auction.

It would be up to the buyer to determine the future use.

A developer's perspective

But a project of this scale is not as simple as buying the property and saying, "I think I'll do this," said developer David Yaman, owner of David Yaman Realty Services.

"You need to understand what the demand is in the community and fit to it," he said. A market study, to determine the community need for certain projects, would be a crucial. "Whoever may be interested would have to ... hire an architect and design

something they feel would meet the market, then they would determine the cost to do that."

As the developer behind the project that will create 47 market-rate apartments and commercial space in the former Crescent Corset factory on south Main Street, Yaman is unsure of the need for apartments in the city of Cortland.

"That's a big project," Yaman said. "I don't know how much something that size could be absorbed into the community. It's a matter of trying to figure out what the community needs."

According to Castallo & Silky's Nov. 8 presentation Parker Elementary School, a 50,573 square feet and built in 1928, is listed as having an appraised value of \$12 million and Virgil Elementary School, at 34,654 square feet and built in 1932 has an appraised value is \$8.4 million.

According to the consultant, this is not the same as the amount someone would pay for the land, or the value of the building. That would be much lower.

Using the example of the Parish school district in Oswego County, the consultants showed three elementary schools: Altmar, assessed at \$92.2 million, sold for \$400,000, Parish, assessed at \$141.7 million, sold for \$240,000 and Williamstown Elementary, assessed at \$67.5 million, sold for \$55,000.

Fitting with the neighborhood

Rich Cunningham, senior consultant at Thoma Development, said he saw the village of Waverly take over a former elementary school and convert it to municipal office around 2008 and he has seen other schools converted into senior housing projects or office space.

"It really comes down to the design and architecture of the building and what that structure is suitable for," Cunningham said. "That really often drives it as well as their location."

Location is a factor in use, he added. A school that could be suitable for manufacturing or industrial use, if located in a residential neighborhood, could not be converted for that purpose.

A difficulty with schools, he said, is that they have difficult spaces to repurpose, like gymnasiums and cafeterias. In the former Pomeroy School, Thomas filled those spaces with extra walls for more spacious apartments.

"Classroom spaces are easier to deal with," Cunningham said. "It really comes down again to where it is located and what type of building it is."

In the end, said Sherman, no matter what the building's origins, all that matters now is it's become a safe place to live.

"The people that live here, we all take care of each other," she said. "It's a great place."

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Local News

Yesawich admired by peers

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As a young attorney, John Folmer went to Paul Yesawich Jr. some years ago with a question on the law. Yesawich, already an experienced attorney and judge, refused to answer it.

"John, on the second floor of this building is a library and the answer you want is in the books," Folmer said Monday. "He taught me that if you wanted an answer, you had to go looking for it, and that's the way he did it."

Yesawich, 94, died Wednesday in Florida. But for much of his career — from lawyer to state Supreme Court justice to serving on the Appellate Division — Cortland was his home and Folmer, now Cortland County Republican chairman, considered Yesawich a lawyer of the highest caliber who taught lessons



Yesawich

rather than simply conveyed information.

"He was just outstanding," Folmer said. "I don't know anybody that I have known before or since ... who more exemplifies what a lawyer ought to be than Paul Yesawich."

Yesawich served in World War II and got degrees from Niagara University and Cornell Law School and played professional basketball, including time with the Syracuse Nationals, before he was admitted to the bar in 1951. He joined the Cortland law firm that became Folmer, Ryan, Fenstermacher and Yesawich — working with John Folmer's father, Louis — in 1955.

"He brought the highest ability, the highest degree of honesty and forthrightness and morality to all of the things he did when he went on the bench," Folmer said. "He was exemplary."

Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller appointed Yesawich to the State Supreme Court in 1971 and he was elected that year to a 14-year term.

He didn't need 14 years. In 1974, Yesawich was elevated to the Appellate Division, First Department in Manhattan, where he stayed for seven years while also serving as a trial judge in the Sixth Judicial District, which includes Cortland County. He was later appointed to the Appellate Division, Third Department, where he served until retiring in 1999, interrupted only by stints as an associate justice of the Court of Appeals, New York's highest court, to hear cases in which one of the regular justices had a conflict.

Phillip R. Rumsey of Homer, now an Appellate Division justice himself, would sit front-row as a law student to observe Yesawich's rulings. They grew to be friends.

"I don't think I would have even con-

sidered being a judge but for his encouragement and friendship," Rumsey said. "I admired him as most people do, for the same reasons: his intellect with the law and he was obviously very, very down to earth."

Yesawich discounted his own talents, particularly basketball, for which he was named to the Niagara University Hall of Fame.

"Whenever anyone brought that up, he would joke and say he was the only left-handed Lithuanian basketball player at the school," Rumsey said.

Yesawich's legal insight, however, was not to be ignored, Rumsey said, not even by the Court of Appeals' seven justices.

"He would dissent on occasion and there were at least three instances where the top Court of Appeals reversed the appellate division's ruling and they did so on the reasons stated in the dissenting opinion of Judge Yesawich," Rumsey said. "It

is quite an honor when they do that."

Yesawich was delighted when Rumsey told him of his own appointment to the Appellate Division earlier this year.

"He was very proud of that," Rumsey said. They last spoke Nov. 27, Yesawich's 94th birthday.

They joked that their careers were mirror images of each other's: Yesawich did trial work for four years and was on the Appellate Division for 26 and Rumsey did trial work for 23 years and is just a year into his term on the Appellate Division.

"He enjoyed that," Rumsey said.

Yesawich was predeceased by his wife, Betty and is survived by three children: Paul of Charlottesville, Virginia; Peter of Boca Raton, Florida; and Christopher, of Brightwood, Oregon; four grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

Services are private. Contributions in Yesawich's memory can be made to the YMCA of Cortland or the Cortland Rural Cemetery.

Officer helps build community

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Staff Reporter

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Jesse Abbott sat in his office Monday morning, picked up the large yellow envelope sitting in front of him and with the aid of a pocket knife, cut the edge and pulled out a stack of paper.

The papers were thank you notes and drawings of Abbott, a kid in a hat or both. They came from elementary students who received hats from Abbott and the Silver Needles Machine Knitting Club.

That's what a community-oriented police officer does in his first year.

It was a good year, Abbott said. He's thankful for the opportunity to do more outreach. Especially with the younger crowd. The position is a good way to teach them that police are just people like everyone else.

He also wants kids to feel they can approach police if there is ever a problem and talk. "Kids aren't born with hatred, they learn it from others," he said.

Abbott started in the position in January. The four-year position was created with a \$125,000 grant from the federal Department of Justice to prevent crime and to build trust in police.

"He puts out a great face for the department," said Cortland Police Chief F. Michael Catalano.

Since January, Abbott has:

- Started a bike registration program in the spring. The program allows police to cross reference a registration number on a bike with a person to easily return the bike. About 30 people have registered their bikes, he said.

- Organized a Klondike Gold Hunt in Suggett Park, helping 200 kids have fun.

- Played host to Coffee with a Cop on several Saturdays, cre-

"He puts out a great face for the department."

— F. Michael Catalano,
Cortland police chief

ating an event where residents could just sit and talk with police.

- Organized an Emergency Services Appreciation Day in September. A dozen emergency services organizations were present, including the Cortland and Homer police departments, the fire departments of Homer, Cortland and Cortlandville, the Cortland County Sheriff's Office, SUNY Cortland police, state forest rangers and emergency medical services.

Abbott said he has plans to continue all four programs.

Catalano said he has gotten tons of feedback on Abbott. "They're appreciative of the position," he said.

During his year downtown, Abbott has gotten to know many different people, from business owners to the kids and teens at the city Youth Bureau.

For the first six months, Abbott went to the Youth Bureau daily. His schedule intervenes, but he still stops by when he can. "The kids welcomed me in like a staff member," Abbott said.

John McNerney, director of the city Youth Bureau, said it's been good working with Abbott. "Jesse has been a huge asset to the Youth Bureau through programming and working with kids," he said.

One thing Abbott loves about the job is, when strangers approach to thank him for his work. He would change only one thing: He'd like to add another officer. "It would be ideal for another position," he said.

Jacob DeRochie/contributing photographer
City Community-Oriented Police Officer Jesse Abbott, who is completing his first year in the new position, patrols Monday on Main Street. Abbott has been praised for improving safety and building relations between police and the community.

Tompkins to hire administrator

The Tompkins County Legislature will consider today hiring the Batavia city manager to succeed Joe Mareane as county manager.

Jason Molino has been the city of Batavia's chief executive and chief fiscal officer since 2006, where he managed a work force of 130 and an annual budget of \$25 million. Before that, he was assistant to the village manager for Port Chester from 2004 to 2006.

Molino holds a master of public administration degree from the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy at SUNY Albany and a bachelor's degree in political science from Norwich University, Northfield, Vermont.

He is married with four children and lives in Batavia. He is also a veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve.

Molino was chosen from a group of 20 finalists.

Police/fire log

Drug charges filed

Accused: Matthew C. Hudson, 27, of 106 south Main St., Apt. C, Cortland; Victoria L. Rigg, 32, 3832 Route 11, Room 33, Cortlandville**Charges:** Seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of a hypodermic instrument, misdemeanors**Details:** Cortland County sheriff's officers arrested Rigg and Hudson on Saturday at the Cortland Motel in Cortlandville on warrants — Rigg from Cortland and Hudson from Cortlandville, police said. Both were found with heroin and needles.**Legal actions:** Hudson and Rigg were arraigned Sunday in Cortlandville Town Court. Hudson was held at the Cortland County Jail on \$500 bail or \$1,000 bond; Rigg was held on \$750 bail or \$1,500 bond pending an 11 a.m. Monday court appearance. Information on the appearance was unavailable this morning.

Lessons from arguing over sci-fi's greatest hero

I stormed into the break room where the city desk reporters were having their daily lunchtime Scrabble match.

"Luke Skywalker is science fiction's greatest hero?" I scoffed at Nick Graziano. "He's not even Star Wars' greatest hero."

Nick, an erstwhile county reporter, looked up from his Scrabble tiles and smirked: "I did that just to tick you off."

He did, and in so doing, he provided two critical elements to a newspaper: information you can use to make a decision; and perspective.

The best journalism gives you information to make a decision. Sometimes that's which candidate to vote for; sometimes it's which movie to see.

The news industry tends to give weight to those heavy decisions about who gets to lead your nation or your community or what issues

EDITOR'S NOTES

How a daily newspaper works every day.



By TODD R. McADAM

will affect you the most — and it should. But the reality is that your life is far more nuanced than simple politics. Maybe you like art, or food, or film. Maybe you're looking for good tips to raise the offspring, or care for the aging elder, or to understand whether to ever again root for the Mets, who were 70-92 this year, which is at least better than the Phillies.

A good newspaper will try to

reflect that.

Nick liked "Star Wars: The Last Jedi," and said so in a review in Saturday's edition. He gives sound logic based on his classroom experience in filmmaking and his own work writing screenplays. You may or may not agree with his assessment, but Nick had a sound perspective from which to work and you can use that as a reference point in deciding how you feel about the film. (Although Han Solo is still a better hero than Luke Skywalker.)

Perspective is something important you can get from a newspaper. It comes to mind because I had lunch last week with one of the Cortland Rotary clubs. Frank Kelly asked me the difference between bias and perspective. It's a great question.

Perspective, I postulated, helps us see things in a new light. It can be shared, it can illuminate. The

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more perspective one has, the broader and better-considered the stance. Certainly, how any given individual views the world is colored by that person's perspective, and it's a newspaper's job to get you as many of those perspectives as it can.

Bias, on the other hand, reverses that process. It shuts out ideas that conflict with one's particular view. It resists considering new thoughts, and that's something we try to avoid.

That takes us back to the Luke Skywalker-as-hero debate. Was he really science fiction's greatest hero? "Arguably," Nick said. "I

said arguably."

And argue we did. If you consider an older person's perspective, said reporter Jake DeRochie, Flash Gordon might be sci-fi's greatest hero. Or Buckaroo Banzai.

From across the room Katie Keyser had to note that Ellen Ripley of the Alien series was pretty fierce. Isaac Asimov, suggested the publisher, totally whiffing on the difference between a hero and a creator. Perspectives.

However, as much as I like the perspectives that reviews provide, it's not likely you'll see many more of them produced by our reporters. Reviewing takes more a perspective, it takes expertise.

To look at a stage production and tell the audience whether it's good or bad — and why — requires an understanding of what's possible, and what's not. What an audience has a right to expect, and what it can't. The reviewer has to

know how theater is done.

Same for restaurant reviews. The diner has to understand how a kitchen line works, and the balancing act of the front of house services and the role of the business model.

Nick has decades of in-depth knowledge of Star Wars — he can even explain the technology of a lightsaber in terms you're not likely to understand. He's written screenplays and immersed himself in the technical aspects of movie-making. But even if he had similar expertise in theater or movies or music, we still need him as a county reporter.

Besides, everyone knows science fiction's greatest hero really is Capt. James T. Kirk.

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Report: Influenza is prevalent in New York state

New York Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker has declared that influenza is now prevalent in the state.

The announcement puts into effect a regulation requiring that health care workers who are not vaccinated against influenza wear surgical or procedure masks in areas where patients are typically present.

"Vaccination is the best way to protect against influenza, and is especially important for health care workers," said Zucker. "Health care personnel are routinely exposed to sick patients and come in close contact with patients who are most vulnerable to influenza, such as the elderly. I encourage all New Yorkers older than six months to get their influenza shot as soon as possible."

This influenza season, New York has had 1,820 laboratory-confirmed cases of influenza in 54 counties and all boroughs of New York City.

During this period, there have been 612 influenza-related hospitalizations reported, and no reports of pediatric deaths from influenza.

Over the last three seasons, there have been 19 pediatric influenza deaths in New York and an average of 11,183 influenza-related hospitalizations each season.

The Regulation for Prevention of Influenza Transmission first went into effect during the 2013-14 influenza season. It requires unvaccinated health care workers in certain facilities regulated by the New York State Department of Health to wear surgical or procedure masks during those times when the commissioner declares that influenza is prevalent in New York state.

Amendments to the regulations allow for the removal of masks when health care workers are accompanying patients in the community, providing speech therapy services, or communicating with



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The New York State Department of Health recommends that everyone 6 months of age or older receive an influenza vaccination.

persons who lip read.

Influenza is a serious illness that can lead to hospitalization or death.

Influenza season occurs primarily from October through May, often peaking in February. It is not too late to get vaccinated, and there are ample

amounts of the vaccine available.

The nasal spray vaccine is not recommended this year.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention conducts studies each year to determine how effective the vaccine will be in protecting against in-

fluenza-related illness and while the effectiveness can vary from year to year, studies show that the vaccine remains the most effective way to protect public health.

Additionally, studies show that the influenza vaccine can make the illness milder in certain cases where an individual was vaccinated but still contracted influenza.

NYSDOH recommends that everyone six months of age or older receive an influenza vaccination.

The vaccine is especially important for people at high risk for complications from influenza, which includes children under age 2, pregnant women and adults over age 65.

People with preexisting conditions such as asthma and heart disease are also at greater risk as are individuals with weakened immune systems due to disease or medications such as chemotherapy or chronic steroid use.

Since influenza virus can spread easily through coughing or sneezing, it is also important that family members and people in regular contact with high risk individuals get an influenza vaccine.

Most health insurance plans cover influenza vaccines.

Individuals and families without health insurance should check with their county health department to find out if local clinics will be held to provide free or low-cost vaccinations.

Those 18 years of age and older may also be able to get their influenza vaccine at a local pharmacy.

For additional information about influenza, including how it is monitored in New York State, visit the Department of Health web page at www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/influenza/seasonal/.

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Rediscover New York



Famous New Yorker Ross Gilmore Marvin

Ross Gilmore Marvin could have enjoyed a comfortable academic career in an Ivy League university, but chose to risk his life in one of the last great adventures of the age of discovery.

Ross G. Marvin was born on January 28, 1880, in Elmira, Chemung County, where his father was overseer of the poor. The Marvin family struggled after Ross's father died, but after attending public schools and the Elmira Free Academy Ross won scholarships to attend Cornell University in Ithaca.

Ross would take time off from Cornell for health reasons, but was determined to earn his way through school. He took classes, and then became an instructor, while crossing the Atlantic Ocean on the U.S.S. St. Mary's, the training ship of the New York Nautical School. A reinvigorated Marvin returned to Cornell in 1904 to earn his bachelor's degree.

Marvin was a quiet student due to a speech impediment caused by a deformed lip. For that reason he may have preferred the hands-on life of an explorer to a teaching career. He made friends with an Ithaca businessman, Louis C. Bement, who had assisted U.S. Navy Commander Robert E. Peary in an attempt to become the first man to reach the North Pole. Bement introduced Marvin to Peary, who was seeking Cornell talent for another expedition. On Marvin's graduation day, he received a letter from Peary hiring him as the expedition's secretary and staff scientist.

Peary gave Marvin many responsibilities. Marvin's math skills were essential for navigation in the far north. He was also in charge of supplies, helped hunt game to feed the expedition, and helped supervise Peary's Eskimo workers. Peary came to consider Marvin his right-hand man. While he failed to reach the Pole this time, Peary advanced farther north than anyone had before. On returning home in 1906, Marvin told friends he had never felt healthier than he had in the Arctic.

While Peary began planning another try for the Pole, Marvin taught math at Mercersburg Academy in Pennsylvania. He also returned to Cornell to teach civil engineering while studying for his master's degree. He took a leave of absence in 1908 to join Peary's next expedition.

Once again Peary's chief scientist, Marvin kept the expedition's log and made observations of the tides and weather. As Peary closed in on the Pole, Marvin took charge of one of the support parties that set up advance camps for Peary's main team. There was no plan for Marvin to go to the Pole. Instead, having supplied Peary, he would lead a team of Eskimos back to Peary's ship.



Elmira is in the Southern Tier of New York and a short distance north of the Pennsylvania state line.



Courtesy of the Chemung County Historical Society Museum

Peary reached what he believed to be the North Pole on April 6, 1909. When he returned to his ship, he learned that Ross Gilmore Marvin was dead. What happened to Marvin remains a mystery. Peary was told that Marvin had fallen through shallow ice and drowned. Years later, one of the Eskimos in the support team claimed to have killed Marvin in a fit of panic. Whatever the real story was, Marvin had made history in a tragically short life. The marker Peary left behind in his memory was the northernmost monument ever erected for a man.

To learn more about the expeditions to the North Pole go to the Smithsonian Magazine at www.smithsonianmag.com/history/who-discovered-the-north-pole-116633746/. This is one of a series of Famous New Yorker profiles written by Kevin Gilbert for the NYNPA Newspaper In Education Program. All rights reserved 2017.

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School board meeting Jan. 9

The Cortland school board will hold a regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 9 at the Kaufman Center, 1 Valley View Drive.

Driver refresher course set for next month in Cortland

A six-hour driver refresher course is being offered from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 13 at Walden Place, 839 Bennie Road in Cortland.

The course is geared toward those age 50 and older, but drivers of any age are welcome. This course is approved by the state for points and insurance reduction.

Participants are encouraged to bring a sweater or jacket. A one-hour lunch break will be provided. Advance registration is required by calling the Cortland County Health Department at 607-758-5509.

Class may be rescheduled if there are a lack of registrations. Walk-ins are welcome but might be turned away.

United Presbyterian Church 25 Church Street, Cortland Rev. David Johnson, Pastor

Holiday Services

CHRISTMAS EVE

Sunday, Dec. 24

Sanctuary Service 10:30AM

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Living & Leisure

Notebook

Blue Christmas service Thursday

A "Blue Christmas" celebration will be 7 p.m. Thursday at Grace and Holy Spirit Church, 13 Court St., Cortland.

This service is especially for folks who are having a hard time as Christmas approaches because of the loss of loved ones, and the burden of grief and loneliness.

This year, church officials will also focus on those who have been lost to cancer and those struggling with cancer.

People of Christ Community Church will share the service with Grace and Holy Spirit Church. It also is an outreach service in conjunction with Christ Presbyterian Church and the Cortland County Relay For Life. Everyone is welcome to light a candle in memory or support of a loved one.

Santa Claus at Waterworks

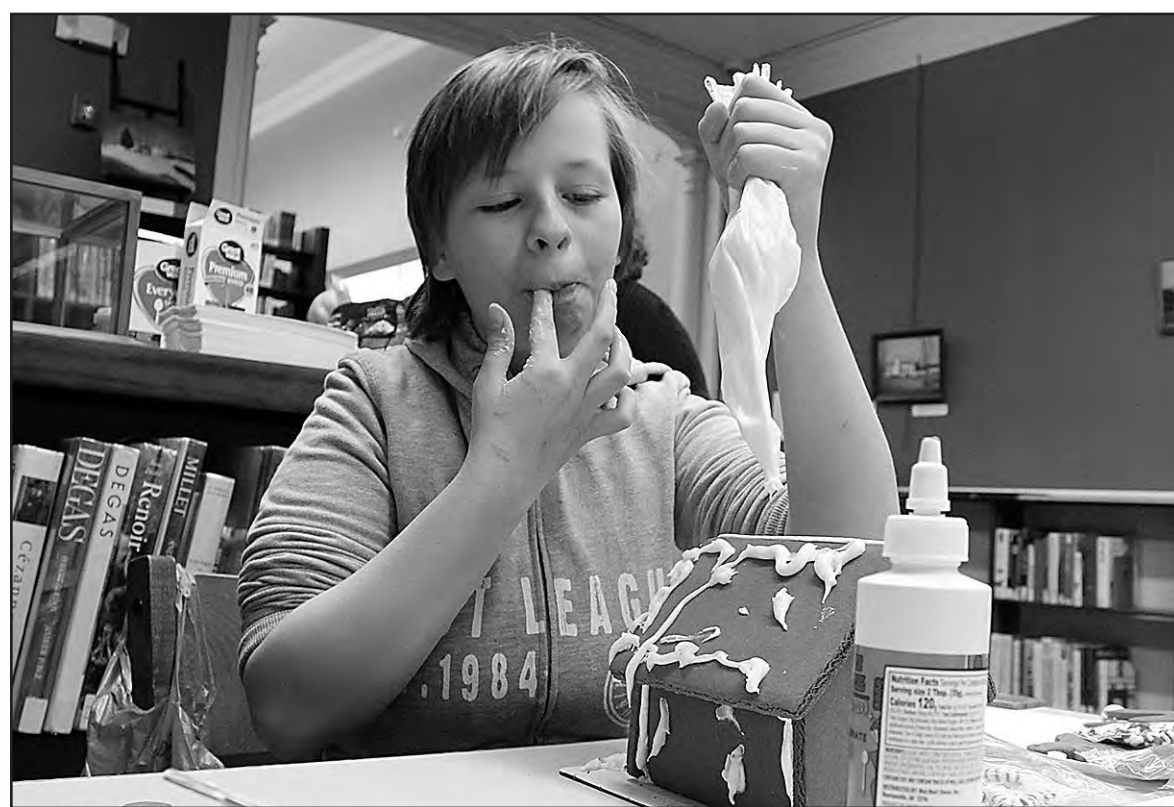
Santa Claus will be at the Cortland Waterworks on Broadway, to visit all the boys and girls of Cortland.

He will appear 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday and 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Grief support is out there

A support group for bereaved adults will be the first and third Tuesday of the month, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Jan. 2 and 16 at the Hospicare & Palliative Care Services office at 11 Kennedy Parkway, Cortland.

This is for anyone 18 or older grieving a loss, regardless of when the death occurred, or whether a deceased loved one received hospice services or not. Prompt arrival is appreciated. Registration is not required. But if this is the first time coming to the group, please call Donna George at 607-272-0212.



Hellen Howard tries to control the frosting on her gingerbread house during the Cortland Free Library's gingerbread house-decorating contest Thursday. About a dozen teens took over the library's gallery and had an hour to decorate a gingerbread house. It wasn't easy. The exteriors were constructed beforehand from kits, to save time.

Katie Keyser/
contributing
photographer

'Tasteful' teen activities

Decorating gingerbread houses among Cortland library events

By KATIE KEYSER
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Kirassa Simmons wanted to meet other teens from the city and heard about a gingerbread decorating contest at the Cortland Free Library.

She signed up for the Teen Advisory Board's event, geared for youths ages 13 to 18.

"I just moved from McGraw," the 15-year-old said. "I wanted to get connected with kids my age. McGraw is a family oriented town and school. There's just not much you can do. Here, you can walk five minutes outside your door, you are at the school, at the store, at the library."

About a dozen teens took over the gallery Thursday and had an hour to decorate a gingerbread house. The exteriors were constructed beforehand from kits, to save time. But there were plenty of materials to decorate with frosting, jelly candies, sprinkles, candy canes and more.

Alyssa Harvey, circulation assistant at the 32 Church St. library, is in charge of teen services.

"The Teen Advisory Board plans these events. They tell me in our monthly meeting: 'I want to do this next month.' I try to make it happen. We open it up for ideas," she said. Three Teen Advisory Board members were at the decorating contest.

"The purpose of any teen time is to get them into the library, for them to see what we have to offer them, on top of activities like this," Harvey said.

Will Ferrell's "Elf" was on a large screen in one corner of the room. And the kids were treated to pizza and wings.

The young people are very interested in cooking competitions, popular on TV, but the library doesn't have a full-size kitchen, Harvey said. This would be a nice compromise.

On Thursday, as part as the Read It and See it Series, the youths will watch "A Christmas Story," Harvey told the youths.

And they were planning on serving pizza again.

Someone complained: "You want to make us fat!"

"I just want you to have all the cheese you need," Harvey said.

"That's our main food group," Simmons said.

Lacie Carmon of Cortland has made gingerbread houses for family events.

"It's pretty fun. I like to decorate, like desserts and stuff," she said, putting white round puffs around her roof border.

This is her third or fourth year coming to teen events at the library. "Teens have a good time. I enjoy coming to every event," she said.

Sarah Gonzalez, 17, and Kevin Hauck, 18, both of Virgil, were at the library activity for their first time, invited by Carmon. Hauck was indifferent about returning, but Gonzalez said she might. "It's cool," she said, patiently decorating her house. "I do a lot of art."

Start saving now, even a little bit, for college education

Every year, several national personal finance magazines publish an issue featuring college rankings and identify what they consider to be the best value for your money.

One thing is clear from all of the articles: The cost of a child's college education has become one of the largest expenses many families face. If you pick up one of these magazines, don't let the numbers quoted for a college education — and they are large — discourage you from saving for a child or a grandchild's future education.

And the sooner you can start saving, the better. You may not be able to save all of what will be needed, but any amount you save plus any financial aid is money that will not have to be borrowed.

Saving early for a child's college education is only part of the story. Where you choose to put

your savings will have a major effect on how much money you will have available to pay for college when the time comes.

Where to put your child's college savings is not limited to the specific bank, broker or financial institution.

Instead, it refers to the broad category of accounts where you will direct your savings. This is an important decision as some accounts can shield the savings from taxes for a while or in some cases forever.

Here are options to consider as you set up your college savings plan, although they may change as tax laws are revised.

■ **Coverdell Education Savings Accounts.** With a Coverdell Education Savings Account, earnings grow tax-free and withdrawals are also tax free — if they are for higher education expenses and do not exceed annual college expenses.

Contributions to a Coverdell ESA are limited to \$2,000 per year per beneficiary under age 18 and contributions are not tax deductible. To avoid paying taxes on funds in a Coverdell ESA, money in the account must either be used by the time the beneficiary reaches age 30 or rolled over to a Coverdell ESA for another relative.

■ **New York State's 529 College Savings Program.** Just about any U.S. citizen or resident alien can open a 529 plan.

Parents, grandparents, other relatives or friends can set up an account and make contributions for a beneficiary. Contributions of up to \$5,000 per year can be taken as a subtraction from your taxable

income on your state income tax return, \$10,000 if you are married filing jointly and earnings are state tax-free. Withdrawals

are also state tax-free if they are made three or more years after the account was opened. The potential downside is that contributions are not tax deductible for federal tax purposes. Funds can be used to pay for qualified higher education expenses at any eligible educational institution including trade or vocational schools. Should the beneficiary not attend college or not use all of the money, un-

used funds can be transferred to another beneficiary. For details, go to www.nysaves.org.

■ **Traditional IRA:** The advantages include the IRA not

being counted as an asset when determining financial aid eligibility, at least for federal or state programs, tax-deferred earnings growth combined with tax deductibility of contributions, and no penalty for withdrawals used to pay qualified education expenses. The amount withdrawn will need to be included as income and tax paid on the amount in the year it is withdrawn. Another drawback to using an IRA for college saving is that this is supposed to be your retirement money. Make sure your retirement will be OK before spending it on your children's education.

■ **Roth IRA:** From a college planning perspective, the traditional IRA is superior because contributions are tax deductible. But the Roth IRA is more flexible. Contributions can be withdrawn any time for any reason and the earnings can be with-

drawn without penalty for education expenses after five years, although tax will be due on the earnings portion of any withdrawal. As with the traditional IRA, the Roth IRA is also not counted as an asset for financial aid purposes.

■ **Series EE and I US savings bonds:** Interest is both federal and state tax free if used for qualified education expenses. To qualify, the bonds must be registered in either you or your spouse's name when used for a child's college expenses. If they are used for your own expenses the bonds must be registered in your name.

Don't wait until you have a large amount to set aside to start saving for your child's education. Even small amounts set aside regularly add up.

Barb Henza is a financial educator with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Cortland County.

Consumer \$ and Sense



Barb Henza

Quinn on Nutrition:

Readers send in questions about diabetes

By BARBARA QUINN
The Monterey County
Herald

My recent column about diabetes generated some questions from readers:

Merry, a health educator, questioned my mention of a study in Britain that found a particular pattern of eating — a high intake of vegetables and fruit with limited sugar, white bread and French fries — was associated with a lower prevalence of type 2 diabetes.

"Is this correct?" she wrote. "I am unfamiliar with any diet that lowers the prevalence of type 2 diabetes while eating white bread and French fries."

Sorry for the confusion, Mary. To clarify, this study found that diets rich in vegetables and fruit and with limited amounts of sugar, white bread and French fries were associated with a lower risk for type 2 diabetes. In other words, eating less sugar, white bread and French fries helped lower the risk for type 2 diabetes.

Jerry from Austin writes,

"My doctor has diagnosed me as a borderline diabetes patient. Please advise."

My advice? Get thee to a Diabetes Prevention Program.

This is a national education program specifically geared to people like yourself who have "pre-diabetes" — blood sugar numbers that are abnormal but not (yet) high enough to be diagnosed as type 2 diabetes.

Because this program has been so successful at helping people with pre-diabetes to prevent or delay the development of type 2 diabetes, it will become a covered benefit under Medicare Part B beginning in January. Yay!

Ask your doctor or diabetes educator for information about this program in your state. Or go to www.cdc.gov/diabetes/prevention/index.html.

Sara, a physician assistant who works with children with type 1 diabetes, felt my recent

column — which mentioned news about type 1 as well as type 2 diabetes — could mislead people about the clear distinct differences between these two type of diabetes.

"Type 1 diabetes is an autoimmune, non-preventable, non-curable disease that does not go away," she said.

Sorry for anything that appeared misleading, Sara.

Type 1 and type 2 diabetes are definitely different. In type 1 diabetes, the body turns on itself and destroys the cells that make insulin. People with type 1 rely on multiple shots of insulin daily to survive.

People with type 2 diabetes produce insulin but their body is "resistant" to its effects.

Over time, some people with type 2 diabetes may eventually need shots of insulin, as well.

At this time, we don't know

how to prevent type 1 diabetes. Type 2, however, can sometimes be prevented by changes in lifestyle such as increased exercise, weight loss and changes in diet.

While we still cannot cure diabetes, many of the nutrition recommendations for this disease — all types — are similar.

People with type 1 must be especially careful to match their insulin injections with their food intake and exercise.

People with type 2 can often control their disease with weight loss and exercise. And for all types of diabetes, maintaining blood sugar in a normal range is the best way to control or prevent all the dangerous complications of this disease.

Thanks for writing.

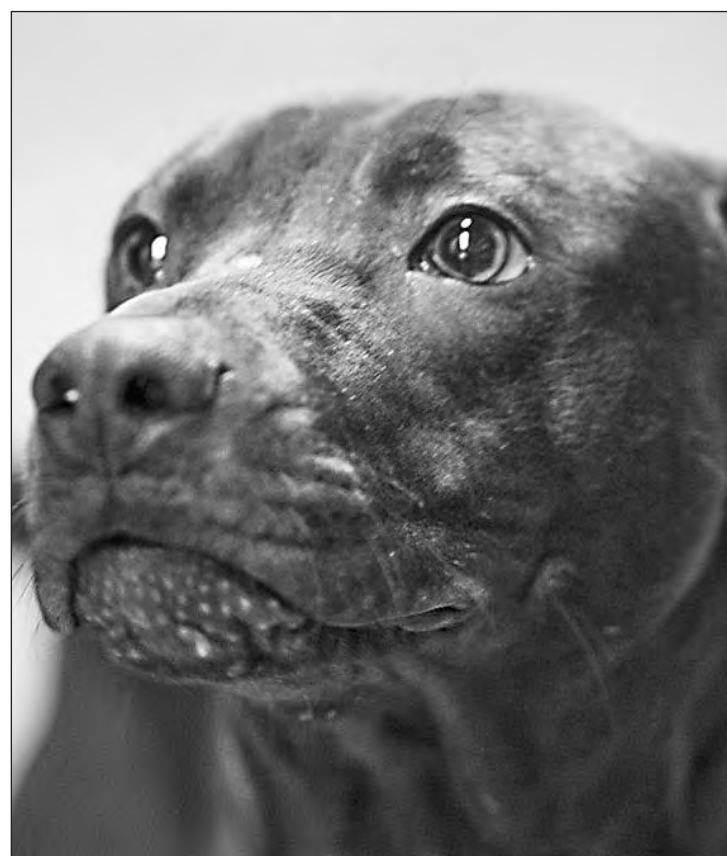
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Nutrition



Barbara Quinn

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Our Opinion

What about Tompkins St.?

A month after a SUNY Cortland student was seriously injured trying to cross busy Tompkins Street (Route 13), the state Department of Transportation announced that it is studying whether the city should install a crosswalk at the intersection with Prospect Terrace.

Note that the state, which maintains Tompkins Street, is handing city taxpayers the bill for this proposed pedestrian crossing.

What's the problem?

The problem is that hundreds of SUNY Cortland students must cross Tompkins Street to get to the state campus from their homes — and vehicles on Tompkins Street are zooming along at 35-40 miles an hour. (The speed limit is 30 mph.)

The section of Tompkins Street where most students cross, between Broadway and Main Street is dark, vehicles don't slow down until they get to the stop light at Main Street — and students are liable to cross anywhere in that section of Tompkins.

The state's study is due next year. We have no idea what the study will propose, but we have some suggestions:

1 — Slow traffic. That could mean reducing the speed limit to 20-25 mph from Broadway to Main Street. This is something the state and the city could do almost immediately.

2 — Improve the street lighting on that section of Tompkins Street.

3 — Provide a crosswalk across Tompkins Street, preferably with a Walk light that stops vehicle traffic

We suspect state officials won't be very receptive to the idea of a Walk light, but as far as we know, there is no sky hook available to carry pedestrians safely across the street.

We don't see how the state's proposed pedestrian crossing will amount much in the way of increased safety without a Walk light. Who's going to pay for it?

There is no doubt a Walk light would slow traffic on Tompkins Street. But that's a lot better than killing someone trying to walk across the street.

We hope state and city officials will get together to make crossing Tompkins Street safer — sooner rather than later.

Your Opinion

Beneath the bickering: The urge to help

To The Editor:

Reading Catherine Wilde's "Season of giving: Charities report mixed results of late" and Nick Graziano's "Child Center receives \$10,000 donation" articles, stacked as they were, one above the other, in Wednesday's *Cortland Standard*, reminds me that we live in challenging times, when it comes to addressing pressing social issues and offering basic help to the less fortunate among us.

Services aimed at protecting children — or meeting their basic needs — are particularly important. Kids are more vulnerable ... to abuse, neglect, malnutrition. These problems have a ripple effect. Abused, neglected and undernourished children are: more likely to get sick, less likely to perform well in school and much more likely to exhibit behavioral problems. And these problems often follow them into adulthood.

The needs are growing, at a time when our school districts and local governments struggle to balance budgets ... our churches and non-profit organizations are stretched to their limits ... and we, as individuals, labor to make ends meet.

The silver lining is the way we respond. We are a flawed and sometimes puzzling species. But beneath the bickering and alienation — the politics and current social unrest — lives another deep and enduring trait of human nature: the natural urge to come to each other's aid. Bravo to the employees of Borg Warner ... the volunteers and staff at "Loaves and Fishes" ... the Red Kettle bell ringers ... and all who brighten this Season of Giving with their generosity. God bless.

Frank Kelly
Cortland

My gift to you

To the Editor:

A famous quote from a Clint Eastwood movie states: "A man's got to know his limitations." If I am critical of others, I should be honest with myself, and face up to the fact that I have reached the end of my driving days. Those of us who drive know the reluctance to do this is strong. I have been driving for almost my whole life, nearly 2 million miles. For a person to give up that freedom of going when and where they want at any time of the day or night is not easy.

I have experienced some rather hair-raising events while driving, including missing by mere feet a large stampeding herd of buffalo in Wyoming (that's another story!), but I have not harmed another human being yet, and I don't want to risk that record at this late date.

My eyesight is failing, my reaction times are not as good as they were in younger days, and as I like to quote, "Every dog should know the length of his chain," and I have reached the end of my driving chain.

This decision on my part will involve a good deal of reliance on others, but I have to be patient, as many handicapped people know very well. Maybe I'll "multi-task" and take a nap while I'm waiting.

But this letter isn't just about me. There are many of you who know they shouldn't be driving, for a variety of reasons. Please, do innocent people a favor and consider giving up driving. Even if you "only" hurt yourself, consider those who will care for you if you are injured.

My gift to myself, my family and the people of Cortland County this New Year is getting off the road.

Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Jim Denkenberger
Truxton

Good Old Days

December 19, 1967

Automobile safety inspection stickers don't seem to adhere too well at the top center of the windshield. So, they will be returned to their old spot — at the lower left corner.

The State Motor Vehicles Department said today that it would resume the left corner policy with vehicles that pass inspection beginning Jan 1. It had switched to the top center position last January.

But, the agency said, it had found that stickers did not always adhere in the new position "because of exposure to unusual air conditions, through the use of defrosters..."

December 19, 1992

McGraw — The McGraw Lions Club will present its annual children's Christmas show Dec. 22 at 7 p.m. in the McGraw High School auditorium.

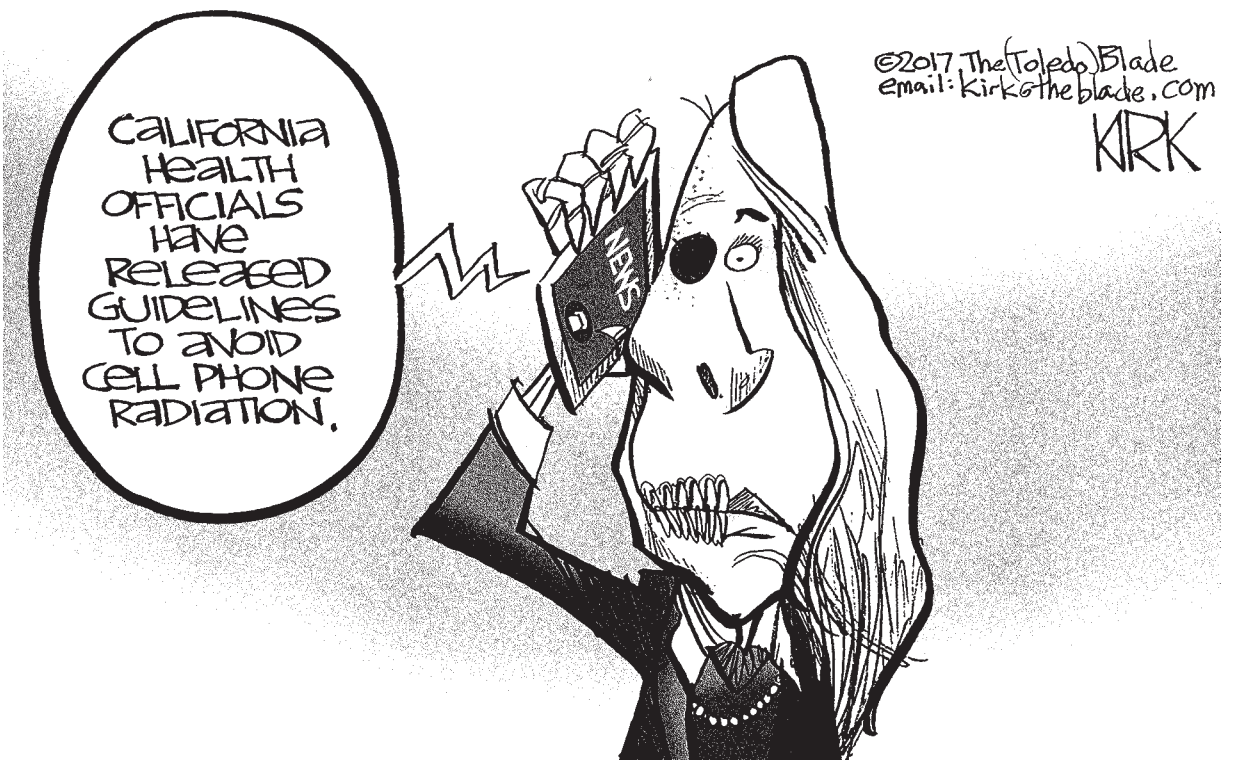
This year's show, "Goldilocks and the Three Bears Meet Santa Claus," turns a classic children's story into a delightful Christmas musical.

The club has long been active in many area projects to help the handicapped and disadvantaged.

December 19, 2007

MARATHON — Casie Wood joined elite basketball company Tuesday night inside McDonald Gymnasium. The Marathon Tuesday senior guard topped the 1,000-point mark in her career with 6:02 left in the second quarter on a rebound and put-back while being fouled.

The bucket at 7:45 p.m. touched off a standing ovation that lasted nearly two minutes as Wood became the fourth Lady Olympian to reach the coveted mark. Wood finished the night with 28 points as the Marathon girls held on for a 48-45 Interscholastic Athletic Conference Division III win over visiting Southern Cayuga



On Aug. 9, 1974, Richard Nixon bowed to the inevitability of impeachment and conviction by a Democratic Senate and resigned.

The prospect of such an end for Donald Trump has this city drooling. Yet, comparing Russiagate and Watergate, history is not likely to repeat itself.

First, the underlying crime in Watergate, a break-in to wiretap offices of the DNC, had been traced, within 48 hours, to the Committee to Re-Elect the President.

In Russiagate, the underlying crime — the "collusion" of Trump's campaign with the Kremlin to hack into the emails of the DNC — has, after 18 months of investigating, still not been established.

Campaign manager Paul Manafort has been indicted, but for financial crimes committed long before he enlisted with Trump.

Gen. Michael Flynn has pled guilty to lying about phone calls he made to Russian Ambassador Sergey Kislyak, but only after Trump had been elected and Flynn had been named national security adviser.

Flynn asked Kislyak for help in blocking or postponing a Security Council resolution denouncing Israel, and to tell Vladimir Putin not to go ballistic over President Obama's expulsion of 35 Russian diplomats.

This is what security advisers do.

Why Flynn let himself be ensnared in a perjury trap, when he had to know his calls were

Trump will not go quietly

Patrick Buchanan



recorded, is puzzling.

Second, it is said Trump obstructed justice when he fired FBI Director James Comey for refusing to cut slack for Flynn.

But even Comey admits Trump acted within his authority.

And Comey had usurped the authority of Justice Department prosecutors when he announced in July 2016 that Hillary Clinton ought not to be prosecuted for having been "extremely careless" in transmitting security secrets over her private email server.

We now know that the first draft of Comey's statement described Clinton as "grossly negligent," the precise statute language for an indictment.

We also now know that helping to edit Comey's first draft to soften its impact was Deputy FBI Director Andrew McCabe. His wife, Jill McCabe, a candidate for state senate in Virginia, received \$467,000 in campaign contributions from the PAC of Clinton bunder Terry McAuliffe.

Comey has also admitted he

leaked to The New York Times details of a one-on-one with Trump to trigger the naming of a special counsel — to go after Trump. And that assignment somehow fell to Comey's predecessor, friend, and confidant Robert Mueller.

Mueller swiftly hired half a dozen prosecutorial bulldogs who had been Clinton contributors, and Andrew Weinstein, a Trump hater who had congratulated Acting Attorney General Sally Yates for refusing to carry out Trump's travel ban.

FBI official Peter Strzok had to be removed from the Mueller probe for hatred of Trump manifest in texts to his FBI lady friend.

Strzok was also involved in the investigation of Clinton's email server and is said to have been the one who persuaded Comey to tone down his language about her misconduct, and let Hillary walk.

In Mueller's tenure, still no Trump tie to the hacking of

the DNC has been found. But a connection between Hillary's campaign and Russian spies — to find dirt to smear and destroy Trump and his campaign — has been fairly well established.

By June 2016, the Clinton campaign and DNC had begun shoveling millions of dollars to the Perkins Coie law firm, which had hired the oppo research firm Fusion GPS, to go dirt-diving on Trump.

Fusion contacted ex-British MI6 spy Christopher Steele, who had ties to former KGB and FSB intelligence agents in Russia. They began to feed Steele, who fed Fusion, which fed the U.S. anti-Trump media with the alleged dirty deeds of Trump in Moscow hotels.

This week, we learned that the Justice Department's Bruce Ohr had contacts with Fusion during the campaign, while his wife actually worked at Fusion investigating Trump. This thing is starting to stink.

Trump has Fox News and fighting congressmen behind him and the mainstream media is deeply distrusted and widely detested. And there is no Democratic House to impeach him or Democratic Senate to convict him.

Moreover, Trump is not Nixon, who, like Charles I, accepted his fate and let the executioner's sword fall with dignity.

If Trump goes, one imagines, he will not go quietly.

In the words of the great Jerry Lee Lewis, there's gonna be a "whole lotta shakin' goin' on."

Collateral damage of 'credibly accused'

Kathleen Parker



ship hall next to the Heart of Fire Church where the well-known Republican was the self-anointed "pope" to his congregation.

Even with all of that, however, didn't Johnson have a right to some sort of dispassionate hearing? It is convenient to think he was too ashamed to withstand what would lie ahead for him. Or, one could believe, as Johnson hoped people would, that things didn't happen as described. That's the trouble with weighing allegations of years-old behavior in the court of public opinion. Given that the statute of limitations precludes indictments in many of these recent cases, we're left to decide for ourselves whether the accusers are telling the truth — or enough truth to be convincing.

An accusation isn't a conviction or even an indictment, of course. Yet, the Draconian actions we've witnessed as each case comes to light have provided cause for concern even in the most despicable of alleged offenses. We've rather quickly

moved away from a society that embraces the suspension of judgment pending a fair trial to one in which subjective opinion — or fear of financial repercussions — justifies harsh sentencing

Why have a jury-trial system at all if we're comfortable passing judgments derived primarily from common sense-based calculus. This we know about common sense: Everyone considers theirs to be of higher quality than mine or yours. During the past couple of months, we've all become rather expert in dispensing verdicts, which seem to go something like this:

When several women tell similar stories of sordid encounters with the same individual, then we deem the accusations true. This was the case with Hollywood mogul Harvey Weinstein, who admitted to some of the charges. When only one accuser is involved, we tend to give the accused some benefit of the doubt. It's when only three or four victims come forward with similar tales that we begin to hear terms

such as "credible accusations" or "credibly accused."

"Credible" accusations brought down Alabama Senate candidate Roy Moore after The Washington Post conducted an extensive investigation into allegations against him. There's no proof of anything, of course, but there was enough corroboration from other people interviewed to suggest a strong likelihood that the women were truthful.

Even if one believes all the women who have come forward thus far, there's room for some self-doubt in our individual rushes to judgment, as well as our participation in social media's ruthless, often-anonymous dispensations. We're on new ground these days when everyone occupies a seat of infinite power. Thus, it may be impossible to mitigate the effects of a determined mob, especially given a zeitgeist poised to assume the worst of men and the best of women. This shift in the balance of power may feel justified at some level, but this, too, should give one pause.

Should every man who has ever made an unwelcome advance on a grown woman be ruined? In instances of poor judgement or reckless behavior, is there no punishment short of firing? It is notable that "shame," so long out of vogue, is in these most modern of times making a comeback, indeed, with a vengeance. Johnson's suicide reminds us that the best of causes conducted without the usual rules of law can lead to disastrous, even fatal, consequences.

Letters

The *Cortland Standard* welcomes letters from readers for publication on this page. All letters submitted must be signed by the writer and include the writer's home address and daytime telephone number. Letters may be edited for length and content. Letters are limited to 300 words in length. Letters endorsing or opposing the election of candidates for public office are limited to 200 words. Thank-you notes will not be accepted.

Family's menorah cited in fatal Hanukkah blaze

The Associated Press
NEW YORK — A fire that roared through a Brooklyn home on the sixth night of Hanukkah, killing a mother and her three young children, was touched off by the family's menorah, fire officials said.

The fire department late Monday released a statement saying fire marshals determined the blaze to be accidental, caused by an "unattended lit menorah."

Neighbors said the family kept the menorah in a living room window throughout the eight-day holiday, also known as the Jewish Festival of Lights. "So often, tragedy strikes at this time of year, and the holidays make it that much more difficult because our communities should be celebrating, not mourning," fire department Commissioner Daniel Nigro said.

Firefighters said unattended candles, overloaded outlets and power strips "and many of the holiday traditions we all hold dear" often cause fires. Aliza Azan was found dead on the second floor of the single-family home near the children who perished: 11-year-old Moshe, 7-year-old Yitzah and 3-year-old Henrietta. The children's father and two teenagers were hospitalized in critical condition.

In all, nine people were in the house: the couple, their six children and a cousin. The other two people made it out alive.

The fire was reported around 2:30 a.m. in Brooklyn's Sheepshead Bay neighborhood. A longtime family friend and neighbor, Morris Levy, said the family had recently moved into the house. He said Azan's father was a rabbi.

"A very nice lady," he told The New York Times. "Such a beautiful family."

Nigro said the children's father saved two of his older children from the fire and was seriously burned trying to get back inside the burning house.

"We believe that he acted very courageously and tried desperately," Nigro said, according to the New York Post. "Hopefully it didn't cost his life also, but it may."

Firefighters arrived within 2 1/2 minutes of the first 911 call, but Nigro said the flames were already "consuming" all three floors of the building. He said that firefighters were met with flames at the front door but "pushed in very aggressively" because they knew people were inside.

Mayor Bill de Blasio urged people to be cautious with decorations, electric lights, candles and space heaters during the winter months and the holidays.



Police and firefighters work at the scene of Monday's fatal fire in the Sheepshead Bay neighborhood in Brooklyn. A mother and her three young children died in the blaze, which fire officials said was started by the family's menorah.

Man convicted of killing trooper to leave prison

The Associated Press
SYRACUSE — A New York court has ruled against a police union's appeal to keep in prison a man convicted of fatally shooting a state trooper in 1974.

The Post-Standard of Syracuse reports that 74-year-old John Ruzas was scheduled to be released this week, 43 years after the shooting near Lenox in central New York.

Trooper Emerson Dillon was shot and killed in 1974 after he stopped a speeding car that contained two men suspected of robbing a jewelry store. Ruzas was sentenced to 25 years to life for the shooting.

Ruzas was denied parole 11 times, with one of his daughters and the trooper union writing to oppose his release. The union said Saturday it was "extremely disappointed" in the ruling.

A judge noted that Ruzas uses a wheelchair and had expressed remorse.

No referendum soon on casino near NYC, 'if ever'

By WAYNE PARRY
Associated Press
ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — New Jersey's Senate president said he doesn't see the state asking voters again whether to authorize a casino near New York City "anytime soon, if ever."

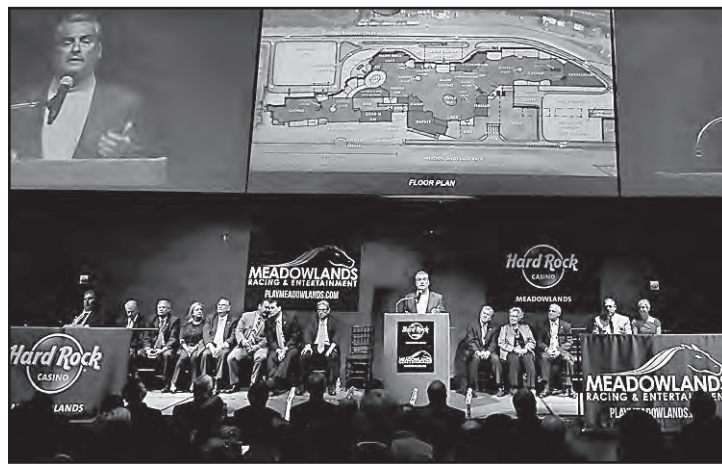
Steve Sweeney told The Associated Press on Monday he doesn't think the state Legislature will put a second referendum before voters in 2018 or 2019. Voters decisively rejected a ballot question two years ago to authorize two new casinos in the northern part of the state, and 2018 is the earliest proponents could try again.

But the Democrat from southern New Jersey said that is unlikely.

"I don't see it anytime soon, if ever," he said. "I don't see any way where it comes back; it was crushed."

Sweeney said he can't guarantee a future state Senate president won't try to revive the referendum.

"I just don't see it reasonably coming back and making



Jim Allen, chairman of Hard Rock International, discusses plans for Hard Rock and Meadowlands Racing & Entertainment as they unveil the future plans for Hard Rock Casino Meadowlands on June 3, 2015, at the Meadowlands Racetrack in East Rutherford, New Jersey.

sense," he said.

Sweeney also predicted that the U.S. Supreme Court will rule in favor of New Jersey's effort to legalize sports betting, which he said will help horse racetracks "in a dramatic way."

The owner of the Meadowlands Racetrack, where the new casino would go, says he's prepared to

wait five years or more to let voters approve a casino there.

"I don't want them to put this on the ballot again until we know it's going to win," he told the AP. "If it loses again, it will never happen."

Gural said the state should wait until New York state opens, or is about to open, three casinos

in the southern part of the state. That will likely not happen for at least five more years, Gural estimated.

"However long I have to wait, I'll wait," he said. "As soon as New York opens the three downstate casinos, the argument will no longer be about saving Atlantic City. New York and New Jersey will need revenue after this federal tax bill passes, and the one thing a Meadowlands casino would do is send \$500 million a year to the state."

Gural is partnering with Hard Rock on the Meadowlands casino project. Hard Rock also is converting the former Trump Taj Mahal in Atlantic City into its own branded casino resort, due to open next summer.

Frank Gilliam Jr., a Democrat who will take over as Atlantic City's new mayor on Jan. 1, called the news "an early Christmas present."

"That's music to my ears," he said, adding he is pleased "as an incoming mayor to know we won't have to worry about having two sets of casinos at opposite ends of the state for at least five years."

Democratic Gov.-elect Phil Murphy said during the campaign he supports a casino in northern New Jersey as part of a plan to create more jobs. A spokesman for his transition team did not return a message seeking comment Monday.

Sen. Paul Sarlo, a Bergen County Democrat in whose district the new casino would open, said he hoped a referendum could be considered in 2019, but acknowledged the need to get it right the second time.

"It went down pretty decisively," he said.

The ballot question was rejected by nearly 80 percent of voters.

Weather

Local

Rest of today: A chance of rain showers. Highs in the lower 40s. Southwest winds with gusts up to 30 mph. Chance of rain 50 percent.

Tonight: A chance of rain showers and snow showers. Mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s. West winds with gusts up to 35 mph.

Wednesday: Mostly cloudy with snow showers likely. Total accumulation up to 3 inches possible. Highs in the upper 20s. Northwest winds with gusts up to 30 mph.

Wednesday night: Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of snow showers. Lows near 15. Northwest winds 10 to 15 mph.

Extended

Thursday: Partly sunny. Highs around 30. Northwest winds 5 to 10 mph.

Thursday night: Mostly cloudy. Lows in the lower 20s.

Friday: Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain, freezing rain and snow. Highs in the upper 30s. Chance of precipitation 40 percent.

Friday night: Rain likely. Lows in the mid-30s. Chance of rain 70 percent.

Temperatures

December 18-19		
10 a.m.	32	7 p.m.
11 a.m.	36	9 p.m.
Noon	36	Mid
1 p.m.	36	3 a.m.
2 p.m.	37	5 a.m.
3 p.m.	37	7 a.m.
4 p.m.	37	8 a.m.
6 p.m.	36	9 a.m.

Precipitation

December 18-19 0.38 inches
Month to date 0.76 inches

City Snowfall

December 18-19 None
Season to date 9.5 inches

Skies Today

Tuesday, December 19, 2017
Sunset today 4:33 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:31 a.m.
Normal high temperature 34
Normal low temperature 20
Average temperature 27
First quarter moon Dec. 26

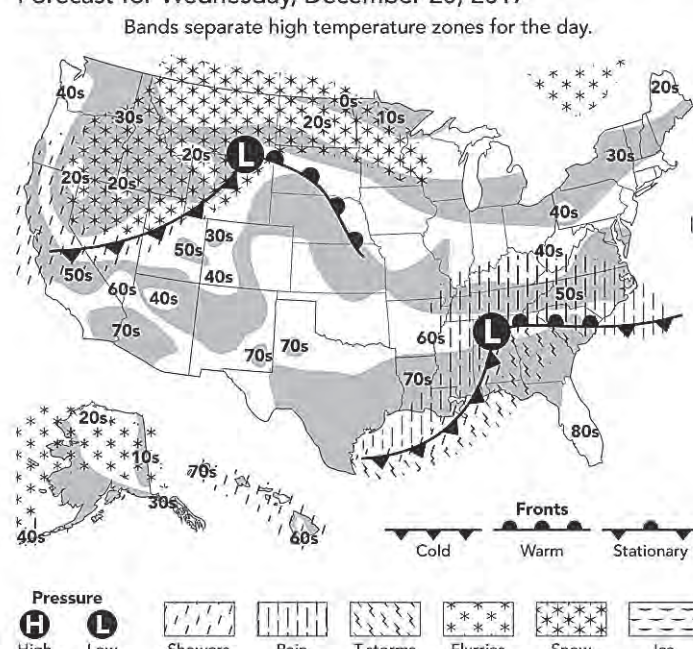
Tomorrow's weather

Forecast for Wednesday, December 20, 2017



National weather

Forecast for Wednesday, December 20, 2017



NATIONAL SUMMARY: As fresh chill invades the Northeast tomorrow, soaking rain and locally severe storms will target the Southern states. Snow will streak from the Great Basin and northern Rockies to the northern Plains, creating treacherous driving conditions on the roadways. Some rain and mountain snow will accompany gusty winds in California.

New York in brief

Statue of Liberty's light to dim a little

NEW YORK (AP) — Cue Bruce Springsteen's "Darkness on the Edge of Town" — some of the lights are being switched off at the Statue of Liberty.

The National Park Service says the monument's exterior lights will be turned off from Monday evening through Thursday.

It's part of planned work on the island between New York and New Jersey.

Lady Liberty's torch, crown and pedestal colonnade will still be lit, with help from a backup generator.

Cuomo backs local cost-cutting panels

ALBANY — Gov. Andrew Cuomo will propose making a pilot program aimed at cutting local government costs permanent and allocate \$225 million in state funds to match local savings.

The Democrat said Monday that local governments working with new County-wide Shared Services panels came up with nearly 400 projects providing more than \$200 million in savings this year. He said he'll propose making the program permanent in his State of the State address next month.

Cuomo says he'll propose that state funding for local government performance aid be conditional on continuation of shared services panels led by county executives.

School bus drivers OK'd for allergy aid

ALBANY — A new law in New York state allows school bus drivers to administer EpiPens and similar devices in an emergency.

The state Senate says the law taking effect today will help protect the lives of children with severe food or other allergies.

The measure was approved by the state Legislature earlier this year. It includes bus drivers among the types of school district workers allowed to administer epinephrine auto-injectors.

\$11.5M sought to combat gangs

MINEOLA — New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo will propose \$11.5 million for after-school programs, job training and other educational efforts in a bid to stem gang violence.

Cuomo will outline the pro-

posals in his State of the State address next month. Much of the spending will be targeted in Suffolk County, where some of the killings have taken place.

The Salvadoran MS-13 street gang has been blamed for 25 killings on Long Island in the past two years.

— The Associated Press

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For questions contact:
Stephen Clark, 756-5665 ext. 149

Southern California wildfire

Firefighters make gains on giant blaze



A Bombardier 415 Super Scooper drops water on hot spots Sunday east of Gibraltar Road in Santa Barbara, California. Wind gusts up to 52 mph had been recorded in the area after Santa Ana winds pushed the fire close to the community.

By CHRISTOPHER WEBER and ANDREW DALTON Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Firefighters took advantage of calm winds in Southern California to reach 50 percent containment of a massive wildfire, officials said.

"We've had a very productive day," said Deputy Chief Mark Brown of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protections. "The weather conditions were just right for us."

Monday was the first of a two-day window of calm winds in Santa Barbara and Ventura counties where the so-called Thomas Fire has burned for two weeks.

The fire northwest of Los Angeles has now spread to about 423 square miles, making it the third biggest since accurate records were kept starting in 1932. The largest, the 2003 Cedar Fire in San Diego County, burned about 427 square miles.

Officials estimate the Thomas Fire will grow to become the biggest in state history before full containment, which is expected by Jan. 7.

It was still threatening communities northwest of Los Angeles, where thousands remain under evacuation orders.

The hot, gusty winds that caused a huge flare-up and forced more residents to flee over the weekend are expected to come back Wednesday.

The fire churning through brush in Ventura and Santa Barbara counties has burned more than 1,000 structures, including at least 750 homes. Some 18,000 more residences are still threatened.

Michael and Sonia Behrman told KABC-TV they fled their hillside home when heavy smoke blew in and returned to find it in ashes.

"It's just hard to put into words," Michael Behrman said. "It's where we live. It's just smoke and ruin right now."

The body of a firefighter killed while battling the blaze was transported Sunday in a procession that rolled through five counties before ending up at a funeral home in San Diego. Mourners stood on freeway overpasses to pay respects to firefighter Cory Iverson, 32, who died Dec. 14 of burns and smoke inhalation. He is survived by his pregnant wife and a 2-year-old daughter.

The blaze is also blamed for the Dec. 6 death of a 70-year-old woman who died in a car crash on an evacuation route.

Everything about the fire has been massive, from the sheer scale of destruction that destroyed entire neighborhoods to the legions of people attacking it. More than 8,000 firefighters from nearly a dozen states battled the third largest wildfire in state history.

The cause remains under investigation. So far, firefighting costs have surpassed \$117 million.

Airlines inch back to normal after fire at Atlanta airport

ATLANTA (AP) — Delta Air Lines and other carriers that operate out of Atlanta's busy airport say they expect to be running normally by today after a fire and blackout there forced the cancellation of more than 1,500 flights days before the start of the Christmas rush.

A spokesman for Delta, by far the biggest airline at the world's busiest airport, said most of its delayed passengers had been booked on flights scheduled to leave Monday. Spokesman Michael Thomas said the airline should be "largely if not completely" back to normal by today, well before the huge travel weekend ahead of Christmas Day.

But no matter how fast Delta and other airlines move, it will take a few days to get the hundreds of thousands of grounded passengers to their final destinations, said Robert Mann, president of an airline consulting firm in Port Washington, New York. In rare cases, some passengers won't arrive until Thursday, he said.

"There are just so few seats available during a peak holiday week, that's just going to take a lot of flights with four or five seats apiece," Mann said.

The nation's air-travel system was snarled after the underground blaze knocked out electricity Sunday and crippled Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport for about 11 hours.

Southwest, the airport's second-largest airline, said Monday it was back on a normal schedule, but a spokesman could not say how long it would take to clear the backlog of stranded travelers.

American Airlines, which is much smaller, said that it, too, booked many of its passengers on new flights but that some will



Alexis Canete rests on his luggage Monday as he waits in the Delta ticket line to get back home to Cuba after visiting Tennessee at Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport in Atlanta, the day after a massive power outage brought operations to a halt.

have to wait until later in the week to fly.

The fire broke out Sunday afternoon next to equipment for a backup system, causing that to fail, too. Power wasn't fully restored until about midnight.

The control tower did not lose power because it has a separate electrical feed, and planes that were in the air and close to Atlanta when the blackout hit were allowed to land. Other incoming flights were diverted, and outgoing flights were halted.

Anthony Foxx, who was transportation secretary under President Barack Obama, was

among many travelers stuck for hours in a plane on the tarmac. He blasted airport officials, saying the problem was "compounded by confusion and poor communication."

"Total and abject failure here at ATL Airport today," he tweeted, adding that there was "no excuse for lack of workable redundant power source. NONE!"

Georgia Power CEO Paul Bowers issued an apology and blamed the fire on a failure in a switch gear. He said the utility is considering a change in the setup of the main and backup systems to prevent a similar blackout.

Under Trump, climate change is not a national security threat

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump removed climate change from the list of worldwide threats menacing the United States on Monday, a shift that underscores the long-term ramifications of the "America first" world view he laid out in his new National Security Strategy.

The document depicts Russia and China as combative rivals in perpetual competition with the U.S. But it makes no mention of what scientists say are the dangers posed by a warming climate, including more extreme weather events that could spark humanitarian crises, mass migrations, and conflict.

It's a significant departure from the Obama administration, which had described climate change as an "urgent and growing threat to our national security." And it demonstrates how Trump, despite struggling to push his own agenda through a Republican-controlled Congress, has been able to unilaterally dismantle one of his predecessor's signature efforts.

As far back as 2003, during George W. Bush's presidency, a report commissioned by the Defense Department said abrupt climate change threatened "disruption and conflict," refugee crises, border tensions and more military conflicts.

Trump's national security report, required annually by Congress, emphasizes that economic security is national security for the U.S. It makes clear the United States will unilaterally defend its sovereignty, even if that means risking existing agreements with other countries.

The new document doesn't eliminate references to the environment entirely. It "recognizes the importance of environmental stewardship" and says that "climate policies will continue to shape the global energy system."

"The United States will remain a global leader in reducing traditional pollution, as well as greenhouse gases, while expanding our economy," it reads.

But Trump, in a speech about the report, blamed past administrations for putting "American energy under lock and key" and said his approach "embraces a future of American energy dominance and self-sufficiency."

"Our nation must take advantage of our wealth in domestic resources and energy efficiency to promote competitiveness across our industries," he said.

That thinking represents a reversal, not just from previous Democratic administrations, but from Republican as well, said Geoffrey Dabelko, director of environmental studies at Ohio University.

LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of CHRPK PROPERTIES, LLC Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York on 12/12/17. Office location: Cortland County, Secretary of State of New York designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State of New York shall mail process to 31 Morning-side Drive, Cortland, New York 13045 which is the principal office of the limited liability company. The limited liability company was formed for any lawful business purpose.

Pomeroy, Armstrong, Casullo & Monty, LLP 297-61 12/19,26, 1/2,9,16,23

LEGAL NOTICE

The board of Fire Commissioners of the Marathon Joint Fire District will hold their organizational meeting on 2018 on January 6, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Marathon Civic Center, Peck Street, Marathon NY 13803. The public is invited to attend.

Laura Padbury, Secretary 297-11

LEGAL NOTICE

Estoppel Notice

NOTICE OF BOND RESOLUTION

The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted by the Board of Education of the Cortland Enlarged City School District on September 26, 2017 and was thereafter approved at a special meeting of the qualified voters of said District on December 13, 2017. The validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Cortland Enlarged City School District is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Alicia Zupanic, District Clerk

SUMMARY OF BOND RESOLUTION

A Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Cortland Enlarged City School District (the "District") on September 26, 2017, and approved at a special meet-

ing of the qualified voters of the District on December 13, 2017 authorizes the issuance of bonds and other obligations in connection with the capital improvement project consisting of certain renovations and reconstruction of the District's Jr./Sr. High School building, including all general construction, HVAC, plumbing, mechanical and electrical improvements, site improvements, sod, trees and installation of furnishings, fixtures and equipment, architectural fees, and all other necessary costs incidental to such work, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment and all other costs incidental thereto, and to expend a total sum not to exceed \$5,500,000, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost hereof, and to finance the cost of such project by spending \$780,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund approved by the District's voters in May of 2016 and the issuance of serial bonds or notes in anticipation thereof in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$5,720,000, and levy a tax for the foregoing in the amount of \$6,500,000, subject to applicable amounts of state assistance available or any revenues available for such purpose from any other source, which shall be levied and collected in annual installments in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education and in anticipation of the collection of such tax shall bonds and notes of the District be authorized to be issued or executed at one time, or from time to time, in the principal amount not to exceed \$5,720,000, and a tax voted to pay the principal and interest on said obligations in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education and in anticipation of the collection of such tax shall bonds and notes of the District be authorized to be issued or executed at one time, or from time to time, in the principal amount not to exceed \$5,720,000, and a tax voted to pay the principal and interest on said obligations in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education and 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National Football League

Freeman grinds up Bucs

Monday Night Football

Falcons 24
Buccaneers 21By FRED GOODALL
AP Sports Writer

TAMPA, Fla. — Devonta Freeman pounded away all night until he finally found a way into the open field, helping the Atlanta Falcons remain in the thick of the tight NFC South race.

With sidekick Tevin Coleman out with a concussion and Matt Ryan not particularly sharp throwing the ball, Freeman rushed for 126 yards and a touchdown to key a 24-21 victory over the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Monday night.

The fourth-year pro scored on a 32-yard run midway through the fourth quarter, darting through a hole on the right side before cutting back to elude the only defender with a shot at tackling him and restore a 10-point lead for the Falcons (9-5), who barely hung on to win for the fifth time in six games.

“We had a sense this would be a big night for him. We talked about that before the game,” Falcons coach Dan Quinn said. “We thought he would have his opportunities. If he could get to the next level and to a linebacker or safety or corner, make sure he had a plan how he wanted to finish.”

Freeman also caught five passes for a team-high 68 yards and had a first-half fumble recovered in the end zone by teammate Levine Toilolo for a touchdown. Ryan threw an early TD pass to Justin Hardy and finished 17 of 31 passing for 212 yards and no interceptions.

The victory kept Atlanta within one game of New Orleans and Carolina in the division standings with two to play. If the playoffs started now, the Falcons would be the second NFC wild-card.

Atlanta plays at New Orleans next Sunday, then closes the regular season



Buccaneers' safety Chris Conte (23) breaks up a pass intended for Falcons' Justin Hardy during the second half of Monday's game in Tampa. The Falcons won, 24-21, when the Bucs' missed a last-second field goal.

at home against the Panthers.

“We’re right where we need to be at this point of the season ... and we’ve got to find a way to get back to work this week, try to improve and make sure we play the best we’re capable of playing this Sunday,” Ryan said. “That’s really all our focus needs to be about. If we’re worried about anything else then you’re not as locked in as you need to be.”

Jameis Winston threw for 299 yards and three TDs for the Bucs (4-10), including a 16-yarder to Adam

Humphries that trimmed Atlanta’s lead to three points with 3:51 remaining.

Winston, who also threw TD passes of 30 yards to O.J. Howard and 42 yards to Mike Evans, got the ball back with a minute left and nearly sent the game into overtime.

The third-year pro, a college teammate of Freeman’s at Florida State, completed three straight passes to move the ball from his 29 to the Atlanta 36. Patrick Murray came on to try a 54-yard field goal to tie it, but the kick sailed wide right as time expired.

Winston finished 27 of 35 passing with no interceptions. He was sacked twice.

“Jameis played a heck of a game. He probably played his best game this season,” coach Dirk Koetter said. “Took care of the football, was accurate, threw the deep ball with accuracy, checked it down, did a good job leading our football team.”

The Bucs have lost nine of 11 following a 2-1 start, taking a step back after finishing 9-7 a year ago in their first season under Koetter.

Red Dragon Basketball

Cortland men beat S. Vermont in Miami

MIAMI, Fla. — Three players scored at least 20 points and the SUNY Cortland men’s basketball team held off a second-half rally to defeat Southern Vermont 94-85 Monday during the opening day of the HoopMIA D3 Holiday Shootout at Barry University.

Cortland (9-1) won its seventh straight game. The Red Dragons return to action in the tournament Wednesday at 2 p.m. against Washington and Lee University.

Justin Cooper made all seven of his shots

from the field and 8-of-9 free throws and finished with 23 points and a career-high tying 14 rebounds. Zach Lydon, who was named the SUNYAC Player of the Week Monday, scored a career-high 23 points and added eight rebounds, four blocks and two assists. He was 7-of-12 from the field. James Morales made 7-of-11 shots overall, 5-of-7 from 3-point range, and ended with 20 points, seven assists and six rebounds.

Also for the Red Dragons, Nicky Bonura scored 15 points and dished out three assists, and Carrel Joseph tallied eight points on 4-of-5 shooting.

Mike Pierre led Southern Vermont (7-2) with 20 points and six rebounds. K.J. Kinsey scored 18 points, Kyle Depollar hit four 3-pointers in a 16-point effort, and Daemond Carter chipped in with 11 points and five assists.

Cortland shot 60 percent from the field overall and 44 percent (12-of-27) from the 3-point arc. Southern Vermont finished at 46 percent from the field and 39 percent (12-of-31) from long distance. Cortland held a 16-7 edged over the Mountaineers from the foul line.

Cortland raced out to a 13-0 lead to start the game and led 30-16 with 6:27 left in the period. Southern Vermont pulled back to within 34-27 with 3:58 left. The Red Dragons held a nine-point edge before five straight points from Bonura gave Cortland a 51-37 halftime lead.

The Red Dragons’ largest lead came at 53-37 early in the second half, but the Mountaineers gradually worked their way back into the contest. Carter’s 3-pointer with 12:03 left cut the Cortland lead to five, and they eventually got as close as two at 68-66 on a Kinsey steal and dunk with 7:40 left.

Morales spurred a Cortland 9-0 run that pushed the lead back to 11 with 6:06 left. He started the streak with a free throw and a 3-pointer. Bonura hit a layup, and another Morales trey completed the run.

The closest Southern Vermont got from that point on was five points at 90-85 on Kinsey’s layup with 40 seconds left. Cortland closed its scoring with four free throws, three by Lydon, to seal the win.

College Basketball

Bridges scores 33 in Michigan State romp

By The Associated Press

Miles Bridges leaped for a lob and dunked over a 6-foot-10 center, made four 3-pointers and sprinted around screens to set up some shots in between.

Bridges matched his career high with 33 points, leading No. 2 Michigan State in a 107-62 win over Houston Baptist on Monday night.

“You can see his athleticism is finally back,” Spartans coach Tom Izzo said. “Offensively, Miles was as good as he’s been since he’s been here.”

The sophomore sprained his left ankle in the third game of the season, keeping him out of one game and slowing him in some additional games.

Bridges has looked like a preseason All-American in some games since the injury, but he often deferred to teammates when he had the ball. Against the Huskies, he was in attack mode.

“I was just trying to find the open spots and my teammates were finding me,” he said. “I was trying to get everything they gave me, but everything felt good.”

The 6-foot-7, 225-pound forward had 20 points in the first half, making 8 of 11 shots and going 3 of 6 beyond the arc. He finished 11 of 14 overall, 4 of 7 on 3-pointers and 7 of 7 at the line to match the 33-point total he had last season against Purdue.

“He’s so big and strong and skilled,” HBU coach Ron Cottrell said. “He knocked down shots even when we were there. He makes all the little plays and does the little things to get himself looks.”

Michigan State (11-1) has won 10 straight since losing to top-ranked Duke.

The Spartans set a school record with 16 blocked shots. Freshman Jaren Jackson had six blocks before fouling out in 18 minutes,



Michigan State teammates Xavier Tillman, left, and Miles Bridges jostle for a rebound during the first half Monday.

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CCL Roundup

Eagles suffer first league volleyball loss

Visiting Stockbridge Valley downed McGraw 25-23, 22-25, 26-24, 25-23 Monday night in a battle of the last two unbeaten teams in Central Counties League play.

The Cougars are now 3-0 league and 4-2 overall, while the Eagles, who were without starting middle hitter Bryanna Cook due to injury, are now 2-1 league and 2-2 overall.

Host DeRuyter defeated Brookfield 25-10, 25-14, 25-7 in another CCL volleyball match. In girls’ basketball action, visiting DeRuyter lost to Stockbridge Valley 45-38, host Cincinnatus fell to Otselic Valley 56-49 and Brookfield beat visiting McGraw 55-11.

VOLLEYBALL

Stockbridge Valley 3, McGraw 1: “We lost a tight four-set match,” Eagles coach Lorrie Tanner said. “We were without Bryanna; we brought up Jamika Feringa from the JV team to fill her spot. We have a lot of work to do

to get to the level I know the girls are capable of.”

Jade VanWagenen had seven kills, three aces and four blocks for McGraw while Makayla Cortez had seven digs, Alyssa Libbey four assists and one dig, Ashley White four digs and Kaylee Streeter two assists, three digs and an ace.

The Cougars got seven aces, a kill and seven digs from Haylee Eaton; seven kills and five digs from Sierra Tucci; five kills, five digs and an ace from Allie Deleston and four aces, six assists, two digs and a kill from Mary Mathews.

McGraw next competes Dec. 27 in the Cato-Meridian Tournament, which is slated to start at 9 a.m.

DeRuyter 3, Brookfield 0: Jaiden Degear had 10 aces, two kills, an assist and a dig and Tayler Marshall 10 aces, two kills and a dig as the Rockets improved to 2-1 in the CCL and 3-2 overall. Kali Lidell had seven aces, three kills and five assists for the winners

while Lily Harvey had four aces and two kills, Amber Stedwell three kills and two aces, Kaylee LaClair two aces and four assists and Mikayla Quigley two aces and three digs.

No statistics were reported for Brookfield (0-2, 0-3).

DeRuyter visits McGraw Jan. 3, the JV match slated to start at 5:30 p.m.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Stockbridge Valley 45, McGraw 38: The Cougars (3-1 league and overall) were up 15-4 after one quarter and led all the way, though the Rockets (1-3, 1-4) did close the gap, due largely to a 14-8 fourth-quarter advantage.

“We lost a tough one tonight,” DeRuyter coach Jared Tiffin said. “We come out flat and made a lot of mistakes in the first half. But we came out aggressive in the second half and fought hard. Our press got us back into the game but we just couldn’t finish it. All my girls played their hearts out. Hope-

fully we get them next time.”

Paige Russell had 12 points, eight rebounds and two steals for the Rockets, while Terricka Glisson had 10 points and three steals. Madison Russell (Paige’s sister) had eight rebounds while Terricka’s sister Anastasia Glisson had seven rebounds and three steals and a third Glisson sister, Shakiah, had three steals.

Jillian Jacobs scored a game-high 18 points and Hannah Greene added 12 points for Stockbridge Valley.

DeRuyter hosts Onondaga Wednesday in a 5:30 p.m. non-leaguer.

Otselic Valley 56, Cincinnatus 49: Amber Meigs poured in 28 points to lead the way for the Vikings (1-1 league, 1-2 overall), who led 32-13 at halftime in the battle of winless squads. Kyleigh Eaton scored 23 points and also had four steals and three assists for the Red Lions (0-5 league, 0-7 overall) while McKayla Maroney had 14 points and six rebounds. Destiny

Bushnell had 17 rebounds, five steals, four blocks and three assists in the losing cause and Michaela Eichorst had seven rebounds.

Cincinnatus was to host Fabius-Pompey today in a 5:30 p.m. non-leaguer.

Brookfield 55, McGraw 11: The Beavers (4-0 league, 9-0 overall) led 16-2 after one quarter, 27-4 at halftime and, after holding the Eagles scoreless in the third quarter, 47-4 entering the fourth. Lexi Stiles had five points, Emily Fish four points and Abbey Auger and Paige Euson two points each for McGraw (1-3 league, 1-4 overall).

Madilyn Kupris had 12 points, Chalee Wratten nine points and five assists and Karissa Darling eight points and six rebounds for Brookfield, which also got nine rebounds from Jenna Bugbee and eight rebounds from Jaelyn Vleer-Elliott.

The Eagles visit Madison Friday at 5:30 p.m.

Scoreboard

Basketball

NBA			
EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Atlantic Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	20	8	3/12
Toronto	16	14	5/33
New York	14	15	4/33
Philadelphia	16	15	4/33
Brooklyn	11	18	3/13
Southeast Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	16	14	5/33
Miami	15	15	5/33
Charlotte	11	19	3/13
Orlando	11	20	3/13
Atlanta	7	23	2/13
Central Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	23	8	7/42
Detroit	17	13	5/12
Indiana	17	14	5/12
Milwaukee	15	13	5/12
Chicago	9	20	3/13
WESTERN CONFERENCE			
Southwest Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	25	4	8/62
San Antonio	21	10	6/77
New Orleans	15	15	5/33
Memphis	9	21	3/30
Dallas	8	23	2/58
Northwest Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	18	13	5/81
Portland	16	14	5/33
Denver	16	14	5/33
Oklahoma City	15	15	5/33
Utah	14	17	4/52
Pacific Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	24	6	8/60
L.A. Clippers	10	18	3/12
L.A. Lakers	11	18	3/12
Phoenix	11	21	3/14
Sacramento	9	20	3/14

Monday's Games			
Boston 112, Indiana 111			
Charlotte 109, New York 91			
Atlanta 110, Miami 104			
Chicago 117, Philadelphia 115			
Houston 120, Utah 99			
Minnesota 108, Portland 107			
Oklahoma City 95, Denver 94			
Phoenix 97, Dallas 91			
San Antonio 109, L.A. Clippers 91			
Golden State 116, L.A. Lakers 114, OT			
Tuesday's Games			
New Orleans at Washington, 7 p.m.			
Sacramento at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.			
Cleveland at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.			
Wednesday's Games			
Toronto at Charlotte, 7 p.m.			
Indiana at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.			
Miami at Boston, 7:30 p.m.			
Sacramento at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.			
L.A. Lakers at Houston, 8 p.m.			
Orlando at Chicago, 8 p.m.			
Utah at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.			
Detroit at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.			
Minnesota at Denver, 9 p.m.			
San Antonio at Portland, 10 p.m.			
Memphis at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.			
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.			

COLLEGIATE MEN

SUNYAC	
Cortland 94, Southern Vermont 85 (nl)	
Wooster 81, Brockport 67 (nl)	
Wednesday: Cortland vs. Washington & Lee (nl, 2 p.m.), Oneonta vs. Chatham (nl, 3 p.m.)	
Standings: Cortland 4-0 (9-1 overall), Brockport 3-1 (7-3), Oswego 3-1 (4-4), Plattsburgh 3-1 (4-4), Oneonta 2-2 (5-3), Genesee 2-2 (3-5), Buffalo State 1-3 (4-5), Potsdam 1-1 (3-5), New Paltz 1-3 (2-6), Fredonia 0-4 (2-8).	

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

Florida State 69, Charleston Southern 58	
Wake Forest 84, Coastal Carolina 80	
Tuesday (7 p.m., unless noted): South Carolina at Clemson, Savannah St. at Virginia, Presbyterian at Virginia Tech, Dartmouth at Notre Dame, Robert Morris at North Carolina State, Delaware St. at Pittsburgh, Buffalo at Syracuse, Georgia Tech at Georgia (9 p.m.)	
Wednesday: Evansville at Duke, 7 p.m.; Albany at Louisville, 9 p.m.; Wofford at North Carolina, 9 p.m.	
Thursday (7 p.m.): SE Louisiana at Notre Dame, Southern Miss. at Florida St., 7.	
Standings: Boston College 1-0 (9-3 overall), Clemson 0-0 (9-1), Florida State 0-0 (10-1), Georgia Tech 0-0 (5-4), Louisville 0-0 (8-2), Miami 0-0 (9-0), North Carolina 0-0 (10-1), North Carolina State 0-0 (8-3), Notre Dame 0-0 (5-3), Pittsburgh 0-0 (6-5), Syracuse 0-0 (9-1), Virginia 0-0 (9-1), Virginia Tech 0-0 (9-2), Wake Forest 0-0 (7-4), Duke 0-1 (11-1).	

EAST

Drexel 72, Quinnipiac 71	
Lafayette 82, Susquehanna 70	
Mount St. Mary's 59, American U. 56	
St. Francis (Pa.) 113, Bethany (WV) 77	

AP DIVISION I TOP 25 Records through Dec. 17

1. Villanova (45 1st place votes) 11-0, 2. Michigan State (15) 10-1, 3. Arizona State (5) 10-0, 4. Duke 11-1, 5. North Carolina 10-1, 6. Miami 9-0, 7. Kentucky 9-1, 8. Texas A&M 9-1, 9. Xavier 10-1, 10. West Virginia 9-1.	
11. Wichita State 8-2, 12. Gonzaga 8-2, 13. Virginia 9-1, 14. Kansas 8-2, 15. TCU 10-6, 16. Purdue 11-2, 17. Oklahoma 8-1, 18. Arizona 8-3 & Baylor 9-2, 20. Cincinnati 9-2.	
21. Tennessee 7-2 & Texas Tech 9-1, 23. Seton Hall 9-2, 24. Florida State 9-1, 25. Creighton 8-2.	
Others receiving votes: Arkansas 83, Notre Dame 73, Clemson 35, Louisville 28, Texas 21, Nevada 13, Minnesota 9, Oklahoma St. 9, Alabama 5, SMU 5, Auburn 4, Virginia Tech 3, Rhode Island 2, Syracuse 2, Florida 2, Michigan 1, Towson 1.	

COLLEGIATE WOMEN

SUNYAC	
Thursday: Oneonta vs. DePaul (nl, 5 p.m.)	
Standings: Genesee 4-0 (7-1 overall), Cortland 4-0 (5-4), Oneonta 3-1 (6-2), Buffalo State 2-2 (4-5), Fredonia 2-2 (4-5), Plattsburgh 2 (3-7), Oswego 1-1 (4-8), Brockport 1-3 (3-5), New Paltz 1-3 (2-5), Potsdam 0-4 (1-8).	

NEW YORK STATE

Binghamton 66, Cornell 58	
Niagara 75, Buffalo 62	
St. John's 65, Kansas 53	

EAST

Scranton 70, Lebanon Valley 59	
West Virginia 84, Morgan St. 41	

AP DIVISION I TOP 25 Records through Dec. 17

1. Connecticut (32 1st place votes) 8-0, 2. Notre Dame 10-1, 3. Louisville 10-1, 4. South Carolina 10-1, 5. Mississippi State 11-0, 6. Baylor 9-1, 7. Tennessee 11-0, 8. Texas 9-1, 9. West Virginia 10-0, 10. Oregon 9-2, 11. UCLA 8-2, 12. Ohio State 11-2, 13. Florida State 10-1, 14. Duke 8-2, 15. Maryland 10-2, 16. Missouri 10-1, 17. Oregon State 8-2, 18. Stanford 6-4, 19. Texas A&M 9-2, 20. Villanova 9-2.	
21. Green Bay 9-1, 22. South Florida 9-2, 23. Michigan 10-2, 24. California 8-2, 25. Iowa 11-1.	
Others receiving votes: Oklahoma St. 57, Syracuse 22, Oklahoma 18, Arizona St. 10, Marquette 6, Rutgers 5, New Mexico 3, Southern Cal 2, Kentucky 2, Ball St. 1, DePaul 1.	

SCHOLASTIC BOYS

OHSL LIBERTY NATIONAL DIVISION

Jordan-Elbridge 71, Solvay 66	
Standings: Syracuse Institute of Technology 3-0 (3-2), Cazenovia 2-0 (3-3), Skaneateles 2-1 (2-2), Hannibal 1-1 (3-4), Jordan-Elbridge 1-3 (2-3), Solvay 1-5 (1-5), A-P-W 0-3 (0-3).	

CENTRAL COUNTIES LEAGUE

Brookfield 69, Richfield S ings 61 (nl)	
Standings: McGraw 4-0 (6-0 overall), Madison 1-0 (3-1), Cincinnatus 1-1 (4-1), Brockbridge Valley 0-0 (0-2), DeRuyter 0-1 (2-3), Brookfield 0-2 (1-3), Otselic Valley 0-2 (0-3).	

NEW YORK STATE POLLS As of Dec. 18

CLASS AA	
1. Archbishop Molloy-CHSAA (2-0), 2. Long Island Lutheran-AIS (3-0), 3. Mount Vernon-1 (8-0), 4. Cardinal Hayes-CHSAA (1-0), 5. Iona Prep-CHSAA (3-0), 6. Christ The King-CHSAA (2-2), 7. Half Hollow Hills East-11 (1-0), 8. Thomas Jefferson-PSAL (8-2), 9. St. Raymond-CHSAA (4-1), 10. Curtis-PSAL (6-1).	
11. Archbishop Stepinac-CHSAA (1-1), 12. Cardozo-PSAL (5-0), 13. Liverpool-3 (4-0), 14. Fairport-5 (5-0), 15. Uniondale-8 (4-0), 16. Pine Bush-9 (4-0), 17. Abraham Lincoln-PSAL (4-1), 18. Bishop Loughlin-CHSAA (4-2), 19. Thurgood Marshall Academy-PSAL (5-0), 20. Brentwood-11 (2-1).	
21. Henninger-3 (4-0), 22. High School for Construction-PSAL (8-0), 23. Kingston-9 (5-0), 24. Spring Valley-1 (3-0), 25. Cicero-North Syracuse-3 (7-0).	
Others receiving votes: Bishop Ludden 4-2, Central Square 3-0, Corcoran 3-1, Fayetteville-Manlius 3-2, Nottingham 2-1, Rome Free Academy 3-2, Utica Proctor 4-2.	

CLASS A

1. Brooklyn Law & Tech-PSAL (6-0), 2. Buffalo Canisius-MMAA (4-0), 3. Transit Tech-PSAL (7-0), 4. Albany Academy-2 (3-0), 5. Champlain-CHSAA (4-1), 6. Nazareth-CHSAA (3-1), 7. Bishop-MMAA (5-0), 8. Lehman Campus-PSAL (9-0), 9. Irondequoit-5 (2-0), 10. Seward Park-PSAL (7-0).	
11. St. Anthony-CHSAA (4-1), 12. Roosevelt Educational Campus-PSAL (5-1), 13. Amityville-11 (3-0), 14. Pittsford Sutherland-5 (5-0), 15. Beacon-PSAL (7-0), 16. Yonkers Saunders-1 (4-1), 17. Greece-Athens-5 (3-1), 18. Garden City-8 (2-0), 19. Tappan Zee-1 (4-0), 20. West Seneca West-6 (5-0).	
21. Bayport-Blue Point-11 (5-0), 22. Leadership Academy-5 (3-0), 23. Rossvelt-8 (4-0), Rye-1 (4-0), 25. Rochester Wilson-5 (3-1).	
Among mentions: CORTLAND 3-0, Indian River 4-1, Jamesville-DeWitt 3-2, Johnson City 3-1, PSAL Fowler 4-0, Syracuse Academy of Science 3-2, Utica Notre Dame 2-1, Whitesboro 3-2.	

CLASS B

1. LaSalle Academy-CHSAA (5-0), 2. Westhill-3 (6-0), 3. Lawrence-Woodmere-1 (5-1), 4. Mckeeel Christian-2 (4-1), 5. Glens Falls-2 (5-0), 6. North Salem-1 (2-1), 7. Buffalo Health Sciences-6 (4-1), 8. Olean-6 (3-0), 9. Canton-10 (5-1), 10. Maspeth-PSAL (8-0).	
11. Binghamton Seton Catholic-4 (5-0), 12. Marlboro-9 (3-0), 13. Ogdensburg Free-10 (6-0), 14. Briarcliff-1 (6-0), 15. Center Moriches-11 (3-1), 16. Mynderse Academy-5 (4-0), 17. Lancaster St. Mary's-CHSAA (2-0), 18. Catskill-2 (5-0), 19. Babylon-11 (5-0), 20. Niagara Catholic-MMAA (5-1).	
21. Waterville-2 (4-0), 22. Penn Yan-5 (5-0), 23. Fannie Lou Hamer-PSAL (7-2), 24. Oyster Bay-8 (3-0), 25. Ellenwilde-5 (3-0).	
Among mentions: Chittenango 3-1, DRYDEN 5-1, Holland Patent 4-0, HOMER 4-1, Newark Valley 4-1, Oneonta 5-1, Owego 4-2, South Jefferson 3-1, Vernon-Verona-Sherrill 4-1, Whitney Point 4-2.	

CLASS C

1. Northstar Christian-School 5 (4-0), 2. Lake George-2 (5-0), 3. S.S. Seward-9 (6-0), 4. Buffalo Tabor-Charter-6 (5-1), 5. Greenport-11 (3-1), 6. Pembroke-5 (4-0), 7. Chautauque Lake-6 (3-1), 8. Tully-3 (4-1), 9. East Rochester-5 (3-0), 10. Moravia-4 (4-1).	
11. Caledonia-Mumford-5 (3-0), 12. Saratoga Catholic-2 (4-1), 13. Alexander Hamilton-1 (3-0), 14. Leroy-5 (3-1), 15. Stony Brook-11 (5-1), 16. Pine Plains-9 (3-0), 17. Addison-5 (3-0), 18. Westmoreland-3 (4-0), 19. Ticonderoga-7 (4-2), 20. Cambridge-2 (4-0).	
Among mentions: Beaver River 4-1, Herkimer 3-1, Little Falls 3-1, Port Byron 4-2, Thousand Islands 4-1, Toga 3-1, Undulla Valley 4-1, Unatego 3-0, Union Springs 3-1, Walton 4-1, Weedsport 3-2, West Canada Valley 4-1.	

CLASS D

1. Moriah-Section 7 (6-0), 2. Newfield-4 (4-0), 3. Clyde-Savannah-5 (3-0), 4. Franklinville-8 (2-1), 5. Buffalo East-6 (4-2), 6. Batavia Notre Dame-5 (4-0), 7. Elliotville-6 (4-0), 8. Prattburgh-5 (4-0), 9. Argyle-2 (4-0), 10. MCGRAW-3 (6-0).	
11. Madrid-Waddington-10 (7-0), 12. Lyme-3 (5-1), 13. Harrisville-10 (5-1), 14. Chateaugay-10 (5-1), 15. Avoca-5 (4-2), 16. Hamilton-3 (5-0), 17. Harley-Allen-dale-Columbia-5 (5-1), 18. Sacketts Harbor-3 (4-1), 19. Madison-3 (3-1), 20. Oppenheim-Ephraim-St. Johns-2 (4-1).	
Among mentions: CINCINNATUS 4-1, Davenport 4-0, Gilbertsville-Mt. Upton 4-1, Morris 4-1, Old Forge 5-1, Oriskany 3-1, Waterville 2-2.	

SCHOLASTIC GIRLS

OHSL LIBERTY AMERICAN DIVISION

Standings: Westhill 4-0 (4-0 overall), Phoenix 2-2 (2-4), Homer 1-1 (1-3), Marcellus 1-1 (1-4), Chittenango 1-3 (1-4), Mexico 0-3 (0-4).	
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OHSL LIBERTY NATIONAL DIVISION

Cazenovia 52, Solvay 25	
Skaneateles 59, Phoenix 49	
Standings: Skaneateles 3-0 (5-0 overall), Hannibal 1-1 (3-1), Cazenovia 2-2 (4-4), A-P-W 1-1 (1-3), Solvay 1-2 (1-3), Jordan-Elbridge 0-3 (1-4).	

CENTRAL COUNTIES LEAGUE

Brookfield 55, McGraw 11	
Otselic Valley 56, Cincinnatus 49	
Stockbridge Valley 45, DeRuyter 38	
Standings: Brookfield 4-0 (9-0 overall), Madison 3-1 (3-2), Stockbridge Valley 3-1 (3-1), Otselic Valley 1-2 (1-2), DeRuyter 1-3 (1-4), McGraw 1-3 (1-4), Cincinnatus 0-5 (0-7).	

Transactions

BASEBALL

American League	
BOSTON RED SOX — Agreed to terms with 1B Mitch Moreland on a two-year contract.	
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Agreed to terms with RHP Lisalberto Bonilla on a minor league contract.	
SEATTLE MARINERS — Released LHP Andrew Albers.	
American Association	
FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Released INF Trevor Adams.	

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association	
ATLANTA HAWKS — Signed F Tyler Cavanaugh to a multiyear contract.	
MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES — Recalled F Ivan Rabb from Memphis (NBAGL).	
MILWAUKEE BUCKS — Assigned F Jabari Parker to Wisconsin (NBAGL), waived G Gary Payton II. Signed G Sean Kilpatrick to a two-way contract.	
NBA G League	
DELAWARE 87ERS — Signed F Shawn Long. Waived F Shane Edwards.	

FOOTBALL

National Football League	
NFL — Suspended Carolina LB Thomas Davis two games for a helmet-to-helmet hit on Green Bay WR Davante Adams.	
DALLAS COWBOYS — Released RB Trey Williams. Released RB Aaron Green from the practice squad. Moved RB Ezekiel Elliott from reserve/suspended to reserve.	
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed DT Caraun Reid. Placed LB Jon Bostic and C Ryan Kelly on injured reserve. Claimed G Mark Glowinski off waivers from Seattle.	
LOS ANGELES CHARGERS — Claimed K Nick Rose off waivers from Washington. Waived K Travis Coons.	
NEW YORK JETS — Waived WR Jeremy Kerley.	
HOCKEY	
National Hockey League	
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Assigned D Ville Pokka to Rockford (AHL).	
NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Activated RW Kyle Palmieri from injured reserve.	
ST. LOUIS BLUES — Recalled F Tage Thompson from San Antonio (AHL).	
VEGAS GOLDEN KNIGHTS — Placed D Luca Sbisa on the injured reserve. Recalled F Tomas Hyka from Chicago (AHL).	
American Hockey League	
AHL — Suspended Springfield F Ryan Horvat two games for a boarding incident in a Dec. 16 game against Hartford. Suspended Grand Rapids F Matthew Ford one game for a slew-footing incident in a Dec. 16 game against Milwaukee.	
BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS — Recalled D Patrick Cully from Worcester (ECHL).	
HARTFORD WOLF PACK — Signed F Caleb Herbert to a professional tryout agreement.	
SOFTBALL	
USA SOFTBALL — Named Ken Eriksen coach for the 2018 USA Softball Women's National Team.	
COLLEGE	
GEORGE WASHINGTON — Announced the resignation of director of athletics and recreation Patrick Rone. Promoted deputy athletics director Tanya Vogel to acting director of athletics.	
JACKSON STATE — Named Hal Mumme offensive coordinator.	
MIDDLE TENNESSEE — Junior WR Richie James announced he will enter the NFL draft.	

Golf

2018 MONEY LEADERS As of Dec. 18

PGA TOUR (2018): 1. Justin Thomas (2 tournaments) \$1,766,500; 2. Pat Perez (4) \$1,677,532; 3. Patton Kizzire (5) \$1,669,872; 4. Justin Rose (1) \$1,660,000; 5. Patrick Cantlay (2) \$1,331,900; 6. Brendan Steele (2) \$1,247,250; 7. Austin Cook (4) \$1,228,149; 8. Chesson Hadley (5) \$1,131,107; 9. Whee Kim (6) \$1,106,025; 10. Marc Leishman (2) \$1,063,500.	
WORLD GOLF RANKINGS As of Dec. 18	
1. Dustin Johnson (United States) 10.80, 2. Jordan Spieth (United States) 9.55, 3. Justin Thomas (United States) 8.60, 4. Jon Rahm (Spain) 8.26, 5. Hideki Matsuyama (Japan) 8.22, 6. Justin Rose (England) 8.0, 7. Rickie Fowler (United States) 7.01, 8. Brooks Koepka (United States) 6.52, 9. Henrik Stenson (Sweden) 6.15, 10. Rory McIlroy (Northern Ireland) 5.92.	

2018 RYDER CUP POINTS

United States (through Aug. 13): 1. Brooks Koepka 3,064.825; 2. Justin Thomas 2,509.723; 3. Jordan Spieth 2,365.472; 4. Matt Kuchar 2,097.466; 5. Dustin Johnson 1,999.906; 6. Rickie Fowler 1,286.937; 7. Brian Harman 1,247.852; 8. Patrick Reed 1,118.206; 9. Bill Haas 904.397; 10. Charlie Hoffman 890.709; 11. Zach Johnson 877.254; 12. Kevin Chappell 651.087; 13. Ryan Moore 591.809; 14. Xander Schauffele 586.584; 15. Kevin Kisner 581.317.	
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Football

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

AMERICAN CONFERENCE											
East						South					
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA

Warriors trip Lakers, run win streak to 9

By The Associated Press

Kevin Durant scored 36 points and hit a tiebreaking 22-foot jumper with 7.3 seconds left in overtime, and the Golden State Warriors beat the Los Angeles Lakers 116-114 Monday night for their ninth consecutive victory.

Klay Thompson had 17 points and 10 rebounds as the defending NBA champions predictably dampened a celebratory night for the Lakers, who retired Kobe Bryant's two jersey numbers during a halftime ceremony.

Perhaps in tribute to Bryant, Durant and Thompson never stopped shooting even when they weren't making many. The duo combined to miss 31 of its first 40 shots, but Durant went 4 for 4 in overtime, capped by that pure go-ahead jumper in OT.

The Lakers had a chance at the end, but David West blocked Lonzo Ball's shot and Brandon Ingram couldn't beat the buzzer.

Kyle Kuzma scored 25 points in a reserve role and Ingram added 19 for the Lakers, who have lost three straight and eight of 10. Ball had 16 points, six assists and six rebounds.

Stephen Curry missed his fifth straight game with a sprained ankle, and Draymond Green sat out for the fourth time in five games with right shoulder soreness. Durant and the Warriors still had enough to handle the Lakers.

Rockets 120, Jazz 99: Eric Gordon scored 17 of his season-high 33 points in the fourth quarter to power a huge run that put Houston on top, and the Rockets cruised past Utah for their 14th straight win.

Houston used a 15-0 run early in the fourth to take the lead and



Chris Carlson/Associated Press

Warriors forward David West, right, knocks the ball away from Lakers forward Kyle Kuzma, left, during the first half of Monday's game in Los Angeles. On the night the Lakers retired both of Kobe Bryant's numbers, the Warriors won, 116-114, in overtime.

was up by four midway through the quarter after a layup by Joe Ingles. The Rockets then scored 11 points in a row, capped by two 3-pointers from Gordon to make it 111-96 with about three minutes to go.

Celtics 112, Pacers 111: Terry Rozier's steal and dunk with 1.5 seconds left capped a frantic comeback in the final half-minute that gave Boston the victory.

Kyrie Irving scored 30 points for Boston, which trailed 107-102 after Victor Oladipo's basket with 31 seconds remaining.

But Irving made a pair of 3-pointers, and following an in-bound pass with nine seconds

left, Boston was attempting to trap Indiana's Bojan Bogdanovic along the sideline. Bogdanovic threw a high pass intended for Oladipo near midcourt but Rozier intercepted it and had an open court to his slam.

Thunder 95, Nuggets 94: Russell Westbrook scored 16 of his season-high 38 points in the fourth quarter, including the tiebreaking free throw with 2.3 seconds left, to lift Oklahoma City over Denver.

Westbrook made the first of two free throws to put the Thunder ahead. He missed the second, and the Nuggets called timeout with 1.7 seconds left. Denver's Gary

Harris missed short on an off-balance 3-pointer as time expired.

Timberwolves 108, Trail Blazers 107: Jimmy Butler powered through a recent bout of back spasms to score 37 points, sinking two free throws that gave Minnesota the lead with 2.5 seconds left in a victory over Portland.

Jamal Crawford pitched in a season-high 23 points, including 16 in the fourth quarter to spur a rally from 10 points down with 71/2 minutes remaining.

Hornets 109, Knicks 91: Frank Kaminsky scored 15 of his season high-tying 24 points in the first half to give Charlotte

a jolt off the bench in a victory over New York.

Kaminsky didn't miss a shot until the fourth quarter, finishing 10 of 13 overall and 4 of 6 on 3-pointers to provide a boost for a Hornets bench that has struggled so much lately that interim head coach Stephen Silas has shortened the playing rotation.

Bulls 117, 76ers 115: Nikola Mirotic and Kris Dunn each scored 22 points, and Chicago topped Philadelphia for its sixth consecutive victory.

Mirotic and Dunn each hit huge shots down the stretch as Chicago rallied past the 76ers with a big finish in the fourth quarter.

Spurs 109, Clippers 91: LaMarcus Aldridge scored 19 points and San Antonio beat undermanned Los Angeles in Kawhi Leonard's home debut this season.

Tony Parker had 16 points and seven assists in 23 minutes, his second-longest stint after missing the first 19 games while recovering from left quadriceps tendon surgery.

The Spurs are taking a similar incremental approach with Leonard, limiting his minutes after he missed the first 27 games of the season due to right quadriceps tendinopathy.

Leonard did not play in the second half against the Clippers after scoring seven points in 16 minutes during the first half, ending his streak of 110 straight games scoring in double figures

Suns 97, Mavericks 91: Alex Len had 14 points and 14 rebounds to help Phoenix rally past Dallas for its second consecutive comeback victory.

Hawks 110, Heat 104: Taurean Prince scored 24 points, Dennis Schroder added 23 and the NBA-worst Atlanta Hawks beat injury-riddled Miami.

Lakers retire Bryant's two jerseys

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Although Kobe Bryant has been asked many times, he still isn't sure who would win a mystical game of one-on-one between the young Kobe in his No. 8 Lakers jersey and his older self, who wore No. 24.

"I kind of go back and forth," Bryant said with a sly grin. "But 8 has something that 24 will never, ever, ever have, and that's the ability to grow hair."

The Lakers couldn't choose, either. So they honored both eras of Kobe's incredible career.

In an NBA first, the Lakers on Monday night retired both jersey numbers worn by Bryant, the leading scorer in franchise history.

Bryant attended the Lakers' game against the Golden State Warriors for a halftime ceremony at Staples Center, which was packed with fans. Dozens of Bryant's former teammates showed up, including Shaquille O'Neal and Derek Fisher, along with the Lakers' usual cavalcade of celebrity fans.



Bryant

Section 3 Girls' Volleyball

Encouraging signs in Cortland loss

Despite the fact that her Cortland High girls' volleyball team had been swept 25-9, 25-14, 25-14 by visiting Tully Monday night, coach Cheri Olson saw some positive signs.

"Despite the scores, this was a much better match for us," Olson said, her team now 1-6 in the OHSL A/B Division and overall. "For the first time in a while, we fought until the very end. No one gave up and I was happy with that. We didn't rack up much in the stat department but we were much scrappier than we have been in previous

matches. Hopefully we can play with even more intensity on Friday (at East Syracuse-Minoa, 5 p.m. JV start) in an effort to turn this season around."

Kayci Olson had 10 assists, two kills and two aces for the Purple Tigers while Grace Call had four assists, four digs and a block, Amanda Parzynski three digs, one block, one ace and one kill, Natalie Gier three blocks and one dig and Jess Kenyon five digs

Grace Chaffee paced Tully (8-0 overall, 4-0 Patriot American) got 16 kills, five

aces, three digs, one assist and one block from Alexi Hamilton; five kills, seven aces, 23 assists and six digs from Grace Chaffee and five kills, two aces and an assist from Gemma Guy.

The Cortland JVs improved to 4-3 on the season with a 25-21, 11-25, 25-15 win over Tully. Marissa Chierchio had six assists, three aces and four digs for the Purple Tigers while Hannah Aldrich had four digs, Alyssa Greenwood three digs and Angel Wells a kill and an ace.

Liverpool boys, girls beat Cortland teams

The Liverpool boys' and girls' bowling teams both beat Cortland High Monday afternoon in non-league matches at Cort-Lanes, the boys by 2-1 and the girls by 3-0.

SCAC Bowling

GIRLS

Liverpool 3, Cortland 0: Ashley Hardy led the way for Liverpool (6-0) with a 642 series on games of 193-237-212. Riley Warren had 538 on 184-193-161 and Danielle Maher 513 on 202-160-151 for the winners, who totaled 2,651 to the hosts' 2,143.

Taylor Cullip led Cortland (3-3) with a 542 series on games of 164-189-189, Autumn Wells next at 402 on 132-139-131.

Cortland's teams were to host East Syracuse-Minoa today at 3:30 p.m. in their SCAC Empire Division openers.

Bowling

CHUCK PITTS posted the lone high honor series for the men Monday, his 708 set built on after games of 266-217-225 for Team Pitts during Senior Men's League action at Cort-Lanes.

Also, Jason Schumacher rolled 687 on scores of 231-213-243, Albert Lockwood 674 on 232-237-205, Mike Cullip 661 on 178-258-225 and Jim Grant 650 on 213-213-224. Al Stauber spared the 4-10 split.

CORTNEY MCKALLIP was the best among the women. McKallip posted her solid 655 series after games of 220-206-229 for Scented For Success during the Sav A Lot Ladies League at Cort-Lanes.

Also, Lisa Mostert totaled 587 on scores of 203-163-221, Heather McCaskill 573 on 193-191-189, Michele Wendel 565 on 203-165-197, Donna Partigianoni 561 on 187-190-184 and Kortni McGowan 551 on 199-148-204. Mary Sholar spared the 5-6-10 split.

The Cortland Sport Singles League bowled on the 36-foot Stockholm pattern this week at Cort-Lanes. Chuck Pitts posted the high series with his 726 after games of 240-269-217. Other high series included Jim Myers 657 on 177-247-233, Dave Bowling 645 on 224-232-189, Dan Tome 644 on 206-213-225, Jon Majka 638 on 86-250-202-638, Johnnie Kallas 603 on 188-169-246, Tom Sullivan 597 on 203-184-210, John Partigianoni 590 on 210-189-191 and Les Richmond 572 on 180-182-210.

CORT-LANES
Save A Lot Ladies

Scent Success	38	M.A.B. Roofing	31
Palm Garden	36.5	Gutters R Us	25
John's Girls	34	Happy Three	19.5
Scented For Success (2), D. Roher 189.			
C. McKallip	220, 206, 229-655;	Palm Garden	(2), L. Mostert 203, 221-587, A. Hamilton
223, H. McCaskill	193, 191, 189-573.	MAB Roofing & Siding (0); John's Girls (4), D. Partigianoni 187, 190, 184-561, G. Friedman 180.	
Gutters R Us (1), K. Clark 191; Happy Three (3).			

Monday Night Pearl Harbor

NFI	40	Upstream	29
Mishaps	35.5	D&D Baits	25
No "F" Ten Pin	35	Hellico	24.5
Old and Young	35	Liv Fit	24
Fingerlakes	35	PMFs	17
Oldies And Youngies (3), A. Lockwood 232, 237, 205-674; Hellico (1), C. Martin 206, D. Morris 206, 236-616.			
No "F" Ten Pin (3), M. Phalen 256, 211-649, G. Root 236-606, J. Schumacher 231, 213, 243-687; Fingerlakes Electric (1), M. Wendel 203, 197-565, D. Miller 196-511, D. Davis 203, 215-605.			
Liv Fit (1), R. Harris 178, 170-516, D. O'Connor 202, 180-509; Upstream Construction (3), L. Stevens 226, S. Whyte 188, 171-526.			

Senior Men's

Root	39	McEuen	29
Grant	38	Moore	27
Dewey	33	Martin	26
Wood	32	Mosher	26
Rosato	29	Pitts	21

Noesen helps Devils get over trade of Henrique

By The Associated Press

So much was made of this being first game between New Jersey and Anaheim since the late November trade that sent Sami Vatanen to the Devils for the popular Adam Henrique that most people forgot about Stefan Noesen.

The Devils claimed Noesen on waivers from the Ducks in January, and this also was the fourth-line right wing's first game against his old team.

Guess who stole the show?

Noesen scored on a rebound with 4:07 to play and added an empty-net goal as surprising Devils rallied from a two-goal deficit to beat the Ducks 5-3 on Monday night.

"That was the icing on the cake and the cherry on top," Noesen said of his fourth and fifth goals of the season.

Myles Wood had two goals, Jesper Bratt also scored and Brian Boyle added three assists as the Devils continued their worst-to-first run by moving into first place in the Metropolitan Division.

Henrique had a wonderful return, scoring a spectacular goal and adding an assist. Ryan Getzlaf and Jakob Silfverberg also scored

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for Anaheim. Ryan Miller had 29 saves in losing for the first time in regulation (3-1-4) this season.

The Devils made Henrique feel welcome, putting a short tribute on the video scoreboard to celebrate his six-plus seasons in New Jersey.

Kings 4, Flyers 1: Adrian Kempe jumped out of the penalty box and scored a big goal in the third period, Jonathan Quick made 36 saves and Los Angeles ended its three-game skid.

Bruins 7, Blue Jackets 2: Jake DeBrusk set up second-period power-play goals by David Backes and Charlie McAvoy and added a goal of his own, Tuukka Rask stopped 16 shots and Boston beat Columbus.

Avalanche 4, Penguins 2: Defenseman Tyson Barrie scored twice, Semyon Varlamov stopped 30 shots — even getting a little help from the posts along the way — and Colorado beat Pittsburgh for the second time in a week.

Oilers 5, Sharks 3: Ryan Strome scored twice to lead Edmonton to its second straight win.



Noesen

COLLEGE

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and Nick Ward had four blocks to go with his 20 points and six rebounds. Joshua Langford added 14 points.

No. 14 Kansas 109, Omaha 64: Svi Mykhailiuk hit six 3-pointers and scored 26 points, Devonte Graham added 17 points and No. 14 Kansas rolled over Omaha.

Lagerald Vick added 15

points and Malik Newman had 14 for the Jayhawks (9-2), who enjoyed a breather after a tough string of games.

They beat Syracuse, lost back-to-back to Washington and Arizona State, and needed a clutch 3-pointer from Mykhailiuk to beat Nebraska over the weekend.

No. 12 Gonzaga 101, IUPUI 71: Killian Tillie scored a career-high 27 points, and No.

12 Gonzaga beat IUPUI.

No. 15 TCU, 91, Texas Southern 72: Vladimir Brodziansky had 18 points and 10 rebounds, leading undefeated No. 15 TCU over winless Texas Southern (0-12).

No. 18 Arizona 83, North Dakota State 53: Deandre Aytton scored 25 points, Allonzo Trier added 15 before leaving with a left knee injury and No. 18 Arizona overwhelmed North

Dakota State.

No. 24 Florida State 69, Charleston Southern 58: Phil Cofer scored 19 points, and No. 24 Florida State bounced back from its first loss of the season with a win.

No. 25 Creighton 90, Texas-Arlington 81: Marcus Foster scored 22 of his 32 points in the first half, and No. 25 Creighton beat UT Arlington for its fourth straight win.

'Last Jedi' opens with \$220M, second-best weekend all-time

By JAKE COYLE AP Film Writer NEW YORK — "Star Wars: The Last Jedi" will happily settle for second. Rian Johnson's second installment in the third "Star Wars" trilogy rocketed to a debut of \$220 million at the North American box office, according to studio estimates Sunday. That gives "The Last Jedi" the second-best opening ever, slotting in behind only its predecessor, "The Force Awakens." The Disney blockbuster became just the fourth film to open above \$200 million domestically. Aside from "The Force Awakens" (\$248.8 million), the others are "The Avengers" (\$207.4 million) and "Jurassic World" (\$208.8 million). Accounting for inflation, the debut of 2012's "The Avengers" would roughly tie with "The Last Jedi."

"The Last Jedi" is off to a similar start overseas, too, with \$230 million in international ticket sales, said Disney. That brings its three-day global haul to \$450 million. The opening also gave the Walt Disney Co. the opportunity to flex its muscles on the heels of the deal announced Thursday for it to purchase 21st Century Fox for \$52.4 billion. As part of the deal, Disney will take control of 20th Century Fox, one of Hollywood's six major studios. "The weekend that we're in is a byproduct of the foresight and vision from our CEO Bob Iger to bring Lucasfilm into the fold," said Disney distribution chief Dave Hollis, alluding to Disney's 2012 purchase of Lucasfilm. "So as we think about the possibility of other things being added, you can't help but be excited."

Astrological Forecast

By Jeraldine Saunders

Wednesday, December 20, 2017

BIRTHDAY GUY: Actor Bob Morley was born in Victoria, Australia, on this date in 1984. This birthday guy has portrayed Bellamy Blake on "The 100" since 2014. In his native Australia, he played Aidan Foster on "Neighbours" and Drew Curtis on "Home and Away," as well as starring in the TV movie "Scorched." On the big screen, Morley's film work includes roles in such films as "Lost in the White City," "Blinder" and "Road Kill."

ARIES (March 21-April 19): An original sense of humor and a willingness to get your hands dirty will separate you from the herd. Your strength lies in your outgoing, friendly demeanor and an ability to adjust to quickly shifting scenarios.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Meet them and greet them. Interesting new contacts may give you a mental boost and their novel ideas may help pull you out of a rut. You may be restless for something more exciting than the same old routines.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Err on the side of generosity. You are likely to make errors just when someone is looking over your shoulder waiting to catch you making a mistake. Take it all in good stride and try to be as good-natured as possible.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Those little things you have left undone could catch up with you. Knuckle down and attend to a list of tasks. A minor disturbance over shared possessions or a breakdown in communication will be settled quickly.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't put off until tomorrow what you can do today. Procrastination will simply make things harder for you since the boss may not be in the mood for excuses. This is not a good time to start anything of major importance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): If you start something today, you might need to do it again. Errors can creep into any project or activity that depends on accuracy. Miscommunications can lead to misunderstandings, so be as clear as possible.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Sparkle and shine, but remember to toe the line. You can be friendly without being forward and businesslike without being brusque. Take care of responsibilities before you head off on a fun-filled shopping expedition.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Grab the brass ring. Your network of business associates, co-workers or friends could undergo a subtle expansion. Introducing new people to a group might provide an opening so you can show off your skills.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): "What tangled webs we weave when first we practice to deceive." Although you may not deliberately try to trick or mislead, it is wise to note that it is possible that someone's suspicions may be aroused.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You might think your ship is coming in because you see something looming on the horizon, but it might only be a mirage. Don't become overly enthused about something that isn't quite what it seems.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can't escape on flights of fancy. Partners might start reminding you of your obligations. Take stock of what needs to be done and apply elbow grease to tasks that have been neglected over the past week.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Ample preparation will save you from a panic attack in the end. You may be forced to paddle upstream but with enough forethought you will have allowed yourself plenty of time to reach your destination.

IF DECEMBER 20 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Your life could take a dramatic turn in a fresh direction in April. You may be exposed to exciting new ideas and acquaintances who will give you some beneficial assistance starting early next spring. You will have ample opportunities to break free of the past or embrace something exotic, different or daring. You could even receive attention from the public if you are in the entertainment field. If you have some important financial plan to put into motion, wait for the best opportunities to make sound monetary moves in June. That is when you will have the most assistance from the universe in attaining any worthy objective. Major life decisions can be made in late September when good fortune smiles on everything you do. That is when the answer to your prayers could drop right into your lap.

Ask Amy By Amy Dickinson

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Future in-laws want their fair share of holidays

DEAR AMY: Our son and his girlfriend are approaching engagement. They live in the same city we live in.

The subject came up as to allocating holidays between their respective families. My husband and I are still together after 35 years. Her parents are divorced. Her mother lives within driving distance of us, and her father lives on the opposite coast.

We have always felt that the holidays should be allocated 50-50; every other year to his parents and half to her parents ... and that she and they would need to decide how to allocate her half.

Unfortunately, she sees it differently.

We don't want this to cause any sort of a rift between us and her, or our future in-laws, but we don't exactly know how to handle it without just giving in. Giving in would leave us feeling as though we're being punished for staying married (which at times we had to do the HARD WORK to accomplish).

We LOVE our son's girlfriend and are very much in favor of their relationship.

Is there any kind of normal expectation in today's divorce-rich society? We'd really like to know what is considered reasonable in this situation. — Devoted and Caring Parents

DEAR DEVOTED: Here is the holiday norm for adult children in our "divorce-rich" society: Exhaustion, frustration and the very opposite of that "holiday spirit," as they race back and forth between constituencies of parents, all of whom love them very much,

but many of whom become like demanding toddlers fighting over a sticky candy cane on Christmas morning.

You wonder if "giving in" to this young person's reality would mean that you are being punished for putting in the hard work of staying together. I wonder if you have a clue, or could even imagine, how this sentiment sounds to the child of divorced parents, or to divorced people themselves.

This young woman's parents' divorce is not her fault or responsibility, but she has needs, and she is going to have to fulfill them, regardless of what you think about it. So "giving in" (or not) should be off the table for you. If her mother lives within driving distance, perhaps you could invite her to join you during "your" years — and you could start a new tradition with new family members. But then, of course, you would have to welcome a divorced woman into your home, and share these young people with her.

If you love this young person, the best gift you could give to her would be to let her do what she needs to do over the holidays, without comment or complaint, or even a pained look on your face.

Life does not evenly distribute its hardship and joys, and so you should stop keeping score.

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Sudoku

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

Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

ANSWER: 9x9 grid showing the solution to the Sudoku puzzle.

Contract Bridge

The law of probabilities

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH: ♠ J 4, ♥ A Q 10 5, ♦ A Q 10 6, ♣ 10 8 3. WEST: ♠ 8, ♥ J 9 7 4 3, ♦ J 9 5, ♣ Q J 9 4. EAST: ♠ 7 5 2, ♥ K 6 2, ♦ K 8 4 3, ♣ A K 7. SOUTH: ♠ A K Q 10 9 6 3, ♥ 8, ♦ 7 2, ♣ 6 5 2. The bidding: South 3♣, West Pass, North 4♣, East 4♣. Opening lead — queen of clubs.

South must now decide whether to take a heart finesse or a diamond finesse. Each has an equal chance of winning, so it might seem that one could mentally toss a coin to settle the issue. But actually, there is a clear-cut percentage play available. The proper approach is to win the trump return, lead a heart to the ace, ruff a heart, cross to dummy with a trump and ruff the ten of hearts. In the actual layout, the king of hearts falls on the ten, so no finesse at all is necessary. Declarer eventually discards his losing diamond on the heart queen and makes four spades. The advantage in the recommended line of play is really more a matter of common sense than anything else. If declarer relies on a straight finesse in either suit, he has just a 50 percent chance of succeeding. But if he first tries to drop the king of hearts by ruffing two rounds of the suit, he materially increases his chance of success. At the same time, he preserves his 50 percent chance of winning a finesse in diamonds if the heart king does not fall. Tomorrow: Lightning strikes again. ©2017 King Features Syndicate Inc.

Cryptoquote

A XYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW. 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.

12-19 CRYPTOQUOTE. Q A G A M P A G K Q Y J T S K J Y. E L R G T K Q I L R M L P F G B I L. I B A M G H G I T G U I E P A Q G T. I L R A E S I L B J S D I K K M J L. — T M B A I T R Y G C L S I L. Yesterday's Cryptoquote: TIME WELL SPENT IS TIME THAT WAS USED TREATING OTHER PEOPLE WELL. — SOURCE UNKNOWN

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS: 1 Natural gift, 7 Stratford river, 11 Magic medicine, 12 Farm sight, 13 One enjoying the slopes, 15 Looks for D.C. team, familiarly, 18 Suffers, 21 Precious stones, 22 North Pole VIP, 24 Phone download, 25 Pool stick, 26 West of films, 27 Fragrant wood, 29 Bell sound, 30 Lusty look, 31 Filming sites, 32 Heart outlet, 34 One enjoying the slopes, 40 Wife of Zeus, 41 Baltimore player, 42 Nervous, 43 Start a round. DOWN: 2 Completely, 3 Sassy talk, 4 Is real, 5 Low cards in pinochle, 6 Holder of ornaments, 7 Invites to enter, 8 Clock numeral, 9 Bullring cheer, 10 Negative link, 14 Enjoy the rink, 16 Neighbor of Tibet, 17 Sufficient, 19 Put a cap on, 20 Reads over, 21 Talker's "gift", 22 Add up, 23 Beer dispenser, 25 Chocolate imitation, 28 Ocean lane, 29 Sweet-heart, 31 Intent look, 33 Plant part, 34 That woman, 35 Composer Rorem, 36 Kin of assn., 37 "Da — Ron Ron", 38 North Pole worker, 39 Game caller.

Grid for the crossword puzzle with some words filled in.

Yesterday's answer

THOMAS CROSSWORD BOOKS 1-8! Send \$4.75 (check/m.o.) for each book to 628 Virginia Dr., Orlando, FL 32803

Grid for the crossword puzzle with some words filled in.

Cortland Seafood advertisement for the holidays. Lists various seafood items like Shell-On Shrimp, Alaskan King crab, Squid, Octopus, Salt Cod, Frog Legs, and Minced Clams with prices. Includes contact info for Cortland's Original Seafood Store at 65 Pendleton St., Cortland, 756-5225.

Jazz, pop singer Keely Smith dies

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — Keely Smith, a pop and jazz singer known for her solo recordings of jazz standards as well as her musical partnership with Louis Prima, has died of apparent heart failure in Palm Springs. She was 89.

According to a news release from her publicist Bob Merlis, Smith was under a physician's care when she died Saturday.

Smith was born Dorothy Jacqueline Keely in Norfolk, Virginia on March 9, 1928, and got her first paying job singing when she was just 15. She later auditioned to sing with Louis Prima's band, and began touring with them in 1948. She and Prima married in 1953, and together they won a Grammy for their hit, "That Old Black Magic" in 1959.

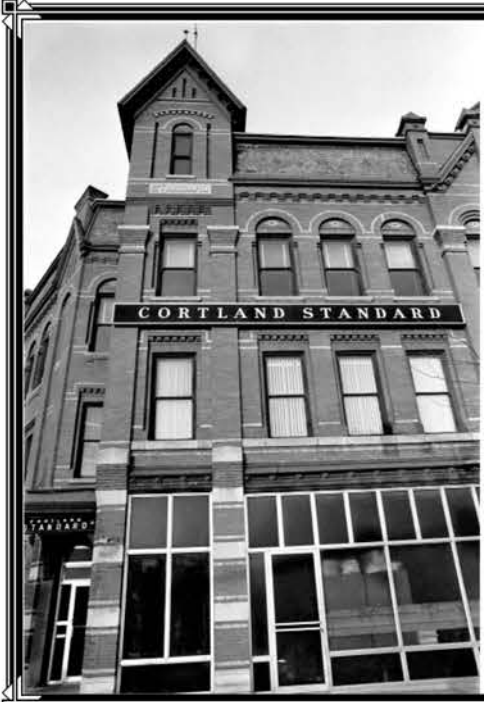
Word of the Day

permeable (PER-mee-uh-bul)

Definition: (adjective) capable of being permeated; penetrable; especially, having pores or openings that permit liquids or gases to pass through

Did you know? The synonyms permeable and pervious both make good use of the Latin prefix per-, meaning "through." Permeable traces back to a combination of per- and the Latin verb meare, meaning "to go" or "to pass," whereas the history of pervious calls upon Latin via, meaning "way."

— Courtesy Merriam Webster Online



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US blames N. Korea for ransomware attack

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Donald Trump's administration is publicly blaming North Korea for a ransomware attack that infected hundreds of thousands of computers worldwide in May and crippled parts of Britain's National Health Service.

Homeland security adviser Tom Bossert wrote in a Wall Street Journal op-ed published Monday night that North Korea was "directly responsible" for the WannaCry ransomware attack and that Pyongyang will be held accountable for it.

Bossert said the administration's finding of responsibility is based on evidence and confirmed by other governments and private companies, including the United Kingdom and Microsoft.

"North Korea has acted especially badly, largely unchecked, for more than a decade, and its

malicious behavior is growing more egregious. WannaCry was indiscriminately reckless," he wrote.

Bossert said the Trump administration will continue to use its "maximum pressure strategy to curb Pyongyang's ability to mount attacks, cyber or otherwise."

The WannaCry attack struck more than 150 nations in May, locking up digital documents, databases and other files and demanding a ransom for their release.

It battered Britain's National Health Service, where the cyber-attack froze computers at hospitals across the country, closing emergency rooms and bringing medical treatment to a halt. Government offices in Russia, Spain, and several other countries were disrupted, as were Asian univer-



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sities, Germany's national railway and global companies such as automakers Nissan and Renault.

The WannaCry ransomware exploited a vulnerability in mostly older versions of Microsoft's Windows operating system. Af-

ected computers had generally not been patched with security fixes that would have blocked the attack. Security experts, however, traced the exploitation of that weakness back to the U.S. National Security Agency; it was part of a cache of stolen NSA cyberweapons publicly released by a group of hackers known as the Shadow Brokers.

Microsoft president Brad Smith likened the theft to "the U.S. military having some of its Tomahawk missiles stolen," and argued that intelligence agencies should disclose such vulnerabilities rather than hoarding them.

WannaCry came to a screeching halt thanks to enterprising work by a British hacker named Marcus Hutchins, who discovered that the malware's author had embedded a "kill switch" in the code. Hutchins was able to

trip that switch, and the attack soon ended. In an unusual twist, Hutchins was arrested months later by the FBI during a visit to the U.S.; he pleaded not guilty and now awaits trial on charges he created unrelated forms of malware.

The United States and South Korea have accused North Korea of launching a series of cyberattacks in recent years, though the North has dismissed the accusations.

A South Korean lawmaker in October said North Korean hackers stole highly classified military documents that include U.S.-South Korean wartime "decapitation strike" plans against the North Korean leadership. Seoul's Defense Ministry earlier said North Korea was likely behind the hacking of the Defense Integrated Data Center.



Japan Air Self-Defense Force demonstrates a training session to utilize the PAC-3 surface-to-air interceptors at the U.S. Yokota Air Base on the outskirts of Tokyo.

Japan OKs missile defense system amid N. Korea threat

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's Cabinet today approved a plan to purchase a set of costly land-based U.S. missile combat systems to increase the country's defense capabilities amid escalating threats from North Korea.

The approval will allow the Defense Ministry to buy two Aegis Ashore systems to add to Japan's current two-step missile defense consisting of Patriot batteries and Aegis-equipped destroyers.

"North Korea's nuclear and missile development has become a greater and more imminent threat for Japan's national security, and we need to drastically improve our ballistic missile defense capability to protect Japan continuously and sustainably," a statement issued by the Cabinet said.

The deployment will add to growing defense costs in Japan as Prime Minister Shinzo Abe's government pushes to allow the military a greater international role and boost its missile combat capability.

Defense officials say two Ae-

gis Ashore units can cover Japan entirely by using advanced missile interceptors such as SM-3 Block IIA that was jointly developed by Japan and the U.S., and would cost around 200 billion yen (\$1.8 billion), though they have not released exact figures.

Officials say they hope the systems are ready for operation by 2023.

Officials refused to disclose cost details until a planned release of a 2018 budget, in which defense spending is expected to rise to a record.

Abe has said he fully backs U.S. President Donald Trump's policy of keeping all options on the table, including possible military actions, against the North. Abe has vowed to bolster Japan's security cooperation and increase use of advanced U.S. missile defense equipment.

Defense officials declined to give details about potential sites for Aegis Ashore deployment, while Japanese reports cited Self-Defense Force bases in Akita, northern Japan, and

Yamaguchi, in southwestern Japan.

Defense officials said they chose Aegis Ashore over an option of Terminal High-Altitude Area Defense, or THAAD, because of its cheaper cost and versatility. Typically, a THAAD setup comes with 48 missiles and 9 mobile launch pads, priced about \$1.1 billion, and Japan would need at least six of those to defend the country, officials said.

The deployment of THAAD in South Korea triggered protests from China as Beijing sees it as a security threat.

Aegis Ashore can be compatible with the ship-based Aegis systems that are on four Japanese destroyers and also could work with SM-6 interceptors capable of shooting down cruise missiles, defense officials said. Japan plans to add four more Aegis-equipped destroyers in coming years.

The U.S. has installed the land-fixed Aegis in Romania and Poland, and Japan will be a third to host the system.

China urges US to accept its rise

BEIJING (AP)—The Chinese government today criticized U.S. President Donald Trump's decision to label Beijing a strategic rival and called on Washington to "abandon a Cold War mentality" and accept China's rise.

Trump's decision reflects a "victory of hardliners" in his administration, the official Xinhua News Agency said. It warned U.S.-Chinese economic relations were likely to face "even more pressure and challenges."

"We urge the United States to stop deliberately distorting China's strategic intentions and abandon a Cold War mentality," said a foreign ministry spokeswoman, Hua Chunying. "Otherwise it will injure others and damage itself."

Trump's report Monday hit a series of sore spots for Beijing. It affirmed ties with Taiwan, the self-ruled island the mainland government claims as its territory, and pledged to "re-energize our alliances" with Southeast Asian governments, some of which have conflicts with China over claims to portions of the South China Sea.

The United States and China share one of the world's biggest trading relationships and cooperate in areas from clean energy to public health. But Beijing sees Washington as an obstacle to its ambitions to be East Asia's dominant power, and strains over Taiwan, trade, technology policy and the South China Sea are growing.

"It is selfish to put your national interest above other countries' interest and the mutual interest of the international community," said the Chinese Embassy in Washington in a statement.

"The Chinese side is willing to have peaceful coexistence with all countries," said the embassy statement. "The United States should also adapt and accept China's development."

U.S. officials are uneasy about Beijing's rising military spending — already the second-highest behind Washington. They see President Xi Jinping's "Belt and Road Initiative," a project to build railways and other infrastructure across countries from Asia to Europe and Africa, as

part of efforts to erode American influence and nurture a China-centered political structure.

Especially sensitive is Taiwan, the democratic island Beijing has declared a "core interest" over which it will go to war, if necessary. Trump's report promises to "maintain our strong ties with Taiwan" and provide for its "legitimate defense needs."

China has taken a tougher stance toward Taiwan since last year's election of President Tsai Ingwen, who has refused to endorse Beijing's contention that Taiwan is part of the Chinese nation.

After Trump signed a law this month that opened the way for U.S. Navy ships to visit Taiwan, a Chinese diplomat quoted by state media said the mainland would attack the day that happened.

Trump's report doesn't change Washington's official stance but might aggravate tensions if Taiwanese who want formal independence see it as sign of U.S. support and "want to take advantage of it," said Xiong Zhiyong, a U.S. relations expert at China Foreign Affairs University.

US vetoes UN resolution against Jerusalem decision

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United States on Monday vetoed a resolution supported by the 14 other U.N. Security Council members that would have required President Donald Trump to rescind his declaration of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, a vote that showed the depth of global opposition to the U.S. move.

The United States was certain to veto the Egyptian-sponsored resolution, but its Arab supporters wanted the vote to demonstrate that countries everywhere and even many U.S. allies such as Britain, France and Japan are against Trump's action.

The Palestinians immediately announced that they will seek a resolution with similar demands in the 193-member General Assembly, where there are no vetoes. But unlike the Security Council, the assembly's resolutions are not legally binding.

Palestinian Ambassador Riyad Mansour told reporters after meeting with the General Assembly president that he expects

a vote this week. He said he hopes for "overwhelming support" telling the Trump administration that the international community doesn't accept the U.S. position, which he said violates international law and Security Council and General Assembly resolutions.

U.S. Ambassador Nikki Haley called the Security Council resolution "an insult" that won't be forgotten, saying the United Nations forced the U.S. to cast a veto simply because of its right to decide where to put its embassy. She said the veto — the first cast by the U.S. in more than six years — was done "in defense of American sovereignty and in defense of America's role in the Middle East peace process."

The vetoed resolution would have demanded that all countries comply with 10 resolutions on Jerusalem, dating back to 1967, including requirements that the city's final status be decided in direct negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians.

It would also have affirmed

that "any decisions and actions which purport to have altered, the character, status or demographic composition of the holy city of Jerusalem have no legal effect, are null and void and must be rescinded."

Trump shattered decades of unwavering U.S. neutrality on Jerusalem on Dec. 6 when he declared that the United States recognizes the divided holy city as Israel's capital and will move its embassy there. Trump insisted that after repeated peace failures it was past time for a new approach, saying his decision was merely based on reality.

The status of Jerusalem has been a central issue in the decades-long Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and Trump's announcement was widely perceived as taking the side of Israel.

It countered an international consensus that Jerusalem's status should be decided in negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians, who claim east Jerusalem as the capital of their future state.

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